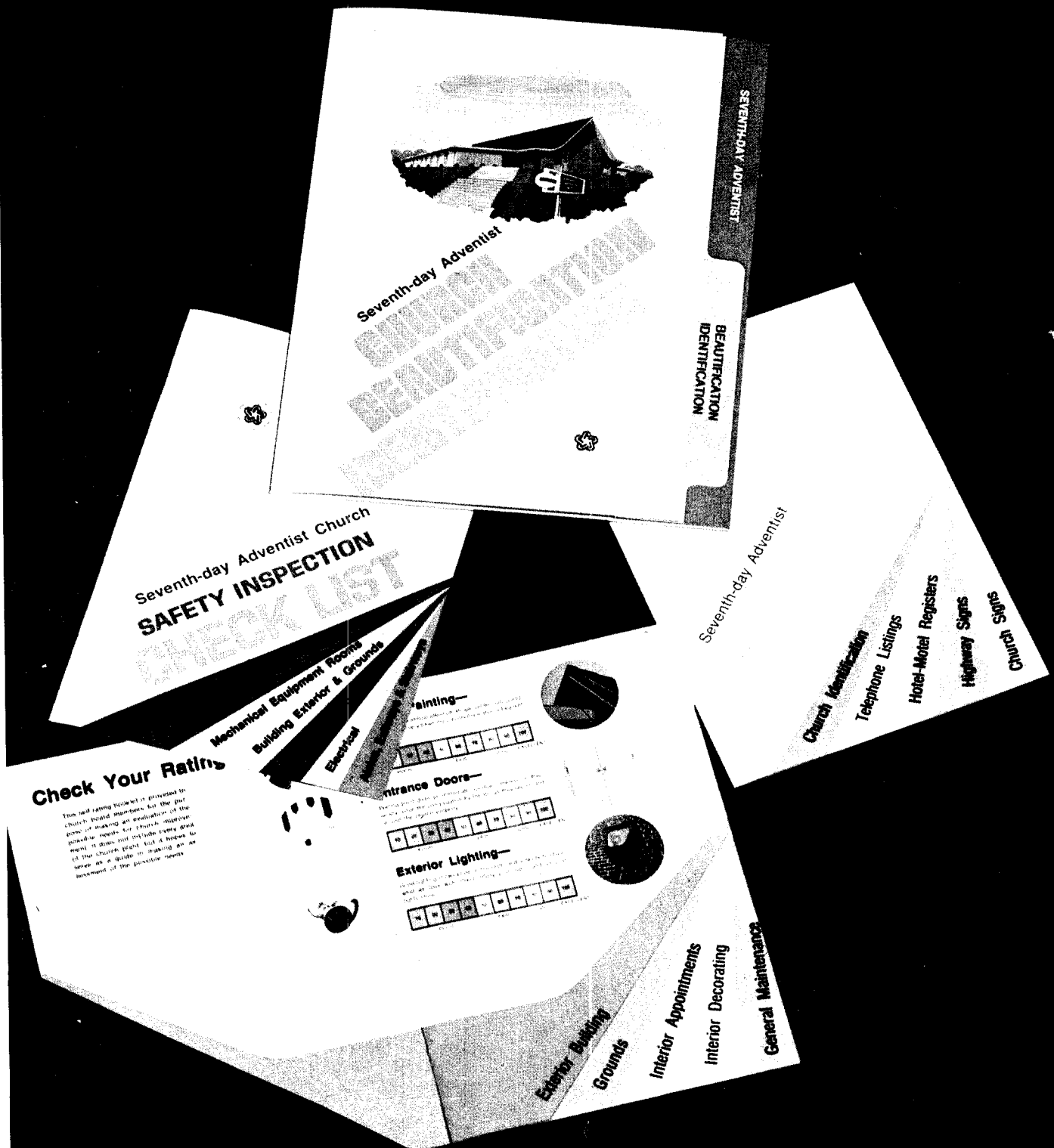


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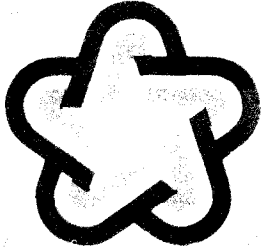
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Church Beautification and IDENTIFICATION

A Southern Union Conference Bicentennial Project — MARCH 1976

by Marvin H. Reeder

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As the year 1976 dawned, an air of excitement began to steal across the land. Government leaders called for a reassessment of national priorities. Citizens groups began laying plans for community improvements. Business turned its commercial genius into creating historical mementos, nostalgic styles, and promotional gimmicks.

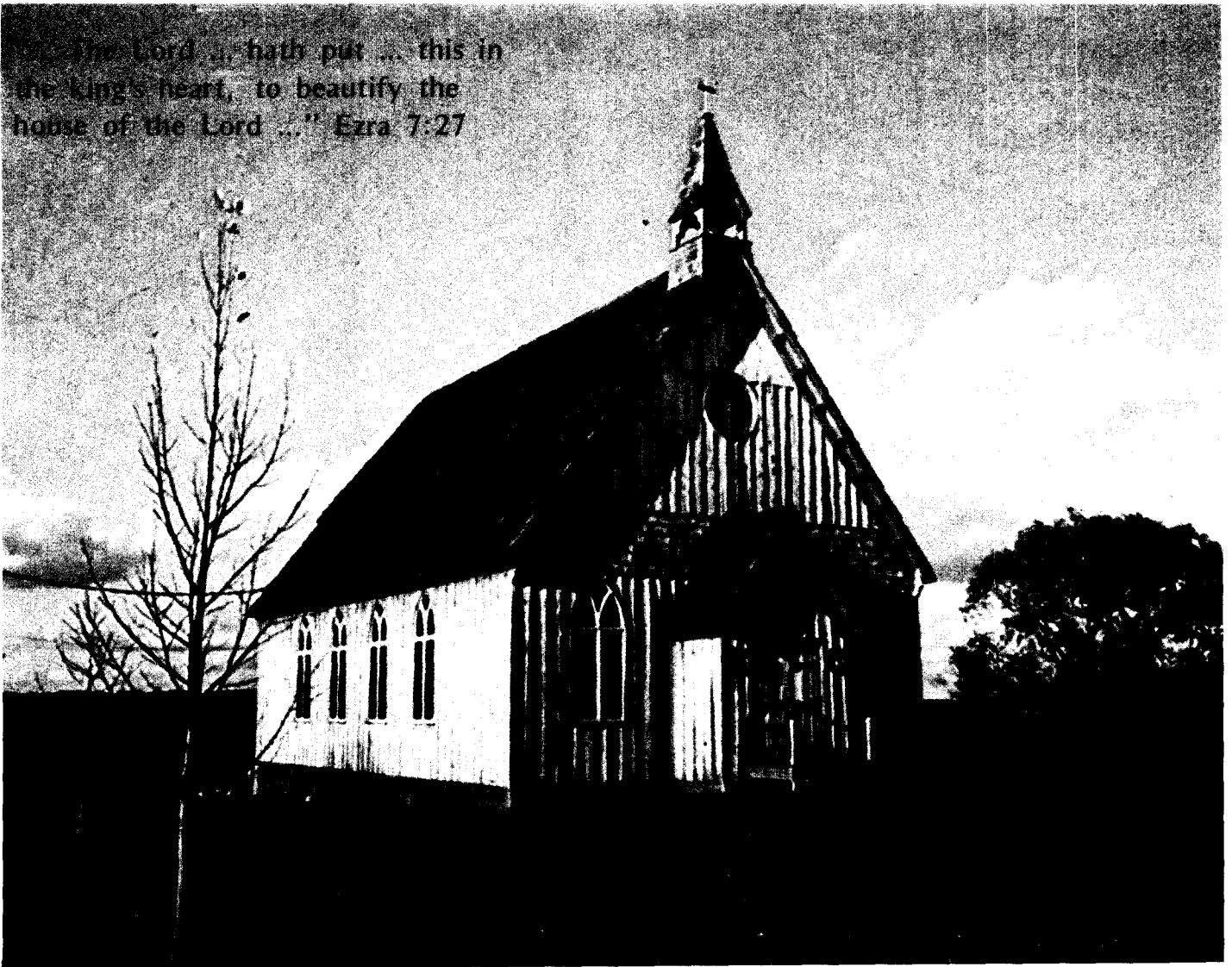
In the midst of economic uncertainty, unstable international conditions, and faltering moral resolve, men and women

search for peace—peace within and without. They reach out to seize ideals—to embrace convictions that will endure—to fasten their hopes on something beyond the transient mirage of human achievement.

In this atmosphere of anticipation and foreboding, of casting alternate glances ahead and behind, the Church has a mission to fulfill—an appointment with destiny.

The most important place in your town is the Seventh-day

A church need not be large to be an object of beauty. The Maryville, Tennessee, church presents a positive image of Seventh-day Adventists.





Well landscaped grounds, like those at the Orlando, Florida, Sanitarium church, tell passers-by something about what Seventh-day Adventists think of themselves, their church, and their God.



Well-maintained interiors, like the sanctuary of the Marietta, Georgia, church, create an atmosphere of reverence for God and respect for His house.

Adventist church. You know it; I know it; your fellow church members know it. But who, among the non-Adventist residents of your area, share this conviction? Your church, my church, is the very gate of heaven!

The gate of heaven? Does my church look like the gate of heaven? If, indeed, it is the gate of heaven, is it identified so everyone knows where it is located? Shouldn't the Seventh-day Adventist church be the best-known spot in town?

Let's look at the church from another angle. We have set a goal of reaching every person on planet Earth with the Message in the next five years. This goal is ambitious, but attainable, by God's grace. However, it is doubtful that our goal will be realized if we continue to operate with our "Seventh-day Adventist Church Anonymous" program.

Look at your church next Sabbath. As you look, try to put yourself in the place of the majority in your town who know little, or nothing, about Seventh-day Adventists. What impression would you get from the exterior of your church?

Before you go to church next Sabbath, look in your newspaper and in the telephone directory. Is your church listed? Ask the service station attendants near your home for directions to the Seventh-day Adventist church. Don't be surprised, even if you live in a small

town, should the attendants not know where the Adventist church is.

Would a traveler on the highway see signs pointing the way to your church?

March, 1976, has been named Church Beautification/Identification Month for the churches in the Southern Union Conference. Sometime before or during that month, you will see and hear an audio/visual presentation outlining ways you can correct or improve the identity and image of your church.

Additional help will be in the hands of your church board prior to Church Beautification/Identification Month. This will be a kit of materials including brochures on beautification, identification, safety, and building guides, plus a self-evaluation chart.

Of course you, individually, are the most important identification and beautification component within your church. The community will be watching you to see if it makes any difference for you to be a member of such a church. No matter how well you identify your church or beautify the edifice, that beauty and identity will only be believable if your life and actions square with and meet the same high standards maintained at your church plant.

This is a special program for the bicentennial year in the United States, but isn't this work equally important every year until our Lord returns?!

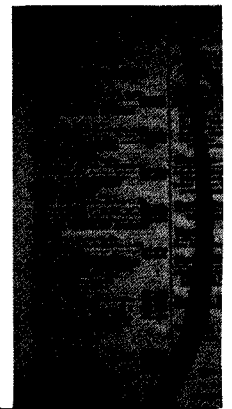
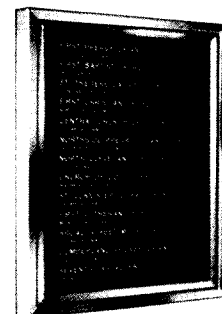


Structurally attractive and dignified yard signs should identify our churches.



Directional signs point the way on city streets. Larger signs should be posted along highways leading into the city.

Motel and telephone listings help travelers and local inquirers locate your church.



Dateline Data

DECATUR, GEORGIA — — —

Additions to the church through baptism and profession of faith numbered 6,392 in the Southern Union Conference during 1975, according to final, but unofficial figures. This was approximately 900 more than in 1974. The South Atlantic Conference led with 1,861, followed by Florida with 1,442. Other conference achievements were: Georgia-Cumberland, 819; South Central, 745; Carolina, 586; Kentucky-Tennessee, 572; Alabama-Mississippi, 367.

UNITED STATES — — —

Enrollment in colleges and universities under private or religious control is up five per cent this year over the preceding year. Within that group, Seventh-day Adventist colleges and universities registered a seven per cent increase for the year, and a 20 per cent gain over a five-year period. According to an estimate of the National Center for Education Statistics, institutions under public control have an estimated enrollment rise of 11 per cent over a year ago. Of the 11.3 million students in school this year, some 2.38 million attend privately controlled colleges and universities.

DECATUR, GEORGIA — — —

Ingathering receipts amounted to \$1,243,098.29 during the recently completed campaign, according to data released by W. L. Mazat, Southern Union Conference lay activities director. Solicitors used 2,255,950 pieces of literature, an average of one for every 14th person living in the Southern Union Conference territory. "No other single missionary endeavor carried on in any one year makes such an impact as does our Ingathering," states Mazat. "Many people who receive a piece of Ingathering literature cut out the coupon and enroll in one of the free Bible courses, and many have accepted Jesus as their Saviour and have identified themselves with us." The financial totals amount to a new record for the Southern Union, exceeding last year's total by \$32,566.74. "May we say a hearty thank you to every boy and girl, to the youth, adults, teachers, church officers, pastors, lay activities directors, and conference presidents for this wonderful work that has been accomplished," Mazat concludes.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS — — —

Marijuana users have more tooth decay and gum disease than non-users, according to a study presented at the American Public Health Association's annual meeting in Chicago by Dr. Steven Silverstein of the University of California School of Dentistry. The user group was picked from a 206-member group in the South that used marijuana in its religious ceremonies. Non-users consisted of 68 Seventh-day Adventists in California. Both groups followed vegetarian diets meeting recommended standards for vitamins and calories.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK — — —

Gravediggers in New York City are seeking wage increases of 30 per cent for the first year and 15 per cent in the second year of a two-year contract for its 1,700 gravediggers. Every three years since 1967 the union has struck for higher wages and benefits from the 40 non-public cemetery operators. In 1973, gravediggers stayed out for 27 days before reaching a contract agreement. Gravediggers now receive \$207 weekly.

FRIENDSHIP CAMP = EVANGELISM

by E. W. Moore

In these wretched places (cities) children are born, and grow up and die. They see nothing of the beauty of natural things that God has created to delight the senses and uplift the soul. Ragged and half-starved, they live amid vice and depravity. Moulded in character by the wretchedness that surrounds them . . . thus multitudes are trained to become criminals, foes of society that has abandoned them to misery and degradation." (*Ministry of Healing*, 189, 190).

Inspired by this statement, in 1966 the South Central Conference adopted the friendship camp program. Thirty-five children comprised that summer's enrollment, a number that has swelled to 300 in recent years.

The goal of friendship camp is to save children and their families for the kingdom of God. The church community services societies sponsor these children from their cities and follow them up after camp.

One example of the effects of friendship camp is reflected in the

experience of Willie Mae Morris, who attended friendship camp at the age of 11. Since then, she, her mother, two sisters, one uncle, three aunts, and four cousins have been baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Willie Mae is a happy member of the church choir and was with the choir when it was recently on TV with C. D. Joseph, pastor of Hillcrest church in Nashville. He is still giving studies to some 45 other relatives in Columbia and Lewisburg, Tennessee.

To date, some 300 persons have been baptized who were directly attributable to friendship camp, which means more than friends, it means saving souls for the kingdom of God.

Just one week of Christian society, recreation, devotions, culture trips, and discussions, nursing care, and counseling along with one Sabbath day of worship makes such changed individuals of these youngsters that their parents and friends want to know, "What kind of church could make such a difference in a child's life in so short a time?"



Steve Goth, counselor from Louisville, Kentucky, prepares to take a group boating.



Abundant outdoor recreation is something many inner-city children seldom experience.



Willie Mae Morris, who attended friendship camp at the age of 11, is one of more than 300 who has united with the church as a result. She is shown here with E. W. Moore, conference lay activities and inner city director, right, and her pastor, C. D. Joseph, of the Nashville Hillcrest church.

As a result of attending friendship camp when 11 years old, Willie Mae Morris and 20 relatives have united with the church.





The front exterior of the Marion church.

MPA CO Builds Two

by Heri

For the first time in more than three years I can leave all of my Sabbath school supplies at the church. I won't have to take them home again."

"How wonderful it is at last to have a church home of our own. I am grateful to the MPA Corporation for making this possible for us."

These remarks were made by happy church members in Marion and Lenoir, North Carolina, as they walked into their new church buildings for the first Sabbath services recently. Both churches had been built by the MPA Corporation.

MARION

The Marion Church was organized in 1950 as a result of evangelistic meetings conducted by L. P. Knecht. Property was purchased on Vail Street, and construction was started as soon as funds were on hand. The basement was completed first, and this was used while the upstairs was being completed. Soon this was finished and their church was dedicated.

May 20, 1972, at 2:00 a.m. they received the sad news that their church had been destroyed by fire. Arson was suspected but it was never proved.

That week they held Sabbath services in the Old Fort Presbyterian church. They used the facilities at the Marion United Methodist church for a few Sabbaths and then returned to the Presbyterian church in Old Fort until their building was finished.

The burned out church property on Vail Street was sold. After much searching, five acres of land were purchased on U.S. 221, one-half mile south of Interstate 40. The tract is on a high hill, giving a beautiful setting for the church.

The next question was selecting plans and accumulating the necessary capital to build. Time was passing and inflation was making all building more costly. Furthermore, using rented church facilities is not the best way to either grow or hold a church family together.

LENOIR

Meanwhile, north and east of Marion, the Lenoir church was having its problems as well. The church was organized in 1958 but never had a church home of their own. They had met in members' homes, civic club meeting places, and other churches.

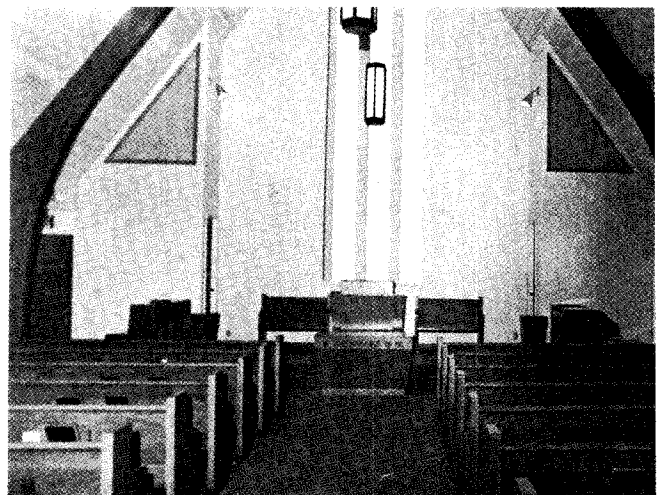
This had stymied their growth and had limited their witnessing to the community. To the 43 members scattered throughout the area a building program seemed as large as the nearby mountains.

But, with courage and undaunted faith they took the first step and bought a piece of property. This site served as a good investment for they sold it and bought another lot nearer to the city of Lenoir.

This land was paid for, but how could they erect the church with so few active members? Having heard of the MPA Corporation's desire to help the Marion church, they, too, presented their request.

When they received an affirmative reply, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy!

Interior of the Marion church.



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Davis



The Lenoir church.

THE CHURCHES

After all the studies and surveys were made, it was decided to build, with modifications, the same basic church plan and to erect them simultaneously.

The churches are of modern style with laminated arches giving the A-frame effect. The sanctuaries will each seat about 150 worshipers. This will provide a growth factor for both. They are brick and block construction that should give durability and low maintenance.

In addition to the sanctuary, there is an educational wing that will provide space for the children's divisions of the Sabbath school. One room is designed to allow multipurpose usage. This area could serve as a fellowship room for social functions, prayer meeting, and other church meetings. It would be adequate for a one-teacher school if that need ever arises.

Perry Coulter, who is the building coordinator for MPA Corporation, was in charge of construc-

tion for these two projects. Tom Gott was the assistant.

MPA CORPORATION

These two were the first churches to be built in Carolina by this laymens organization—MPA Corporation.

This organization came into being because a group of laymen were concerned about increasing the progress of the Lord's work in Carolina. They wanted to do more than participate in the Sabbath service. So, they have joined together to pool ideas, time, talents, energy, and bank statements in a program of total involvement for the Lord.

The mode of operation for MPA is that the money received from members in dues is used for the current project. The balance of necessary funds is borrowed where the best interest rate is available. This enables immediate construction to take advantage of current building prices, thus helping to keep down construction costs.

MPA ACCOMPLISHMENTS

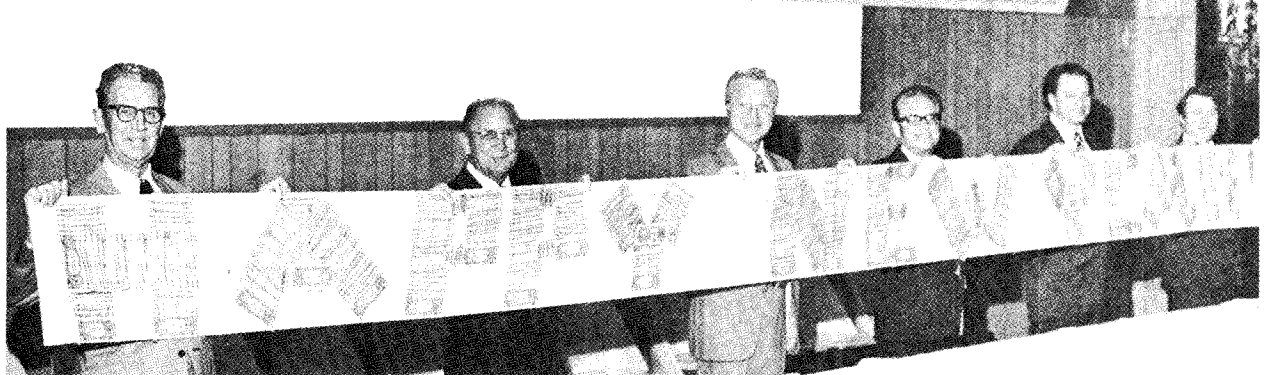
1. *Boys' Dormitory* at Mt. Pisgah Academy.
2. *Pisgah Estates*—a master planned adult community near Mt. Pisgah Academy campus.
3. *Pisgah Manor*—a 120 bed medicaid approved health care facility. It also provides employment for academy students.
4. *Harris Pine Mills*—assembly plant for outdoor lawn and patio furniture. It employs about fifty students.

MPA Corporation will announce soon their plans for churches to be built in 1976. Membership is open to all laymen and the greater the membership, the more projects that can be accomplished for the Lord.



Perry Coulter (right center), MPA building coordinator, presents the keys to the Lenoir church to Edward Huffman, local elder, observed by Brian Wilcox (left), president of MPA Corporation, and Ray Hubbardt, pastor.

must have suitable truth in simple language. ...a book remains is kind of literature will be the most effective means of people. A sermon may be preached & soon forgotten. BUT A BOOK REMAINS



One thousand dollars spells "Happy New Year" in more ways than one. W. E. Roberson (left), H. H. Schmidt, Dr. W. E. Tryon, Eric Ristau, Hoyet L. Taylor, and Gerald R. Bietz hold the banner whose letters were formed by arranging a thousand one dollar bills. The gift from Dr. Tryon will be used to provide free literature for colporteurs to give to interested persons.

Sales and Souls

by George A. Powell



"The world would try to tell literature evangelists that you can't make a living selling these books," declares C. E. Bradford, associate secretary of the General Conference, "but you don't know it can't be done, so you're doing it!"

Sales and souls—important words to literature evangelists.

Sales, because that stands for books placed in homes—books telling the story of salvation. Sales, because it is the means of livelihood for the 200 literature evangelists in the Southern Union who have dedicated their talents to this phase of God's work.

Souls, because this is the purpose of their labors.

Sales were not easy during much of 1975. Economic condi-

tions dampened the resolve of many who would otherwise have purchased volumes.

But most of the faces seen at the Literature Evangelists' Convention a year ago were present again.

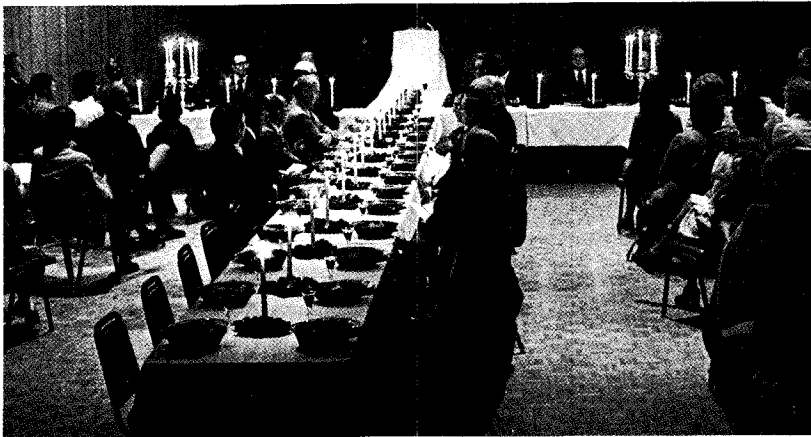
"The eyes of people all over North America were on you," said J. C. Kinder, associate director of the General Conference Publishing Department. "They were wondering whether you would reach that \$2 million mark in sales."



H. F. Roll (left), secretary of the Southern Union, drives a point home during the Sabbath school lesson study taught by Desmond Cummings, president of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.



Music was provided throughout the convention by Gordon Henderson, lay activities director and ministerial secretary of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, his wife, Phyllis, and daughter, Paulette.



The candlelight communion service, presided over by Harold E. Metcalf, Southern Union ministerial secretary, has become a meaningful tradition. The table, in the shape of a cross, is surrounded by the ordained ministers in attendance, who serve the congregation.

They reached it, and went beyond. Final figures revealed sales amounting to \$2,155,282.87.

And souls? The record speaks for itself. Baptisms reported came to 399.

This is only the beginning, believes Eric Ristau, Southern Union publishing director. As more and more sets of the Bible Reference Library find their way into people's homes, their sale aided by the new audio/visual canvass projector, thousands will take their stand on the side of truth.

The convention of January 2, 3 is now history. Pictured on these pages are a few of the highlights.



Mary Armstrong led the field in sales during 1975 with \$33,479.06. She receives an award from Carolina Conference President E. S. Reile. The Carolina Conference led the union with \$432,955.78. Kentucky-Tennessee had the greatest gain, 42 per cent over 1974.



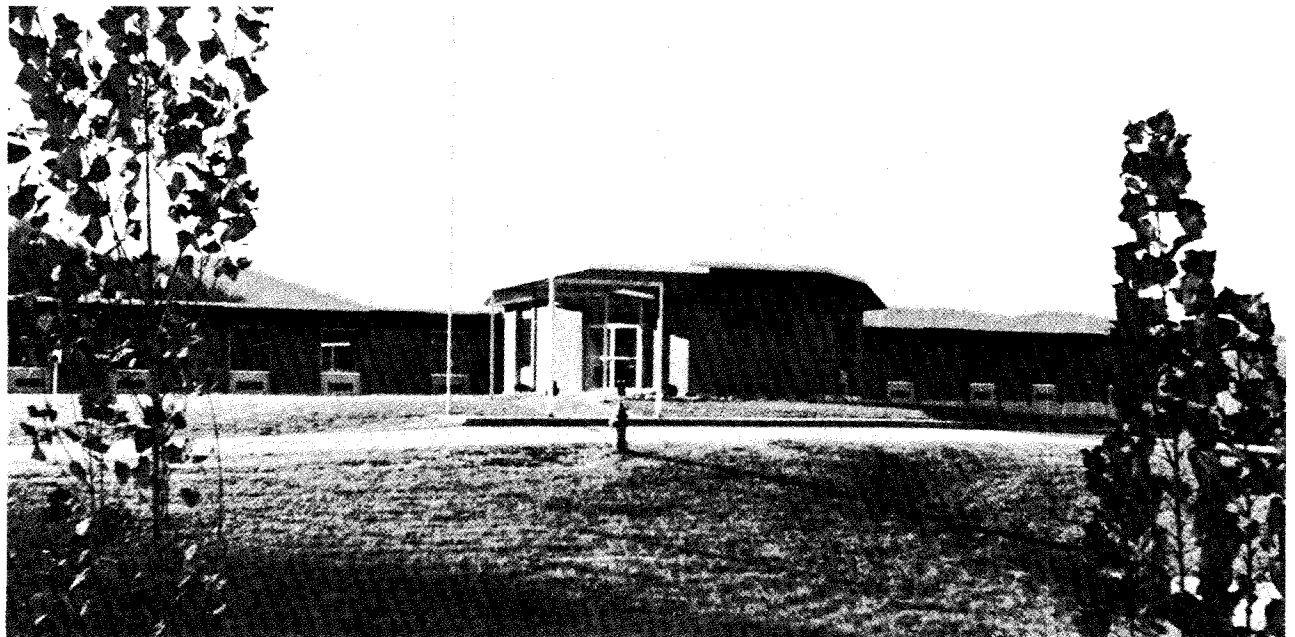
These literature evangelists were soul-winners during 1975. Together they were instrumental in 399 additions to the church. The South Atlantic Conference had 137 baptisms as a result of the work of literature evangelists.

1975 MISSIONARY REPORT

Literature Distributed	146,870
Bible Course Enrollments	23,796
Interested People Invited to Church	1,009
Former SDA's Contacted	1,697
Homes in Which Prayer Offered	58,581
Bible Studies	6,023
Baptisms	399



H. H. Schmidt, president of the Southern Union Conference, recognizes Mrs. Evelyn Smith of Florida City, Florida, for her role in 35 additions to the church during 1975.



Jellico Community Hospital.

JELICO COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

NEW LIGHT IN CAMPBELL COUNTY

by Jere Wallack

Campbell County, Tennessee. Population 30,000.

Until only months ago this was another of the nearly 130 unentered counties in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.

But in May, 1974, the Southern Adventist Health and Hospital System, Inc., signed a 99-year lease

with the city of Jellico (population 3,000)—in Campbell County—to operate their community hospital.

And in August of that year the hospital reopened its doors under the administration of Seventh-day Adventists.

Now there is a company of believers numbering nearly 50.

The members also operate an eight-grade church school with 12 students taught by Mrs. Bonnie Adams.

Dan Sanderford, administrator of the Jellico Community Hospital, came to the area from Walker Memorial Hospital in Avon Park, Florida, where he was assistant administrator.

Currently very active in civic affairs, he feels that "without question the local residents have a new and high regard for Seventh-day Adventists."

Assistant administrator is Jack King, previously office manager for the Cape Canaveral Hospital in Cocoa Beach, Florida.

Sanderford reports that during its first year of operation under the new leadership the hospital served 1,347 patients and 90 babies were born.

Built in 1968 by the city of Jellico, the community hospital was not officially opened until two years later after sufficient funds had been raised.

The entrance to this attractive, modern hospital.



However, it operated only briefly before it was forced to close down in 1972.

During this time the members of the Jellico City Council and the Hospital Board contacted the Southern Adventist Health and Hospital System's President Don Welch and began negotiations for the church organization to purchase and operate the facility.

In May, 1974, the lease was signed and, in July, 10 Adventist families moved to the Jellico community. Housing was so scarce that mobile homes had to be brought onto hospital property to accommodate the staff and their families.

The hospital doors opened again in August with a grant of \$135,000 from the Appalachian Regional Commission.

Charles H. Watkins, M.D., who serves as chief of staff, recently donated 50 acres of land to the Jellico church company.

The Professional and Business Association plans to build a new sanctuary on that land soon. Members are presently meeting in a large house on the property which doubles as the school.

David Merling has served as pastor in Jellico since January, 1975, and is very active in soulwinning endeavors in the community.

He conducts a daily radio broadcast on the two major stations in the county and in the fall of 1975 conducted a full-scale evangelistic crusade with several baptisms as a result.

In an interview with Sanderford and King, this writer asked, "What is your aim—your desire—for this hospital?"

Sanderford: "We are anxious to establish the hospital on a firm financial basis and to reach the people of this community. Our medical work through the hospital lays the groundwork for our ministers to reach the people."

"Compassion is our main desire. We pray that our patients can feel real Christian compassion in this hospital."

King: "I like the challenge of medical work in this previously dark county. I have a special burden for the business people of this city with whom I work so closely."

Thank God that these objectives are being met. Recently the following message appeared in the city newspaper:

"I would like to congratulate the Jellico Community Hospital and Mr. Dan Sanderford for the fine work and progress that they have made in the first year in Jellico."

"The hospital is a very important part of our community, and I wish them many more years of success and fine service to the people of Jellico and surrounding areas."

"The city offers its full cooperation in any way towards helping make it a complete success."

"Jellico is very fortunate in having so many fine doctors and hospital facilities in our town."

(Signed) Mayor Francis Payne, City of Jellico



Dan Sanderford, administrator.

Jack King, assistant administrator, and Mrs. Claire Buck, lab technician, in the hospital's well-equipped lab.



late news of the Conferences

ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI



Fred Evans (right), a member of the Mobile, Alabama, church, receives congratulations from Pastor C. W. Reed for DISTRIBUTING 10,025 ITEMS OF LITERATURE during December. He used *Steps to Christ* with Voice of Prophecy Bible course enrollment cards inside, Quiet Hour booklets, Reach Out for Life leaflets, *The Great Controversy*, and *Bible Readings for the Home*.



According to Temperance Director Gerald Kovalski, an average of three FIVE-DAY PLANS TO STOP SMOKING were held each month during 1975 by conference pastors. Recent Five-Day Plans were held in Mobile, Alabama, by Dr. Van Cockrell and Claude W. Reed; Florence, Alabama, by Dr. Robert Rausch and Tui D. Pitman; and Panama City, Florida, by Dr. E. P. Chapin and Lewis C. Brand.



W. A. Marshall, Sabbath school director, reports that the Athens, Alabama, church, with a membership of 53, RAISED \$2,000 FOR INVESTMENT. The Decatur, Alabama, church, with a membership of 46, raised \$1,000.



Meeting at Camp Alamisco, some 130 church leaders attended the annual ELDERS' AND DEACONS' MEETING December 5-7. Conference President W. D. Wampler and the office staff led out in the session.



Adventist Book Center Manager Terry Chestnut reports \$10,162 in sales during the 12 FALL BOOK SALES held in the conference.

Nine individuals were baptized following EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS by W. H. Patsel and A. E. Schlieff in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

SIX HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS ATTENDED THE OPENING MEETING of the Kenneth Cox crusade in Hunstville, Alabama, January 10. Two sessions are being held each night in the Huntsville Central church. The crusade continues through February 14.

CAROLINA

The youth-oriented RADIO PROGRAM His Way has been accepted by 80 stations in the Carolinas. Most of them are already airing the program. Letters of interest are beginning to come in, according to an announcement made by John Thurber, youth evangelist.

TWENTY-TWO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED thus far in the Pollard-Mahorney-Self evangelistic crusade in Clinton, South Carolina. The meetings have been held in the National Guard Armory.

The CAROLINA CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP was 8,564 at the end of 1975.

According to the SUMMARY OF PROGRESS for the third quarter issued by the General Conference the tithe per capita for Carolina was \$85.22, per capita giving for Sabbath school was \$.687, and for home and local church offerings was \$74.50.

Four hundred and fifty people attended the opening meeting for the Turner brothers EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE in the National Guard Armory in Salisbury, North Carolina. Jack Carey and Herb Crawley are assisting in the meetings.

The students of Mount Pisgah Academy earned \$1,700 to go toward the cost of their SWIMMING POOL. The funds were earned by participating in a comparative study of two TB tests. The program was administered by Russell Long, M.D.

HARRIS PINE MILLS has announced that a 1,500 sq. ft. addition will be made to their plant at Mount Pisgah Academy. This will provide more work possibilities for students.

The McKee Baking Company presented Mount Pisgah Academy with a \$5,000 gift to be used for PROGRAM ENRICHMENT.

Twenty members of the SPECIAL AD HOC COMMITTEE met at Mount Pisgah Academy January 11 to study four areas. These areas are: 1) the evaluation of principles of Christian education and their implementation to Mount Pisgah Academy; 2) A master plan for the future; 3) curriculum development; 4) work program. This special committee is composed of educators, business and professional people, and parents.

PATHFINDER CLUBS have increased from four to 16 in the Carolina Conference. A conference-wide Pathfinder council has been organized with Mrs. Jean Murphy of Wilson as leader. A conference-wide Pathfinder camporee will be held March 26-28 at Nosoca Pines Ranch.

FLORIDA

One of the most active COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTERS in Florida is in Clearwater. They are using the community service van in shopping centers for screening services, then inviting the people to come to their center the first of each month for blood pressure screening as well as taking a tour of their center and seeing it in operation. A Catholic lady who lives near the church works regularly in the center and also attends church services. Mrs. Helen Moravets, one of the community service van coordinators, reports giving away 1,002 pieces of literature while doing blood pressure tests.

OVER 400 DECISIONS FOR CHRIST were registered with 203 decisions for the Sabbath during the campaign held in Ft. Lauderdale by America's Prophecy Crusade, in cooperation with the pastors of that area. The new multimedia presentation of the message held the interest of those attending the double sessions each evening.

Harold West, Florida Conference ministerial secretary, and Ron Wiggins, communication and temperance director, met with Florida Hospital residents to explain CENTURY 21 HEALTH COURSE. All those in attendance were impressed with the program and have agreed to help out in the lectures whenever possible in the immediate area surrounding Orlando.

Eleven thousand were invited to see the EFFECTIVENESS OF MULTIMEDIA in illustrating the message on three large screens erected in the Walker Memorial church. The town was invited by direct mail, a highway streamer, newspaper, and church members. Double sessions were conducted nightly. Pastor Ron Smith reached his goal of 50 baptisms. His hard work and preparation were well rewarded. Over 150 decisions for Christ were registered with 70 decisions for the Sabbath.

Lewis Hendershot, associate youth director, and Bucky Weeks, department field assistant, recently held a YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING SEMINAR at Ft. Lauderdale for the south Florida region. Twenty youth leaders were in attendance for the 10-hour workshop. According to Hendershot, seminars will be held in all six Florida regions during 1976.

1,442 NEW MEMBERS were added to the Florida Conference by baptism or profession of faith during 1975, reports President H. J. Carubba, the highest total in the history of the conference.

The New Port Richey church school Christmas program offered a little different twist to its purpose. The offering collected during the program "Christmas Around the World" has been designated for the TRANSLATION OF BIBLE TEXTBOOKS into foreign languages for overseas countries.

IT IS WRITTEN TELECAST with George Vandeman, as of January, is being telecast on WTVT, channel 13, in Tampa. If the program does well it will be continued beyond the first quarter of the year. Current plans call for the program to run through March 28.

The first service in Port Charlotte's NEW CHURCH was held December 13. H. J. Carubba, Florida Conference president, was the guest speaker.

"Sold to that lady for \$5.00," shouts auctioneer Jim Davis at the annual Forest Lake church INGATHERING AUCTION. Church members sell usable but unwanted items to help raise the Ingathering goal. It's one of the highlights of the year for the church.

A NEW SPANISH CHURCH WAS ORGANIZED at West Palm Beach on November 22 with around 30 charter members. H. J. Carubba, conference president, and W. H. Smith, conference treasurer, officiated at the organizational service and were assisted by Saul Agosto, assistant pastor of the Miami Spanish church. The Florida Conference now has seven Spanish churches, reports Manuel Lopez, Spanish coordinator.

The newest branch of the Florida Hospital in Apopka welcomed many visitors through its facility December 14 at an OPEN HOUSE. Guest speaker of the festivities was U.S. Congressman Lou Frey from Winter Park.

Mrs. Marjorie Hanhardt was the GUEST OF HONOR at the Florida Conference office Christmas party. After 43 years of denominational service, during which time she has served eight presidents and one treasurer, she has decided to retire to spend more time with her husband Wesley, a retired minister. She will be missed not only by H. J. Carubba, conference president, but by all those in the office and around the field to whom she provides such inspiration.

MORE THAN 50 INDIVIDUALS WERE BAPTIZED in Jacksonville as a result of a recent campaign held by Rainey Hooper, conference evangelist. Several of them were as a direct result of Hooper's TV program, Foresight 20/20, which has been airing there for the past six months.

\$360,000 was raised in the recent INGATHERING CAMPAIGN by our faithful church members—the largest amount ever raised by the Florida Conference.

Florida LITERATURE EVANGELISTS delivered \$375,000 worth of literature during 1975.

Rainey Hooper began his EVANGELISTIC MEETING in the Orlando Central church January 2 with an attendance of over 800 people. More than 200 non-Adventists signed up for special literature. There has been an average of 1,000 attending every weekend with 300 of them non-Adventists.



H. G. Stoehr, on behalf of the newly organized Sebring church, bids farewell to Avon Park (Walker Memorial), the mother church, amid tears of gratitude. The NEW SEBRING CHURCH was organized with 37 charter members December 20. H. J. Carubba, conference president, and W. H. Smith, treasurer, officiated at the organizational meeting.

The WEST PALM BEACH CRUSADE had a wonderful opening January 3 with 700 attending, reports Harmon Brownlow. Over 200 non-Adventists requested special literature.

Art Swinson is presently conducting a SERIES OF MEETINGS in Inverness. He reported a capacity crowd with a large segment of non-Adventists.

MEETINGS are also being held by Lester Pratt and R. K. Cemer in Clearwater and Deland, respectively. Pratt reports there were 100 non-Adventists at the first meeting.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Viva Joiner, a member of the Valdosta, Georgia, church was recently chosen as the "Echols County TEACHER OF THE YEAR" by the administration, faculty, and board of education in the county. "I was speechless—which is unusual for me," said the sixth-grade teacher. Her teaching experience has been a varied one—from a three-room church school in Griffin, Georgia, where she was "literally principal, teacher, and janitor," to a junior high which had a staff of almost 100 persons.

The Georgia-Cumberland Conference Executive Committee at its December 15, 1975, meeting voted to ORGANIZE AS CHURCHES the following congregations: Atlanta Spanish, on January 24; Rock Spring, Georgia, and Birchwood, Tennessee, dates of both are yet to be set. These are in addition to the Atlanta Korean church organized December 13, 1975, and St. Elmo, Tennessee, on November 8, 1975. This brings to 95 the total number of churches in Georgia-Cumberland.

BAPTISMS IN GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND totaled 819 during 1975, according to Everett Cumbo, conference secretary. This is 19 ahead of 1974. Conference membership at the end of the 3rd quarter of 1975 stood at 14,053—a gain of 874 over the 3rd quarter membership in 1974.



Little Creek Academy near Knoxville, Tennessee, recently opened A NEW 13,280 SQ. FT. CAFETERIA. Called the "Winnie Peek Hall" after the head cook of the past 20 years, the dining hall features a large stone fireplace and picture windows overlooking the rolling countryside. According to Roger Goodge, vice-principal and national president of the Association of Privately Owned Seventh-day Adventist Services and Industries, the building, which seats 180 "extremely comfortably," is valued at over \$250,000. It contains "all the latest food preparation equipment," Goodge said.

The Evangelism Department of Georgia-Cumberland has announced the following results of recent EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGNS held in the conference: The Ringer-Truby team in Cleveland, Tennessee—17 baptisms; Hiner-Boling—40 baptisms at Atlanta Cascade Road; Arnold Scherence—4 baptisms in Americus, Georgia; and Victor Esquilla—9 baptisms in Wallaceville, Georgia.

Emilio Knechtle was the WEEKEND GUEST SPEAKER December 5-6 in the Augusta, Georgia, church. Attendance was so large that a nearby high school auditorium was used for the worship service. Clifford Vickery is the local pastor.

Laurelbrook Academy, a self-supporting school in Dayton, Tennessee, held its annual ALUMNI HOMECOMING in mid-October, 1975. Elected to serve as president of the Alumni Association for the following year was Eric Schoonard ('72), director of the Whispering Pines School in Mississippi.

THE ATLANTA KOREAN CHURCH WAS ORGANIZED with 38 charter members December 13. According to full-time pastor Chun Taek Yim, there are about 3,000 Koreans in Atlanta. Average attendance at the church is 100. Georgia-Cumberland President Desmond Cummings officiated at the organizational service, assisted by Secretary Everett E. Cumbo.

Graysville, Tennessee, Pathfinders raised \$105 during a 50-MILE BIKE-A-THON in November. Though the trip was a partial requirement for a biking honor, it was also to earn money to donate to the Rhea County Hospital auxiliary for purchase of new equipment. Jo Hoover is the director of the club.

A four-class HEALTH AND FOOD PREPARATION COURSE was held in mid-November, sponsored by the Crossville, Tennessee, church. The classes, held in the Cumberland County Public Library kitchenette, were directed by Mrs. Ruth Schwab.

Nearly 50 students from Georgia-Cumberland Academy will be visiting various conference churches second semester to present the worship hour services. The SEMINAR TEAMS, ranging from 5-13 students, provide the music for the services as well as the sermons. The young people,



under the sponsorship of Ray Cornforth and John Briggs, have appointments nearly every weekend until school closes. Each week the students meet together to share their experiences and pray for God's guidance in their ministry.

Fifty physicians met at Wildwood Sanitarium and Hospital in December for a FIVE-DAY SEMINAR IN PHYSIOLOGY AND MEDICINE. The daily programs featured devotionals, lectures, panel discussions, and exercise breaks. Featured speakers included Dr. Ralph Waddell, director of health for the General Conference, Dr. James McKinney from Greeneville, Tennessee, and W. D. Frazee, president of Wildwood. Tape recordings of the lectures and discussions are available from Wildwood Recordings. For further information contact Wildwood Hospital.

A music teacher whose husband is not a church member felt a burden to participate in the 10 PLUS 10 + PROGRAM of her church. However, she felt that her personal finances were insufficient beyond paying for her two children's schooling. Her husband was not at all interested in helping her. So she prayed about it. The very next week she received several calls from parents requesting her to teach music to their children. Her prayer was answered and she was able to plan her 10 PLUS 10 + giving accordingly.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE



Phil Huber, pastor of the Clarksville, Tennessee, district, has been asked to conduct a FIVE-DAY NON SMOKING CLINIC in the First Methodist church of Clarksville January 25-29.

Phil Huber reports that a PROPHECY OF HOPE CRUSADE was completed December 13 in Frankfort, Kentucky, capital of the state. Frank Walter, pastor of the district, assisted. Six were baptized.

As of January 1, the Adventist Book Center PURCHASED THE CAMPUS FOOD STORE from Madison Academy. Plans have been made for the expansion of the health food department including grains, nuts, and other natural foods.

Conn Arnold, MV director, has three PATHFINDER MASTER GUIDE WORKSHOPS scheduled: Nashville, Tennessee, January 25; Lexington, Kentucky, February 1; Jackson, Tennessee, February 8.

Kentucky-Tennessee Secretary H. V. Leggett reports 572 BAPTISMS for 1975. This is the first time in the history of the conference that the 500 mark has been reached.

Dr. E. C. Banks, retired professor from Andrews University, recently conducted a MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT SEMINAR for the Woodbury-Tullahoma district. This was the first one in this conference and proved to be a real blessing to the nine couples who attended.

Mrs. Dorothy Gaskill, a member of the Tullahoma, Tennessee, church, tells of the effect the 10 PLUS 10 + had upon her life: "I'm on a small, fixed income. Many things happened which prevented my doing any part time work as I had hoped and expected. But my promise on the 10 PLUS 10 + was kept and God kept his promise bringing me some 'big surprises.' I am learning more about 'where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.'"

SOUTH ATLANTIC



George Timpson, youth director of the South Atlantic Conference, reports that 51 youth leaders earned certificates at the MV-PATHFINDER WORKSHOP conducted in Miami December 12-14. The 10-hour course was taught by Desmond Hills, associate youth director of the General Conference, Lowell Litten, editor of *Guide*, Don Holland, youth director of the Southern Union, the Leland Davises of Jacksonville, and Pastor and Mrs. Fred Parker of the Miami Bethany church, site of the workshop. Many additional young people audited the course.

SOUTH CENTRAL

South Central workers heard Dr. E. E. Rogers, the principal speaker, at the ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET examine and analyze the text "More than conqueror" to find super victors.

Riverside Chapel became an evangelistic agency with its BUS MINISTRY and its TV MINISTRY.

Nine more members of Willie Mae Morris' family were BAPTIZED January 10 by Nashville Hillcrest Pastor C. D. Joseph, making 21 who have been baptized as a result of Willie Mae's attendance at friendship camp.

"South Central had a TITHE INCREASE of \$128,736.04 in 1975," reported D. A. Walker, conference treasurer. "But the cost of operation increased even more," he added. He was reporting at the January 5-8 workers' meeting in Nashville.

The Church in Action

Education

Alabama-Mississippi Organizes Board of Education

Alabama-Mississippi — The Alabama-Mississippi Conference took an important and far-reaching step in the work of education when the executive committee voted a board of education into being at its December 15 meeting. The constitution for this newly-organized board was ratified at the same session.

The philosophy and structure of the board of education was presented to the ministers and to the elders and deacons during their annual December meetings by D. K. Griffith, conference superintendent of education. Members named to the board of education are: W. D. Wampler, chairman; D. K. Griffith, secretary; Lewis Stout, Richard Center, V. W. Becker, and Jim Epperson, Lewis Brand, Ralph Hallman, Leason Henderson, Dr. Stanley Knapp, and Mrs. Barbara Laye. The first official meeting was set for March 28.

Another important innovation voted by the conference committee was the package teacher-expense billing to the church. This will make early budget planning possible for the churches. At the same time

it will maintain the present church-conference balance of expense sharing.

Under this plan each church will pay a predetermined amount for teacher expense, thus making it possible for a small church school to have a certified and experienced teacher at the same rate. No longer will a church school committee need to think a certified teacher is too expensive because of the teacher's experience and training. For example, a one-teacher school would pay no more into the conference for a teacher with a master's degree than for a new or uncertified teacher. This will have the tendency to upgrade the teachers' level of certification throughout the conference.

Each school is to have its own constitution or working policy. A number of the church school committees have started to formulate this document to give direction and definition to the operation of their schools. The superintendent is meeting with the local school committees as time permits explaining the new direction in which the office of education for the Alabama-Mississippi Conference is moving.

'Bicentennial Bake Sale' Benefits Schools

Alabama-Mississippi — A sales event billed as a "Bicentennial Bake Sale" was sponsored by the Sheffield, Alabama, Adventist Womens' Club and joined by ladies from the Decatur, Alabama, church. The sale, held in the Lauderdale County courthouse, brought in nearly \$1,000 for the school programs in the two churches, but equally profitable was the wide news coverage of the event and good will developed.

The fare included molasses, peanuts, chestnuts, apples, herbs, homemade bread of all types, homemade jellies and jams, fig preserves, and other "ole fashion" foods. All this was arranged attractively amidst antique decorations to give the bicentennial flavor to the event. Ladies running the sale were dressed in pioneer costumes complete with bonnets, aprons, and shawls. The bread was displayed on old French bakers' racks.

Although a sale event, the news media, including TV, picked the activity up as a contribution to the country's Bicen-

Mrs. Edward Clem (left), president of the Sheffield, Alabama, Adventist Women's Club, Mrs. Frank Potts, vice-president and publicity chairperson, and Mrs. Ernest Blasingame, Jr., secretary, stand beside an antique French baker's rack on which bread was displayed during the "Bicentennial Bake Sale."



tennial celebration. In Huntsville, 66 miles away, the strongest TV station carried a feature on the event on their 6:30 news.

Youth

Florida Holds Teen Pathfinder Camporee

Florida — Three-hundred-fifty Pathfinders and leaders representing 18 different clubs took part in a state-wide Teen Pathfinder Camporee held at Camp Kulaqua in mid-November, 1975. The program was coordinated by the Florida Pathfinder Council under the direction of Lewis Hendershot, associate youth director for the Florida Conference.

The Friday night program featured Bennie Tillman's presentation of the sights and sounds of the Island Impact outreach in the Grand Turk Islands last summer. Teen members of the Island Impact team were present to share some of their experiences.

Don Holland, Southern Union youth director, the featured speaker at the Sabbath morning worship service, appealed to the teens to make a commitment of winning at least one soul to Jesus in 1976. Three hundred responded to that call.

Sunday's schedule included field events, such as bridge building, an Indian drag race,

Rope bridge building was one of many field events at the Teen Pathfinder Camporee.



Health

Madison Hospital Launches Drive to Equip West Wing

Madison Hospital — Homer N. Grove, Madison Hospital's executive vice-president and administrator, has announced the beginning of a campaign to raise funds for Madison Hospital's expansion program.

The project, called "Madison Hospital Care Program," will raise money to help finance the new west wing facilities which were dedicated October 6. Since then, ancillary departments have used the ground level of the wing, but not until December 4 had patients been admitted to the first floor of the wing.

With the opening of this 32-bed floor, Madison Hospital's maximum capacity reached 270 beds. When the remaining five floors are put into service (over a period of several years) the bed count will hit 388.

"We intended to spend \$3.5 million on our expansion when we drew up the plans in 1973," Grove explained. "But inflation

orienteering, fire-building, pancake flips, and speed knot tying. All total, 423 first-place ribbons, 56 second-place ribbons, and 49 third-place ribbons were awarded for the day.

has increased the cost by about \$1 million since then. And new developments in medical technology have created a need for newer equipment necessary to provide good health care for our patients.

"The revised cost of the total expansion program and new equipment is now \$7 million," Grove added.

Mrs. Peggy Vinson, of Vinson and Associates, has been named development consultant for the project.

Economic constraints have been placed on all hospitals and most of these constraints have come from the government, belying the theory that the government funnel is still flowing freely, she stated.

"Some financial constraints," she added, "are the economic stabilization program, Medicare - Medicaid amendments, and withdrawals of Medicaid financing funds."

Today's reimbursements from the government do not include an amount for long range building programs, purchasing of newer equipment, and the paying of debts; therefore, the need for financial assistance for the hospital's Care Program becomes necessary, she explained.

Funds received in the drive will help provide additional bed space, and laboratory, respiratory therapy, pharmacy, and cardiology diagnostic expansion.

Miami Temple Nutrition School Enrolls 150

Florida — On December 30, 1950, two young people were baptized at the Miami Temple church. Now, 25 years later, Dotty Pommer returned to put on nutrition classes at the brand new Temple church that sponsored them. Dotty, who is a Bible instructor at the Forest Lake church in Forest City, Florida, is a General Conference-licensed nutrition instructor. She believes that caring for the body is part of teach-

ing people how to have a well rounded life.

Attendance at the classes, conducted October 26-30, was as high as 150, of which 50 were non-Adventists.

"There is more to being a homemaker than putting a delicious meal on the table," Mrs. Pommer believes. "Food that tastes good can be balanced, nutritionally, as well." Each evening there was a different theme, such as an Oriental



Dotty Pommer (left), director of the nutrition school, with her assistant, Patti Read.

night, bread-making night, homemade gluten preparation, sprouting, and many other things.

The members of the church worked long hours in preparation for the meetings. Visiting neighbors remarked how much they appreciated the counsel and help they received. Each evening started with a devotion, followed by a talk on preventative medicine by a local doctor. Each evening the food that was prepared at the class was given as door prizes. Loma Linda Foods supplied the protein analogs that were also given out as prizes.

Progress

Arden Plans New Church

Carolina — The members of the Arden, North Carolina,

Peachtree City to Build Church

Georgia-Cumberland —

Members of the Peachtree City, Georgia, company, organized only the first of November, 1975, began construction on a new church in late December.

Under the leadership of R. N. Lee, D.D.S., the 22 members are building an edifice with an 180-seat chapel, plus a fellowship hall with kitchen, and rooms for all Sabbath school departments. The structure is being erected on a two-acre lot donated by a member who asked not to be identified.

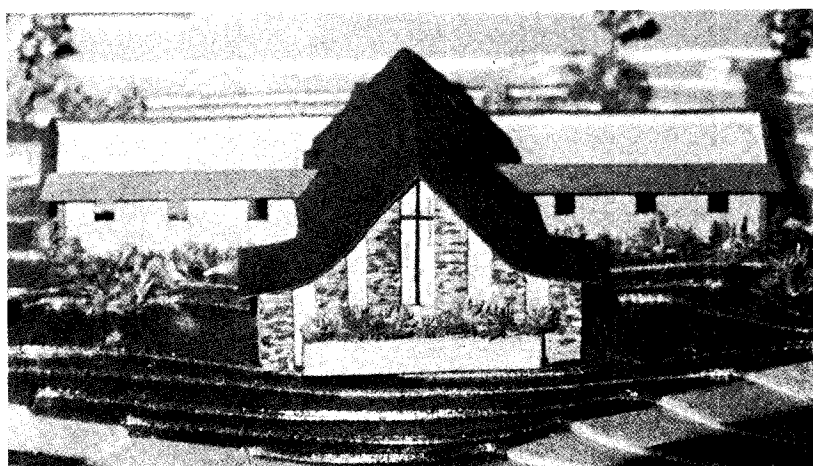
Sonny Cox of Atlanta is direct-

ing the construction which will be carried on by mostly donated labor. Actual building costs are estimated to run about \$70,000 for the cedar and native stone structure.

The Professional and Business Association is providing the financial assistance for the project.

Peachtree City is a totally planned community with a current population of 4,500. Adventist work began there two years ago with a branch Sabbath school.

The congregation is currently worshipping in a local garden club where the Catholic and Lutheran churches also meet.



Architect's model of the proposed Arden, North Carolina, church.

church met recently in a special business meeting and approved building plans submitted by the building committee.

The new church will be located on a prominent thoroughfare on a commanding site on a hill on Airport Road. This road is also a connector between U.S. 25 and I-26.

The plans call for a two-story building with a total of 14,958 square feet. The sanctuary, including the choir loft, will seat 400 worshipers.

On the upper level there will be 13 classrooms for the various divisions of the Sabbath school and other church functions. In addition to this, there will be rooms for the pastor's study, office secretary, and choir.

The basement level will be the fellowship hall, which has been designed for multi-purpose usage. Community Services, storage areas, and mechanical equipment rooms are also provided for on this level.

The financial plan was also approved at this meeting. The estimated cost of the building is \$300,000. They plan to have cash in hand of \$137,000 by March 1, at which time construction should begin. The land, which cost \$40,000, is free of debt.

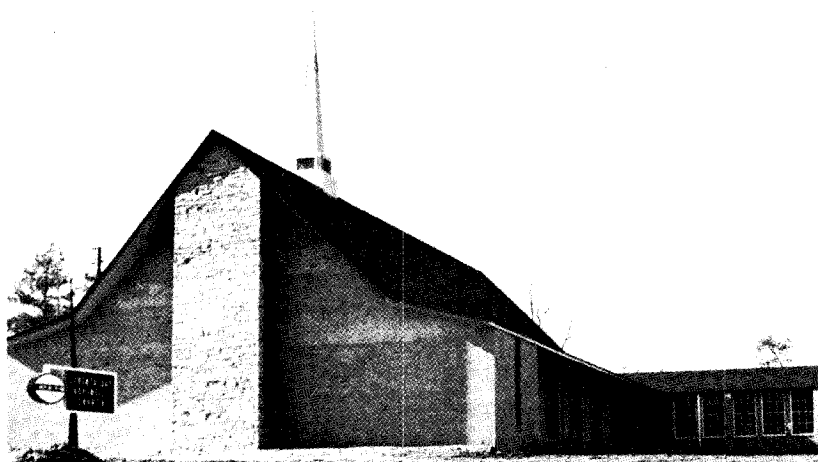
The Arden church was organized in 1972 with 123 charter members. Today the membership is 218. D. G. Anderson is the pastor. J. P. Crabtree is the building committee chairman.

Meridian Occupies New Church

Alabama-Mississippi — Jubilant members of the Meridian, Mississippi, church traveled by motorcade after Sabbath school, the last service in their old church building, to their newly constructed church plant across town to worship there for the first time. Friends from nearby churches and conference personnel swelled the attendance on that December 20 Sabbath to 250.

The new church plant is complete with a sanctuary featuring padded pews to seat 240 worshipers, six spacious class-

rooms, a pastor's study, and a large fellowship hall which was utilized in feeding those attending the open house service. Located on acreage at the edge of the city, the church is situated on a hill from which one can see for miles—truly a light on a hill. The plant is fully carpeted with central heat and air-conditioning. Future plans call for locating the church school on the same property.



The 240-seat Meridian, Mississippi, church.

Participants in the open house service included H. H. Schmidt, Southern Union Conference president, as guest speaker; W. D. Wampler, local conference president; local Pastor M. T. Reiber; former pastors W. E. Brown and C. A. Russo, and local elders Lacy



Participants in the Meridian church's opening service included (left to right): J. C. McElroy, M. T. Reiber, H. H. Schmidt, W. D. Wampler, and W. E. Brown.

Terry and J. C. McElroy. Music for the day was presented by the Pine Forest Academy choir. A baptismal service was held on this first worship day in the new church.



South Atlantic Conference President R. L. Woodfork (left), and T. R. Smith (right), conference publishing director, stand with the two top soul-winning literature evangelists in the Southern Union, Mrs. Evelyn Smith, with 35, and Arthur Fairfax, with 31 for the year.

Arthur Fairfax of Atlanta, Georgia, were each responsible for more than 30 additions to the church.

"We praise God for this success, but we are not content with past achievements," states T. R. Smith, conference publishing director. "Our goal for 1976 is 150 souls."

Octogenarian Aids VOP by Needlework

Florida — Anne Johnson, age 82, a Seventh-day Adventist since the age of 17, has been providing some rather unusual contributions to the Voice of Prophecy for the past several years.

She is a master in the art of crocheting, and each year sends several shipments of ponchos, baby clothes, blankets, etc., to



Mrs. Anne Johnson sends numerous items to the Voice of Prophecy's Glendale Showcase each year.

the Voice to sell in their Glendale Showcase. The Showcase is a store at which these kinds of gifts can be sold to the surrounding community. The proceeds go to the radio ministry.

Who and Where

South Atlantic Literature Evangelists Win 137

South Atlantic — Literature evangelists in the South Atlantic Conference were instrumental in winning the largest number of souls during 1975 of any of the seven conferences in the Southern Union Conference, according to year-end statistics.

The total for the year amounted to 137. Two literature evangelists, Mrs. Evelyn Smith from Florida City, Florida, and

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Calendar of Events

ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI

Sabbath School Conventions — Bass Memorial Academy, February 14; Camp Alamisco, February 21. Special guests: H. F. Rampton, Miss Alice Lowe, R. Curtis Barger, General Conference Sabbath School Dept.; Fernon D. Retzer, Southern Union Conference Sabbath School Dept.

Combined Elementary Teachers, Academy Staff, and Ministers' Meeting — Bass Memorial Academy, Lumberton, Mississippi, February 6-8.

CAROLINA

Carolina Advance Forums

February 13 7:30 p.m. Spartanburg, SC
 14 3:30 p.m. Greenville, SC
 20 7:30 p.m. Charlotte, NC
 21 3:30 p.m. Triangle School, Apex, NC
 27 7:30 p.m. Charleston, SC
 28 3:30 p.m. Columbia, SC

Union Temperance Weekend — February 13-14, Fletcher Academy.

Sabbath School Quarterly Workshops

February 22 3:00 p.m. Greenville, NC, church
 23 7:30 p.m. High Point, NC, church
 29 3:00 p.m. Columbia, SC, church
 March 1 7:30 p.m. Fletcher, NC, church

FLORIDA

Sabbath School Workshops

— Special Guest: Dr. Jack Dunham, demonstrating "The new senior teaching system" for adult and senior youth teachers.

February 23 7:30-10 p.m. Miami Temple, 9175 S.W. 44th Street
 24 7:30-10 p.m. Tampa 1st, 822 Linebaugh Avenue
 26 7:30-10 p.m. Ft. Lauderdale, 1501 S. Andrews Avenue
 29 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Gainesville, 2115 NW 38th Avenue
 March 1 7:30-10 p.m. Forest Lake, Hwy 436, Forest City

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Ministerial Association-Teacher Inservice Training — February 16-19.

Pathfinder Workshops — February 21-22, Atoka Springs Camp.

Senior Youth Ministry Seminar — February 28, Tifton, Georgia, church.

Sabbath School Workshops — February 28-29.

MV Week of Prayer — March 6-12.

Belvedere Bicentennial Youth Rally — March 20 (all day).

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

Area-Wide Meetings and ABC Book Sales

February 6, 7 Henderson, Kentucky
 8 Paducah, Kentucky
 13, 14 Lexington, Kentucky
 15 Ashland, Kentucky
 20, 21 Savannah, Tennessee
 22 Lawrenceburg, Tennessee
 27, 28 London, Kentucky
 29 Weeksbury, Kentucky
 March 5, 6 Tullahoma, Tennessee

It Is Written Rallies

Emilio Knechtle, speaker
 February 6 7:30 p.m. Nashville First
 7 9:30 a.m. Bordeaux
 7 11:00 a.m. Boulevard
 7 2:30 p.m. Madison Campus
 8 7:00 p.m. Highland

SOUTH CENTRAL

Mississippi Youth Federation — Jackson, Mississippi, February 7.

Lay Activities Day — February 7.

Sabbath School Workshop — Hillcrest church, Nashville, February 14.

South Central Weekend at Oakwood — February 20-22.

Listen Magazine Evangelism — February 21.

Lay Advisory Council — Birmingham, Alabama, February 28.

Pathfinder Officers Council — February 28.

Clean Up - Paint Up Month — March

Jackson, Mississippi, Church Dedication — March 6.

Tract Evangelism — March 6.

SOUTHERN UNION

Academy Temperance Weekend — February 13, 14, Fletcher Academy.

Faith for Today Offering — February 14.

Christian Home Week — February 21-27.

LEGAL NOTICES

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE SESSION

Notice is hereby given that the 21st regular session (triennial) of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the auditorium on the campus of Georgia-Cumberland Academy, Calhoun, Georgia, March 7, 1976, at 10:00 a.m. This session is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing term and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the session. Each church in the conference is entitled to one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for each 35 members or major fraction thereof.

Desmond Cummings, President
 Everett E. Cumbo, Secretary

GEORGIA CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that the regular triennial session of the Georgia Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, is called to meet in the auditorium on the campus of Georgia-Cumberland Academy, Calhoun, Georgia, March 7, 1976, at 10:00 a.m. The delegates to the Georgia-Cumberland Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are constituents of this corporation.

Desmond Cummings, President
 H. V. Hendershot, Secretary

THE CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that the legal session of The Cumberland Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, is called to meet in the auditorium on the campus of Georgia-Cumberland Academy, Calhoun, Georgia, March 7, 1976, at 10:00 a.m. The delegates to the Georgia-Cumberland Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are constituents of this corporation.

Desmond Cummings, President
 H. V. Hendershot, Secretary

CAROLINA CONFERENCE SESSION

Notice is hereby given that the 32nd regular Session of the Carolina Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at Nosoca Pines Ranch on Sunday, March 21, 1976. The first meeting is called for 10:00 a.m.

The session is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing term and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the session.

Each church in the conference is entitled to one delegate for its organization and one additional delegate for each ten members or major fraction thereof.

E. S. Reile, President
 M. D. Gordon, Secretary

CAROLINA CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that there will be a legal meeting of the Carolina Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, Incorporated, under the laws of the state of North Carolina, in connection with the regular session of the Carolina Conference, which will be held at Nosoca Pines Ranch, Liberty Hill, South Carolina.

The first meeting of this Association will convene at 2:00 p.m., March 21, 1976. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers and trustees and to transact any other business that may come before the Association at that time. The delegates of the 2nd Triennial Session of the Carolina Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are the delegates of the association meeting.

E. S. Reile, President
 A. L. Ingram, Secretary

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE CONFERENCE SESSION

Notice is hereby given that the twenty-first regular session of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Highland auditorium, Highland Academy, Highway 109, (twelve miles north of Gallatin), Portland, Tennessee, Sunday, March 14, 1976. The first meeting is called for 10:00 a.m. This session is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing term and for transacting any other business that may properly come before the conference. Each church in the conference is entitled to one delegate for the organization and an additional delegate for each ten members or major fraction thereof.

K. D. Johnson, President
 H. V. Leggett, Secretary

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that the twenty-first regular session of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, is called to meet in the Highland Academy auditorium, Highland Academy campus, Highway 109, Portland, Tennessee, on Sunday, March 14, 1976. The first meeting is called for 2:00 p.m. The delegates to the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are the constituency for the corporation.

K. D. Johnson, President
 M. A. Tyner, Secretary

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF KENTUCKY

Notice is hereby given that the fortieth regular session of the Seventh-day Adventist Conference Association of Kentucky, a corporation, is called to meet in the Highland Academy auditorium, Highland Academy campus, Highway 109, Portland, Tennessee, on Sunday, March 14, 1976. The first meeting is called for 2:30 p.m. The delegates to the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are the constituency of the corporation.

K. D. Johnson, President
 M. A. Tyner, Secretary

in transition



On the Move

Alabama-Mississippi

G. Edward Reid has been appointed as the new pastor of the Jackson and Florence, Mississippi, churches filling the vacancy created when **Walter Brown** accepted a pastorate in Arizona. Reid has been serving as pastor and religion teacher at Bass Memorial Academy. He and his wife, Kathy, have two young children.

Upon the retirement of **W. Enoch Brown**, the Conference Committee has selected **David Lawrence**, formerly on the staff of BMA, to serve as camp ranger at Camp Alamisco. Lawrence, along with his wife Paula, have already taken up their work in an active way.

C. A. Russo is the new pastor of the Hattiesburg, Laurel, and Columbia, Mississippi, churches, transferring from the Vicksburg, Mississippi, district. Russo fills the vacancy created when **A. E. Schleif** accepted a pastorate in Missouri. Russo and his wife, Susan, have three young children.

Carolina

Barry Mahorney will be joining Dick Pollard, conference evangelist, as singing evangelist, replacing **Bill Waters** who has gone to the Northern Union to be associated with Dale Brusett.

K. W. Kowarsch, formerly of the Aiken, South Carolina, district, is the new district leader for Mocksville and Statesville, North Carolina. He succeeds Barry Mahorney.

Herbert Weise, former pastor of the Florence, South Carolina, district, will be pastor of the Orangeburg, and North Augusta, South Carolina, churches.

Maitland Di Pinto, former pastor of the Elizabeth City and Washington, North Carolina, churches, is the new pastor of the Jacksonville and New Bern, North Carolina, churches.

Kentucky-Tennessee

1. Edwin Gallagher is the new pastor of the Ashland, Kentucky, district. He is married to the former Myrna Jean Taylor. They come from Australia, where he was engaged in pastoral work.

Oakwood College

C. Dunbar Henri was recently elected chairman of the Oakwood College Board of Trustees. Henri, a general vice-president of the General Conference, replaces W. R. Beach, who retired at the General Conference Session last June.

Southern Publishing Association

2. Ralph Blodgett, former pastor in Oregon Conference, is now the assistant editor of *These Times*. Blodgett earned his master's degree in systematic theology from Andrews University in 1970, and in addition to pastoral work in Michigan, Indiana, Washington, and Oregon, he has written numerous articles for the *Review*, *Ministry*, *Liberty*, *Focus*, *Insight*, and *These Times*. Wife Judy has taught English and German in both public and church schools and is presently working on her master's in Education from the University of Portland. Daughters Debbie 9, and Tammy 6, attend the Madison Elementary Church School.

Southern Union

3. Henry Fish has joined the Publishing Department as associate director. A graduate of Southern Missionary College, he taught church school for five years before becoming a full-time literature evangelist. Fish has served as a district director in the

Kentucky-Tennessee, Florida, and Georgia-Cumberland Conferences. In his new capacity, he has been assigned to the Carolina Conference and the student literature evangelism program. His wife, Juanita, has been supervising the "War-on-Drugs" program for the department.

Faith for Today

4. Don Dick, Ph.D., has recently been appointed Director of Faith's Program Department. He has been an active member of FFT's Lay Advisory Board and chairman of the Communication Department of Southern Missionary College for the last seven years. His responsibilities include: soliciting and selecting scripts; hiring directors and production crews; casting actors; planning all aspects of pre-production; overseeing the actual filming; and guiding and approving of the final post-production stages.

Weddings

CARLSON — WILLIAMS

Janice Claire Williams, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. V. E. McNelius of Knoxville, Tennessee, and the late Aubrey L. Williams, Jr., became the bride of **Gary Paul Carlson**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nobel Carlson of Madison Lake, Minnesota, on July 13 in the Little Creek Seventh-day Adventist church. The groom's brother, Dennis Carlson, officiated. They are residing in Collegedale, Tennessee, where Janice is a senior nursing student. Gary is employed at the Tennessee Truss Company.

TAYLOR — PHINISEY

Luberta Phinisey, daughter of Mrs. Lillie Mae Phinisey of Columbus, Mississippi, and **Bernard Taylor**, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ed Taylor, also of Columbus, were united in marriage at the Salem Seventh-day Adventist church in Columbus, August 17. Gerald D. Penick and Lewis Blackwell officiated. The couple has made its home in Columbus. The groom plans to go into retail business and the bride is a senior at Mississippi University for women.

ARCHIE — COSENTINE

Sharen Allene Cossentine, daughter of Mrs. Shirley Y. Cossentine of Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, and Francis R. Cossentine of Scottsboro, Arizona, became the bride of **Peter Lane Archie**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave E. Archie of Houston, Texas. They were married in the garden at Belle Meade Mansion, Nashville, Tennessee, on October 19. Richard W. Coffen and Don A. Short officiated. The couple will live in Madison, Tennessee, where the groom is employed at Madison Hospital. The bride is employed at Southern Publishing Association in Nashville.

PIERCY — AMBLER

Beth Denise Ambler, daughter of Elder and Mrs. W. G. Ambler of Berrien Springs, Michigan, and **Roy Alfred Piercy**, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Gartsu, were married October 12, 1975, in the Foster Memorial church in Asheville, North Carolina. The bride's father officiated at the ceremony. The couple now resides in Charlotte, North Carolina.

ROBERTS — LOWE

Valerie Elaine Lowe and **Robin Dale Roberts** were united in marriage August 31, 1975, in Mobile, Alabama, by N. K. Shepherd. The couple is making its home in Purvis, Mississippi.

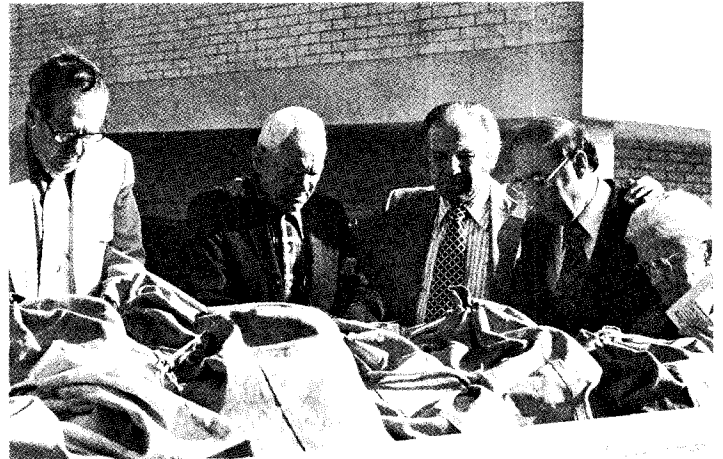
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Pictorial Stories



Students of the Sheffield, Alabama, church school receive a plaque for their contribution to the Ingathering program from Mrs. Frank Potts. The group raised \$850. Teacher Randall Dodd is with the students.



Roy Schoonard (2nd from left) and his wife (far right) of the Brooksville, Florida, church spent many hours packaging and posting 8,000 copies of *Steps to Christ* to be mailed to rural areas surrounding Brooksville. W. H. Smith (left), recently retired conference treasurer, and H. J. Carubba, president, join them and H. Dombrosky (center), lay activities director, to ask God's blessing on the ambitious undertaking.



DONNA WALKER, Courtesy Queen



WILLIAM LEYVA, Courtesy King

Madison Academy recently held its courtesy banquet, at which the king and queen of courtesy were crowned. Male runners-up were Dennis Leggett, Charles Brock, Reginald Coopwood, and Kevin Moore. Female runners-up were Beth Bethea, Lori Durocher, Rhonda Webster, and Wanda Wallace.



Noel H. Shanko (right), pastor of the Atlanta, Georgia, Belvedere church, thanks Henry Oliver, proprietor of M and K Services in Decatur, for his contribution of a used car to the church's yard sale. The sale raised nearly \$3,000 for Atlanta Junior Academy.



Students and teachers of the Columbus, North Carolina, SDA elementary school collected 185 cans of food and \$13.31 in cash in their pre-Halloween "Treats for the Needy" solicitation. Teachers are Stanley Vera Cruz, principal, and Miss Cheryl Orser.

The Sanford, Florida, church recently honored three of its couples on their anniversaries.



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50th Anniversary



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Some 20 members of the Montgomery, Alabama, Pathfinder club raised \$2,500 for Ingathering. The four highest solicitors are on the front row. They are (left to right): Kristy Evans, \$155; Karen Kovalski, \$241; Jerry Kovalski, \$170; and Johnny Hartman, \$164.

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DEPARTMENT HEAD PERSONNEL NEEDED for the New Huguley Memorial Hospital (completion date December '76) located in Fort Worth, TX, in the following categories: Dietitian—administrative & therapeutic; Chief Pharmacist; Medical Records Administrator. Apply by writing K. K. Dupper, asst. administrator, Huguley Memorial Hospital, Fort Worth Club Bldg. - Suite 406, 306 W. 7th St., Fort Worth, TX 76102. (2)

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December 11, 1975

As I write this I am quite excited over the way the Lord has blessed during my BIG WEEK this past week! It was necessary for me to work my time in around my office schedule. However, I was able to get 40 hours in and give 16 canvasses.

This was the most thrilling week that I have ever spent canvassing! I used the Bible Reference Library audio/visual projector canvass exclusively. Not once did I attempt to give the canvass myself. At the close of the presentation on the projector, I simply looked at the person and said, "I want to be ready when Jesus comes, don't you? If we miss heaven, we are going to miss everything, aren't we?" From this I went into the close.

I called on 16 homes and all 16 bought books, with a total delivery of more than \$2,300!

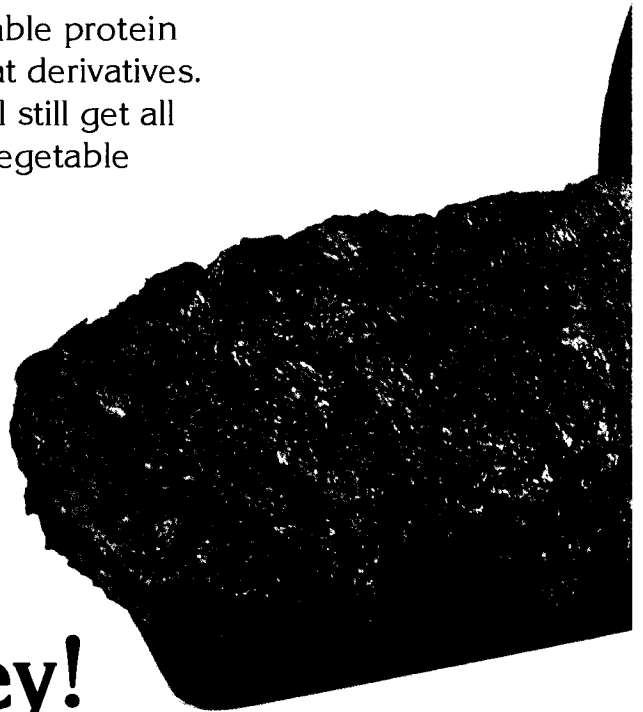
I believe if we all use this new tool that the Lord has given us, we will experience new heights in delivering literature in the homes of the people. During this week I delivered, with God's help, more Spirit of Prophecy books than I have ever delivered in any single week in my entire 14 years in the literature ministry.

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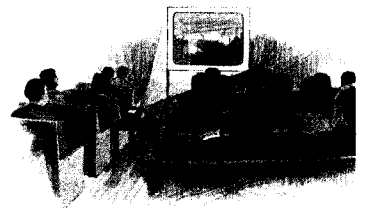
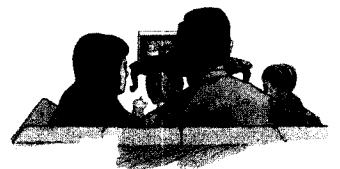
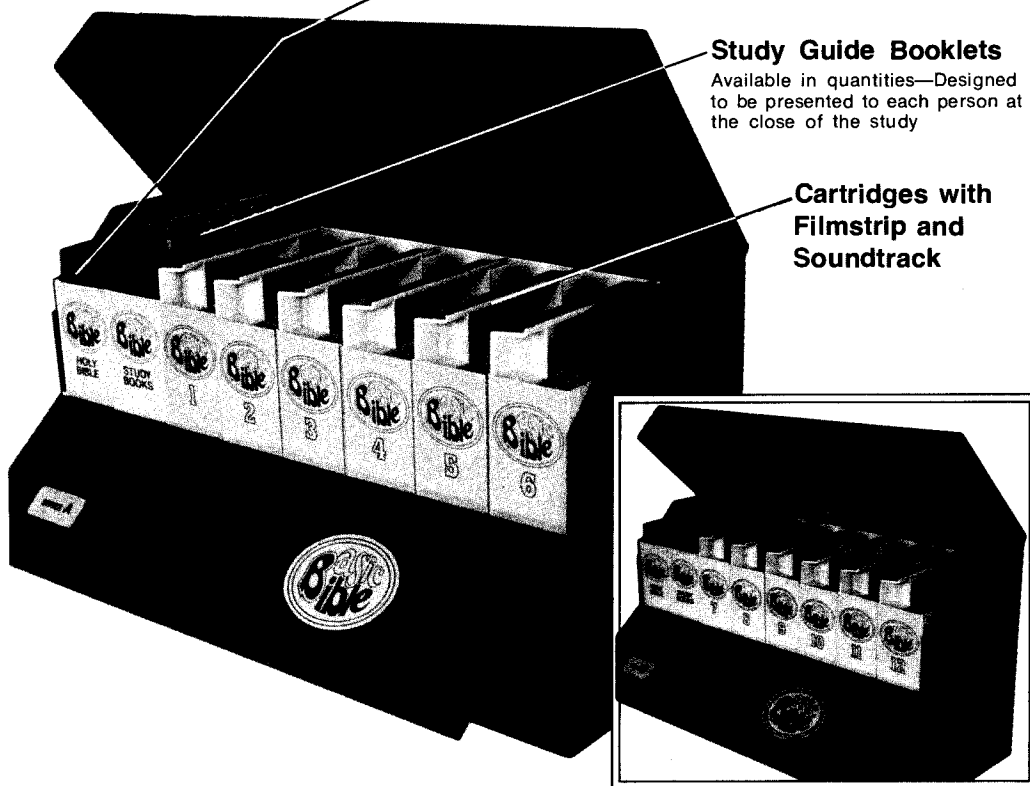
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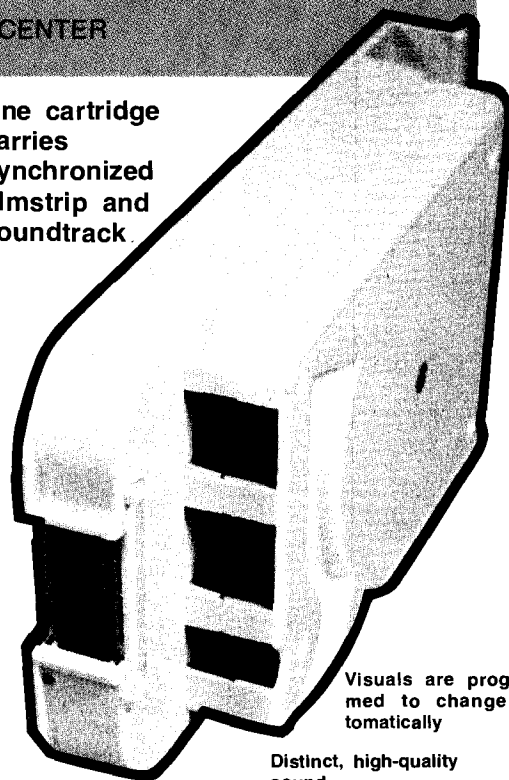
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THIRTY

As you receive this issue of the SOUTHERN TIDINGS, Mission '76 will already have begun. This year, which marks the bicentennial of our nation, should be and can be the greatest soul-winning year of the Southern Union Conference. It also can be a year of personal commitment. The entire membership making up the 585 Adventist



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churches of this great union conference will be called upon at an early-year church service to be involved in 1976 and committed to the winning of at least one soul. All will be called upon to be involved in one or more of six different ways. These are:

1. Personal Witnessing

- Share your faith in Christ and the Bible.
- Share your experience of conversion.
- Be prepared with literature and distribute some daily.
- Enroll contacts in one of our Bible correspondence courses.
- Give the missionary book of the year to interested persons.

2. Stewardship

- Be faithful in tithes and offerings.
- Become a part of the 10 + 10 + program. It stands for partnership with God.
- It represents a systematic support of every phase of God's work at home and abroad.

3. Basic Bible Evangelism

- Show the new Basic Bible film/sound programs to friends and special interests.
- Use new Basic Bible study helps to answer questions.
- Give Bible studies using the new Basic Bible plan.

4. Church Identification and Beautification

- Assist in making sure official church signs are in key locations in your community.
- Participate in making your church building and grounds neat, attractive, and representative.

5. Visitation

- Visit your neighbors.
- Visit new church members and encourage them.
- Call on missing church members and invite them to return.
- Visit the sick.

6. Literature Evangelism

- Support the literature evangelism program with your prayers.
- Boost wide distribution of the new Bible Reference Library (Conflict of the Ages series with *Bible Readings*).
- Encourage the literature evangelists in their work.
- Consider becoming a full-time literature evangelist.

With this guide for a personal commitment to soul-winning, all can do something toward winning at least one soul in 1976.

In the annual Literature Evangelists' Convention held in Daytona Beach, when nearly 150 of our credentialed literature evangelists came together with their families and leaders, a new commitment was made by these faithful workers. They not only sold and distributed \$2,155,672 worth of books and periodicals, but many of them personally won from 1 to 35 souls in 1975. Collectively they won 399 souls in 1975. One literature evangelist, Sister Evelyn Smith of the South Atlantic Conference, won 35 souls. Our literature workers have set the pace in making their personal commitments to God's work in 1976. Let's follow them!



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