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YOU AND YOUR HEALTH



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**A New Sales Film for
Literature Evangelists**

YOU AND YOUR HEALTH

by the Editors

Many an American can reminisce of childhood days on a farm or in a small town. Recollections of wood-burning stoves, kerosene lanterns, and hand pumps. One-room schoolhouses. Doctors making house calls. Wind-up telephones. Steam-engine trains. Ice boxes, and washboards.



Many people living today have witnessed America's transformation from a predominately rural, agricultural society to a fast-moving, rapidly changing urban existence. Although modern medical knowledge has been a boon to good health, progress has taken its toll in ulcers, high blood pressure, and nervous disorders.



Within the last 50 years, American life has moved into a totally different

pattern. Supermarkets have replaced the backyard garden and corner grocery store. Millions of tons of merchandise crisscross the countryside. Computers store more facts than people can comprehend. Air travel compacts Earth's populace.

Natural resources are strained to provide the demands made by man.

Businessmen rush. Teachers struggle. Farmers wrestle. Doctors strive. The pace of "keeping up" in America is geared to a near-exhaustion level. The demands of this life-style create stress and tension which lead to ulcers, high blood pressure, and nervous disorders.

Americans seem to be searching. Searching for something called happiness. What is happiness? What provides it? Happiness is a feeling created from within. This feeling is controlled by the health of the mind and body. Sound health is not merely the absence of disease. It is complete physical and mental well-being.

Health is a gift of God to be treasured and nurtured. Most of us can enjoy good health. The basis for it is our diet, exercise, and fresh air. An ounce of preventive measure toward illness, say the physicians, is worth more than a pound of curative medicine.

In the United States, over \$72 billion is spent annually on health research. The health care of America has moved to huge immaculate building complexes. Career guidance directors channel promising youth into health careers. The result

is the creation of one of the most proficient health-care systems possible.

One person out of 10 in this country will be hospitalized within the next 12 months.

Emphasis has long been placed on finding cures to diseases. But, many doctors now admit that this approach is not working. We have come to the hour when we must realize that health is a very personal and individual matter. Much sickness could be averted by overcoming neglect and carelessness. The answer lies in a willingness to learn and the readiness of each person to do his part.



"The battle against disease will not be won by huge public expenditures, but by the interest and conduct of the individual," believes Dr. J. Wayne McFarland, associate health director of the General Conference.

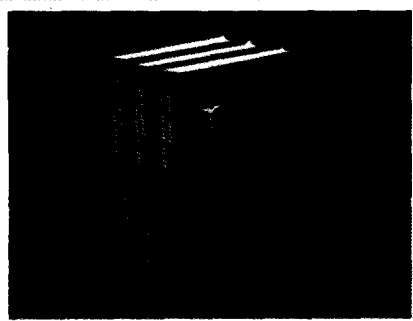
"I firmly believe that education is the keynote of the modern campaign for health," states J. Wayne McFarland, associate director of the General Conference Health Department. "The battle against disease will not

be won by huge public expenditures, but by the interest and conduct of the individual. The time has come when physicians can no longer meet the heavy demands being placed upon them by the American public."

Everyone needs to make use of the knowledge which medical science has discovered. In an effort to provide the homes of America with ethical and reliable information about the health of their family, a three-volume set called *You and Your Health* has been prepared.

Thirty-eight highly-trained medical specialists have contributed to the development of *You and Your Health*. It is the finest and most practical health service ever produced for the home. Each volume contains 500 pages.

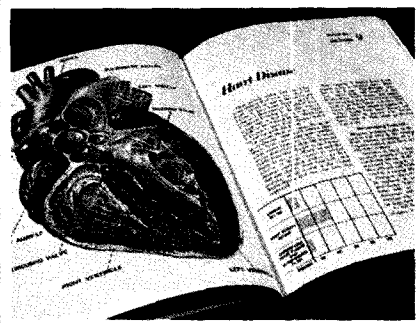
A bold program has been undertaken to place these volumes in thousands of homes throughout the Southern Union Conference. Spearheading the effort are the 246 literature evangelists.



You and Your Health is comprised of three volumes of 500 pages each.

"This health library is different from others available on the market because it gives the Seventh-day Adventist health message," explains Publishing Director Eric Ristau. "When you get into the Spirit of Prophecy you find that it isn't enough to sell just our heavy doctrinal books like the Conflict of the Ages series. For instance, in 1901 Sister White wrote: 'Our health literature is the helping hand of the gospel, opening the way for the truth to enter and save many souls. I know of nothing which so quickly unlocks hearts as this literature, which, when read and practiced, leads souls to the searching of the Bible for a better understanding of the truth.' (*Colporteur Ministry*, 132). On the same page

we are told that 'publications on health reform will reach many who will not see or read anything upon important Bible subjects. . . . The truth must come to the people upon health reform. This is essential in order to arrest the attention in regard to Bible truth.'"



Each volume contains numerous photographs, drawings, graphs, and statistical charts to illustrate the many facets of disease, its prevention and cure. Recipes, emergency measures, and reference guides make the set practical and complete.

The emphasis being placed on health-related literature coincides with a national consciousness on the subject. "There is a tremendous interest today in health and healthful living, particularly in the matter of diet, exercise, fresh air, the environment. This gives us a great opportunity to introduce our health literature to these people, and to ride in with it our truth-filled religious literature," continues Ristau.

"We feel our health message will be the entering wedge that will cause many to be interested in studying spiritual things," says Henry Fish, an associate publishing director. "This is going to be a major breakthrough in finishing the work that God has called us to do in these last days."

To aid in the sale of *You and Your Health*, an audio/visual canvass has been prepared, similar to the one used to sell the Bible Reference Library. Ristau explains why this approach was adopted. "Not many literature evangelists have adequate technical knowledge on health-related topics that they can use in answering people's questions, so they are apt to say things that might not be substantiated by fact. With a visual canvass, it says the same thing every time. It says it accurately, beautifully, appealingly, and visually. So when the people are through

looking at this nine-minute presentation they really have an interest which has not been prejudiced by inaccuracies or overstatements. We have not had much success in getting colporteurs to sell our health literature because of the technical matters, as I mentioned. Now, with this visual canvass, the interest is great. Our sales of *You and Your Health* have zoomed, but not at the expense of our doctrinal books. They have zoomed at the same time."

The statistics are encouraging. More than 100 copies of the audio/visual canvass are already in use. For the first five months of 1977, sales of all literature totaled \$1,062,268—10 per cent ahead of the same period in 1976.

"What we are trying to do is build up a new group of literature evangelists who will specialize in the health approach," says Ristau. "We



Good health is one of the most priceless possessions that one can safeguard for himself and his family.

are just beginning the recruiting for this group. Already we are finding people, some in medical careers, who say, 'I've been waiting years for this, and now that it's here, I'm ready to go to work.' But we hope our members won't wait until we call on them. If they feel impressed that this is something they can do, and that the Lord is calling them into greater service, we want them to write or call us and make us aware of their interest."

By sharing with others information that will lead to better health, literature evangelists are walking in the footsteps of Him "who went about doing good"—who spent more time in healing than in preaching—who said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." (John 10:10).

Bass Memorial Academy

Bass Memorial Academy has finished the 1976-77 school year with the highest enrollment in our history. This success can be attributed to prayer, Christian enthusiasm, and support by our constituency. The dream of a conference academy that can meet the needs of our youth has certainly materialized.

George McDonald, a Scottish writer, stated, "No one is likely to remember what is entirely uninteresting to him." In light of this statement BMA must be interesting! Our alumni remember campus life happenings because BMA is a school with a difference. The well-balanced program of spiritual, educational, cultural, and social activities continually complement each other.

We invite all interested students to carefully consider all aspects of our total academy program. We hope that our Christ-centered philosophy will appeal to you in this age of uncertainty. Please write to me for further information: Bass Memorial Academy, Route 2, Lumberton, MS 39455.

CYRIL CONNELLY, *Principal*

BMA IS...



Happy People

BMA experienced the largest enrollment in its history this past school year. This accomplishment can be attributed in part to the contentment and concern of students for each other. The student week of prayer and the strong student support of the Student Association have helped make BMA students happy. Eighty-five per cent of the 1977 graduates elected to continue their education beyond high school.

Quality Teaching

The teachers and staff at BMA are concerned with a quality academic program to prepare students for college and careers, but their greatest concern is for the spiritual. Dean of men and P.E. teacher Cliff Ingersoll discusses a spiritual matter with student Lisa Carmichael. Teachers will meet weekly to discuss the spiritual and academic program of BMA during 1977-78.



Student Involvement

The Student Association-sponsored "Missionaries to Mexico" has sparked enthusiasm and school spirit. Paul Priest, BMA science teacher, discusses summer plans with student missionaries Kerry Neall and Ken Hill. Priest will accompany Ken, Kerry, and Bud Norton to Comalapa, Mexico, to construct mission buildings needed to continue Christian work among the So-kea and other Indians.





The School with a Difference

Health Consciousness

Gymnist Clay Micklewright, a member of the 20-student gymnastic team, practices his parallel bar routine.

BMA has a concern for the health of its students. Programs such as jogging, health emphasis week, wilderness survival, and a physical education program with emphasis on healthful conditioning rather than team sports contribute to a well-balanced school program for each student.



Following the Blueprint

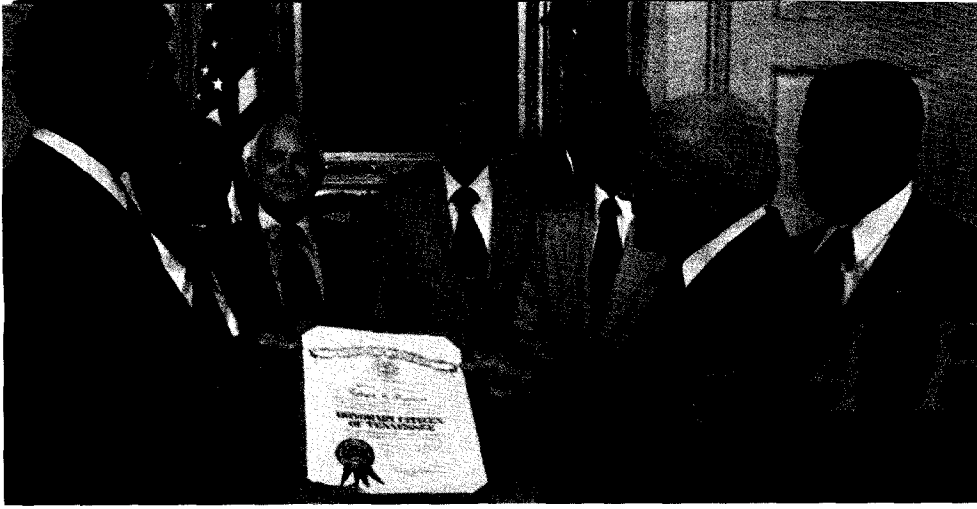
BMA is returning to the blueprint of a strong agricultural program. Cynthia Jones, Kathy Hanson, and Paul Hide prepare BMA-grown strawberries for freezing. Cash crops such as field corn, strawberries, and sugar cane are grown along with a wide selection of vegetables for cafeteria use. Recently an addition to the cafeteria was built including an additional walk-in cooler and storage space.



Learning Responsibility

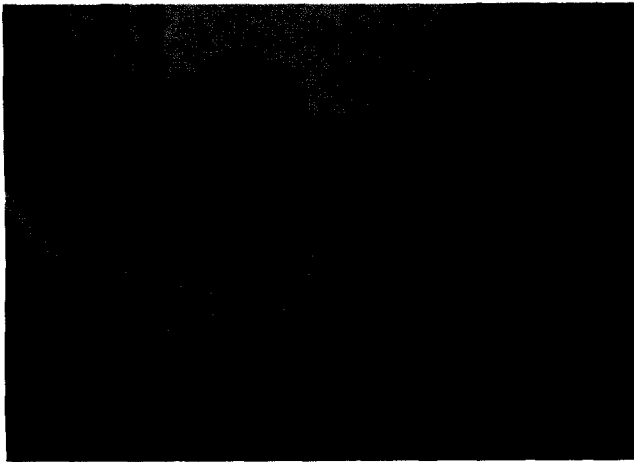
Student Jud Lake assembles ornamental easels for Gulf States Metal Products, a private industry operating on the BMA campus. This industry is one of the varied work opportunities which include a nursery, farm, and campus-related services.





Five-Day

Tennessee Governor Ray Blanton was among the government officials with whom World Adventist President Robert H. Pierson visited during the five days he spent in the South Central Conference. Governor Blanton presented Pierson with a certificate declaring him to be an honorary citizen of Tennessee. With them are Washington Butler, director of urban and federal affairs for the state, Max Shoup, treasurer of Southern Publishing Association, D. A. Walker, South Central treasurer, Ted Jones, associate editor of *The Message*, and South Central Conference President C. E. Dudley.



Mrs. James Sasser, wife of the U.S. senator from Tennessee, accepts a plaque from R. H. Pierson and C. E. Dudley on behalf of her husband during a luncheon in honor of Pierson during his visit to Memphis. Also at the luncheon was Dr. Benjamin E. Hooks, U.S. commissioner of communications and executive secretary-elect of the NAACP.

Pierson talks with N. G. Simons and A. Brown, managers of Haynes Gardens Apartments, an SDA housing project in Nashville.



The first of several Adventist historical landmarks to be visited by the president was the site of the first Adventist church in the South, and the first church for Blacks in America—Edgefield Junction, Tennessee. South Central leaders join Pierson and J. S. Smith, manager of the Nashville division of Armstrong Rubber Company.



Pierson's interest in Christian education led him to visit the Hillcrest School in Nashville. He is joined by the teachers: Mrs. Judy Dent (left), Mrs. Nannie Joiner, Mrs. Isa Akeple, Allan Johnston, principal, and two student teachers from Oakwood College. Pierson also visited the Longview Heights school in Memphis.

Visit from the President

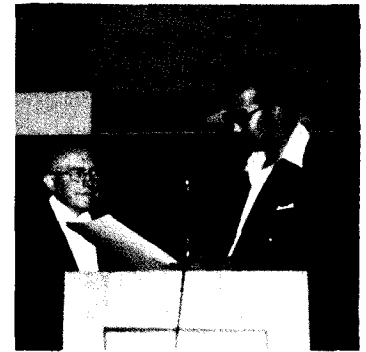
by C. E. Dudley

R. H. Pierson, world leader of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, made a five-day tour through the Southern field visiting with church and civic leaders and members who live in the South Central Conference territory. Significantly, this was the first time since Mrs. E. G. White's visits here that the world leader of the church has toured this area. (Neal C. Wilson, leader of the North American Division, visited extensively during 1972). C. E. Dudley, president, and D. A. Walker, treasurer of the conference, accompanied the General Conference president on his tour. "When leaders of other churches visit our area, great importance is placed upon the visit," states Dudley. "The same should be true for our world leader of some three million members around the world."

From the time that he landed in Nashville until the time that he left from Jackson, Mississippi, Pierson's schedule was full. Immediately after touching land in Nashville he visited the site where the first SDA church for Blacks had stood in 1871, Edgefield Junction, Tennessee. John S. Smith, manager of Armstrong Rubber (Nashville Division) had arranged to meet him there and had a temporary sign erected on the property. The secretary of the interior for the state has been approached about placing a permanent historical marker there. The Hilltop School site in Nashville was also visited. It was operated over 80 years ago.

Pierson spoke to our members at a number of worship services during his visit to Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi.

He was the guest of honor at several luncheons with U.S., state, and city legislators, college presidents, governors, religious leaders, and with the pastors and members of the South Central Conference. His visit has and is proving to be a blessing to the work of Seventh-day Adventists in the Southland.



Mayor E. Cooper of Prichard, Alabama, makes Pierson the honorary mayor of the city for a day. Mayor Lambert Mims, of neighboring Mobile, also met with Pierson, presenting him with the key to the city and making him an honorary citizen.

A high point of the president's tour was a visit to Vicksburg, Mississippi. It was here that Edson White first docked the Morning Star and established medical missionary work among Black people. Mrs. A. Edwards (near the left front with pink coat and white hair) was a student on the boat in 1895.

The Hattiesburg, Mississippi, church was among those visited by Pierson. Here he chats with Mr. and Mrs. V. Watts and a recently baptized member from nearby Columbia, soon to be organized into a church. With the group is Pastor E. D. Jackson.





The Larger Prayer

by F. G. Thomas
photography by Courtney Allen
and Donald B. Simons

More than 2,000 young blind persons, like these girls at Camp Kulaqua in Florida, attend the Christian Record Braille Foundation's "blind camps" each summer.



Claire Disanza and Phil Moreno are two adults whose lives have been enriched through the ministry of the Christian Record Braille Foundation.

“. . . And next I prayed for strength.”

Claire hummed her favorite hymn as she flipped her white cane on the walkway. She felt sick—emotionally and physically. “Why should all these things happen to me, Lord?” she prayed. “Please give me the strength I must have to face Mother’s losing battle with cancer, my inability to find a teaching job. . . . And this asthma, Father, makes it so difficult to breathe.”

Claire is an attractive young woman whose blue eyes are blind from retrolental fibroplasia (scar tissue due to an oxygen imbalance when she, as a premature infant, spent days in an incubator). Julian and Evelyn Disanza, Claire’s parents, wanted only the best for their bright little girl, so at the tender age of 12 she was sent to Watertown, Massachusetts, to attend Perkins School for the Blind. Besides regular class work, Claire took piano lessons and sang in the choir. She finished high school and then enrolled in Hartwick College in Oneonta, New York, majoring in Spanish.

While studying at Hartwick, Claire felt a desire to draw closer to God. She read her Bible and other inspirational books. Again with the words of “The Larger Prayer” she describes her feelings:

*“At first I prayed for light,
Could I but see the way
How gladly, swiftly would I walk
To everlasting day!”*

What to do after graduation was Claire’s ever-present concern. She spent a year looking for work and then decided to take a secretarial course at a vocational school.

A classmate at the vocational school told Claire about the braille books she received from Christian Record Braille Foundation. Bob Winant, field representative for that area, called on her and she was soon receiving her own copies of *Help in Daily Living* and *The Student*. Besides receiving these devotional materials, Bob and his wife, Donna, took a personal interest in Claire. She went with them to Sabbath school and church and took part in the various activities of the church in Albany, New York.

A new student on the campus of the vocational school began talking to Claire about his particular problems. He, also, had finished college and had his master’s degree in social studies, but found it difficult to find suitable employment. Phil Moreno is legally blind, but has some vision. He had come to this school for vocational counseling and to learn a variety of skills. Claire told Phil about her new experience in Christian living. She also expressed a desire to accept God’s guidance in every facet of her life. But Phil was not ready to pursue a total spiritual commitment.

Good news came in a letter from Christian Record Braille Foundation. It was an invitation to be an assistant in the library, transcribing braille letters and producing braille books. Claire had been praying for work that would be a service for others. This must be the answer.

And yet, when she arrived home to prepare to move to Lincoln, Nebraska, Claire saw her mother’s weakened condition and considered delaying her move to Lincoln

to help care for her mother. Evelyn Disanza had a different idea. Just to know her lovely daughter had found a place to use her talents would comfort her during the last stages of her illness. So they made plans together.

Another letter with good news came to Claire at this time. Phil wrote of a conversion experience he had while praying alone in his room. There was so much more to talk about now—books to read and religious activities to participate in.

New work, new friends, and a new set of values stimulated Claire as she theraformed pages to produce new braille books or transcribed braille to ink print.

Within a few weeks Phil also came to Lincoln and was employed with the League of Human Dignity until an opportunity came for him to work in the production area of CRBF.

Claire and Phil requested Bible studies and were baptized in October of 1976. They plan to be married in November, 1977, in Teaneck, New Jersey, surrounded by their families and friends with whom they wish to share the joy of. . .

*“. . . Deep love to God and man,
A living love that will not fail
However dark His plan.”*

Together they sing the last stanza of Claire’s song:

*“And light and strength and faith
Are opening everywhere.
God waited patiently until
We prayed the larger prayer.”*

Claire and Phil are only two of the 32,000 persons helped on a continuing basis by the Christian Record Braille Foundation. From its small beginning in 1899, this outreach of the church has expanded to 110 field representatives who visit and provide services for the blind and call on civic and business leaders for assistance in financing the non-sectarian aspects of the program.

More than 2,000 blind and visually handicapped people will attend the 43 camps to be held in the United States and Canada this summer. The Southern Union will host five camps for youth of ages nine to 19, two camps for those 20 and older, and one “Nu-Vision” camp for exceptional children who are blind and have other disabilities.

Other benefits include numerous books, tapes, cassettes, records, and Bibles.

Believing that the work of the foundation should be evangelistic in addition to being humanitarian, 8,500 blind persons receive *Encounter* magazine each month. Special editions of the *Review and Herald* and *Life and Health* are also provided. Bible study courses are available. Most of these services cannot be provided with contributions received from the public. It is for this reason that an offering is being received in all Seventh-day Adventist churches in North America July 9.

It is estimated that there are 1,700,000 legally blind persons in the United States. The Christian Record Braille Foundation wants to help. Those who wish to refer blind individuals to the foundation may do so by contacting the local district representative or by calling the toll-free number, 800-228-4189.

Dateline Data

SOUTH BEND, INDIANA — — —

Evangelist Billy Graham concluded a crusade in South Bend, Indiana, by attracting the largest crowd ever assembled for a non-football event on the Notre Dame University campus. An estimated 45,000 attended the closing meeting. It was Graham's first full-scale crusade on the grounds of a Roman Catholic institution, but both his team members and local officials took little notice of the fact.

SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK — — —

Parents in Schenectady, New York, have launched a campaign seeking legislative support for prayer in public schools, restoration of Sunday laws, and stronger anti-pornography laws in New York State. A series of rallies kicked off the effort, supported by a self-styled "Christian Civil Liberties Union" founded by Rita Warren of Massachusetts. Mrs. Warren said the New York campaign is part of a nationwide plan to bring about "improvements in the quality of social-cultural life."

WASHINGTON, D.C. — — —

A controversial youth camp safety bill has moved a step closer to enactment in the U.S. Congress by receiving the overwhelming approval of the House Committee on Education and Labor. Under pressure from church groups who feared undue government interference with youth camp, the committee added a special non-interference section to the bill that deals with church-state aspects. However, some doubts about the bill remain, as expressed by Leo Ranzolin, associate youth director of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Ranzolin says he supports the measure's intent, but fears the effect the bill might have on small church camps. He believes overzealous inspectors might close down camps that are completely safe, but plain and modest in operation.

UNITED STATES, CANADA — — —

According to a new poll of pastors in four Protestant denominations, ministers are losing confidence in their leaders. More than half the ministers questioned say they believe the national staff of their denominations is "out of touch" with the views of most church members, and that programs and activities of the National Council of Churches do not respond to the needs of their denominations. The poll was conducted for the National Council of Churches among ministers of the United Methodist Church, the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S., the Reformed Church in America and the United Church of Canada.

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA — — —

Lay teachers of Catholic elementary schools in the archdiocese of Philadelphia took part in a government-supervised election on June 14 on union representation. But the ballots have been sealed and impounded until a court decides whether the National Labor Relations Board has gotten the government unconstitutionally entangled with religion by ordering the election.

PERFORMANCE

IN SABBATH SCHOOL

TEACHING



Goes To the Field

by George A. Powell

One hundred and seventy-two teachers attended the premiere seminar of the new teacher-training program "Performance in Sabbath School Teaching" May 13-15 at Southern Missionary College. Attendance by conference was:

Alabama-Mississippi	26
Carolina	15
Florida	16
Georgia-Cumberland	43
Kentucky-Tennessee	19
South Atlantic	27
South Central	26

The purpose of the seminar was to prepare resource personnel who could lead out in the presentation of the course with teachers in their local churches or geographical areas.

The emphasis, therefore, has shifted to field implementation of the course. Here is the conference-by-conference report of how the follow-up is progressing.

W. A. Marshall *Alabama-Mississippi* June 9

Twenty-five people took the "Performance" course during camp meeting, taught by Fernon Retzer, bringing to more than 50 those who have been through the program. Many of these plan to hold the course in their churches. The conference is making the audio/visual program available to them. Pastors and superintendents are being urged to promote the program in every church.

R. G. Beck *Carolina* June 13

Immediately following the seminar at SMC a special team was organized to promote "Performance in Sabbath School Teaching." The team is very excited and enthusiastic about the future plans for the Carolina teachers. One church has made definite plans to hold a seminar shortly, and others will be doing the same thing.

R. E. Pleasants *Florida* June 8

We have adopted the following objectives in Florida:
1. Pilot programs in selected churches by personnel who attended the seminar at SMC.
2. Conference critique on utilization of personnel and audio/visual series after pilot programs.



Those attending the "Performance in Sabbath School Teaching" seminar May 13-15 at SMC received intensive training, such as in this class on visual reinforcement taught by Dr. Douglas Bennett (right). Participants were prepared to return to their home churches and help other teachers discover new concepts and techniques.

3. Continued use at our quarterly workshops for all adult and youth Sabbath school teachers.
4. Continued use in different churches by qualified personnel so that eventually all teachers in Florida will have been through the course.
5. Continued promotional activity as to necessity of new teachers having the opportunity of going through the course.
6. Continued promotional activity for assistant teachers going through the course.

J. L. Price *Georgia-Cumberland* June 10

Georgia-Cumberland churches are ordering "Performance in Sabbath School Teaching" supplies for their new officers who will be installed the first day of July. Chattanooga ordered two sets yesterday and is ready to go!

W. M. Abbott, Jr. *Kentucky-Tennessee* June 10

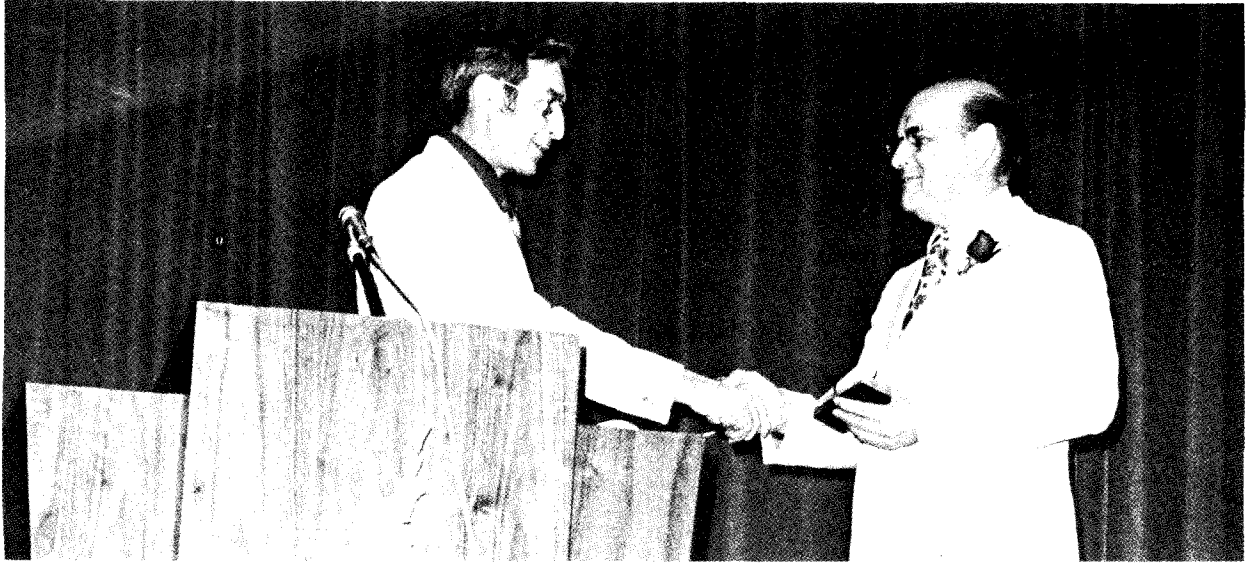
Kentucky-Tennessee has a real interest in "Performance in Sabbath School Teaching," and our people are ready to go. A schedule of dates and places will be printed shortly as to when these special courses will be held throughout our conference.

G. H. Taylor *South Atlantic* June 10

The enthusiasm that was expressed at the seminar has caught fire in our conference! Although our schedule is not complete for the entire conference, we do have seven churches beginning the course June 25. Of the 27 delegates in attendance at the SMC seminar, 13 have already made definite plans to conduct classes. Today, while at camp meeting, one individual gave me a check for the cost of 75 teaching manuals for this class to be taught in her church immediately. This seminar has made history as far as we are concerned, and it tends to reach heavenward! Pray for us.

M. E. Joiner *South Central* June 10

We are presenting a course in "Performance in Sabbath School Teaching" during camp meeting, to be followed by a series of courses throughout the conference. This is the greatest thing that has ever happened to our Sabbath schools!



Portland Mayor Fred Creasy presents Dr. Albert Dittes with a key to the city during Dr. Dittes Day festivities May 1.

DR. DITTES DAY IN PORTLAND TENNESSEE

by Gail Cathcart

On May 1 the people of Portland, Tennessee, and the surrounding areas paid tribute to Dr. Albert Dittes, a Seventh-day Adventist physician, for his outstanding devotion to his fellowman. Special honors were bestowed upon him, not only because of the contributions he has made to the community throughout the years, but because he has touched the lives of most of the residents of Portland and upper Sumner County since he and his family arrived there over 30 years ago.

The idea of a special day for Dr. Dittes originated within the walls of the Highland Hospital by individuals who not only wanted to recognize his contributions to the community but show their appreciation for them on the occasion of his birthday. But, when dealing with a man so well known and loved, how could this be accomplished and at the same time include all those who wanted to participate? As members of the community discussed the possibilities of a special celebration, some of the leading citizens of Portland caught the enthusiasm. The idea gained momentum and the whole town was soon involved, with the Portland Arts Council and Chamber of Commerce taking the project in hand and declaring May 1 "Dr. Dittes Day."

A program honoring the Doctor was held Sunday afternoon in the Portland High School auditorium, with emcee, John Hinton, Portland postmaster, introducing musical performers such as Betty Kniewski, pianist; Leanne Farough and Reid Moore, vocalists; the Highland Academy choir, directed by Paul Haynes; and the Suzuki violin class under the direction of Richard Mazanec. Russ Hale and Carol

Ann Thurmond recited poetry. One of the poetry selections was written by Mrs. Myrtle Martin, a patient of Dr. Dittes. Special tributes were paid the Doctor by persons representing various facets of the community. Leading off this part of the program was William Sager, administrator of Highland Hospital and president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, followed by A. L. Lynd, former hospital administrator, Richard Patton, pastor of the First Baptist church, and Betty Glover and Wanda Collins of the Arts Council. A "key to the city" and certificate making Dr. Dittes an honorary citizen was presented by Mayor Fred Creasy.

In accepting these tributes Dittes remarked that he came to Portland over 30 years ago to relieve Dr. Rubin Johnson who had decided he needed a two-week vacation. Having just finished a term with the army during World War II, Dr. Dittes arrived with his wife, Eleanor, and young son, Albert, Jr., and was anxious to get settled into civilian life again. The two weeks passed quickly and the family stayed on, little realizing that in future days the Doctor would be honored by the community with a special day. In reminiscing over the past 30 years, Dittes said, "I guess you might say I have overstayed my time, but they have been good years and I have grown to love

and respect the people of the area. I always thought how nice it was to honor a person with a special day, never dreaming it would ever happen to me. For this I say, Thanks."

Following the program there was a reception planned by Mrs. Jim Stephens and Mrs. Loren Bishop. The Dittes' four children, Albert, Jr., Elizabeth, Frances, and David, joined them to form a receiving line where some 250 guests greeted the family and expressed their thanks and good wishes. Betty Crutcher, a member of Dr. Dittes' staff, registered the many guests before they were served refreshments by members of the Arts Council.

Through the years Dr. Dittes has not only given physical assistance to the people of the community, but he has been sought out for his counsel on various things from problems in the home to projects of the community. He has been instrumental in developing projects and programs which were carried out by the Arts Council and worked with a committee on the community's Bicentennial program. Perhaps Mrs. Glover best expressed the appreciation of everyone for Dr. Dittes on his special day, when she said, "You were one strong person standing straight, firmly but quietly, who made the difference. I thank God for people like you."

Plaques were presented to Dittes as symbols of appreciation from Mrs. Wanda Collins and Mrs. Betty Glover, representing the Arts Council, and Bill Sager, president of the Chamber of Commerce.



late news of the CONFERENCES

ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI



A YOUTH EVANGELISM PROJECT involving six college students is underway in Auburn-Opelika, Alabama, home of Auburn University. Joining with the youth in various outreach and community-related projects is district Pastor Roger Morton and the local membership.

The Prichard, Alabama, congregation, under the leadership of Pastor Noble Shepherd, is nearing the completion of their NEW CHURCH PLANT in west Mobile. It is hoped that the facility will be dedicated debt free when it is officially opened.

Under the auspices of the conference Office of Education, Mrs. Barbara Laye, a certified school psychologist, donated her time and efforts during camp meeting to give 25 READING DIAGNOSIS TESTS to preschool and beginning students. Mrs. Laye is on the Greenville, Mississippi, public school staff as a reading specialist.

Emphasis during the recent Alabama-Mississippi Conference camp meeting dealt with LAY LEADERSHIP TRAINING and the exemplary Christian life. Supporting the camp meeting theme, "Together For a Finished Work," workshops were held in the areas of public speaking, Sabbath school leadership, family life, and healthful living.

Adventist Book Center Manager Terry Chesnut reports \$32,296.38 in LITERATURE AND HEALTH FOOD SALES during camp meeting.



The conference EVANGELISM OFFERING reported during a special Sabbath afternoon meeting at camp meeting amounted to more than \$75,000 cash given by church members around the conference. The goal was \$65,000.

Conference President W. D. Wampler reports an ATTENDANCE OF NEARLY TWO THOUSAND on weekends at the camp meeting held May 27-June 4 at Bass Memorial Academy.

At a specially called CONSTITUENCY MEETING held for two hours during the camp meeting session, delegates approved the K-12 Board of Education philosophy and school system as the educational structure for the entire conference educational program.

TEN INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED to date as a result of evangelistic meetings held in Montgomery by Faith for Today Evangelist Philip Knoche, musicians Carol and Bernie Paulson, and local pastor Carl Hartman.



The Carolina Conference BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING TRAILER made its debut during the camp meeting at Mount Pisgah Academy. During the course of camp meeting week more than 760 persons had their blood pressure checked. Nurses supervising the screening noted the relatively high number of older people with normal or lower than normal blood pressure readings due primarily to long years of low cholesterol diets. The trailer now will begin serving communities throughout the Carolina Conference.

During the course of the camp meeting a search was conducted for the person who had attended the GREATEST NUMBER OF CONSECUTIVE CAMP MEETINGS in the Carolina Conference. Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Hicks from Mocksville, North Carolina, have attended Carolina camp meeting every year since 1932, a total of 45 camp meetings, since no meetings were held in 1954. Credit for the oldest camp meeting attender goes to Oscar Yingling, 87, who has attended a camp meeting for the 71 years he has been a member of the church.

The Fletcher church will be providing a six-week, SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM under the direction of Don Vollmer, the new youth pastor, and Theodore Lucas, former world youth leader and pastoral consultant for youth ministry. From 9:00 a.m. until noon, Monday through Thursday, beginning June 13, youngsters between the ages of seven to 15 years will have an opportunity for fun and fellowship in a Christian environment.

Members and friends of the recently formed Upward, North Carolina, church met at the site of their new church facility June 12 for GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES. E. S. Reile, conference president, and H. E. Davis, church development director, led out in this service, along with Pastor M. D. Howard.

Evangelist Harold Turner has finished a series of meetings in Kingstree, South Carolina, that ADDS EIGHT MORE SOULS TO THE CHURCH there. Several others will be added in the near future.

Dick Pollard, conference evangelist, has CONCLUDED HIS SERIES IN THE DARK CITY OF SENECA, SOUTH CAROLINA. There are now 30 Seventh-day Adventists in that town as a result of his labors.

With eight churches not reporting, tithing figures for the 18 weeks ending April 30 show an INCREASE OF NEARLY \$110,000 over the same period last year.

Arthur Hirsch, pastor of the Kingstree-Manning, South Carolina, district recently enlisted the help of local radio and newspapers to conduct A SEARCH FOR THE OLDEST BIBLE IN THE COUNTY. The oldest Bible discovered was printed in 1772 by the Oxford Press in London. It is owned by Senator Frank McGill of Kingstree and has been in his family for centuries. Second and third places went to Bibles printed in 1797 and 1806. Each of the winners received a hard-bound edition of *Bible Readings for the Home*. The search was so well received that Hirsch has been out "searching" again, only the second time he was looking for the oldest mother in the county to present her with a living plant from the church on Mother's Day. He discovered a "Mom" who is 103 years old, Mrs. Queen Scott of Lane, South Carolina.



Pastor Herb Crawley of the Albemarle/Salisbury, North Carolina, district has set aside one Sabbath per month at each church as BAPTISM SABBATH. Crawley feels that this emphasis will keep his members looking forward to adding new members through the spreading of the gospel. In his own words Crawley says, "We may not always have a baptism, but we will always have a 'Baptism Sabbath.'"

THE VOICE OF PROPHECY has cancelled their broadcast on WPTF in the Raleigh, North Carolina, area, due to a 90 per cent rate increase. However, they have been able to replace it with two fine stations. The weekly program may now be heard Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. simulcast over WDNC and WDCG-FM in the Durham, North Carolina, area, and at 10:00 a.m. over 50,000-watt WFNC, emanating from Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Lawrence C. Johnston, a recent patient at Fletcher Hospital, was so IMPRESSED WITH THE CARE HE RECEIVED that he wrote a long letter to the editor of the Hendersonville *Times-News*. He closed his letter, "Let me say again, Fletcher's team nursing is great and hope it will spread to all hospitals everywhere."

Dan Tullock, PISGAH MANOR NURSING HOME administrator, reports that five of the non-member nursing home residents are now attending church regularly. He also reports that income to Mount Pisgah Academy from student workers has averaged over \$10,000 monthly for several months.

Earl Lee, 77, who has recently been elected as an elder of the Fletcher church and liaison officer for Community Services, has received A SPECIAL CITATION FOR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER WORK of the year by the Hendersonville Council on Aging at the Older American Day program at the Asheville Civic Center, May 6. Lee was nominated for the award at the session by Marjorie Kiefer, director of the local council.



Sixth-grader Cindy Peel of Captain Gilmer elementary school, Fletcher, North Carolina, received SPECIAL RECOGNITION from Faith for Today for the largest individual gift donated to the FFT "Hearts for Heaven" Valentine offering campaign. Cindy raised \$434 to help print the new Bible course for earlites, "You Take the Wheel."

SELF-EMPLOYED AND KEY MANAGEMENT BUSINESS PERSONS met at Nosoca Pines April 15-17 for a weekend retreat. Speakers included David Dennis, General Conference auditor, Ellsworth McKee, president of McKee Baking Company, John Freeman, director of Maranatha Flights, International, and Brian Wilcox, president of Wilcox Investment Company.

Dr. Frank Knittel, president of Southern Missionary College, was the featured speaker for the YOUNG ADULT COMMITMENT COUNCIL held April 30 in Charlotte, North Carolina. Knittel presented three talks on the rearing of children. Carolina Youth Evangelist John Thurber coordinated the council. Music was provided by the His Way Singers.



The New Smyrna Beach congregation has MOVED INTO ITS NEW BUILDING, from one of the most humble Florida churches to one of the most attractive.

THE WALLS ARE GOING UP for the Cocoa church building after nearly a year in the temporary quarters of the school auditorium.

Ft. Lauderdale and Plantation folk are realizing a dream come true as they prepare to move into their NEW SCHOOL FACILITIES in Ft. Lauderdale. The Plantation church will be

using the auditorium for church services until their church is constructed.

The Brownlow-Ferry team reports a BAPTISM OF 23 INDIVIDUALS at the recent Tallahassee crusade. The team is currently holding meetings in Ft. Myers and expects a good harvest there.

TAPE RECORDINGS OF CAMP MEETING are being turned out rapidly this year. The way tape orders are coming in this year, it looks as though the number could reach the 5,000 mark again. For information, write to: Communication Department, Florida Conference, P.O. Box 1313, Orlando, FL 32802.

Florida's new full-time SPANISH EVANGELIST, Walter Cameron, has now arrived and is gearing up for his first evangelistic series in this conference. He will be holding an eight-week series in Orlando beginning August 20. The administration of the Florida Conference is anticipating tremendous growth in the Spanish work here due to this new thrust in evangelism.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Steiner, co-presidents of the Florida Conference Community Service Federations, recently TRAVELED TO PUERTO RICO with Elder and Mrs. S. L. Dombrosky, where they explained the work of the health screening community service van program as it is carried on in the Florida Conference. Seminars were conducted and a full day of multiphasic testing of all the conference workers in the West Jamaican Conference was done at Mayaguez. The West Puerto Rico Conference has already begun working with their vans and doing blood pressure screenings.

For three years, ladies of the Sanford church have been volunteering their time for the American Cancer Society. Once a month they meet to make PADS FOR PATIENTS. To date over 3,000 pads have been made.

For several years the members of the Orlando Spanish church have been trying to come up with an effective evangelistic means of outreach into the Spanish-speaking people of Orlando. Although there is no Spanish radio station per se in Orlando, there is one station, WFIV-AM, 1080 on the dial, with Spanish broadcasts for two hours each Sunday. Pastor Manuel Lopez and layman Emmanuel Pupo have succeeded in placing LA VOZ DE LA ESPERANZA (The Voice of Prophecy) on the station at 1:45 p.m. The church members are ecstatic about the new broadcast, and the station is pleased to include the program in their schedule.

The Brandon church has just completed a very successful COOKING AND NUTRITION CLASS with 75 in attendance, 25 per cent of whom were non-Adventists. About midway during each class period, Pastor R. H. Schwebel gave a short talk on the importance of exercise for good health and then had the class participate in some form of exercise for five minutes. This not only relieved the tension of sitting for several hours but also added a new dimension to the health program of those who were attending. Blanche Steiner and Lorraine Schwebel were the instructors.

Margaret Denslow of Zephyrhills reports a successful cooking and nutrition class held in their community, with 30 non-Adventists attending. At the conclusion of the classes Mrs. Denslow wrote each lady A PERSONAL INVITATION TO ATTEND THE FORTHCOMING EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS in their church. Three ladies responded and have been attending regularly.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Conference Treasurer Richard Center reports TITHE of \$1,799,088.62 through April 30, an 11 per cent gain over the same period last year. All other offerings show an 11.8 per cent gain. The worthy student offering received through April already exceeds the total received for the year preceding the implementation of the 10 Plus 10 + program.

Georgia-Cumberland Academy graduated its 12th class on May 22. Eleven of the 65 SENIORS GRADUATED with honors.

Conference Association Secretary H. V. Hendershot reports that \$37,000 for CONFERENCE EVANGELISM and approximately \$20,000 for local church projects has been appropriated by the association during the first quarter of 1977.

Egnio Aguilar was honored by the PRESENTATION of an engraved plaque by the Lay Activities Department of the Atlanta Spanish church in early May. Aguilar is active in giving Bible studies and several people are preparing for baptism as a result of his work.

Paul H. Eldridge, retired president of the Far Eastern Division, brought inspirational messages and reports of our work in the Orient to the approximately 120 RETIRED WORKERS assembled at the annual retreat at Atoka Springs Camp May 6, 7. The combined years of service of those attending the retreat totaled almost 3,000 years.

Dr. Earl McGhee spoke at the first Sabbath morning service of the Tunnel Hill BRANCH SABBATH SCHOOL, held May 7 in the Tunnel Hill Methodist church. Thirty-three persons attended the initial service. The group is led by Bob Hoyt and Dennis Burke, both literature evangelists working in the area. Pastors Ernest Clark of Dalton and Amos Cooper of Ringgold rotate speaking appointments once a month at the branch Sabbath school, a joint





project of their two churches. Plans call for the group to become organized into a company in the near future.

The Kingsport, Tennessee, congregation, under the direction of Pastor Loren Vistaunet, BROKE GROUND for their new \$227,500 church project May 2. Their former church property was purchased by the city for \$118,000 to accommodate high school expansion. The Kingsport city manager participated in the groundbreaking ceremony, along with the pastor and local elders and Conference Secretary Everett Cumbo.

FIVE DECISIONS FOR BAPTISM were made by young people attending the youth meetings conducted by Steve Marshall and Dave Meeker at camp meeting this year, reports Conference Youth Director John Strickland. Attendance at the meetings was larger than ever before.

THE WHITE HOUSE AND PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER have received a grand print edition of the King James Bible along with the *Bible Readings for the Home* through the courtesy of George W. Garrick of the Apison church. Garrick had the privilege of tuning the piano where the President was to meet for the Easter services in Calhoun, Georgia. The White House responded with the following message: "President Carter thanks you for the thoughtful expression which you presented during his recent visit to Calhoun. Your gesture of friendship is deeply appreciated and your prayers mean much to the Carter family."

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE



The members of the Madison Boulevard Pathfinder club have sold over 1,100 cans of mixed nuts recently. The proceeds will be used to purchase CAMPING EQUIPMENT AND A GIANT TEEPEE to be set up at Indian Creek Camp.

One of the very thrilling and inspiring features of the recent Kentucky-Tennessee Camp Meeting was the music of THE COMBINED CHOIRS. George Walper of Madison Hospital directed on June 4 with Dr. George Foust of Memphis directing on June 11.

The BASIC BIBLE PROGRAM is getting under way in the Madison Boulevard church. It is bringing back memories to some church members of the old fashioned cottage prayer meetings, as members and non-members meet in the various homes to study the Bible. At present, there are seven Basic Bible classes in progress.

Each Mother's Day the Madison Boulevard church chooses a "MOTHER OF THE YEAR." This year, the honors went to Mrs. Pearl Callis, who, with her husband Tom, is an asset to the church in numerous ways.

Preston Wallace, chaplain of Madison Hospital, spent an entire day at Hendersonville High School TALKING TO ALL THE HEALTH CLASSES ABOUT SMOKING. He explained what they have to look forward to if they continue to smoke. He also explained to them some of the hazards that cigarette commercials fail to tell the public.

THIRTY-TWO INDIVIDUALS WERE BAPTIZED in Louisville, Kentucky, as the result of the meetings conducted there by Evangelist Jerry Willis. Don Howe is the pastor. Another baptism is being planned in the near future.

Evangelist Grant Gunter held a series of meetings in Paintsville, Kentucky, where there is no church. Ten have been baptized to date. Forrest Howe is the pastor. This brings the total to about 25 members in the area and A CHURCH WILL BE ORGANIZED SOON, the only one between Ashland and Belcher, a distance of 122 miles.

SOUTH CENTRAL



Talladega, Sylacauga, and Pell City in the Bessemer, Alabama, district are planning to OPEN A DISTRICT SCHOOL in Talladega this fall, Pastor R. Taylor announced the last of May.

Birmingham Junior Academy held its GRADUATION June 1. Some 13 students were graduated as some 20 students played in the school and church band, under the direction of Pastor R. Taylor.

Joe Dent, director of education, held the first REVIEW-PREVIEW MEETING of pastors, principals, school board leaders, and Home and School board leaders this conference has ever conducted. It lasted from May 21-23. The education team left feeling informed and inspired to do a better job for Christian education.

Huntsville First church opened its new COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER May 21, with M. Joiner, conference lay activities director, and D. B. Reid, pastor, leading out.



Nearly 2,000 members from South Central joined with four other conferences in Little Rock, Arkansas, for a FIVE-CONFERENCE YOUTH CONGRESS the first weekend in May. Temperance, or "Better Living," was the theme. The Congress reached a public relations highlight when thousands marched in a well-organized parade down the main streets to the steps of the courthouse for a temperance or "Better Living" rally. The tumbling team from Andrews University joined the paraders to emphasize better body coordination.

Pictorial

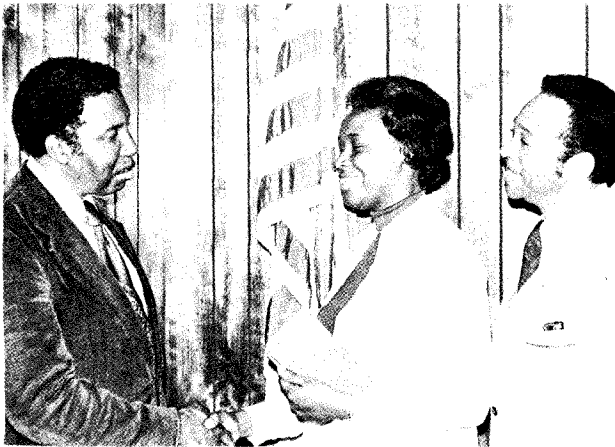
Stories



Jim Ayars (left) has joined the King's Heralds Quartet, singing bass. He follows Jim McClintock, who has been appointed associate director of the Audio/Visual Service at the SDA Radio/TV/Film Center. Ayars was a pastor and academy religion teacher prior to joining the quartet. He becomes the 23rd person to hold membership with the group in its 40-year-history.



Layman Wilfredo Corredera of the Miami Temple church receives the Florida Conference 1976 Community Services Layman of the Year award from Stan Dombrosky (right), lay activities director, and Pastor Horace Walsh.



Mrs. Angelia Moody, a new literature evangelist, is congratulated for selling more than \$1,000 worth of books and periodicals in one week by J. F. Hutchinson (left), South Central Conference publishing director, and William Sims, district director.

Arnold and Mary Cochran lead a group of students from the Cleveland, Tennessee, branch Sabbath school in a special song at the Georgia-Cumberland camp meeting May 28. The Cochrans have led out in this child evangelism project for two and one-half years. Attendance averages 14 and has reached 47.





Groundbreaking for a \$210,000 educational facility adjoining the Marietta, Georgia, church took place May 15. Pictured are Dr. E. E. Carman (left), school board chairman, George Haley, architect, Denny Mitchell, pastor, Don Aalborg, Georgia-Cumberland superintendent of education, D. K. Griffith, Southern Union director of education, and J. P. Lewis, builder. The building will contain 8,000 square feet.



Marie Ward (right), past president of the Philosda Florida chapter, (just recently married), presents a set of *The Bible Story* to Mrs. Janet C. Goode, hospital schoolteacher at the Shands Teaching Hospital, Gainesville. Philosda raised the funds to purchase the books to be used by the pediatric patients.



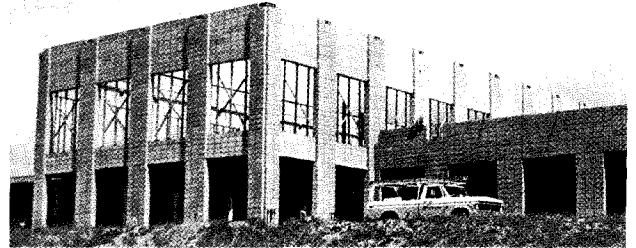
Andy Morgan, one of 102 seniors to graduate from Forest Lake Academy, receives congratulations from Vice-Principal and Registrar Jack Jansen and Henry Carubba, Florida Conference president.



Instead of the usual pick and shovel, a turning plow, pulled by students, was used to break ground for the new Madison, Tennessee, elementary school. The 90 by 152-foot building will contain eight classrooms. Construction is expected to be completed in time for school this fall.



Even though Community Services is now big business and includes a multitude of activities, quilting is still a favorite among volunteers Marie Lash, Yvonne Swenson, Gertrude Collins, and Evelyn Hermann of the Ft. Myers, Florida, church.



The 30,000-square-foot Television Building at the Adventist Radio/TV/Film Center, Thousand Oaks, California, is scheduled to be completed in November. It will house Faith for Today and Breath of Life.

The Church In Action

Youth

Nosoca Pines Hosts 'Nu-Vision' Camp

Carolina — Staff members recruited for the second Nu-Vision Camp at Nosoca Pines Ranch



To better understand the plight of those who are both blind and physically disabled, members of the Nu-Vision camp staff were blindfolded and bound and rolled into the water.

learned the meaning of being blind and multi-disabled before their very special campers came to camp. One by one, the staff were tightly bound with ace bandages from head to foot, both immobilizing and blinding them. Then under water safety instructor Bill Moore's personal direction, they were laid

on their backs on the dock and rolled into Moore's arms in the water.

Each staff member became personally and graphically aware of his total dependence on Moore for survival. They learned that their work with the campers, many of whom would be both blind and totally disabled, would be an around-the-clock job.

The campers arrived May 15 for two weeks of playing ball, archery, swimming, water ski sledding, crafts, horseback riding, and other typical camp activities.

The camp, sponsored by the Christian Record Braille Foundation, makes it possible for children and young adults to face their disabilities, and actually focus on their abilities.

Florida Pathfinders To Visit Bay Islands

Florida — Each year for the past several years the teen Pathfinder organizations of the Florida Conference have sent a group of teenagers to some remote islands to witness for the Lord in various ways.

This year a team of 26 teen Pathfinders and 14 adult staff members will go to the Bay Islands of British Honduras to sponsor a mission outreach.

Many activities are organized, such as day camps, with a multitude of crafts, recreation, story hours for

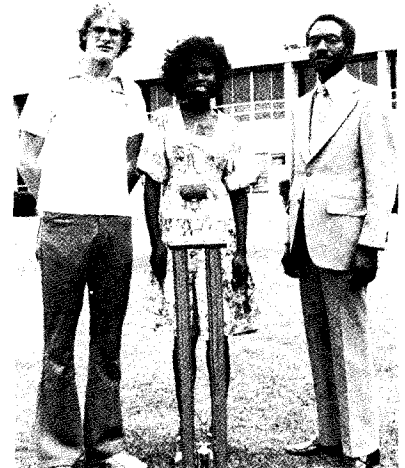
the small children, and door-to-door evangelism.

An evangelistic crusade takes place simultaneously in the evenings for the grown-ups, most of whom are parents of the children taking part in the day camps.

Health

Forest Lake Takes Top Temperance Award

Florida — Each year academies and junior academies all over the Southern Union Conference or-



Forest Lake Academy Temperance Club President Bruce Coston and Vice-President Dedra Freeman receive the first place award from Ralph P. Peay.

These Florida teen Pathfinders and staff will engage in missionary outreach programs on the Bay Islands of British Honduras.



healthful lifestyle were presented by Dr. Gilkes, and Mrs. Gilkes demonstrated the art of healthful cookery. Mrs. Ruby Sherman gave lectures on simple home remedies, including massage, hydrotherapy, and charcoal. Bill Sherman presented the need for proper exercise and demonstrated a well-proven intensive gardening method. First aid techniques, including bandaging, slings, tourniquets, and dealing with poisonous bites and poisonings were also demonstrated.

In addition, the group was flown to remote villages near the Guatemalan border by Elwin Norton, a self-supporting missionary pilot, where they treated about 60 patients, extracted almost 100 teeth, and distributed parasite medication to everyone.

On the return trip meetings were held for the staff of Linda Vista College in Chiapas and for ministerial students at Montemorelos, the denominational university in Northern Mexico.

Progress

Emanuel Church Holds Grand Opening

South Atlantic — The pastors and members of the Emanuel SDA church in Albany, Georgia, cele-

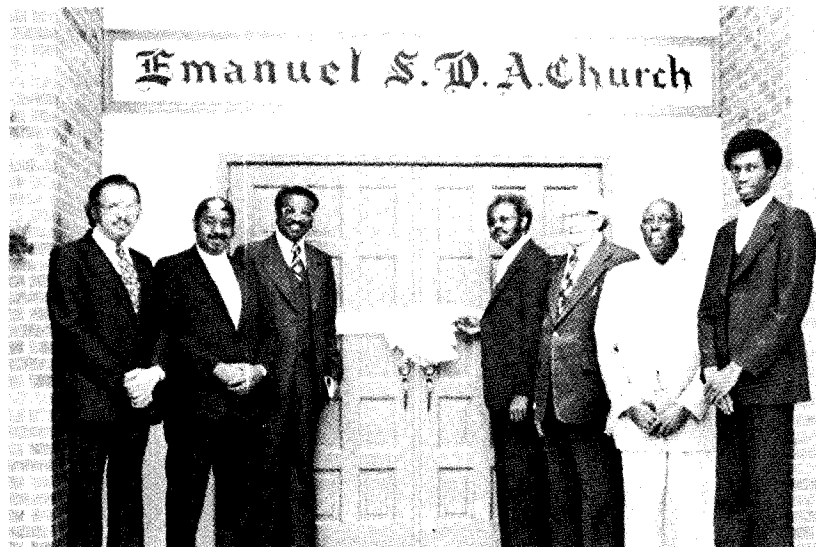


The Emanuel church, Albany, Georgia.

brated the grand opening of their new church home April 29-May 1.

The sermon for the Friday night vesper program was delivered by Ralph B. Hairston, secretary of the South Atlantic Conference. The featured soloist was Mrs. Willie M. Thomas.

Saturday's activities began with a motorcade from the old Mercer Avenue church to the new church, followed by the ribbon-cutting



Participating in the ribbon-cutting ceremony are W. S. Banfield (left), J. L. Follette, R. B. Hairston, R. L. Woodfork, L. S. Follette, Sr., Harry Johnson, and Calvin B. Preston.

ceremony. Dr. Thelma D. Dean was in charge of Sabbath school, with the joint lesson study conducted by G. Herfin Taylor, conference Sabbath school director. The featured soloist was Mrs. Connie Leggett. The lay activities period was under the leadership of Mrs. Victoria Jolivette. At divine worship the sermon was delivered by Warren S. Banfield, associate secretary of the Office of Regional Affairs, General Conference. Special music was presented by Miss Rutha Harris and the combined choirs of the Emanuel church.

During the afternoon service Robert L. Woodfork, president of the South Atlantic Conference, brought the sermon. The Savannah youth choir provided special music. Former pastors and charter members were honored and selections were rendered by the youth choir of the Emanuel church. The day closed with an inspirational message by Lysle S. Follette, Sr.

Sunday afternoon marked the end of the grand opening celebration. The speaker was H. C. Boyd, pastor of the Shiloh Baptist church, with special selections being presented by the Shiloh Baptist church choir.

The Emanuel church was named in honor of Emanuel Wilkens, who, after conducting evangelistic meetings in Albany in 1933, established a black Seventh-day Adventist church with 26 charter members. He became its first pastor in 1934.

The present pastor is J. L. Fol-

lette. His associate is Calvin B. Preston.

The three-building complex was the former home of the Good News Baptist church. It boasts a spacious sanctuary with raised baptistry, a fellowship hall with modern kitchen facilities, ample dining area, numerous classrooms, and a large nursery wing suitable for a day-care center.

Elizabeth City Opens Church

Carolina — Way out in the northeastern portion of what has been referred to as the Far Eastern Division of the Carolinas, Elizabeth City opened the doors of a brand new church on May 28. E. S. Reile, Carolina Conference president, spoke to a church crowded with members and community friends about the heritage of the Adventist Church. The Elizabeth City church has always been a relatively small group, but the new sanctuary will encourage growth among the 63 members, who want to establish a church school program as soon as possible.

The work of Seventh-day Adventists is well known in the community through the services of the Winslow Memorial Nursing Home, which is now owned and administered by the conference.

The small, but highly representative church is ideally located on Highway 17 going into Elizabeth City, just across from the well-

ganize and carry out a multitude of temperance witnessing activities.

As teams of students go out into shopping malls, schools, hospitals, etc., to take the temperance message to others, points are built up toward the awards weekend, usually scheduled in February or March.

This year in the senior academy division Forest Lake Academy won the first prize. Ralph Peay, associate youth and temperance director for the Southern Union, presented the trophy to Forest Lake Academy at their awards chapel period the last of the school Year.

Their totals were over the 500,000 mark, including 80 per cent of the activity done in the communities in and around the school.

Dyersburg 'Soy Hut,' Health Screening Make Impact

Kentucky-Tennessee — During the Dyer County Soybean Festival in Dyersburg, Tennessee, April 25-30, members of the Adventist church were busy operating a "Soy Hut."

The festivities began with a parade. Posters were made by Kay Clark for the Pathfinders to carry. One poster that caught everyone's attention read, "Be kind to animal week . . . eat a vegeburger." Displaying the Seventh-day Adventist emblem during the parade was the Community Service van driven by David Mills.

Two radio announcers, Al Wood and Carl Minton, had been advertising the Soy Hut all week on WTRO-WASL-FM. Their curiosity had been aroused so much that they came by for lunch on Thursday. Minton enjoyed it so much he decided to take his wife out for supper at the Soy Hut. She also was impressed.

After Pastor George Carpenter announced over WTRO-WASL-FM that the Soy Hut would be closed from 7 p.m. Friday until 8 p.m. Saturday, Al Wood explained that it was because they observed the "Sabbath" instead of "Sunday." During the Sabbath hours, films on health and Basic Bible studies were shown.

Carpenter interviewed Bill Sig-

man, an alderman for Dyersburg, and his wife on their impression of the meat substitutes available at the Soy Hut. They replied, "It was a real surprise. We really enjoyed it. We never thought that the taste would be so similar." Mrs. Sigman appreciated the soy products more than others as her doctor had instructed her to eat more natural foods.

Michael Bright made the following comment about the facilities that the Seventh-day Adventists provided: "As a Dyersburg Jaycee, I really appreciated the church's participation in our festival. The various types of soybean products offered at the Soy Hut were delicious, although I hesitated to try them. I also appreciated the service of the Community Service van." In fact, Bright was so pleased with what the Adventists were doing that he arranged for the van to be at the courthouse on Farmer's Trade Day. During that three-and-one-half-hour period, 143 blood pressures were taken.

Nashville Judges Boost Five-Day Plan

Kentucky-Tennessee — Judge A. A. Birch of the General Sessions Metro Court in Nashville, Tennessee, recently asked Nathan Sims, pastor of the First SDA church in Nashville to conduct a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking in the courthouse. Judge Birch attended a similar clinic approximately one year ago and has been an avid supporter ever since.

Leslie L. Mondelli, the presiding judge, sent a memorandum to all

department heads of the Metropolitan Government asking them to notify their employees of the Five-Day Plan.

The week's activities began with Judge Mondelli welcoming all the "students." Judge Birch explained to the class how much better he feels since he stopped smoking. He emphasized that smoking was a thing of the past and that the plan Sims was about to explain really did work.

One of the "students," Hank Al-lison, was there daily giving his impressions as a live action news reporter for WTVF-TV. Hank was a 17-year, two-pack-a-day smoker who was able to kick the habit.

Everyone who attended all five days of the clinic were able to kick the habit. The following week a follow-up supper was held for all the graduates and their spouses.

Wildwood Health Team Aids Mexico

Georgia-Cumberland — A medical missionary team of eight individuals from Wildwood Sanitarium, led by Gordon Gilkes, M.D., spent five weeks in March and April conducting conferences on health evangelism and basic health principles in the South Mexican Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. In this conference, one of the fastest growing in the world, one pastor may care for 60 to 100 congregations alone! The training received by these pastors will enable them to better serve the physical needs of those who live in their districts.

The reasons for choosing a



Nashville First Pastor Nathan Sims listens while Judge A. A. Birch testifies to the advantages of stopping smoking. Judge Mondelli is at right.

known Museum of the Albemarle.

Pastor Bob Bretsch received the keys to the church from building coordinator Doug Clark and MPA Corporation President Brian Wilcox. The MPA Corporation has made it possible for several small church groups to build new churches. Bretsch presented engraved plaques of thanks to MPA Corporation, Clark, and the Carolina Conference. A special touch was added to the service when Bretsch baptized two persons, adding to the church on its very first day.

Kernersville Breaks Ground for New Church

Carolina — Many of the 208 members of the Kernersville, North Carolina, church were present for the groundbreaking ceremony April 17 at the six-and-one-half-acre site of their new church.

Pastor Charles White had staked out the perimeter of the church and set up a lectern on the spot where the pulpit will be. Guest speakers included E. S. Reile, conference president, Kernersville Mayor Roger Swisher, Brian Wilcox, president of MPA Corporation, and Phil Winsted, head elder of the church and nursing home administrator.

The members had been invited not only to attend but also to take part in the actual groundbreaking. Young and old alike, with shovels of every description, dug into the soil at the future entrance to the church.

The church is currently meeting in rented facilities because they sold their former church, which was too small to accommodate their gatherings.

Members of the Kernersville church were invited to bring their shovels and participate in the groundbreaking.



Whiteville Occupies New Church

Carolina — In June of 1975 Don Shelton, at that time Wilmington, North Carolina, district pastor, opened a series of meetings in Whiteville, a dark city. Three hundred persons attended that first night. When the series was finished

express purpose of hastening the Lord's coming through assisting smaller churches and church institutions with building programs which, in turn, provides a greater community witness and encourages church membership growth.

The new Whiteville church is conveniently located at Franklin Street, a well-known location in Whiteville, on two acres of land.



Pastor Bob Self (left) and first elder Scotson Jenkins accept keys to the new Whiteville, North Carolina, church from Doug Clark and Brian Wilcox.

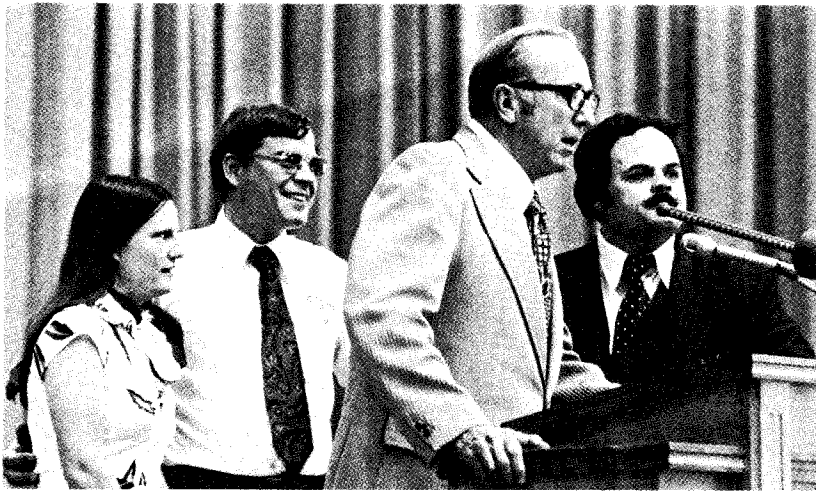
42 people had joined this faith and a church was organized. By the second Sabbath in August of that year the new church family had arranged to hold their services at the Peacock Funeral Chapel.

On April 30 the current pastor, Bob Self, and first elder Scotson Jenkins received the keys to the new Whiteville SDA church from Doug Clark, building coordinator, and Brian Wilcox, president of MPA Corporation. The MPA Corporation was organized by lay members of the Carolina constituency for the

Who and Where

'Desire of Ages' Yields Baptisms

Georgia-Cumberland — About four years ago Ray Hoskins, a Rossville, Georgia, used car salesman, discovered a copy of *Desire of Ages* while cleaning out a car he had just purchased. Thinking it too good to discard, he filed it away on



Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Burke and Gordon Henderson listen while Ray Hoskins tells of his conversion to Adventism at the Georgia-Cumberland camp meeting May 28.

his window sill for future reference. One rainy day with time on his hands he picked up the book and began reading it, little realizing that it represented his first contact with Seventh-day Adventists. Later he attended evangelistic meetings in Wallaceville conducted by Conference Ministerial Secretary Gordon Henderson and Pastor Deward Edgmon, but did not choose to become an Adventist at that time.

One day in the fall of 1975 while lunching with his friend Dennis Burke at the Foods for Life restaurant in Chattanooga, Burke professed belief in spiritualism and other doctrines which Hoskins thought to be incorrect. Spotting Henderson in the restaurant, Hoskins called him over and introduced him to Burke, explaining that Burke needed Bible studies to clarify his Biblical interpretation. Henderson began studying with the Burkes.

Jere Webb came to town for evangelistic meetings, and at the close both Mr. and Mrs. Burke made their decisions to become Seventh-day Adventists and were baptized in the Tivoli Theatre where the series took place.

At camp meeting in 1976 Henderson introduced Ray Hoskins as the Methodist who led the Burkes into the Seventh-day Adventist Church, adding that it would be thrilling if in 1977 Hoskins himself could be introduced as a Seventh-day Adventist. And that's how it turned out, for in April of 1977 Ray Hoskins was baptized! Following the 1976 camp meeting he continued to visit

the Foods for Life restaurant, Wildwood Sanitarium, and the Wildwood church, making his decision to join in early 1977.

To complete the story, Dennis Burke, introduced to Adventism by Ray Hoskins whose first contact was *Desire of Ages*, now sells that very book in his new-found work as a literature evangelist!

Pensacola Inaugurates Mass Literature Distribution Drive

Alabama-Mississippi — Accepting the challenge of the conference theme, "Together for a Finished Work," elders and deacons of the Pensacola church met earlier this year to plan an ambitious visitation program involving every church member. The first phase of the program was completed on March 12, when church members distributed 1,000 copies of the missionary book of the year, *Goodbye, Planet Earth*, written by Robert H. Pierson, to area residents. The plan calls for members to place additional literature in homes throughout the year.

In this systematic distribution effort members will visit each area home to get acquainted with the people and invite them to church, according to Sherman Holland, lay activities leader and coordinator for the witnessing project.

"An active laity witnessing to the claims of the everlasting gospel is the lifeblood of our church," said Holland.

The organizational meeting, at-

tended by 43 elders and deacons, was held at Holland's home and featured a candlelight dedication ceremony. After a full course dinner, each participant accepted a leadership role in the planned program.

Other witnessing projects planned include a youth-young adult evangelistic series, cooking schools, and newspaper evangelistic advertising. A Five-Day Plan was recently held at the church. Many new and interesting contacts resulted from the first house-to-house visitation.

Avon Park Youth End Crusade With Honor to 'Mother'

Florida — For many years now the youth program of the Walker Memorial church in Avon Park has been one of the most active of any church in Florida. Their success has been due largely to one lady, Irene Osborne, who is sort of a mother to all the youth of that church.



Wes and Irene Osborne.

On Mother's Day weekend at the culmination of a Voice of Youth crusade, the young people surprised her with a "This is Your Life, Irene Osborne" program.

For weeks the program was being planned by the youth, with help from many adults in the church. The Avon Park Adventist Youth in Action contacted many people who had been drawn closer to the Saviour as a result of the efforts, love, and friendship of Mrs. Osborne.

Those who could not come sent telegrams, letters, pictures, and tape recordings. Some even called by phone. All of these items were put into a scrapbook and given to Wes and Irene Osborne to remember the occasion.

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Calendar

Events

ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI

Christian Education Rallies

July 9 Huntsville Central church 3:00 p.m.
 July 16 Jackson, Miss., church 3:00 p.m.
 July 23 Birmingham Roebuck church 3:00 p.m.
 July 30 Pensacola church 3:00 p.m.

Featuring representatives from Southern Missionary College, Bass Memorial Academy, and the Alabama-Mississippi Conference Office of Education.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Lay Ministers' Seminar — July 28-31. Georgia-Cumberland Academy. Special guest: George Knowles, General Conference lay activities director. For reservations write Gary Grimes, P.O. Box 12000, Calhoun, GA 30701.

Pathfinder Officers' Convention — July 29, 30.

Madison, Georgia, Church Dedication — Aug. 6. First service at 9:30 a.m. Dinner on the grounds.

Voice of Prophecy Crusade — Aug. 20 - Sept. 10. Tivoli Theater, Chattanooga, Tenn. Fordyce Detamore, Emil and Ruth Moldrik.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

Evangelistic Meetings

June 18-July 23 — Gallatin, Tenn., Jerry Willis
 June 18-July 23 — Middlesboro, Ky., Grant Gunter
 July 9-30 — Lawrenceburg, Tenn., Hugh V. Leggett-Ed Shafer
 July 10-Aug. 13 — South Nashville, Tenn., Nathan Sims

SOUTH CENTRAL

Dark County Evangelism Month — July — 29 meetings to be held.

Dark County Evangelism Day — August 6. Special prayer for the meetings.

Youth Federations — August 6.

Christian Education Day — August 20.

SOUTHERN UNION

KENNETH COX PROPHECY CRUSADE RALLY

July 1, 2

Southern Missionary College, Collegedale, Tennessee

- New multi-media presentations by Kenneth Cox on "The Holy Spirit."
- Music by the Prophecy Crusade team.
- Times of sharing.
- Special guest speakers.

Begins 8:30 p.m., Collegedale Academy Auditorium, and continues all day Sabbath.
 All invited to attend.

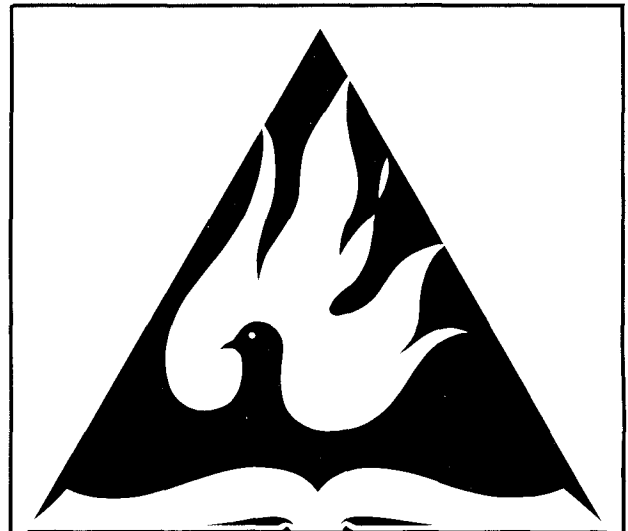
Health Leadership Seminar — July 8-10, Southern Missionary College.

Christian Record Braille Foundation Offering — July 9.

Oakwood College Offering — Aug. 13.

OUT OF UNION

Inter-Mountain Academy Reunion — Aug. 21. Old Rulison, Colo., SDA church. For further information contact Mrs. Paul Austin, Rt. 1, Box 142-A, Cedaredge, CO 81413.



FESTIVAL OF FAITH

The Eastern Festival of Faith will be held March 22-25, 1978, in the 16,000-seat Greensboro, North Carolina, coliseum. Nearly 4,000 delegates from the Atlantic, Columbia, and Southern Union Conferences will be joined by thousands of young people and adults from the three unions, together with large numbers of non-Adventist residents and university students in the Greensboro / Winston-Salem / High Point area. Youth of academy and college age wishing to be selected as official delegates should contact their pastor, campus chaplain, or conference youth director.

sunset table

	July 1	July 8	July 15	July 22	July 29	Aug. 5
Atlanta, Ga.	8:52	8:51	8:49	8:45	8:40	8:35
Charlotte, N.C.	8:42	8:41	8:38	8:34	8:29	8:22
Collegedale, Tenn. ...	8:59	8:58	8:55	8:52	8:47	8:40
Huntsville, Ala.	8:04	8:03	8:00	7:57	7:51	7:45
Jackson, Miss.	8:12	8:11	8:09	8:05	8:01	7:55
Louisville, Ky.	8:11	8:09	8:06	8:02	7:56	7:48
Memphis, Tenn.	8:19	8:18	8:15	8:11	8:06	7:59
Montgomery, Ala. ...	7:56	7:56	7:53	7:50	7:46	7:40
Nashville, Tenn.	8:08	8:07	8:04	8:00	7:55	7:48
Orlando, Fla.	8:25	8:25	8:23	8:21	8:17	8:12
Wilmington, N.C. ...	8:28	8:27	8:24	8:21	8:16	8:09

in transition



On the Move

Alabama-Mississippi

1. G. Thomas Evans has been elected treasurer of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference replacing Richard Center who has transferred to the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. Evans has been assistant treasurer in the conference for the past three years and was involved in academy treasury work prior to that. He is a graduate of Southern Missionary College and is married to the former Patricia Fowler. They have two children, Emily and Paul.

A change in the principalship of Bass Memorial Academy has occurred due to the appointment of Jim Epperson as superintendent of Education for Missouri. New Bass Memorial Academy principal is **2. Cyril Connelly**, formerly vice-principal and history teacher at the academy and a graduate of Andrews University. Connelly is married to the former Lynn Perrine and they have two children, Cathy and Allen.

Carolina

Don Vollmer has joined the staff of the Fletcher, North Carolina, church as the new youth pastor. He comes from a teaching position at Greater Miami Academy.

Additions to the Mt. Pisgah Academy staff for the upcoming school term include:

Mrs. Merrill Hume is coming from Keene, Texas, to assume the responsibilities of girls' dean and to teach home economics. Mrs. Hume replaces **Mrs. Alice Robertson** who will be joining the conference staff as elementary school supervisor.

Stan Detweiler, former Andrews University gymnics captain, comes from a teaching position at Canadian Union College to teach P.E. and earth sciences.

Edwin Johnson, from Houston, Texas, will be coming to teach English and history. Johnson holds an M.A. in English and will be replacing Mrs. Sharon Smith.

Georgia-Cumberland

3. Henry Farr has been appointed curriculum supervisor for the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. Farr, who holds a Doctor of Education degree from the University of Tennessee, with emphasis in curriculum development and educational administration, comes to the post after 14 years of service as teacher and principal in the Southern Union.

Weddings

MEINHARDT — HESTER

Janet Leigh Hester, daughter of Hubert Hester and the late Mary Jane Hester of Bladenboro, North Carolina, and **Ronald Glen Meinhardt**, son of Dr. and Mrs. Ralph F. Meinhardt of Elizabethtown, North Carolina, were married in the Elizabethtown Seventh-day Adventist church on March 20. The marriage was performed by Bob Self, Elizabethtown pastor. The couple will reside in Elizabethtown where they both work in the medical field.

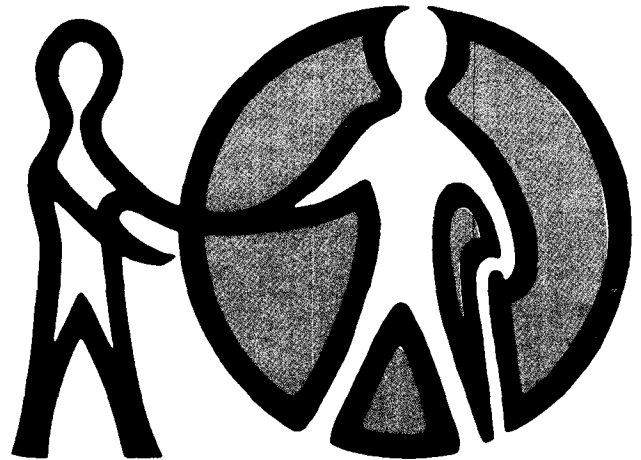
WEBER — BROOKS

Elisabeth Grace Brooks, daughter of Mrs. Grace Brooks of Sequim, Washington, and **Gary Lynn Weber**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Weber of Collegedale, Tennessee, were united in marriage May 9 in an outdoor wedding at the home of Mrs. Bobbie Weeks in Collegedale. A. C. Becker officiated. The couple is residing in Collegedale.

SMITH — MATHIS

Mabel Corbitt Mathis of Mulberry, Florida, and **Norman Neal Smith** of Bartow, Florida, were united in marriage May 10 in the First SDA church of Lakeland, Florida. Keith Morey officiated at the ceremony with Elder and Mrs. J. G. Reams attending the couple. Following their wedding trip, the couple will make its home in Mulberry.

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BRICK HOME FOR SALE — 3 bedroom, 2 bath, like new, country setting, 3 miles from SMC. Fireplace, central air, built-in appliances, full basement with 2-car garage, \$38,900. Write Leon Graham, 606 Avant Ln., S., Memphis, TN 38105, or phone (901) 527-6858. (7)

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FOR SALE: Concrete block house, 2 bedrooms, living room, bath, kitchen, sewing room, Florida room, large pantry. Garage, tool shed, enclosed porch. Large building and well on extra lot, 180 by 120. Dorothy Hansen, Rt. 1, Box 444, Inverness, FL 32650. (6,7)

WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS scheduled for Oct. 29 - Nov. 4 are being made available on tape. Hear the actual voices of those who have prepared the material. The tapes may be used in churches or in homes where our members will gather for this special week of devotion. Will also enable shut-ins and others who may not be able to attend the group gatherings to listen at their own convenience. The subjects for the week center on the great subject of the Advent of our Lord. The 8 messages are available on 2 C-90 cassettes for \$4.50, or on 1 5-inch reel (1 1/2 RPS) for \$3. Send orders with check, or if through conference, then by purchase order, to: Tape Service, Ministerial Association, Gen. Conf. of SDA, 6840 Eastern Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20012. (O)

FOR SALE — 4 large stained glass windows. For information call (404) 487-9805 or write to: Seventh-day Adventist Church, P.O. Box 2212, Peachtree City, GA 30269. (7)

FOR PATHFINDER PROJECT — For sale: high quality, boxed note stationery assembled by Forest Lake church Teen Pathfinders. Contains 12 note sheets, 12 envelopes, 6 second sheets, 4 different designs. Large orders available for churches or groups. Minimum order 1 carton, packed 25 boxes to carton—\$43.75. Wholesale, \$1.75 per box; retail, \$3. Proceeds primarily for Teen mission outreach. Contact: Forest Lake Teen Pathfinders, 10419 Sandal Ct., Orlando, FL 32810. (7)

FARM TRACTORS and equipment of all types. Rebuilt Ford and Massey-Ferguson tractors. Machinery trailers, fork lifts and crawler tractors. We can deliver at reasonable costs if desired. Ted's Tractor and Implement Co., Route 2, Fletcher, N.C. 28732, at Mills River. Phone: (704) 684-0319 (business), 891-4374 or 891-4063 (residence). (O)

VACATION ACCOMMODATIONS: Planning a trip to Disney World between June 5 and August 1? Stay in a/c rooms at Forest Lake Academy in sunny Florida. Lighted tennis courts, swimming pool, and just 25 miles from Disney World. Write: Forest Lake Academy, P.O. Box 157, Maitland, FL 32751, for details or call: (305) 862-8411. (6,7)

WANTED — Adventist families to join Lookout Mountain church. New 8-grade school. Property available for country living. 15 miles

from Chattanooga. Write Rt. 2, Box 343, Rising Fawn, GA 30738, or call (404) 398-3205. (7)

SPECIAL FEATURES — The price of Christian education—is it too high? Do you know how to "Bloom Where You Are Planted"? Why do we have to say "I'm sorry" before God will forgive us? Is God reluctant to allow a revival of true godliness? Find out the answers to these thought-provoking questions in the upcoming July issues of the REVIEW. (7)

NEW ACADEMY in a Black community opens. A boarding academy offering grades 1 to 12 opens September 7, 1976. Families with children may live on the campus and also find work in nearby cities to support themselves. Located in the country at Vandiver, AL. Write: Dr. Price Pearson, 2007-11th Ave. S., Birmingham, AL 35205. (3,5,7)

ELEMENTARY TEACHER NEEDED for small self-supporting school in Williamsburg, KY, for 1977-78 school year. Consider this a missionary project. Big challenge, low salary. Will consider retired teacher. New church, hospital. Beautiful area. Call (606) 864-4061. (7)

OPENING FOR TWO MACHINISTS to work 3rd shift with very successful industry. Two years minimum experience in job shop required. Attractive pay and benefits. Write: Personnel Department, Box 750, Collegedale, Tennessee 37315. (7)

DRAFTING POSITION available with growing Christian manufacturing company in Collegedale area. Excellent working conditions, competitive wages. Duties include preparation of cabinet shop drawings from architectural drawings. Experience required. Call (615) 396-2131 or write Collegedale Casework, Inc., Box 810, Collegedale, TN 37315. (7-8)

MISSIONARY WANTED: Elementary church school teacher needed for small self-supporting school for term beginning in September 1977. Salary is very low but negotiable. Consider this a real missionary project. Williamsburg, KY, has a new church and is only 30 minutes away from SDA hospital. School is located in Kentucky's beautiful Cumberland Valley and is only 5 minutes away from the Cumberland Falls Resort area. We have beautiful mountains, lakes and people. Several retired workers have already settled here and we would consider a retired school teacher for this position. Please contact: Elder Ken Studer, (606) 864-4061. (6,7)

WANTED: Retired school teachers. Faith Academy at Vandiver, AL, is now accepting applications for teachers for the school year 1977-78. This is a rural school fostering industrial, literary and religious education. Write: Dr. J. Price Pearson, 2007 11th Ave. S., Birmingham, AL 35205. (3,5,7,9,11)

FLORIDA HOSPITAL is presently expanding the cardiovascular surgery division of the critical care department. If you are a registered nurse, have experience in this area and would enjoy living in beautiful central Florida, please contact Mr. Irv Hamilton, (305) 897-1998 collect, or write 601 E. Rollins Orlando, FL 32803. There are 2 grade schools and 1 academy locally, in addition to many active churches, who also would benefit from your association. (7,8)

POSITIONS AVAILABLE: The Riverside Adventist Hospital has the following positions immediately available: Director of Nursing Service, Director of Inservice Education, Pharmacist, and Executive Secretary. Competitive salary and excellent fringe benefit package available. Applicants who have a desire to grow and develop professionally while giving valuable service to the church should contact the Personnel Director, 800 Young's Lane, Nashville, TN 37207. Phone (615) 227-8500, ext. 431. (6,7)

DIRECTOR OF NURSES AND MEDICAL LIBRARIAN needed for the Scott Memorial Hospital, Country, rural living with 2-teacher, 8-grade school. Contact Willard G. Stewart, Administrator, Rt. 1, Buffalo Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464, or phone (615) 762-7501, ext. 200. (6,7)

CERTIFIED/REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST NEEDED for 155-bed general-acute care hospital. Modern well equipped operating rooms. Previous experience desired. Fee and compensation negotiable. Contact Battle Creek Sanitarium Hospital, Battle Creek, MI. Equal opportunity employer. (7)

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FOREMAN — Are you a technical genius and a people-problem solver? Do you want a year around climate of 70°? If so, and you are currently employed as a plumber, electrician or in reintegration, call or write the White Memorial Medical Center, Personnel Department, 1720 Brooklyn Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90033. (213) 269-9131, ext. 681 or 680. Salary \$1,085-\$1,319. (7-8)

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PHYSICIAN NEEDED: Seattle — GP needed to fill vacancy created summer '76 in fast-growing well-established 10-member multi-specialty group practice. Guaranteed salary plus percentage leading to partnership, if desired. Excellent opportunity in beautiful Pacific Northwest. Write or call collect: E. A. Beavon, Administrator, 6300 9th Ave. N.E., Seattle, WA 98115. (206) 545-7507. (6,7)

Obituaries

ALLEN, Mrs. Louise E., of Orlando, Florida, was born January 23, 1895, in Mayo, Florida, and died April 17, in Gainesville, Florida. She was a member of the Orlando Central church. Two sons, Kiffin R. Allen of Orlando and A. G. Allen of Cross City, Florida; two grandsons and seven great-grandchildren survive her. Services were held by Pastor Dan Hogan of Cross City, and burial was in the Cross City Cemetery.

GLASS, Lillie Elizabeth, was born December 25, 1882, and passed away May 7. She was the wife of the late Hallie P. Glass. She is survived by four children: Howard Glass of Lubbock, Texas; Mrs. Iva Mae Puckett, also of Lubbock; Geraldine Glass and Hallie George Glass, both of Portland, Tennessee.

GRIFFIN, Harvey Lee, was born in Baker, Florida, on January 18, 1927, and died in Orlando, Florida, on May 12. He was an electrician and was a member of the Orlando Central church. Surviving him are his wife, Alberta of Orlando; sons Steve A. of Orlando and A. Bruce of Altamonte Springs, Florida; mother, Mrs. Adele Marchant of Kissimmee, Florida; and two grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Obed O. Graham of Orlando Central church. Interment was in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Orlando.

HIGDON, Carl, was born April 25, 1905, in Jackson County, North Carolina, and died April 3 in the Laurelbrook Hospital, Dayton, Tennessee. Higdon was preceded in death by his first wife, Dana Lanning. Survivors include his wife, Esther Godley Higdon of Orlando, Florida; five daughters: Sylvia Conger of Greenville, North Carolina; Barbara Cooper of Seabrook, Maryland; Gwen de Santos of Maplewood, New Jersey; Elaine Grove of Rock Spring, Georgia; Wanda Higdon of Dayton; and Patricia Magnum of Apopka, Florida; two sons, David Godley of Apopka, and D. L. Higdon of Daytona Beach, Florida; one sister, Bertie H. Buchanan of Sylva, North Carolina; 17 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Higdon was a member of the Apopka church where he was returned for burial. O. H. Bentzinger conducted the services held in the Semoran Chapel with burial in the Highland Memorial Gardens.

HOUGHTALING, Francis Shelton, 78, of Nocatee, Florida, was born in Manatee County, Florida, on April 3, 1898, and died of a heart attack on March 28, in the Punta Gorda Medical Center, Punta Gorda, Florida. He was a retired trucker and farmer. He leaves behind his wife Marguerite Welch Houghtaling, Nocatee; one son, David of North Fort Myers, Florida; three daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Simpson of Fort Myers, Miss Clara Mavis Houghtaling of Nocatee, and Miss Ina Houghtaling of Nocatee; one brother Julius F. Houghtaling of Sun City, Florida; two sisters, Mrs. Alberta Parrish of Parrish, Florida, and Mrs. Nanie Mae Bishop of Palmetto, Florida; 13 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. The service was conducted by George M. Harsha, pastor of the Arcadia church where Houghtaling was a member. He was buried next to his parents in the Gillette Cemetery, Manatee County.

INGRAHAM, Mrs. Mary Grace, was born on February 9, 1888. She died on May 14, in Orlando, Florida. She was a member of the Winter Garden church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry B., and two sons, Harry and Robert. Surviving her are six daughters, Alice Deubel, May Offenber, Dorothy Henderson, and Jeanne Dilas, all of Orlando, Florence Roig of Deer Lodge, Tennessee, and Ethel Mace of Cleveland, Ohio; 23 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren. Interment was in Woodlawn Memorial Park.

OMSTED, Harold Alden, 70, was born on November 7, 1906, in Fosston, Minnesota, and passed away in West Volusia Memorial Hospital, DeLand, Florida, on April 16. He had lived in DeLand 33 years. He was a World War II Navy veteran and a member of the DeLand church. He is survived by his wife, Nellie; two brothers, Frank Omsted of Escondido, California, and Lyle Omsted of Spokane, Washington; and a sister, Mrs. Amanda Vennes of Fosston, Minnesota. Graveside services were held by Pastor Carl R. Neill, and burial was in DeLand Memorial Gardens.

POTHMAN, William, was born in Germany September 29, 1900. He died in St. Petersburg, Florida, May 11. He was a member of the St. Petersburg church. His wife, Hildegard Pothman, survives him.

RAFFERTY, Adh Mhe, was born in Ashtabula, Ohio, October 11, 1896, and died in Bradenton, Florida, May 2. She was a member of the Palmetto church. Survivors are three step-daughters, Mrs. George H. Gove of Florida, Mrs. Ted Kukich of Florida, Mrs. Nick Tzzi of Ohio; and a brother, Milton H. Rice of California. She was buried in Mansion Memorial Cemetery, Ellenton, Florida.

RANGS, Richard P., 82, of Florida Living Retirement Center in Forest City, Florida, died April 23. Born in Germany, he moved to Forest City three years ago from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He was a member of the Apopka Highland church and a retired baker. A daughter, Mrs. Lydia B. Gouge, Taylors, South Carolina, survives him.

SHOUN, Virginia Lohmann, was born in Hastings, Nebraska, on November 5, 1913. She died in New Port Richey, Florida, on May 3. She taught art at Union and Columbia Union Colleges. She also worked at the White Memorial Hospital in gastric cancer research doing medical illustrations. She will be remembered throughout all the church schools in the North American Division as the author of *Our Thinking Hands*, the current curriculum guide for the art program in SDA elementary schools. "Who's Who in Religion" honored her for this by listing her name in 1976. Survivors include her brother, Melvin Lohmann of Coalmont, Tennessee; her sister, Kathy of California; and her stepsons, Warren and Stanley Shoun of California. Services were conducted by Pastor Rus Aldridge of New Port Richey. Interment was in Meadowlawn Memorial Gardens.

SPANN, Mrs. Sylvia, was born in Beaver City, Nebraska, on September 5, 1888, and died in Orlando, Florida, on May 17. She was a member of the Claremore, Oklahoma, church. Surviving her are her daughter, Mrs. Thelma J. McCullough of Orlando; a granddaughter, Mrs. Nita Pouncey of Orlando (who is associated with the Florida Book and Bible House); and two sisters, Mrs. Lucille Summitt of Claremore, and Mrs. Della Calvert of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Services were held in Claremore, with Pastor Cecil Harlin officiating. Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Claremore.

STEPHENSON, Veryl Elliott, died in Eustis, Florida, April 10. He was born in Clarkslake, Michigan, October 28, 1911. He was a member of the Eustis church. Surviving him are his wife, Jane M. of Eustis; two daughters, Mrs. Joyce Walker and Mrs. Nila Lawrence, both of Brooklyn, Michigan; a brother, Bayard Stephenson of Clarkslake; and two sisters, Mrs. Leola Uden of Clarkslake and Mrs. Vivian Hutchings of Ft. Myers, Florida. Pastor Ron Merchant officiated at the funeral, and entombment was in Lakeside Memory Gardens, Eustis.

TRANCHITA, Hermelinda, was born in Brazil on January 29, 1902. She died in St. Petersburg, Florida, May 13. She was a member of the St. Petersburg church. Survivors include two sons, Raudinez Tranchita of LaGrange, Illinois, and Renildo Tranchita of Brazil; four daughters, Crisolda of St. Petersburg, Clelia of Willow Springs, Illinois, Cleodice of Brazil, and Natilde of Brazil; two sisters in Brazil; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

WYMAN, Homer A., was born in Belle Plains, Iowa, May 31, 1906. He passed away in Orlando, Florida, May 17. He was a member of the Sanford, Florida, church. Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Frieda Wyman of Sanford; two sons, Robert Wyman of Denver, Colorado, and Ray Wyman of Glendora, California; two daughters, Mrs. Annette Parrish of Boulder, Colorado, and Miss Anita Wyman of Longmont, Colorado; a brother, Kenneth Wyman of St. Augustine, Florida; and three sisters, Mrs. Fay Bowman of Denver, Colorado, Mrs. Vera Thompson of Tampa, Florida, and Mrs. Gladys Kromphardt, of Peoria, Illinois.

The camp meeting season is in full swing as I write this column for our union paper, SOUTHERN TIDINGS. Thus far, I have attended three of



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them with the rest of them scheduled in my itinerary for the next two weeks. The attendance at these meetings is nothing short of phenomenal. Facilities on campuses and grounds where the meetings are held are stretched beyond the normal limit of their capacity. Housing for the campers is particularly in short supply. New tents have been purchased by the conferences and many borrowed from other fields. Auditoriums are full and double sessions are being held. Best of all, our people seem to be getting a blessing from what is being presented by those who have been invited in from the General Conference, Voice of Prophecy, and other places. As we have attended, we have felt the pervading presence of the Holy Spirit. Camp meeting is a time of spiritual and physical refreshing and we are happy that so many avail themselves of this opportunity to receive a blessing.

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