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Partnership with God



Mr. Brown thought his savings were deposited exactly where they should be—in a reputable financial institution earning him a good interest return.

And what's wrong with that? Nothing.

But then one day Mr. Brown had second thoughts: **Was this the most consistent financial plan for a Christian?**

He talked the matter over with the Trust Officer of his Conference Association, and learned this:

The savings would be just as secure, would draw a comparable income when placed in trust with the Conference Association, and would be just as readily available in case of need (more readily available in the event of incompetency). Further, Mr. Brown could choose his trustee and beneficiaries in advance. Most importantly, the funds would be strengthening God's work now and, while earning a regular income for Mr. Brown, would be securing funds for the advancement of God's cause.

What did Mr. Brown do? The best thing, of course. He even learned there were advantages, both monetary and spiritual, in other types of trusts—both revocable and irrevocable—in which he could invest his securities and appreciated properties.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GOD! Yes, Mr. Brown surely would like to think that he is. He prays three times a day for God's help. His friends consider him to be a successful businessman.

But, Mr. Brown is concerned—about his possessions, the future well-being of his family, and God's closing work throughout the earth.

I have met Mr. Brown in many parts of the Southern Union, and always enjoy being with

him. In fact, I would like to be present when our Saviour shakes hands with Mr. Brown at the Gate of Pearl, and exclaims, "Well done, Brother Brown! Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!"

Between now and then, Brother Brown is trusted with many talents, and he knows that God has made him His partner. For him, being a good steward in his eternal Partner's sight is what counts in life. He heard that each Conference has a legal Association that is able

to assist him and all its members in the divine partnership. The Trust Officer of the Association has special training to help in estate planning, and keeps up-to-date by attending tax institutes, workshops, and educational seminars sponsored by the General Conference.

Brother Brown can phone or write the Association Trust Officer at the Conference office for a private, confidential visit in his home. This is a free service of the Association. Before the Trust Officer arrives, Brother Brown may be interested in the fact that a Will is basic

for each adult. Yet it is estimated that more than half of America's businessmen have not taken the hour or two needed to have a Will prepared. In addition, there are various types of trust agreements, annuities, and life estate plans which offer not only protection, but significant tax benefits for young and old. Some even offer 7 to 10 per cent annual income. Some provide for the education of minor children, should both parents be killed in an accident, for example.

I believe that Brother Brown's partnership with Jesus will be a beautiful experience.

Thankfully,

grief can be temporary.

This is particularly true of the Christian whose hope and faith reach beyond the moment. God provides a miraculous renewing that is embodied in the assurance of His love and concern.

A Christian Will is a helpful assurance at such times, too. It is the best assurance of continued family financial security.

But the failure to prepare a Will often causes perplexities and problems of insurmountable proportions. Because of neglect in estate planning, even a man who has "plenty" may make it difficult—if not impossible—for his family, his church, and other intended beneficiaries to fully benefit from his estate.

The **Trust Officer of your Conference Association** is well qualified to give basic information you should consider before completing your estate planning. His assistance to you is completely confidential and without cost or obligation. He is as close as the postman or the telephone. For the sake of all you hold dear, get in touch with him

today



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This center in Orlando not only provides services for the community but also serves as a training facility for layworkers.

Remember the old Dorcas meetings? Ladies would get together in a little back room of the church on Tuesday mornings, the roll would be called, someone would ask about the shut-ins, names would be selected to receive greeting cards, some ladies would begin sorting through boxes of clothing, others would sew and repair, and still others would iron and

press the clothes, preparing them for distribution. Some would match one article of clothing with another to make an outfit. But the foremost group objective and true love of the Dorcas was quilting. Great satisfaction came from making quilts, and when the quilt was finished, it was packaged and stored away.

Then from out of the minds of a few, a new idea was born. The new

idea suggested, "Let's bring the Dorcas room to the people." And the very first time this new concept was tried, it proved to be a tremendous success. People responded, and the response was rewarded by offering a free blood pressure test. Later, glaucoma screening and other services were offered. And so from a single Community Service van traveling the conference, bringing aid to the people, a whole new program was formed. As the program progressed, many new friends were made and new families joined the church.

Dorcas has now given way to what is called Community Services, and Community Services has become big business. Not only does the Community Service organization have branch offices in many churches, but it also maintains a central warehouse. Under the direction of Stanley Dombrosky, the Florida Conference Community Service has grown to be one of the largest and most unique of its kind anywhere in North America.

More than 2,600 lay workers are actively involved in the Community Service program in Florida. A whole fleet of vans is equipped to handle

Vans such as this are rapidly replacing the well-used old vans that got the Community Service program rolling.



Method Alone...

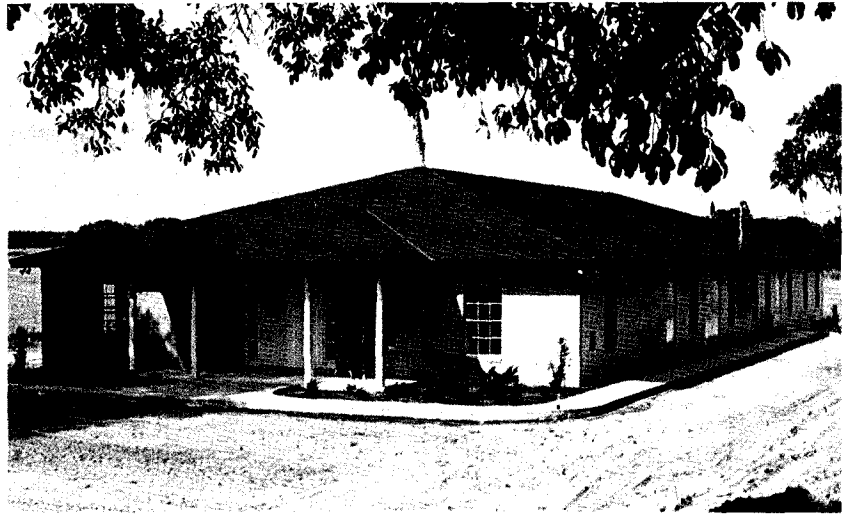
by Ronald C. Wiggins

blood pressure tests and multiphasic screening, which would include blood pressures, glaucoma, hemoglobin, and diabetes screening. Other vans are used in many ways, such as transportation and communication. New vans are being purchased regularly to replace the old vans that began the program and helped it grow to its present status.

One innovation that started in Florida in the Community Service field is the use of men in various capacities. Men such as Joe Mitchell, who is Central Florida Federation president, and Joseph Bennett, who is responsible for training personnel to run the multiphasic health screening van, work hard and long hours to provide services for others.

Many churches have developed Community Service Centers of their own that are used for a variety of services. In fact, there are 40 such centers now operational throughout the conference. In addition to the blood pressure tests and other multiphasic screening at

Men like Joe Mitchell provide invaluable leadership to the Community Service program.



Community Service Centers sponsored by local churches, such as this newly completed one at Forest Lake, are springing up all over Florida.

regularly scheduled times, there are cooking schools, Five-Day Plans, and some churches even have thrift shops.

The Community Services Department of the conference has even set up a center in Orlando that can be used for training programs for our own personnel to better equip them to handle the various needs that arise in their community for service. Training seminars are held for personnel to run cooking schools, Five-Day Plans, the blood pressure vans, and the multiphasic health screening units. In addition to this, many public meetings are held there, such as Five-Day Plans and cooking schools for the community.

Involvement in Community Services is available to everyone who will simply commit himself to serving his fellowman. Dombrosky has always maintained that if it weren't for the people of the Florida Conference giving of their time, talents, and means, the Community Service program would not be what it is today—a leader in the North American Division.

Thus, the philosophy behind the

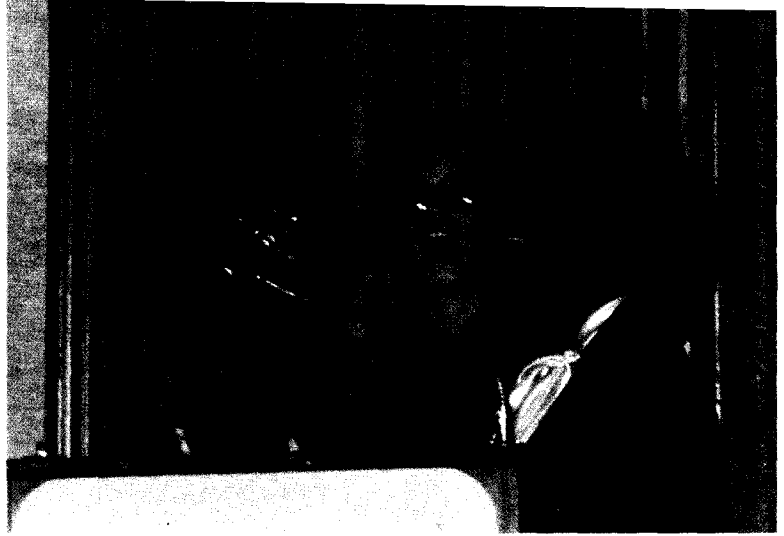


This self-contained multiphasic service van is equipped with its own 25-kilowatt generator for use in remote areas as well as in larger shopping centers and malls.

Community Service program is a simple, yet divine one. "Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them, 'Follow Me.' " *Ministry of Healing*, page 143.



D. M. Jones celebrated his fifth consecutive year as a centurion.



The "Ebony Three," Kathy Woodfork (left), Jeannette Lamb, and Grace Dorsey, provided music for the banquet.

The Foolishness of Preaching

by S. E. Gooden



R. C. Connor didn't forget how to win souls when he transferred to Charlotte, North Carolina, from being metro evangelist in New York City.

For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." 1 Corinthians 1:21.

January of 1976 was the beginning of the most exciting year in United States history—it was the Bicentennial year. January, like all others, was the time when almost everyone set goals which they hoped to achieve. December of 1976, like all others, brought disappointment and even discouragement to many because of broken promises, shattered visions, and illusive dreams.

January 18, 1977, found many in the South Atlantic Conference being recognized for their accomplishments during the Bicentennial year. The Atlanta Internationale Hotel was the setting for the annual workers' meeting and awards banquet at which President R. L. Woodfork presented plaques to six centurions and nine quinquagenarians.

The centurions of South Atlantic certainly have a lot for which to glory in the Lord when they realize that they are responsible for 727 out of the 1,615 souls baptized in the conference for 1976. Of the six men whom the Lord has shown what He will do through the "foolishness of preaching," Albert Teele is the most celebrated. Teele was named intern of the year by the South Atlantic Conference.

Teele's first field of endeavor was Kinston, North Carolina, where he opened a school with a beginning enrollment of 40 students and lighted a dark county. His second year, 1976, found him pastoring seven churches and companies with a total membership of 420. These large responsibilities, however, did not deter him from baptizing 113 souls.

D. M. Jones, who has been a centurion for the past five years, is the only pastor with two schools in his district. During 1976 Jones not only was responsible for moving the Winston-Salem school, grades K-9, out of a basement into the largest physical facility in the conference, but broke ground for a new church and school in High Point, North Carolina.

James Best, the pastor of the Mount Sinai church in Orlando, Florida,



Albert Teele displays the dramatic speaking style that God used to win 113 souls in 1976.



F. W. Parker experienced another of many good years in soul winning during 1976.

has kept his name on the roll for the last two years. During 1976 he baptized 145 individuals.

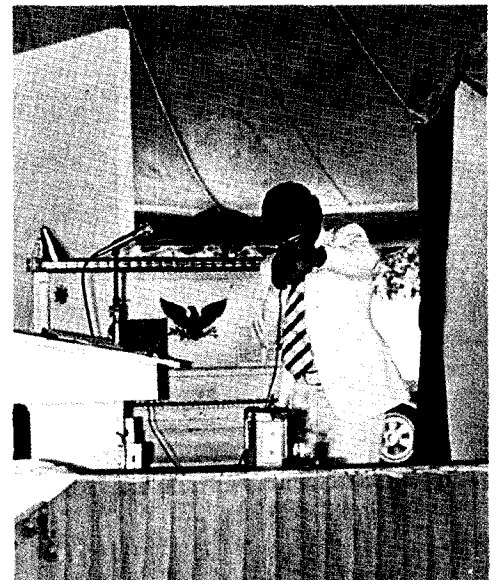
Ward Sumpter has outgrown his church at Boulevard Drive in Atlanta and moved part of his congregation to newly acquired facilities at 2730 Browns Mill Road in southeast Atlanta. Sumpter has been a centurion for the past three years.

Robert C. Connor who, until two years ago, was the metro evangelist of New York City, is the pastor of the Charlotte-Berean church in Charlotte, North Carolina. He engraved his name on the centurion marble scroll like a sculptor with his chisel.

F. W. Parker, otherwise known to his colleagues as the "Burner," is the pastor of the Atlanta-Berean church. As a veteran centurion and a senior minister, he has more plaques representing adventures in the work of the church than any other man I know in the conference.

South Atlantic Conference gives the glory to God for what He has done.

Pastor and Mrs. H. B. Lee of the Georgia Korean church were among the assembled South Atlantic workers.



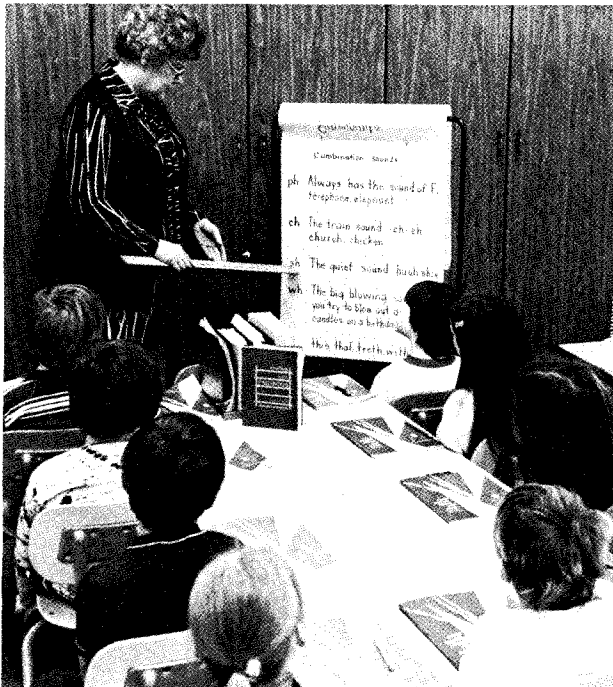
Ward Sumpter's church in Atlanta outgrew its facilities and had to divide into two congregations.

James Best baptized 145 persons during 1976.





The executive committee of the conference Board of Education directs the conference-wide educational program between sessions of the full board.



'Train up a Child...

by F. Clifford Port Photography by
Jim Wyche, Lonnie Leui, and the author

The youth of the church comprise its greatest resource and most precious treasure. The education of these youth in accord with Christian principles and in an atmosphere fostering spiritual growth presents a con-

The innovative classroom of Mrs. Thelma Wilson in Cleveland, Tennessee, offers a wide variety of learning experiences for students in grades 1-3.



Practical skills form an important part of the curriculum at Smithville, Georgia, Junior Academy.



tinuing challenge. How is the Georgia-Cumberland Conference meeting the challenge? Education Superintendent Don L. Aalborg provides some insight:

"During a period of decreasing public school enrollment and a near status quo in nation-wide church school registration, the Georgia-Cumberland educational system continues to grow and is now the largest in the Southern Union with an enrollment in grades K-12 of 2,555. In the years 1970-1975 church membership in our union registered a gain of 37.2 per cent, but church school enrollment gained only 14.3 per cent. In Georgia-Cumberland however, church school growth has kept pace with church membership gains. This testifies to the dedication of our people to the concept of Christian education."

One hundred twenty-eight full-time and 10 part-time teachers are currently employed, and their educational qualifications rise each year. This year, for example, recorded an increase of four teachers holding master's degrees and 10 with bachelor's degrees. All our teachers recognize the extreme importance and solemn responsibility of their calling. As inspiration recorded, "He who co-operates with the divine purpose in imparting to the youth a knowledge of God, and moulding the character into harmony with His, does a high and noble work. As he awakens a desire to reach God's ideal, he presents an education that is as high as heaven and as broad as the universe; an education that secures to the successful student his passport from the preparatory school of earth to the higher grade, the school above." *Education*, p. 19.

How do students in our schools compare academically with those in public school? The latest scores on standardized achievement tests given to eighth-grade students indicated the following grade equivalency:

Georgia Public Schools	7.0
National Norm	8.2
Southern Union Church Schools	8.3
Georgia-Cumberland Schools	9.0

It is evident that we have no apologies to make concerning the academic quality of education available to our students.

A new element in the educational program is the conference Board of Education. This board, appointed by the conference committee, serves as the administrative authority for the conference educational system K-12. Among its responsibilities are:

1. The employment, assignment, transfer, retirement, termination, or dismissal of certified personnel, K-12.
2. The arbitration of appeals and grievances.
3. Receiving and considering applications from churches desiring to open church schools, and making a final decision concerning these applications.
4. Approving the annual budgets and curriculum offerings of all local church schools and academies.
5. Evaluating facility needs in terms of pupil population projections and recommending an over-all long-range plan for the erection of new facilities, and renovating or remodeling existing facilities.
6. Dealing with issues of consolidation and making final decisions relative to local situations.

This board makes it possible for conference administrators, laymen, educators, and school board chairmen



Examples of the varied extra-curricular activities available in many schools are the tumbling and band activities at Atlanta Junior Academy.

to study and evaluate the total conference educational program and its relationship to individual school operation. It is already bringing increased strength and stability to our educational endeavor.

Christian education is a large and expensive operation, accounting for the greatest single monetary expenditure in the Georgia-Cumberland budget. It is also an important, full-time evangelistic program. It is impossible to statistically measure its soul-saving influence. Some studies indicate that 68 out of every 100 students from Adventist homes who do not attend church school and academy are lost to the church. What shall we profit if we win the whole world and lose our own children? The goal of every Christian educator is to encourage his students to develop a personal, saving relationship with Jesus Christ, and to become stable, productive members of His church.

Is Christian education effective? One indication is found in the simple fact that since 1970, 928 students in Georgia-Cumberland church schools have been baptized into the church. "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6.

Two Weeks in Another World

by Barbara Brooks

When you go to a foreign country where you can't speak the language and only two or three people can speak yours, and you are there to work with the staff of a small, strange hospital, it can be quite a challenge.

Ask Ruth Richards. She knows. As director of Florida Hospital's Trauma and Emergency Department, she was asked to spend two weeks recently at the Seventh-day Adventist Hospital near La Trinidad, Nicaragua, to help them with their procedure books for emergency, surgery, OB, and central service and to assist them in any other way she could.

From the time she landed in Managua, 70 miles away, until she returned to Orlando, her days and nights were filled with fascinating sights and sounds, with intriguing stories of the native people whose lives have been touched in some way by the hospital.

The first day she arrived the nursing director asked her to teach some classes on coronary care and reading electrocardiograms.

"That was the last thing they needed to learn," Mrs. Richards says, "because they had never even had an acute MI (myocardial infarction) in the hospital. In fact, there is virtually no heart disease at all in Nicaragua. But they were anxious to learn about it, so I had to spend a lot of time studying, since I certainly hadn't planned to teach anything that complex."

Since the nursing director didn't speak English, everything they said had to be translated, as did all the classes.

"I also taught a class in emergency medicines and their possible dangers," she states. "A good idea since, just the week before, a nurse had overdosed a patient because of a mis-read order."

"That week I noticed my chest getting tight, and suddenly realized that here I was in a country where nobody

knew anything about heart attack and I would probably have one if I didn't slow down and take it easy."

During those two weeks she was everywhere—in the clinic . . . visiting staff members in their homes . . . burning her feet on volcanic ash . . . hiking into the jungles and rain forests . . . listening to the strange sounds of howling monkeys, all-night-serenading frogs, and a parrot doing imitations of coughing and cats.

She saw the beggars, shoeshine boys, and peddlers who frequent the grounds of the hospital seeking sustenance and perhaps a sale or two. She discovered unique aspects of the facility—like the scores of discarded IV bottles filled with honey . . . a concrete mound which turned out to be the oven where they bake delicious bread . . . a gas pump for employees which charges only 30 cents a gallon—nice, but hardly anyone owns a car and only a few even have pickup trucks.

She found only one telephone in the hospital and that was at the nursing station. The number is "2"—indicating how limited the system is in the area.

No hot water exists on the campus except in two or three staff houses built recently. Worse still, the water is rampant with typhoid bacteria which has caused numerous illnesses.

Three filters are available to purify the water but because the sediment in it is so heavy and clogs the filters easily, the people had given up using them. It took the insistence of one of the three student missionaries—a dietitian—to convince everyone to use them again. She personally cleaned the filters herself and showed them how to do it.

The clinic—staffed by four physicians—and nursing school are very important facets of the hospital. The

Ruth Richards



chief of staff is a native Nicaraguan who took his orthopedic residency at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga. Two Mexican doctors from Guadalajara and an American from Loma Linda complete the medical roster. "They can handle most of the situations that arise," says Mrs. Richards, "but once in awhile they are stuck with a case that only prayer and extra effort can save."

Some people travel hundreds of miles to come to the "Adventista" hospital, and many will wait long hours before they are ready to start home. The chaplain takes advantage of this time and gathers them around to instruct them in principles of health and better living. The school of nursing has 16 seniors and 11 juniors at the hospital and the freshman class is still at college in Costa Rica. The students work from 6-10 a.m. or p.m. during the week and eight hours on Saturday or Sunday. Tuition fees are \$70 per month.

Nurses work rotating shifts (no differentials) and earn \$200 monthly, while the aids receive \$60-100, depending on their training and experience.

The nursing director schedules all the nurses, including students, and is in charge of the laundry. Until recently she was responsible for housekeeping as well.

Seventy per cent of the patient charges are collected—an amazing fact considering no insurance and no Medicare or Medicaid is available there.

Compared with our standards their facilities are poorly equipped, but sometimes they benefit from contributions from other SDA institutions in the U.S.

"Because the La Trinidad workers believe—as we do—that by keeping a person from getting sick they are doing him an even greater service than by curing him later," says Mrs. Richards, "they have begun a strong program of preventative medicine, including lectures by the physicians in surrounding towns and villages." The hospital has many friends in the area and its reputation is excellent and growing.

Nicaragua is the largest country in Central America, about the size of Iowa, and sparsely populated.

A land of earthquakes (in December of 1972 a series of quakes registering 6.25 on the Richter scale destroyed 75 per cent of Managua, the capital, and killed 7,000), it also claims 22 active volcanoes and hundreds of quiet ones.

It is a land of contrasts—mountains towering 6,500 feet and low marshlands infested with malaria . . . dense tropical rain forests and dry desert areas . . . hot days and cold nights . . . well-educated people with a university and medical school, but one-half the population is illiterate . . . large trucks rolling down the modern Pan American highway and beside them small, two-wheeled wooden carts pulled by a man . . . a few wealthy land-owners and hundreds of thousands of the poor, suffering from malnutrition.

"There is so much work to be done to help those people," Mrs. Richards says. "But I cannot emphasize strongly enough what a brilliant light our hospital is in that dark country." She relates this story to illustrate her point.

A little six-year-old boy living in a village miles into the jungle fell and received a compound fracture of his forearm. His parents decided that nothing but the best



The nurses' station boasts Nicaragua Adventist Hospital's only telephone.

would do so they would take him to the "Adventista" hospital—even though it was several days journey away.

Horseback was the family's only transportation and while they were crossing one of the muddy, contaminated rivers, the boy's injured arm was somehow allowed to drag in the filthy water.

When they finally reached the hospital he was convulsing and critically ill. The doctors suspected tetanus, and as time went by their fears were confirmed. They informed the parents that the boy's condition seemed hopeless and there was little they could do. The mother and father made the difficult decision to return home to their other children and their work rather than to stay and wait for him to die.

Before leaving they gave money to the workers to bury their son and then went to tell him good-bye for the last time. After they had gone the doctors and nurses gathered around his bedside and prayed earnestly that his life might be spared. Then they doubled their efforts to do what they could medically for him. Miraculously, in a few days he began to improve, and after six or seven weeks he was completely healed.

A telegram was sent to the family. "Your son is alive and well—send someone to bring him home." But no one appeared and no word came back. They sent another message, and still no response.

Since they couldn't leave the boy in the hospital after his recovery, the administrator and his wife took him to their home with their three children. It was two months before the telegram finally reached the family back in the jungle. But soon afterward the happy grandmother came to the hospital to claim him and take him home.

"When I returned to Orlando," Mrs. Richards says, "I was comparing notes with Lynn Carpenter, a nurse who spent some time last year in Nicaragua. She was saying she thought it was the land of tomorrow.

'Oh, no, Lynn,' I responded, 'it's the land of yesterday, and the day before yesterday. They are still centuries behind in so many ways.' But since then I have thought about it a lot, and Lynn was right. Tomorrow is theirs. It is a land of promise and hope, not only for advances in the medical work at the hospital, in education or the economy, but more importantly, for the greatest work of all—the healing of the soul."

Dateline Data

NEW YORK, NEW YORK — — —

Bible translations were published in 29 new languages in 1976. According to the American Bible Society's annual Scripture language count, that brings to 1,603 the total languages and dialects in which at least one book of the Bible has been published. Among the 29 newly added languages are three native American languages spoken in the United States. The United Bible Societies, an international fellowship of Bible Societies of which the American Bible Society is a member, provided support to more than 500 Bible translation projects in 1976.

MACAO, CHINA — — —

After a silence of more than two decades, the voice of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is again being heard in mainland China. The half-hour daily program, beamed from Macao, a Portuguese enclave, has a potential audience of 50,000,000.

OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA — — —

Fire destroyed the original Pacific Press building at 1117 Castro Street in Oakland February 3. Arson is believed to be the cause. The two-story building, its basement and attic, was built in 1875. The structure was financed by an offering received in 1874 at the Yountville, California, camp meeting at which 500 people raised \$19,414. The Pacific Press outgrew the facility and moved to Mountain View, California, in 1904. However, the building continued to be known as the Pacific Press building and was scheduled to be preserved as a landmark by the city of Oakland.

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS — — —

Six denominational executives of the Massachusetts Council of Churches have issued a joint statement calling for continuation of the state's Sunday closing laws. According to the statement, the council wants to ensure "a common day of rest," in order to "protect the quality of human life" in today's complex society. The statement represents the viewpoint of the Massachusetts Council of Churches and has been endorsed by the Massachusetts Commission on Christian Unity.

MIAMI, FLORIDA — — —

God has only satisfied customers among tithers. That's the observation of Conrad Willard, pastor of the Central Baptist church in Miami, Florida. He reports that thus far there have been no applications for refunds under a proposal he made to his 4,000 church members. His offer was that if anybody who was not already tithing would start, he could guarantee their money back, up to \$2,000, if they were dissatisfied after six months. A retired banker, who believes strongly in tithing, put up the \$2,000 guarantee.

COLLEGE DALE, TENNESSEE — — —

Ten Southern Missionary College students or graduates have been accepted into the September, 1977, class of the Loma Linda University School of Medicine. Sally A. Curnow, a senior religion major, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Curnow of Poona, India. Gregory L. Halley, a senior biology major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Halley of Middletown, Ohio. Frederick A. Hoover, another senior biology major, is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert T. Hoover of Orlando, Florida. Morris L. Lovejoy, a senior medical technology major, is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Delmar Lovejoy of College Dale, Tennessee. William R. Norskov, a graduate biology major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Norskov, of Bradenton, Florida. Sarah M. Roddy, a senior biology major, is the daughter of Eugene Roddy of Obion, Tennessee. Robert M. Sholtes, a senior chemistry major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sholtes of Ooltewah, Tennessee. Michael N. Wood, also a senior chemistry major, is the son of Mrs. Harold Wood, of Maitland, Florida. Roger D. Woodruff, a senior biology major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Woodruff of Rock Spring, Georgia. Dale J. Townsend is a graduate English major and has been teaching at Madison Academy.

NORTH AMERICA — — —

The new edition of *Mission Handbook*, issued by World Vision International, shows that Protestant missions from North America are, in the book's words, "doing well." There is a special surge in youth activity. Total contributions for missions have nearly doubled, to \$656 million, in three years. The largest suppliers of overseas missionaries are Wycliffe Bible Translators, Southern Baptists, and Seventh-day Adventists. In terms of donations for missions, the "big three" are Southern Baptists with \$52 million in 1975; Seventh-day Adventists with \$25 million, and Church World Service of the National Council of Churches with \$23 million.

late news of the conferences



ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI

Climaxing the Kenneth Cox Prophecy Crusade in Jackson, Mississippi, 90 INDIVIDUALS JOINED AREA CHURCHES through baptism and profession of faith. Average attendance was 570 with a total of 1,050 non-church members attending.

Under the leadership of local Pastor Roger Morton and Drs. Agatha and Calvin Thrash, the Life and Health Better Living Center in Phenix City, Alabama, is conducting a full schedule of HEALTH EVANGELISM PROJECTS such as a stop smoking clinic, total health seminar, weight management seminar, seminar on knowing God, stress management seminar, and family life seminar.

A FIVE-DAY PLAN TO STOP SMOKING was held from 11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m. March 21-25 in the Panama City, Florida, mall auditorium by Pastor Ron Neall and Dr. J. P. Chapin.

Nearly \$5,000 was received the latter part of 1976 for CAMP ALAMISCO DEVELOPMENT from the 365 Club offering.

CONFERENCE PATHFINDER LEADERS MET IN COUNCIL under the leadership of Lewis Hendershot, youth director, and reorganized the territory into three regional areas, each with two representatives on the executive council, the governing body for conference-wide activities.

The conference Office of Education reports that five schools have been EVALUATED FOR ACCREDITATION purposes and another five schools have received evaluation reviews.

Dr. Norwida Marshall, Southern Union Conference associate director of education, was featured at three AREA TEACHERS' MEETINGS held by the conference Education Department. Meetings were held March 7-9 in Birmingham, Alabama, Meridian, Mississippi, and Pensacola, Florida.

"Guidelines," a RELIGIOUS TALK SHOW hosted by Pastors Tony Russo and Jerrell Gilkeson of Hattiesburg and Bass Memorial Academy, is now being aired on a second station, 4-5 Sunday afternoon in Columbia. It is also aired from 10:30-11 Sunday mornings in Hattiesburg.



CAROLINA



Students at Mount Pisgah Academy conducted their own SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS WEEK, January 17-21 with presentations focusing on last day events. On Friday evening a cast of 27 students and faculty members presented the play, "Now."

Eugene Johnson, pastor of the Mount Pisgah Academy church, is the speaker on the GEMS OF TRUTH RADIO BROADCAST heard twice daily over WWIT in Canton.

Robert Baldwin, manager of the Carolina Hills Farm in Fletcher, North Carolina, has been appointed a MEMBER OF THE HENDERSON COUNTY AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION ADVISORY COUNCIL — one of 30 vegetable growers.

BASIC BIBLE PERSONAL TOUCH EVANGELISM teams are being organized each week throughout the conference with the number of participants, both member and non-member, continuing to grow. On February 16, 143 groups were organized with 127 of these meeting during the week. These 127 groups were composed of 1,643 persons, 394 of these non-church members. As of the first week of March, 190 groups had been organized with 177 holding studies. The attendance of these 177 groups was 1,723, with 492 of these being non-church members.

The year's-end STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE VOICE OF PROPHECY for 1976 showed 2,225 Bible school enrollments for the Carolinas, with 933 completing the courses. Of the 312 interests sent out from the VOP, 119 resulted in baptisms.

Malcolm Gordon, conference secretary, has released the BAPTISMAL REPORT which indicates that 75 souls have been added to the church through baptism during the first two months of 1977.

The Manning, South Carolina, church has been meeting in various homes since its organization, but now they have been able to RENT the Manning Presbyterian church for their Sabbath services.

H. L. "Jay" Gallimore of Raleigh, North Carolina, reports 20 PERSONS WERE BAPTIZED by Evangelist Dick Pollard on February 12 at the conclusion of meetings there. Five more persons were baptized on the following Sabbath. Gallimore is confident that the final number added to the church through baptism will reach 30 persons.

FLETCHER HOSPITAL HAS BEEN FORMALLY RECOGNIZED by the American Hospital Association as an active participant in a program to more effectively monitor cost management. The program involves the sharing of cost data submitted by nearly 3,000 health-care institutions as a means for these facilities to compare their own cost control effectiveness with others of similar size.



PATHFINDER FUN DAY was held February 27 at Forest Lake Academy. Twenty-five Pathfinder clubs from all over Florida attended. Four hundred and fifty-one Pathfinders were registered, plus staff and visitors. An exciting day of field events, drill teams, pinewood derby races, and an obstacle course was enjoyed by all. The Sanitarium club took first place in the drill team event. Bessie Hwang of Jacksonville took first place among teens in the pinewood derby, with Doug Villemain of Melbourne taking first among juniors.

C. C. Weis of the Lay Activities Department of the General Conference and S. L. Dombrosky, lay activities director of Florida, held FEDERATION MEETINGS throughout the state. These meetings were held over the weekends so that more people would have the privilege of attending. On February 26, immediately following the 11:00 o'clock worship service, Weis and Dombrosky participated in the opening and dedication of the NEW COMMUNITY SERVICE BUILDING, which has just been completed by the Forest Lake church.

The Florida Conference community service workers were responsible for packing 14,000 POUNDS OF CLOTHING, which was transported to the SAWS warehouse in New York City the first of February.

Mignon Wollard of Islamorada reports: "I can't tell you how happy I am to offer our HEALTH SCREENING SERVICES to the people down in the Keys each month, along with visitors from all over the country. We started this program seven years ago, and the people were a bit skeptical of 'those Adventists.' Now they greet us most heartily and we have learned to love one another very much. We have referred many people to their physicians and have scattered thousands upon thousands of pieces of literature down through the Keys. We know there will be a harvest of souls who will be ready for the coming of Jesus."

The BROWNLOW-FERRY TEAM reports 40 souls for their meeting at the Jacksonville First church.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Shoaf of the Brooksville church report that their former neighbors are puzzled and not able to understand why the Shoafs' farm produces more corn and wheat per acre than theirs. The same man leases, plants, fertilizes and cares for the different farms. The Shoafs' credit the special blessing to God's response to their faithfulness in SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Kress Memorial church in Winter Park held a five-week "HEALTH AND HAPPINESS" CLASS in which five doctors and nurses coordinated the program. It was designed to acquaint non-Adventists with vegetarianism as well as other healthier eating habits. There were food samples and demonstrations each week along with interesting lectures.

Orlando Junior Academy has a RECORD ENROLLMENT this year. There are 310 students in attendance. This represents a growth of 55 students over last year. Harry Mayden, principal, attributes this growth to a solid educational program built upon Christian principles. Of the 14 full-time teachers nine hold master's degrees and the remaining five are in the process of obtaining these degrees. Teachers are employed in specialized areas, such as remedial reading, testing and guidance, physical education, choir, and band.

To help the church members in Florida picture the scope of the Florida Conference activities, a program has been developed and is being presented in as many of the churches as time will permit. The program includes a beautiful multi-screen, multi-media presentation entitled, "THE FLORIDA CONFERENCE IN THIRD CENTURY AMERICA," a presentation by the conference administration about the Florida Advance Program, followed by a question and answer period. By year's end the program will have been shown in approximately 45 churches.

Approximately 128 blood pressures were taken daily and more than 1,000 *Steps To Christ* distributed during the Jacksonville Fair last fall. Approximately 650,000 attended. The FAIR BOOTH was somewhat of a memorial to a family killed in an automobile accident during the summer. The family, members of the Jacksonville First church, had encouraged the church to engage in this and other outreach activities.

The 1977 edition of WHO'S WHO IN MUSIC will carry the name of Richard Nordman, a senior student at Groveland Academy. He enrolled at Groveland Academy in the fall of 1974, not intending to stay. When he found a faculty and staff who were interested in him personally and concerned in his eternal welfare, it touched his heart and he realized that Christ is real and a glorious and loving Saviour. Richard was nominated for *Who's Who* by his music director, band master, choir director, and chorus leader, Thomas W. Swiatek.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND



LAY ADVISORY COUNCILS were held in Tifton and Atlanta, Georgia, and Knoxville and Chattanooga, Tennessee, during February. Every church selected delegates who attended the council in their area, where an outline of the conference program was presented and time provided for questions and suggestions from laymen. Delegates were requested to share with their churches the information they gained concerning the progress of God's work. Conference President Desmond Cummings reports a good response to these councils.



General Conference Associate Director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Gordon Engen, with Southern Union Religious Liberty Director Fernon Retzer and Georgia-Cumberland Director Everett Cumbo, conducted LABOR UNION AND SABBATH WORK PROBLEM SEMINARS in Macon, Atlanta, Chattanooga, Knoxville, and Johnson City on February 18-22. Engen discussed the relationship of Seventh-day Adventists to labor unions in the light of Bible principles and Spirit of Prophecy counsels. The seminars were well attended by members of the churches in the various areas and real interest was evident in the crisp question and answer periods following the meetings.



Stewardship Director J. L. Price learned of a young couple who had been having a rather shaky experience. The wife had not been a church member very long, and the husband lost his job as a maintenance man in a manufacturing plant. For a time he worked at odd jobs and then had no work at all. After much prayer and consideration they decided to step out in faith and adopt the 10 PLUS 10 + giving plan, following its outline and giving more than before. Now they report that he has been made head foreman at the plant where he had previously been employed, and they even offered to send him to school to learn more about the work. "The 10 plus 10 + plan has been a real blessing to this couple," reports Price.

Conference Treasurer H. R. Trout reports a TITHE GAIN of \$29,877.69 in January, 1977, over the same month last year. Giving for conference evangelism also recorded a gain of \$3,754.82, indicating the continued acceptance of the 10 plus 10 + stewardship program.

Twenty-two baptisms took place following a VOICE OF PROPHECY CRUSADE conducted January 8-February 5 in Savannah, Georgia, by Joe Melashenko, reports Pastor David Spielman. Concurrently with these meetings, Conference Evangelists Harold Friesen, Arnold Scherencel, and Walter Ring held crusades in Lakeland, Waycross, and Baxley, Georgia, respectively. Nine were baptized in Lakeland, with five more preparing for baptism; in Waycross seven were baptized and six more are studying; and in Baxley two were baptized with several more continuing to study. "We praise God for these new members of the Advent family," states evangelism coordinator Everett Cumbo.



Lay Activities Director Gary Grimes reports an INGATHERING total of \$250,913.72 attained in 1976, a gain of \$34,970.12 over the previous year. "We wish to thank all our pastors and laymen for their splendid cooperation in making possible this outstanding gain," states Grimes.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

A highlight of the CHURCH OFFICERS' MEETINGS held in five areas throughout the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference has been the student representation from Madison and Highland Academy. The youth presented special music and shared witnessing experiences.

Madison Hospital hosted a METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE CLEAN ASH TRAY DAY planning session. Seventy-eight representatives from Metropolitan government, schools, health, police, etc., attended the session. Conn Arnold, temperance director, represented the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference. Bill Boner, Tennessee state senator, is chairman.



R. A. Lopez, treasurer, reports that in spite of the inclement weather experienced in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference during the month of January, the TITHE INCREASED 19 PER CENT over January of 1976. There was a 24.3 per cent increase in the Kentucky-Tennessee Advance. We praise the Lord for a faithful people.

Evangelist Jerry Willis has just CONCLUDED A CRUSADE in the St. Matthews church with Herb Hewitt. Thirteen were baptized, with others planning to be baptized soon.

Lawton Lowe, ministerial director for the Canadian Union, held a SERIES OF MEETINGS in the Madison Campus church with Harley Schander. The Madison Boulevard church, with Dudley Nichols, participated also. To date 23 have been baptized.

Evangelist Grant Gunter and Pastor Fred Rogers conducted a series of evangelistic meetings in Clarksville, Tennessee. In spite of the cold weather at the outset of the meetings, the attendance was good and they have now BAPTIZED EIGHT. They have several good interests.

Luther May, pastor of the Murray, Kentucky, church, was INTERVIEWED ON MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY TELEVISION, channel 11. The subject "Where are the Dead?" aroused such interest that May was requested to stay afterwards to discuss other facets. The interview took place February 18.

R. A. Lopez, treasurer, and W. M. Abbott, Sabbath school director, report that SABBATH SCHOOL MISSION OFFERINGS totaled \$265,484.83 for 1976. Total given in 1975 was \$248,075.01.



SOUTH ATLANTIC

A member of the Abney Chapel church in Fayetteville, North Carolina, was honored by the Cumberland-Harnett Chapter of the American Association of Medical Assistants. Mrs. Bessie Campbell, a registered cardiology technologist, was elected AS THE FIRST BLACK PRESIDENT of the local chapter. Mrs. Campbell, who has led out in organizing and serves as director of the nurses' unit in her own church, was installed in her new position December 2, 1976.

Members of the Town and Country church in Tampa, Florida, have devoted many hours preparing to mail copies of the book, FROM SABBATH TO SUNDAY, to every non-Adventist minister in Tampa.

Rudolph Hinton of Jacksonville, Florida, was named the LAYMAN OF THE YEAR in the South Atlantic Conference. Robert Willis, associate ministerial secretary of the Southern Union, presented Hinton with a Bible to commemorate his selection to this honored title. Hinton enjoys the street preaching type of evangelism and was responsible for many baptisms in 1976.

After more than 12 years of not having any full-time LITERATURE EVANGELISTS in Kentucky, there are now five full-time workers and three part-time workers in Louisville and one full-time worker in Lexington, according to William Sims, district director, and publishing director J. W. Hutchinson. Also for the first time in South Central, Tennessee and Kentucky have been split and, with the able leadership of Wilbert Merchant as a sponsor in Kentucky, the work is going strong.



SOUTH CENTRAL

R. S. Norman, pastor of the Selma, Alabama, district, ordered "Healthwise," a General Conference-prepared HEALTH COUNSEL COLUMN, for three newspapers in his district.

R. L. James, pastor of the Jackson, Tennessee, district, continues to conduct TWO RADIO PROGRAMS AND TWO CORRESPONDENCE COURSES while building two new church buildings.

C. B. Rock, president of Oakwood College, was HONORED AT A TESTIMONIAL BANQUET in February at the Gault House in Louisville, Kentucky, sponsored by the local church's women's club.

T. M. Fountain, a retired worker and former pastor of the Hillcrest church, conducted a week REVIVAL in the Nashville church. His friend, Dr. Powell, president of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Nashville, brought his choir and joined Fountain at Hillcrest in the revival.

The AEOLIANS OF OAKWOOD COLLEGE GAVE CONCERTS at Hillcrest in Nashville and Ephesus in Birmingham, Alabama. Both churches and cities were thrilled with the talented group's variety of vocal music.

Emanuel Jackson, pastor of the Hattiesburg district, sent to the conference committee BLUEPRINTS AND FINANCIAL PLANS to construct a new church building in Gulfport, Mississippi.

R. L. Patterson returned from Andrews University where he received his master of divinity degree and is pursuing the plans of former pastor J. R. Bell in the Greenwood, Mississippi, district to erect a NEW CHURCH BUILDING in Greenwood.

The Breath of Life church in Memphis, Tennessee, organized in 1976, is in its NEW CHURCH BUILDING and, according to Pastor Victor Brooks, is on the Ten Plus Ten Program. Sixty-five per cent of the members are giving the second 10 per cent for offerings and the other 35 per cent plan to go on the Ten Plus Ten Program this year.

Atlanta Berean Pastor F. W. Parker's picture and Christmas message appeared on the front page of the ATLANTA INQUIRER.



The Church In Action

Education

Carolina Youth Attend Bible Camps

Carolina — More than 260 academy-age young people met at Nosoca Pines Ranch on the consecutive weekends of January 29 and February 5 for the first local Bible Conference in the Carolinas. Larry Caviness, conference youth director, explains his objectives in planning a local Bible conference: "I have always wanted to be able to provide a Bible camp program for a larger number of the young people within our conference. The union-wide conferences are excellent, but by their very nature, they limit the number of delegates that may attend from each conference."

Recreation and time for reflection were blended with study and singing at the two Carolina Bible camps.



Robert Caskey, principal of Mount Pisgah Academy, agrees with Caviness and feels that in addition to providing a Bible camp experience for a larger number of students it also helps the overall tone of the campus, which is typically depressed following the holiday season.

During both weekends, the featured guest was John Thurber, conference youth evangelist, who stressed the importance of upholding scriptural standards of conduct. During his Sabbath morning message on both weekends, first to the upper class students and then to the freshmen and sophomores, Thurber challenged them to uphold the Bible standard for purity in the life, all the while reminding them of the fact that Jesus would take them as they were that day and work with them from that time on if they would choose to follow Him.

Throughout both weekends the students themselves expressed their delight in being able to attend a Bible conference, many of them for the first time, and of the practical nature of the programs. It was a common sight to see students with their Bibles opened on their laps marking them as they listened intently to the messages that were being presented.

In addition to the timely meetings, there was, of course, time for lots of good singing, good recreation, good food, and for that occasional casual stroll down to the water's edge to simply enjoy the beauty and refreshment that comes with a spiritual retreat that is set in lovely surroundings.

BMA Student Week of Prayer Sparks Campus Revival

Alabama-Mississippi — A student-to-student thrust to proclaim the "good news" of Christ was launched on the campus of Bass Memorial Academy January 17-22. The event was a student week of prayer which involved eight students as speakers—most of whom had not spoken publicly before.

Under the tutelage of campus pastor Jerrell Gilkeson, the students prepared their own talks around the theme, "I want to live for Jesus. Do you?" Such a theme required a great deal of soul-searching on the part of speakers, who declared they had probably been helped as much as or more than those to whom they spoke.

One student, David Hartman, in reflecting on the experience, wrote to his parents, "I've had the roughest time in my life trying to get my sermon prepared. . . . Ironically, my talk was on discouragement, but in preparing that talk, I've never become more discouraged. That's the way it was for all of us. . . . The devil tried with all his might to stop us. . . . Finally, though, on the day that each of us had our talk, the words started to come. . . . The talks and experiences were beautiful. We didn't speak to the kids. . . . We shared what Christ had done for us and the Holy Spirit really worked."

Was it worth all the effort and anxiety to stand up before the whole student body and witness in this way? David's letter continues, "There weren't any tears or emotional climaxes to the week of prayer, but now that it's over kids are coming up to us and wanting to know how they can get close to Christ. . . . It's great!"

The students held the week of prayer because, as someone said, "in these last days on earth, religious leaders need to come out of the woodwork and be counted. We need to choose for Christ now."

School Project Aids 'Tree People'

Carolina — The 172 students of the Captain Gilmer Elementary

School of Fletcher, North Carolina, were searching for a Christmas project that would be worthwhile. The 28 members of the eighth-grade class were the first to settle upon a project. They invited the re-

many vast prospects open up now because of your love and activity."

There are at least 172 students in the Captain Gilmer Elementary School who better understand the true spirit of Christmas.

Some of the 143 students of Captain Gilmer Elementary School present Aida Rengifo with a check toward the \$1,400 raised for educational supplies for the Tree People of Indonesia.



tired denominational workers who live in that area to a Christmas dinner and gave each of them a gift.

The students in grades one through seven developed their project from a suggestion of former Curriculum Supervisor Lorraine Felker, who has recently transferred to the same position in the Far Eastern Division. Mrs. Felker shared with them the picture of a mission school among the Tree People of Indonesia. The picture revealed the tremendous facility and equipment needs of the rude shelter school. Students could be seen sitting on bamboo benches and writing on bamboo tablets. After some investigation of the project by Principal Ferdi Wuttke, the students enthusiastically began raising funds to send to the mission school among the Tree People.

One hundred forty-three students took part in the fund raising, which accumulated \$1,400 for the mission school. The real joy of Christmas filled the hearts of the students when they received a letter from the Far Eastern Division which read, in part, "Now the students can have walls on their building to keep the rain off them when the wind blows during the rainy season. Perhaps some of the funds will go for real board benches. There may be money enough for even a few desks and books! So

Youth

Sumter Pathfinders Emphasize Service

South Atlantic — The inspiration generated from the Pathfinder Day program resulted in a very profitable yield for the church and community of the church at Sumter, South Carolina.

In the first place, a number of new members joined the club. Then for Halloween the club went

Sumter, South Carolina, Pathfinders have engaged in numerous community service and evangelistic projects.



out and collected over 200 cans of food for the needy and distributed 13 boxes of groceries for Thanksgiving.

In December, the club gave a Christmas party for 23 pre-school children in the poverty program. The Pathfinders made gifts for the children and gave each parent a *Steps to Christ*.

A group of these young people formed a jail band and visited the jail every Sunday afternoon. They distributed 35 bags of fruit to the inmates during the Christmas season.

Their next big project is dark county evangelism.

Health

Naples Blends Stop-Smoking, Nutrition Classes

Florida — A nutrition class was held last October in the Naples, Florida, church. The beginning of the class started back in March, 1976, when Pastor William Webb conducted a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. At that time 30 people responded to ads and came to kick the tobacco habit. At the conclusion of the Plan, they were invited to a buffet supper one month later for a class reunion. They were treated to a delicious vegetarian meal prepared by ladies of the

church and were informed of the nutrition class to be held in the fall.

Then in August another Five-Day Plan was held at the church with a response of 28 people. At the conclusion they too were invited to the nutrition class and seemed very enthusiastic about it. In October all the people who had attended the Plans received written invitations and they, along with others from the community, attended the class hosted by the church.

Mrs. Dorothy Sowder, from Ft. Lauderdale, conducted the class for four consecutive nights. The response was excellent, and out of the 30 who came to the class two people indicated that they would like to attend one of the Five-Day Plans in the future. Three others visited the church services during the month.

100+ Stop Smoking In Montgomery

Alabama-Mississippi — The quick conversation took place at the entrance of the hospital. "Do you smoke . . . how would you like to have my lighter—and cigarettes?"

"Well, yes, but . . ."

The distinguished-appearing executive handed his lighter and cigarettes to the stranger. "I'm going to the Five-Day Plan and won't need these any more." The stranger walked away bewildered and the executive went on to the stop smoking clinic—and victory.

Dr. Alton Ochsner, of the Ochsner Clinic and Medical Foundation in New Orleans, was on hand to kick off the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking held at the Baptist Medical Center, Montgomery, Alabama, January 23. The Plan was under the direction of Carl Hartman, local pastor.

Ochsner commended the Five-Day Plan as the finest stop-smoking program available and praised the Seventh-day Adventist Church for its programs to help people stop smoking. Ochsner has been condemning cigarette smoking as a leading cause of lung cancer since the early 1940's.

Danny Long, the executive director of the Governor's Commission on Physical Fitness, State of

Alabama, was also a guest speaker at the Plan.

One hundred thirty individuals registered for the Plan with 108 completing. Ninety-five felt that they had "kicked the habit" by the closing night, resulting in a 89 per cent success rate. Hartman indicated that this success ratio, the highest of any program he has conducted for a large group, is due partly to the fact that a pre-session was held three nights before the program actually began. This pre-session was designed to prepare the people for the program.

A survey indicated that the participants had been smoking 3,505 cigarettes daily, at a cost of \$97 a day. By closing night the participants had smoked only 16 cigarettes during that day, at a cost of less than \$.50.

One of the participants was Dr. Richard E. Brown, chief of the medical staff at Baptist Medical Center, who had been smoking 4-5 packs of cigarettes a day for many years. He stopped smoking January 23 and has not smoked since. His wife also kicked the habit during the Plan.

Florida Hospital Installs Clinical Analyzer

Florida Hospital — Florida Hospital has installed a new instrument to automatically analyze blood serum and other body fluids.

The device is known as the Automatic Clinical Analyzer (ACA), developed by DuPont. The instrument performs rapid and accurate chemical analyses that were formerly done manually.

According to Archie Weemes, F.H.'s chief technologist, "The instrument represents an investment of about \$90,000 and gives our lab the added capacity to respond to the growing need for quick and accurate diagnostic tests."

"Chemical analyses are the largest single group of clinical tests performed in the lab," says Weemes.

The ACA will enable existing staff to accept increasing workloads without compromising efficiency. A test result can be obtained from the ACA in less than seven minutes,

making it extremely beneficial in emergency cases.

Thirty different diagnostic tests are programmed on the F.H. unit. The instrument has an expandable capacity of 62 tests and others are expected to be added to the present testing programs over the next several months.

Tests performed on the ACA range from the simple analysis of glucose level in the blood to more sophisticated analyses such as liver-lactic dehydrogenase used in suspected cases of liver disease.

Progress

Alton, Tuscaloosa, Brownsville Enter New Buildings

South Central — Three churches marched into their new buildings recently, led by President C. E. Dudley: Alton, Alabama, in November; Tuscaloosa, Alabama, in December; and Brownsville, Tennessee, in January. Neighboring churches, city officials, and conference leaders were called in to celebrate their ribbon cuttings, recount the blessings of God on their growing congregations, and enjoy a day of solemn ceremony and conviviality.

Alton, Alabama, sometimes called Queenstown, was largely raised up by two laymen, W. Moore and G. Alves, who were both members of the Birmingham church. Moore felt moved by the Spirit of God to hold a lay-effort in the Alton area. A church of 36 is now organized there. They secured some land and built and furnished a 150-seat church.

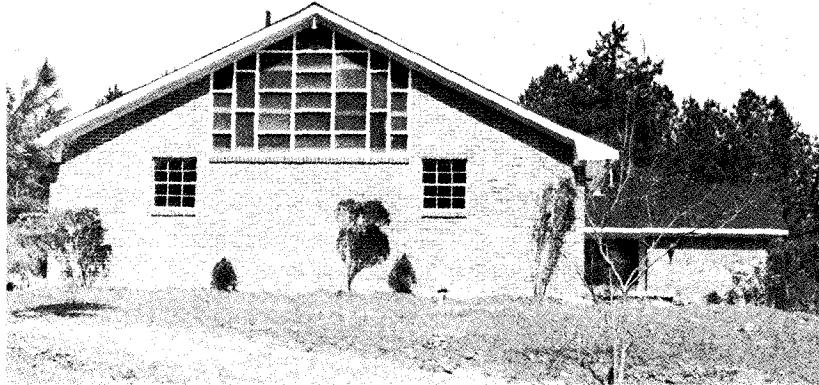
Tuscaloosa bought a church some 10 years ago, but soon outgrew it. The present building was bought, remodeled, refinished, re-roofed, enlarged, and bricked outside. New pews and wall-to-wall carpet makes it look like a new building. Only one of the charter members remained to recount the history of the church, Mrs. Thompson. Pastor L. Blackwell led the church in this venture.

Brownsville cut the ribbon and marched into their new building on January 15. Local elder James Ashworth had longed for a church for nearly 20 years and recounted the growth and progress of the church at the groundbreaking. Four months later he praised his

pastor, R. James, and the conference construction consultant, W. Freeman, for making his dream a reality.

President Dudley plans to cut the ribbon for 12 more buildings during 1977. He plans to have 12 more groundbreakings.

W. Moore and G. Alves worked together to raise up a congregation in Alton, Alabama, then led the group in constructing this new church.



Georgia-Cumberland Organizes 100th Church

Georgia-Cumberland — The Clayton, Georgia, congregation became the 100th church in Georgia-Cumberland when it was organized with 20 charter members on February 26 by Conference Secretary Everett Cumbo. Although the conference-operated Atoka Springs Youth Camp has been located in Mountain City, Georgia, for 25 years, no church existed in Rabun County.

Two years ago six students from Georgia-Cumberland Academy and Southern Missionary College, led by Conference Youth Director John Strickland, spent the summer working in the community. They held a free day camp for 60 local children, presented a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking, visited in the homes of the people, making friends and giving Bible studies, and joined with the Reachout Singers and Pastor Chuck Luster in evangelistic meetings. Last year four students returned for another summer of witnessing, again providing a day-

The recently organized Clayton, Georgia, church presently meets in the Mountain City Methodist church, but plans to construct its own facilities soon. In the foreground are Conference Secretary Everett Cumbo (left), Pastor Chuck Luster, and Associate Youth Director Terry Snyder.



TWENTY

camp program for local children and joining conference Evangelist Arnold Scherencel in evangelistic meetings. Six people were baptized at the close of this crusade.

Who and Where

White House Church Aids Burma Seminary

Kentucky-Tennessee — During the last two years, the White House, Tennessee, church has been sending Spirit of Prophecy books to students at the Burma Seventh-day Adventist Bible Seminary at Myaungmya, Burma.

Mrs. M. R. Coon, of White House reports, "The first contact was made through a request for books published in the *Review and Herald*. After the first box arrived at the seminary, other students wrote stating their needs for Bibles, song books, church history books, speech books, as well as for more



Members of the White House, Tennessee, church pack boxes with Bibles, Spirit of Prophecy books, and Sabbath school supplies for students in Burma. From left: Mrs. M. R. Coon, Georgia Everett, Tom Day, Gerald Wheeler.

Spirit of Prophecy books. Each request was filled."

After each student received his books, he wrote a letter of appreciation for them. In this way, the members sending the books knew that the shipments were getting to the seminary.

The students' letters indicate that it is very difficult and almost impossible in some situations to have access to books needed for their research in their classes.

Following is the last letter received from a student named Nang Do Thuam.

Dear Mrs. Coon and White House Church,

I am so many thanks for your kindness as I had received the Box of books which you had sents. I received them in during December holidays.

I am so happy that you wanted to know myself and my family. I am also to want to tell about my family and myself. I have two elder brothers and four elder sisters, and I am the youngest son. Now I have only mother. Last six years ago my father had asleep in Jesus. My brothers are School Teachers.

Though my brothers are Teachers they can't support me very well. In my holidays I work as a canvass. By the grace of God I got scholarship and attending in Pre II class at Myaungmya. I have plan for summer holiday to do the work as I had already worked. I am very enjoy to do that work.

Now let me say about our school. There are (170) students in our school. Thirty students will be graduate in this year. Students are always increasing year by year.

In our country goods price are higher and higher we have never before. In every place we can hear about foes. This make me know that we are in time of feet which cannot mixed up together. Our S.D.A. ministers are trying to preach the gospel to whole country.

If you can tell about your family I am glad to hear. Have you any sons? Are they attending school now? How old are they?

I thanks God for He provide you to help to your neighbor. God be bless you and be of good cheer every day.

Your pupil
Nang Do Thuam

Riverside Chapel Holds 'International Day'

South Central — Have you ever wondered about the benefits that would come from having a special Sabbath during the year called "International Day"? It happened in Nashville, Tennessee, at the Riverside Chapel church.

The idea for this festive Sabbath

occasion came from Mrs. Carolyn Anderson, a worker at Riverside Adventist Hospital. At the church's early Sunday morning Bible class, the idea took shape, developed, and was organized by several interested members.

On November 20, 1976, people came to church dressed in the costumes of their own nations. Ten different parts of the world were represented. Even the ushers dressed in colorful African dresses.

Participants on the Sabbath school program came from the Philippines, Ghana, Jamaica, Indonesia, various parts of Inter-America, and the United States.

Mrs. Geneva Hutchinson greeted the Sabbath school in six languages. Dr. L. L. Quirante from Oakwood College taught the general lesson study.

Guest speaker for the main worship hour was Dr. Abraham Chacko, an Indian, who is professor of educational psychology at Kentucky State College.

The Missionary Volunteer hour was highlighted by a panel of two couples, the Kabigtins and Quirantes, dressed in their village costumes, who told the story of how the Adventist work was begun in the Philippines.

The great day was brought to an

These Times introduces a revolutionary breakthrough in magazine evangelism—to present the entire Adventist message to its readers during a 12-month period.

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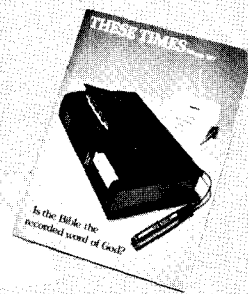
Consequently, beginning with the August, 1977, issue and running through July, 1978 (the 1977-78 subscription year), *These Times* will publish articles covering each of the 27 primary Adventist beliefs listed in the standard baptismal certificate. This year when you sponsor *These Times* subscriptions, you know the reader will be exposed to **every** key doctrine of the Adventist Church.

If you analyze your investment in terms of souls, we know you will select *These Times* as your key medium to bring others closer to Christ and to the message He taught. The special 1977 campaign rate for April and May is \$4.25 for *These Times* (12 issues). Add 75c for each overseas and Canadian subscription.



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Dorothy Wilson (left) and Carolyn Anderson welcome visitors and members to Riverside Chapel's "International Day."

end when Dr. Donald Blake, an administrator at Kentucky State College, gave a stimulating vesper message, challenging the youth to meaningful commitments to Christ.

Music for the International Day included a bamboo orchestra from the Philippines, a quartet of nurses from various countries, the New World Singers from Riverside Chapel church, guitar and violin solos from the Guadalupe family from Argentina and Miss Hannah Chacko from Lexington, whose parents are from India.

The church body voted that night, unanimously, to have a larger and better International Day during the middle part of 1977. In spite of national diversity, there can be great spiritual unity in Christ.

Clewiston Launches 'Aggressive Service'

Florida — "Aggressive Service" is the 1977 theme for the Clewiston Seventh-day Adventist church.

The Clewiston church, which

A Clewiston, Florida, resident gladly receives *Steps to Christ* from church member Joanne Williams.



numbers less than 30 in membership, has responded to the challenge for Aggressive Service, given them by Pastor Lewis Bame at the beginning of the new year. Their goal is to reach, in person, every home in both Hendry and Glades Counties with *Steps to Christ*, *The Great Controversy*, and Gift Bible Evangelism, by going from door to door.

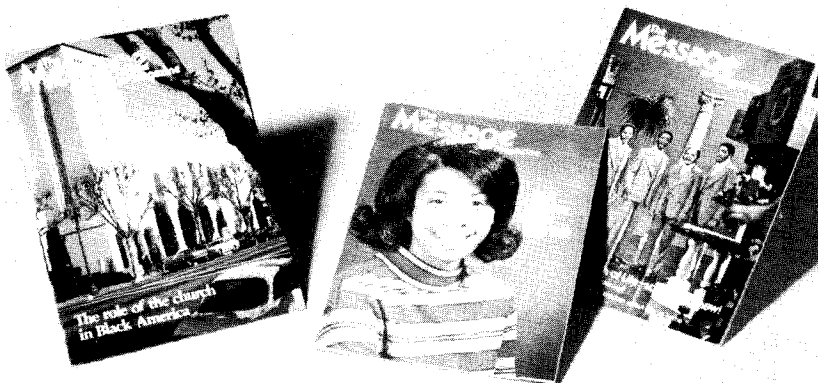
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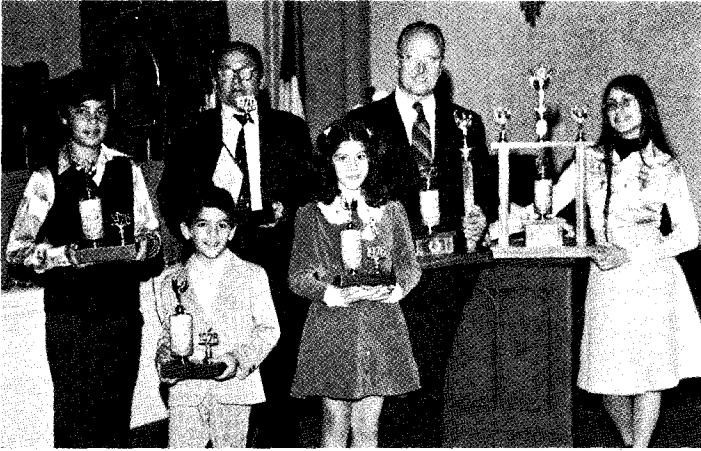
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Pictorial Stories



During the last Ingathering campaign, the Miami Spanish church offered awards to the champion in each of the six Sabbath school divisions. The winners were: (first row, left to right) Samuel Lopez, Daniel Cedeno, Linda Garcia; (second row): Alberto Lopez, \$413, R. R. Drachemberg, \$445, and Gladys Soto, \$631.



Clarence Diller, a layman of the Apopka, Florida, Highlands church, is speaker for "Steps to Christ," a 30-minute broadcast over WTLN, Apopka. The broadcast is sponsored solely by laymen.



Opening services for the 200-seat St. Elmo, Alabama, church were held February 5. Southern Union President H. H. Schmidt spoke to the 100-member congregation and guests. Under the leadership of Pastor Noble Shepherd, the building was constructed almost entirely by its members over a two-year period.



Mrs. Daisy Jackson of the Charlotte, North Carolina, Berean church holds the trophy awarded to her after being named "Ingathering Queen" for 1976. She raised \$6,383.50. At left is South Atlantic President R. L. Woodfork. On the other side are Pastor R. C. Connor and Joe Hinson, conference lay activities director. Mrs. Rosa Holmes of Savannah, Georgia, was the runner-up with \$5,500.75.

The Madison, Tennessee, Boulevard church celebrated its 25th anniversary recently. Glenn Coon (center), the first pastor and anniversary speaker, stands with the charter members.

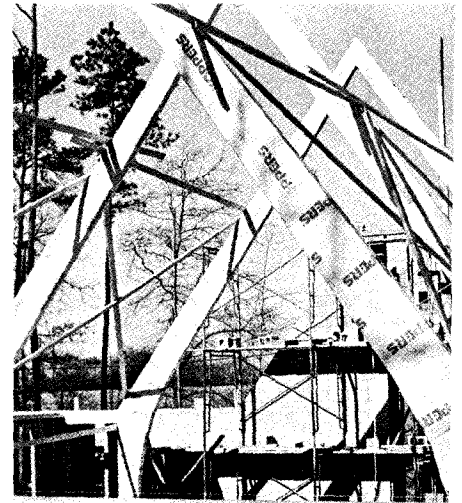




The Warner Robins church school presented an hour-long musical program in the Georgia capitol rotunda January 18. Governor George Busbee was in attendance at the program, hosted by State Senator Ed Barker. Pastor John Cooper (left) leads the choir. Mrs. Aileen Cooper is pianist and music coordinator.



As a result of literature distributed by 94-year-old Ira Newkirk (second row, right center), 18 members of one family have become members of the Nashville, Tennessee, First church. Newkirk gave a piece of literature several years ago to Barbara Jaco, which led to Bible studies by Mrs. Norma Sheffield. More interest was developed during several evangelistic meetings.



The Elizabeth City, North Carolina, church is one of five in the Carolina Conference presently under construction. Three of the five are being built under the auspices of the MPA Corporation, a laymen's organization that assists small churches with construction or expansion needs.

South Atlantic Conference centurions visit Haiti, accompanied by R. B. Hairston, Elder and Mrs. Phillip Florence, I. A. Christian, J. L. Follette, and O. J. McKinney.



Officers of the Berean church in Atlanta and South Atlantic Conference officers sign the papers giving ownership of six and a half acres across the street from the church. The property cost \$125,000 and is being purchased for extending the church facilities. On the other side of the table are the owner and her representatives.



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Calendar of Events

ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI

Conference-wide Youth Congress — Bass Memorial Academy, April 9. Special features: John Thurber, youth evangelist. God's Love Song, SMC. Theme: "Youth For a Finished Work."

Community Services Federation Meetings

April 17 10:00-12:00 Decatur
April 17 6:00-8:00 Montgomery
April 18 10:00-12:00 Jackson
April 19 10:00-12:00 Prichard

Bass Memorial Academy Alumni Weekend — April 22-24.

Medical Retreat — Camp Alamisco, April 29-May 1.

Academy Days — Bass Memorial Academy, May 1-2.

Conference Evangelism Offering — May 7.

Meridian, Mississippi, Church Homecoming and Dedication — April 9. Bounds Road Extension.

CAROLINA

Mt. Pisgah Academy Alumni Weekend — April 8, 9.

Evangelistic Meetings:

May 7-June 4 — Fletcher, Arden, N.C., Pollard-Mahorney
April 23-May 28 — Florence, S.C., Harold Turner
June 18-July 30 — Whiteville, N.C., Don Shelton

Nosoca Pines Ranch Meetings:

April 1-3 — Young Marrieds' and Engaged Couples' Retreat
April 7-10 — Philosda
April 15-17 — Business Persons' Retreat
April 25-27 — Southern Union Adventist Hospital & Health Services
May 1-5 — Environmental School

FLORIDA

Elementary and Jr. Academy Music Festival — Forest Lake Academy, April 22-23. Guest Speakers: Benjie Leach, D. K. Griffith. 150-Member band group. 300-Member choral group.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Vacation Bible School Workshops

April 2 Moultrie, 4-6 p.m.
April 3 Ooltewah, 10-12 a.m.
April 3 Morristown, 4-6 p.m.

Ministerial Association Meetings

April 4 Macon, 9:30 a.m.
April 5 Atlanta, 9:30 a.m.
April 6 Collegedale, 9:30 a.m.
April 7 Knoxville, 9:30 a.m.

Pathfinder Camporee — Atoka Springs Camp, April 29-May 2.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

Evangelistic Meetings

April 23-May 28 — Jerry Willis, White House
April 23-May 28 — Grant Gunter, Paintsville
March 26-April 30 — Kenneth Cox, Bowling Green

Sabbath School Workshop — Indian Creek Camp, April 29-May 1. Guest speakers: Ben J. Liebelt and Charles Brooks of the General Conference, Fernon Retzer of the Southern Union, and Dr. Jack L. Dunham of the Religious Education Foundation in Phoenix, Arizona.

Revival and Cooking School — Louisville, Ky. Elder and Mrs. Stephen Olney. April 8-18.

SOUTH CENTRAL

Conference-wide Youth Officers' Retreat — April 2.

Literature Evangelists' Rally Day — April 9.

Oakwood Alumni Weekend — April 8-10.

Council on Evangelism — April 26.

Offering for OC Harris Pine Mills — April 26.

MESSAGE Magazine Meet — Little Rock, Ark., May 5.

Five-Conference Youth Congress — Little Rock, Ark., May 6-7.

Evangelism Offering — May 7.

Sabbath School Workshop — May 14.

Public Relations Workshop — Memphis, Tenn., May 15.

SOUTHERN UNION

Sabbath School Teacher Training Seminar — May 13-15. Southern Missionary College. Premiere 12-hour class in "Performance in Sabbath School Teaching," a newly developed system for teacher improvement. Information available through the conference Sabbath School Department.

OUT OF UNION

Oak Park Academy Alumni Weekend — April 15, 16. Honor classes—1927, 1952, and 1967.

Sandia View Academy Alumni Weekend — April 22, 23.

Union Springs Academy Homecoming — April 22-24. Featured speaker: Glenn Coon, class of '24. Honor classes—1927, 1937, 1952, and 1967. For rooms contact Silas Raymond, Union Springs, NY 13160.

Annual Meeting of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Nurses

— April 29-May 2. Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, California. April 29, 7:30 p.m., first meeting in Burden Hall. All Seventh-day Adventist nurses are invited. Housing: Highlander Six and the Hilton Inn in San Bernardino. Transportation will be provided to and from the motels. Trailer space is available in back of the university gymnasium. Camping space is nearby also. The annual meeting of the SDA Nursing Council is called for April 28, 29. School of Nursing building, Loma Linda University. Registration: 8:00-8:30 a.m., April 28. First meeting: 8:30 a.m., April 28.

European Tour for Educators — May 31 - June 27. Open to educators and Andrews University alumni. Countries visited will include England, France, Switzerland, Italy, Yugoslavia, Germany, and Belgium. Up to eight quarter hours of graduate or undergraduate credit available. For further information write Dr. Robert A. Williams, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104.

Communication Seminar — June 13 - July 8. Andrews University. Items studied will include: public relations, radio/tv, advertising, audio/visual, photography. Academic credit available. Write: Director of Seminary Admissions, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104.

Food Service Supervisors' Workshop — July 11-28. Andrews University. Academic credit available. Write: Dr. Fonda L. Chaffee, Department of Home Economics, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104.

Andrews University Alumni Homecoming — April 29 - May 1. Honor classes: 1917, 1927, 1937, 1947, 1952, 1957, 1967. Featured speaker, Dr. Richard Nies.

Atlantic Union College Homecoming — April 22-24. Featured speakers: Dr. Winton Beaven, Steven Farley, Bill Fagal, Jr., Mrs. Dorothy Musick Waters. Honor classes: 1927, 1937, 1952, 1967.

Broadview Academy Homecoming Weekend — April 15, 16. Special guests: Josephine Cunningham Edwards and Dr. Richard Schwarz.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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in transition



On the Move

Florida

1. **Alf G. Johnson** has joined the staff of the Florida Conference Association as its secretary. Coming to Florida from the Ohio Conference, Johnson has been in denominational employment since 1948, almost half of that time spent in overseas mission service. He and his wife Barbara came to Florida in September of last year.

Kentucky-Tennessee

Rodney Grove is the new pastor of the Lexington, Kentucky, district. He comes to his new responsibilities from the Chesapeake Conference. He is married to Rose Anne (Wright).

David Ritter has just come to the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference from Andrews University. He is now the assistant pastor of the Memphis, Tennessee, First church. He and his wife, Teresa, share the joys that two-year-old Scotty brings them.

Clyde Leeds is now pastor of the Paducah, Kentucky, district taking Bill Strong's place, who has gone to the state of Washington. Leeds was formerly the pastor of the Stearns, Kentucky, district.

Bob Houghton has transferred to the Stearns, Kentucky, district, taking the place of Clyde Leeds. Houghton had been assistant pastor of the Memphis, Tennessee, First church.

South Atlantic

2. **James Edgecombe** has assumed the pastorate of the Bethany church in Miami, Florida. He comes from a pastoral position in Denver, Colorado.

3. **J. E. Harris** is the new pastor of the Ephesus church in Wilmington, North Carolina, coming from the Southwestern Union Conference.

4. **Cleveland Mair**, formerly with the Inter-American Division, is the new pastor of the Florence, South Carolina, district.

5. **David Rand** has moved to Miami-Northside as pastor, coming from the Pacific Union Conference.

South Central

Doc Hatcher, a 1976 graduate of Oakwood College, has transferred to the Murfreesboro, Tennessee, district. He has been associate pastor in Birmingham, Alabama.

Andrews University

Dr. Richard W. Schwarz, chairman of the history and political science department at Andrews, has been elected vice president for academic administration. Schwarz joined the faculty in 1955. He holds a Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Dr. Robert A. Williams, assistant dean of the school of graduate studies, was asked by the board to serve as chairman of the department of education. He will succeed Dr. Thomas S. Geraty, who has announced his retirement at the end of this school year.

Weddings

BRACEBRIDGE — WHITENER

Anita Carol Whitener, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Whitener of Hickory, North Carolina, and **Ronald Lee Bracebridge**, son of Chaplain and Mrs. C. E. Bracebridge of Columbia, South Carolina, were married in the Hickory Seventh-day Adventist church on January 2. Chaplain Bracebridge conducted the ceremony. Both Ron and Anita are graduates of Mount Pisgah Academy. The couple is making its home in Columbia.

JEFFUS — BERNARD

Rhonda June Bernard, daughter of Mrs. Edna Bernard of Jamestown, Kentucky, and **Daniel Myron Jeffus, III**, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Jeffus, Jr., of Aberdeen, Scotland, were united in marriage on December 19, 1976, at the Madison Boulevard church in Madison, Tennessee. Kimber D. Johnson officiated.

TOOLEY — CAGLE

Janet Louise Cagle and **Howard Chester Tooley** were married December 26, 1976, in the Melbourne SDA church, Melbourne, Florida. Janet, a 1972 Southern Missionary College graduate, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cagle of Cleburne, Texas. Chester is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Garrett of Collegedale, Tennessee. Don Weatherall officiated at the ceremony. The couple is residing in Cape Canaveral, Florida.

HERRINGTON — HYNSON

Cathy Hynson and **William Herrington** were married January 16 in the Clearwater, Florida, SDA church. Cathy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hynson, and Bill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Herrington, both of Clearwater. The couple resides in Largo, Florida. The marriage was performed by Orren Bacheller, Clearwater pastor.

COOK — BIRGE

Alberta Ann Birge, daughter of Mrs. Carmen Birge of Lithia, Massachusetts, and **Stephen Dennis Cook**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cook of Grants Pass, Oregon, were united in marriage at the Wildwood Chapel at Wildwood, Georgia, on February 6, with W. D. Frazee officiating. The couple has been working in evangelism, health education, and teaching in the Wildwood Medical Missionary Institutes in Georgia and Massachusetts. They will be continuing their labors in Georgia.

TOWNSEND — KRAMER

Janet Mae Kramer, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lee F. Kramer of Madison, Tennessee, and **Dale Joseph Townsend**, son of Mrs. Rudy Hochreiter of Titusville, Florida, and Earl Townsend of Petersburg, Michigan, were married at the Madison Boulevard church December 30, 1976. V. E. Garber, uncle of the bride, officiated at the ceremony. The bride and groom were both 1976 graduates of Southern Missionary College. Mr. Townsend is presently teaching at Madison Academy, but will enter the school of medicine at Loma Linda University in September, 1977.

sunset table

	Apr. 1	Apr. 8	Apr. 15	Apr. 22	Apr. 29	May 6
Atlanta, Ga.	6:59	7:04	7:09	7:14	8:19	8:25
Charlotte, N.C.	6:44	6:50	6:55	7:01	8:07	8:12
Collegedale, Tenn. .	7:02	7:08	7:13	7:19	8:25	8:30
Huntsville, Ala.	6:07	6:13	6:18	6:23	7:30	7:35
Jackson, Miss.	6:21	6:25	6:30	6:35	7:40	7:45
Louisville, Ky.	6:07	6:12	6:19	6:25	7:32	7:38
Memphis, Tenn.	6:21	6:27	6:32	6:38	7:44	7:49
Montgomery, Ala. .	6:05	6:10	6:15	6:20	7:25	7:30
Nashville, Tenn. ...	6:09	6:15	6:20	6:26	7:32	7:38
Orlando, Fla.	6:43	6:46	6:50	6:54	7:58	8:02
Wilmington, N.C. ...	6:33	6:38	6:43	6:49	7:54	7:59

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Obituaries



Melvin E. Erickson

ERICKSON, Melvin Eddy, associate director of education of the Southern Union Conference, passed to his rest March 7, succumbing to cancer. Erickson was born in Tugaskie, Saskatchewan, Canada, April 3, 1918. In 1942 he was married to Lorna Joy Stickle, who survives him. He received a bachelor of theology degree from Canadian Union College in 1947. Erickson served as principal of Okanagan Academy in British Columbia and as a pastor in the same province. Following his ordination to the ministry in 1952 he became youth director and superintendent of education for the Alberta Conference, later moving to New York in the same capacity. While in New York he earned a master's degree in secondary school administration from Syracuse University. In 1962 he became superintendent of education of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, a position he held until 1966

when he became secretary-treasurer of the Ontario-Quebec Conference. The following year he was elected youth director and director of education of the Canadian Union Conference. He returned to the Southern Union in 1970 as associate director of education. In 1975 he received a doctor of philosophy degree in curriculum development from Georgia State University. Dr. Erickson was the author of an educational game, two books, and numerous articles for professional and religious journals. At the time of his death he was editor of a journal entitled *Focus on Education*. He leaves to mourn his passing, in addition to his wife, two sons: Lloyd, of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Clare, of Atlanta, Georgia; and his mother, Mrs. Alma Erickson, of Tugaskie, Saskatchewan. His friendship will be sorely missed by his colleagues and many friends. His dedication to the church, especially its youth, will not soon be forgotten by those who knew him and the thousands who were beneficiaries of his unselfish service.

CAMPBELL, John A., born July 1, 1890, in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada, and died November 14 in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He was a member of the Cumberland Heights church at the time of his death. Survivors include his wife, Lydia of Cumberland Heights, Tennessee; one step-daughter; two step-granddaughters; one brother; two sisters; two nephews; four nieces; and four step-great-granddaughters. Funeral services were conducted at the Cumberland Funeral Home in Altamont by R. M. Mote and J. C. Gaitens. Burial was in the Altamont Cemetery.

COCHRAN, Frank E., 32, died August 25, 1976, in Gainesville, Georgia. Dr. Cochran took his pre-dental studies at Southern Missionary College. He graduated from Emory School of Dentistry in 1970 and has practiced in Gainesville since that time. He was a member of the Gainesville church. Dr. Cochran was respected by his business associates and loved by his office staff and patients. Survivors include his wife, Rita Ventra Cochran; two daughters, Tanya and Cynthia of Gainesville; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Cochran of Madison, Georgia; one sister, Mrs. Ethel Tolhurst of Newton, North Carolina; and one brother, Arnold of Cleveland, Tennessee. Pastor Harley Breesee officiated at the services. Interment was at the Apalachee Cemetery, Morgan County, Georgia.

COLEMAN, William Martin, was born in Brundidge, Alabama, January 15, 1892, and died in Tampa, Florida, January 26. He was a member of the Brandon, Florida, SDA church. Survivors include his wife, Irene N.; two sons, Dorcus of Cocoa and Groover of Lakeland; one daughter, Mrs. Helen Blume of Daytona Beach; and three sisters, Annie Wayne Drew of Dothan, Alabama, Nola Hartshum of Ft. Worth, Texas, and Maude Bennett, also of Ft. Worth. Funeral services were conducted by Robert H. Schwebel at the Stowers Funeral Home. Interment was at the Myrtle Hill Memorial Park.

DYER, Joseph B., 83, of Apopka, Florida, died January 19. Born in Portsmouth, Ohio, he moved to Apopka from Cincinnati 20 years ago. He was a member of the Eustis SDA church and was a retired recording clerk. Survivors: daughters, Mrs. Jane Mayhew of Apopka, Mrs. Betty Wertz of DeLand, Florida; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

GAITENS, James Clyde, 69, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, June 29, 1907, and died November 29. The family moved to Ottawa, Canada, when he was five years of age. He attended Union College and received the Master of Science degree from Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee. As a youth leader he pioneered the idea of junior camps for children and youth in Missouri, Florida, Kentucky and Tennessee. He served as a superintendent of education, principal of academies in Nashville, Jacksonville, Florida, Exeter, California, and Collegedale, Tennessee, science teacher and dean of men at Emmanuel Missionary College (now Andrews University), dormitory dean of the medical school at Loma Linda University, Bible instructor in the School of Nursing, Bible and science teacher at Enterprise Academy, Kansas, and was district pastor for the Cumberland Heights and Beersheba Springs churches in Tennessee. After retirement he remained active in church and youth work. At the time of his death he was enroute to teach at the Whispering Pines School near Gruettli, Tennessee. Survivors are his wife, Pearl Hartwell Gaitens; daughter, Elizabeth (Betty Jo) Baerg of Ithaca, Michigan; a foster son, James W. Seeman of Miami, Florida; two sisters, Anne Seely of Phoenix, Arizona, and Agnes Constable of St. Helena, California; eight grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held at the Cumberland Heights church by George Stevens, assisted by F. A. Mote, R. M. Mote and E. M. Meleen. Burial was in the Memorial Gardens of the local church.

GATTIS, Louis S. Sr., was born in Charlotte, North Carolina, June 28, 1899, and died November 11, 1976, in the same city. He was a member of the Charlotte church and served as an elder for 40 years. Survivors include: his wife of 57 years, Minnie Smith Gattis; two sons, Louis S. Gattis, Jr., of Maitland, Florida, and Merrill L. Gattis of Charlotte; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

GOHDE, Louis, born September 22, 1896, in Cleveland, Ohio, died January 30 in Pinellas Park, Florida. He was a member of the St. Petersburg SDA church. Two daughters, Dorothy Fuller and Lois Miller, and a brother, George Gohde, survive him.

GOODRICH, Ruth, died in Lake Wales, Florida, February 20. She was born in Rocky River, Ohio, February 25, 1895. She was a member of the Lake Wales SDA church. Her husband, Earl E. Goodrich of Lake Wales, and W. P. Browne are survivors.

KING, Esther Peterson, was born in Baraboo, Wisconsin, on March 25, 1898, and passed to her rest in Ocean Springs, Mississippi, January 18. Mrs. King is survived by her daughters, Isele Simmons, Iris May King, Jeanne Hayes, Ann Salsbury, and Edwina Radel; son, Fred; sisters, Alice Ortnor, Belle Peterson, Lillian Peterson, and Delelah Peterson; brother, Alfred Peterson; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

LITTLEFIELD, William L., was born September 25, 1889, and died December 31, 1976, in Largo, Florida. He was the oldest charter member of the Clearwater, Florida, SDA church. He had been a member of the church for more than 50 years. He is survived by his wife, Ruth; three daughters, Mrs. Edna Wright and Mrs. Roberta Moren, both of Largo, and Mrs. Mae Roy of Frazier Park, California; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Otis Graves and Orren Bacheller. He was laid to rest in the Clearwater Cemetery.

MAUDLIN, Mrs. Lola Mae, 83, of Orlando, Florida, died January 6. Born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, she moved to Orlando 12 years ago. She was a member of the Forest Lake SDA church. Surviving her are a daughter, Mrs. Freda B. Moore of Orlando; a son, Ellis C. of Maitland, Florida; a sister, Mrs. Margaret Fore of Maitland; a brother, Russell Chubb of Mishawaka, Indiana; four grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

PATRICK, Janice Marie, 26, died on January 31, 1977, in Chattanooga, from injuries received in an automobile accident. She was a teacher at Graysville Seventh-day Adventist church school. She was a graduate of SMC in the class of 1973, and is buried in the Collegedale Cemetery.

PATTERSON, Thomas, passed away on January 27, in Miami, Florida. He was born in northern Ireland in 1888. He had been a member of the Miami Temple SDA church for more than 20 years. During his last years he was a patient at the Covenant of Palms Convalescent Home. As a young man he served for a number of years in the famed Cold Streams Guard in England, the elite regiment which assigns guard units to the Queen's residence at Buckingham Palace. He was buried at Dade Memorial Park. Graveside services were conducted by Horace Walsh.

PAYNE, Virginia Winter, was born September 16, 1890, in Brooklyn, New York, and died November 29, 1976, in Florida Living Nursing Center, Forest City, Florida. She was a member of the Forest Lake SDA church. She made her home with Marion and Helena Paden for five years before going into the nursing home. A brother, Edwin Winter of Jacksonville, Florida, and a niece, Evelyn Winter of New York, New York, survive her.

RISBERG, Anders Joseph, died in Winter Haven, Florida, January 25. He was born in Kevlinge, Sweden, February 16, 1901. He moved to Winter Haven in 1972 from Clermont, Florida. He was a retired physio-therapist. He was a member of the Winter Haven SDA church. Surviving him are his wife, Edith O. Risberg; son, George Williams; daughter, Mrs. Saga Walston; brother, Dr. G. E. Risberg; sister, Mrs. Martha Norlin; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Interment was in Lakeside Memorial Park.

ROACHE, Mrs. Gloria E., 44, of Forest City, Florida, died January 1. Born in Jamaica, she moved to Forest City two months ago from Kingston, Jamaica. She attended the Forest Lake SDA church. Survivors are her husband, Harvey E. of Kingston, Jamaica; sons, Rupert, Joseph Robert, and Keith, of Kingston; daughters, Carlene, Marva, Jennifer, and Trevorlyn, of Kingston; brothers, Lorenze Smith, Alty Smith, and Trevor Smith, of Jamaica; sisters, Mrs. Ariel Rose, Mrs. Gwen Williams, and Mrs. Cynthia Campbell, of Jamaica; stepfather, Kaleb Smith, of Jamaica.

SACHA, Margaret A., was born in Charlottesville, Virginia, on August 19, 1898. She died in Tampa, Florida, on February 14. She was a member of the Brandon SDA church. Two daughters, Mrs. Mary Althiser of Tampa and Mrs. Cheryl Mestas, survive her. The service was conducted by Robert H. Schwebel at the Boza Funeral Home in Tampa, Florida. Interment was in the Brandon Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

WHEELER, Olive Shannon, born June 26, 1883, passed away January 17 at Pine Forest Sanitarium, Chunky, Mississippi. Olivé was chosen with Dr. Sutherland and Miss Bessie DeGraw to come from Berrien Springs, Michigan, to establish Madison School in Tennessee. After two years at Madison she was persuaded to go to Oakwood College, where she spent over two years as matron, preceptress, and teacher. She finished the nurses' training course at Iowa Sanitarium at Nevada, Iowa, in 1910. She married A. J. Wheeler in 1916 and they returned to Madison. After many years teaching at Madison, where she received her B.S. degree at Peabody, they taught for two years at Southern Junior College, now Southern Missionary College, five years at Fletcher, and the rest of their lives at Pine Forest Academy at Chunky, Mrs. Wheeler is survived by her sisters, Mrs. Fannie Simpson and Mrs. Muri Mead; brothers, R. O., R. C., and E. M. Shannon.

ZAFFIS, George F., 63, died January 7 in Rosedale, New York. He was a storage clerk with Trans World Airlines. Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Stella F.; daughters, Mrs. Jackie Steindl of Altamonte Springs, Florida; Mrs. June Sebotka and Mrs. Bunny Graham, both of Longwood, Florida, and Mrs. Ginger Jordan of Merritt Island, Florida; a son, Thomas of Watersville, Canada; sister, Mrs. Anne Schurman of Westport, Connecticut; brothers, Frank of Trumbull, Connecticut, and John of Bridgeport, Connecticut; and 13 grandchildren. R. E. DuBose of the Altamonte Springs church officiated at the services held at Semoran Funeral Home, Altamonte Springs. Interment was in Highland Memory Gardens, Forest City.

Trust Services



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Featured in this month's issue of SOUTHERN TIDINGS is Trust Services, which is a rapidly developing program in most of the conferences of the Southern Union Conference. The union conference itself is giving leadership in this area of the Lord's work, mostly in behalf of the local conferences.

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ences need to be well trained not only in how to talk with people about the legal matters of the trusts, but also be men who can put spiritual emphasis on what they are suggesting. For this reason, we feel extremely fortunate to have this caliber of leadership.

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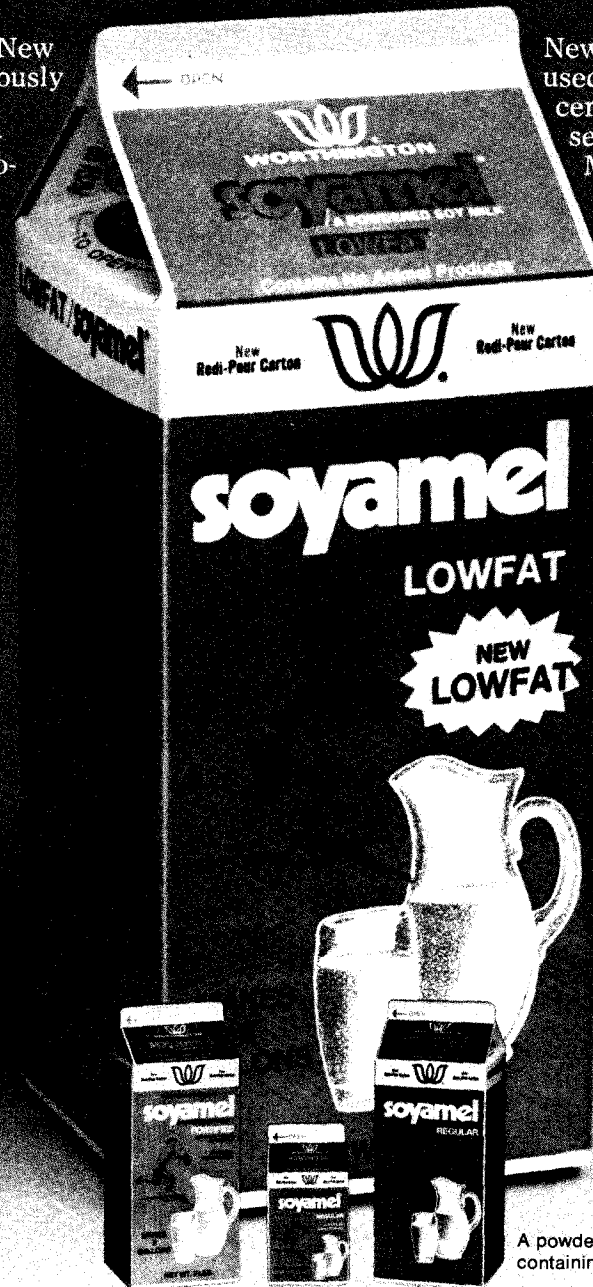
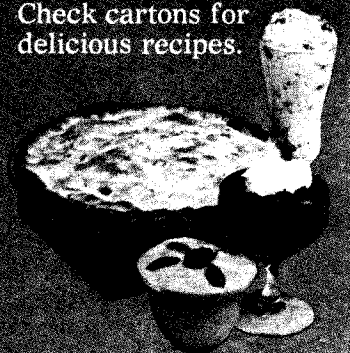
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