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Evangelism has received special emphasis during the Thousand Days of Reaping. One crusade in Atlanta resulted in 800 baptisms and more than 300 rebaptisms. (Photo by S. E. Gooden).

1983 was the second highest year for baptisms in Southern Union history, but soul winning must accelerate in order to achieve the objective for the Thousand Days of Reaping. (Photo by Shirley Goodridge).

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by the editors

The New England morning dawned bright and clear, but thousands of sleepless eyes saw nothing but the darkest midnight. Never had so much devotion been met with such frustration, never had hopes risen so high, only to plunge nearly to despair. Never had a people been so certain, only to be met with incontrovertible proof that they had somehow been wrong.

The pain reached to the deepest recesses of their souls, rendering some infidels, some fanatics, and some confused, but faithful. They had braved the jeers of unbelievers and the scorn of fellow Christians to embrace the Blessed Hope of the Second Coming of Christ in the context of a time prophecy which seemed so certain that many pledged their fortunes to the proclamation of the message.

Now, it was the twenty-third of October, 1844, a day which was never to have been, and yet it was.

Today, 140 years later, the spiritual descendants of the early Advent believers still look for and work to hasten the coming of the Lord. His statement, "This gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world . . . and then shall the end come," has spurred them on to reach into 190 nations, growing from a few hundred in 1844, after the Great Disappointment, to more than 4 million members.

The desire for the realization of the Blessed

Hope has not dimmed with the passage of time. A burden for the faceless multitude which daily perishes without hope and without God prompted an effort to reach 1 million of the earth's billions during a 1,000-day period. "The One Thousand Days of Reaping" began September 18, 1982, and will end June 15, 1985, with the beginning of the General Conference Session to be held in New Orleans, Louisiana. One thousand baptized per day for 1,000 days is the worldwide goal.

And it is happening.

Worldwide Goal Being Met

More than 730,000 persons have united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church through baptism or profession of faith in two short years. In the nine months which remain, the goal of 1 million souls should be reached. Around the world, Seventh-day Adventist laymen and clergy have worked together so that, in some divisions, goals have been exceeded by large margins.

North American Growth Slower

Unfortunately, in North America and Europe, the results have not been as good. In the Southern Union, as of June 30, only 41 percent of the goal for the Thousand Days had been reached. Although 1983's 7,200 additions was second only to the 7,226 in 1981 in Southern Union history, soul winning here, and elsewhere in North America, has not kept pace as the rest of the world has risen to meet the challenge of an unprecedented evangelistic emphasis.

In order to reach the goal of 27,792 for the 1,000-day period, Southern Union pastors and evangelists would need to baptize more persons in the last four quarters of the Thousand Days of Reaping than they did in the first seven.

Evangelistic Thrust Blunted

Several possible reasons could be suggested. When the 1,000 days began, the nation was still in a deep financial recession, with unemployment, high interest rates, and a sluggish economy exerting a chilling effect on conference and local church budgets.

Among the casualties of the recession was Dr. Donald J. Davenport, with whom 17 organizational entities within the North American Division had placed loans. His bankruptcy rendered such loans unavailable, although some of the losses have been recovered in recent months. The result for the church was staff reductions and budget cuts in many cases.

Considerable time and energy was required to learn the extent of the problem and decide the appropriate response to those whose stewardship of church funds was considered inadequate.

Discussion on theological issues, such as prophetic interpretation and the nature of inspiration, continued, though probably with less intensity than at some previous occasions.

Also, during this period, thousands of hours have been dedicated to studying the structure and function of the church organization.

While this report does not question the necessity of studying church finance, theology, or structure, few would deny that each has served to divert leadership and laity alike, particularly in North America, from focusing on the evangelistic mission of the church.

In addition, factors beyond the control of the church, such as secularism, materialism, and information overload, comprise formidable barriers to the communication of the Gospel through traditional evangelistic methods.

Goal Orientation Resisted

Some disliked the idea of applying numbers to the winning of souls. Sensing this, North American Division President C. E. Bradford says, "We seem to be afraid of setting goals, yet the whole trend of management theory and practice today is toward goal-setting.

"Early Adventists had goals for everything: 13th Sabbath, Investment, Ingathering, Big Week,

mission offerings, territories to be entered, baptisms, churches to be planted, meetings to be held. And they got things done!"

Is there a missing ingredient? Is there a need for deeper commitment and greater urgency? Perhaps, from the trauma of the past few years, idealism and cynicism have been melded into a dynamic realism which remembers that "the church, enfeebled and defective though it be, is the only object on earth on which Christ bestows His supreme regard." (*Selected Messages*, Book Two, 396).

Final Emphasis in Motion

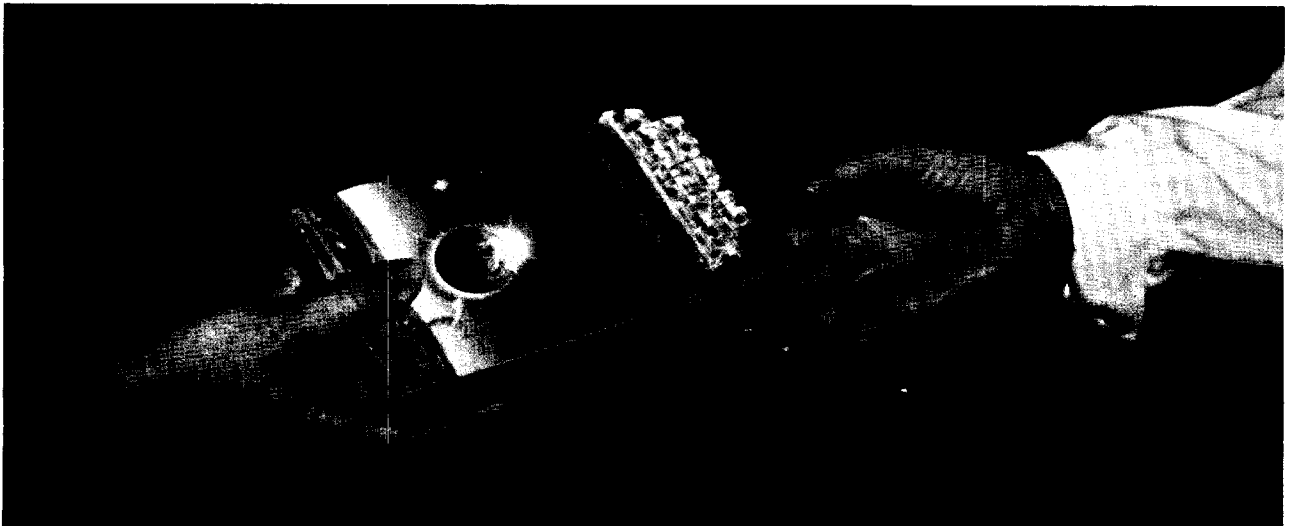
With the objective admittedly distant, shall the church in North America relax its energies? Certainly not. "Three-fourths of the 1,000 Days of Reaping are in the irretrievable past," acknowledges Bradford. "No use mourning them. But we do have almost 300 days remaining (as of this writing). Let's be specific. Sabbath, September 29, 1984, to Sabbath, June 15, 1985, gives us 260 days—38 Sabbaths to accomplish what has never been achieved in our history—to add through baptism and profession of faith 68,175 new members to the fellowship."

Ultimate Victory Assured

One hundred and forty years ago—disappointment. Sweetness that turned to bitterness. But bitterness gave way to understanding, and understanding produced hope. And hope gave wings to the flagging spirits of those pioneers, energizing them to launch out on a global mission to share the Good News with the world.

Today, anticipation is tinged with disappointment—sadness that Jesus has not returned. But more than 4 million Seventh-day Adventists around the world can rally to the assurance that "the members of the church militant who have proved faithful will become the church triumphant.

"And still our General, who never makes a mistake, says to us, 'Advance; enter new territory; lift up the standard in every land. Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.' " (*Evangelism*, 707).



Witnessing has become a way of life for many. Tens of thousands of pamphlets and books, such as *Cosmic Conflict*, have been distributed. (Photo by Gary L. Ivey).



The trust services team at the Georgia-Cumberland Conference consists of Jay Shanko (left), association treasurer; Rose M. Ballard, office secretary; James C. Reynolds, trust services director; and Horace Beckner (not pictured), field representative.

by James C. Reynolds
Photography by Fred Land

Trust in the Lord

Trust in the Lord with all your heart." (Proverbs 3:5, NIV).

In Trust Services we believe that it is our responsibility to help the saints of God to do what Heaven simply directs, "Trust in the Lord."

Trusting in the Lord is our only security in these wild times. Trusting in the Lord lifts the mind above the "plastic" mentality of our passing culture. This will be the difference between those of a worldly mind-set and those who are God's people.

God's people today depend upon Him. God's people simply . . . "trust in the Lord . . ." They will be seen and sealed by Heaven as Followers of Jesus.

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS WILL:

Retain their interest in the work of God.

With such magnetic influences pulling one today, it requires effort to retain or recover a genuine interest in God's work.

To retain this interest, one must look for that special niche; that place or project in the church where he has a special interest.

Recover lost interests in the work of the Lord. Allow worldly interest, investments, and projects to fade away. Those who follow Jesus will become more intense in their interest in His work. Their character is shown by a willingness to accept responsibility.

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS WILL:

Realize their capacity to give to the cause of God.

It is thrilling to recall how God told us that we really have the capacity to give tithes and offerings. In the

same way Jesus helps His followers to realize their capacity to give present gifts to His cause. We move from "I can't" (or "I won't") to "I can" (and "I will").

There are gifts *of* the Spirit.

There are gifts *to* the Spirit.

There are gifts *in* the Spirit.

Followers of Jesus will know "all of the above."

God wants our gifts *for our own good*.

He knows the formula; where the assets are, there will our heart's interest and devotion be also.

THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS WILL:

Reveal their integrity as partners with God.

Working with God simplifies the life and removes pretense. The Bible says, "without guile," is their experience. Jesus' followers are devoted children. Even their dollar-and-cents spending patterns show their integrity with and devotion to God.

People with integrity and devotion reveal God. Their daily influence is a winning/evangelistic power. The drawing power of Jesus, through them, wins souls.

A father asked his young daughter what she was drawing. She replied that she was drawing a picture of God. He softly told her that no one knew what God looked like. But the sweet little girl responded, "They will when I get through with my picture."

May everyone see Jesus in you and me because we . . . "Trust in the Lord."

James C. Reynolds is trust services director for the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.

An active outreach program of presenting the laws of healthful living by the Lake Placid Medical Center has been in operation for more than two years in Lake Placid, Florida.

Lake Placid, one of the southernmost communities of Highlands County, did not have a hospital nearby. At the request of the community, Adventist Health System/Sunbelt, Inc., and Walker Memorial Hospital, a 122-bed acute-care facility located 30 miles north in Avon Park, invested in the development of the medical center, which opened in January of 1982. The Lake Placid Medical Center currently operates as a satellite facility of Walker Memorial Hospital.

The Lake Placid Medical Center is a primary-care facility that provides the community with 24-hour emergency care. Staffed with specialty physicians, registered nurses, and equipped with state-of-the-art life support systems, the Lake Placid Medical Center provides the highest quality health care available.

Also available at the Lake Placid Medical Center are nine holding beds that service patients waiting transfer, or for 24-hour observation as needed by physicians. The services of a fully accredited laboratory, physical therapy, respiratory therapy, radiology, and EEG departments are utilized on both an in-patient and out-patient basis. Physicians in the specialty areas of family practice, obstetrics and gynecology, orthopedics and surgery have their office practices located in the medical center.

A variety of health education and awareness programs are being provided to the community by the Lake Placid Medical Center.

Under the direction of Anita Hayes, director of health education, stop smoking seminars, Breadmake classes, Fitnessize programs, and CPR classes have been met with an



The Lake Placid Medical Center – “Caring in Action”

by Elizabeth Lively

overwhelming response from the community.

Several very successful Health-Check Days have been presented by the Lake Placid Medical Center, featuring blood pressure checks, glaucoma and diabetes screening, testing for hearing, visual acuity, hemoglobin levels, and lung capacity. Pap tests and instruction for self-breast examinations are also provided. Many county health agencies, including the Emergency Medical Services department, participate in these semi-annual events.

Information on how to make health and life style changes is also offered at Health Check Day. Following completion of a computerized Health-Age Appraisal test, participants receive counseling from health professionals. They learn how to implement life style changes that will lead them to healthier, more productive lives.

Recently, a free hypertensive screening program was implemented as an outgrowth of the Health Check Days.

Developed by Mary Donesky, RN, director of nurses, this program is used as an awareness tool to educate the public about the disease of hypertension. Blood pressure checks are given by the nursing staff. Information about high blood pressure, its causes, and measures for control are explained. Also, test results are

forwarded to the family physician.

When the Lake Placid Medical Center opened its doors in 1982 as a primary-care facility, Adventist Health System/Sunbelt, Inc., and Walker Memorial Hospital had a dream—that of the development of the Lake Placid Medical Center into a full-service hospital.

This dream is now becoming a reality. Recently, the Florida State Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services gave approval for a 50-bed addition to the medical center. Now, the community will be afforded the additional services of surgery, a recovery room, pharmacy, and intensive care, medical/surgical, and psychiatric care patient units.

With a projected opening date for the new addition of January, 1986, the Lake Placid Medical Center looks forward with anticipation to its ongoing mission of presenting the laws of healthful living and caring for each patient with a Christlike attitude of love and compassion. The staff of the Lake Placid Medical Center is dedicated to providing quality health care for the whole person—physical, mental, and spiritual.

Elizabeth Lively is the public relations director of Walker Memorial Hospital, Avon Park, Florida, and the Lake Placid Medical Center.

Four New Church Buildings In Two Months

by S. E. Gooden



The Pageland, South Carolina, congregation opened its doors May 5. Participants included: local leader Bobby Moore (back row, left); Robert Bennett, former local leader; President R. B. Hairston; Richard Long, pastor; and Wintley Phipps, assistant to the president of Oakwood College and guest soloist.

It would seem that if the only job that President R. B. Hairston had to do was to visit the districts and open new churches, it would have been enough to keep him busy during May and June.

Pageland, South Carolina. The week which ended on May 5 was a wet one, but that was the Sabbath which this 60-member satellite of the Charlotte, North Carolina, Berean church had set for the opening of its new church. However, the Lord would not permit those 18 prayer-filled years to end in disappointment. The sanctuary was packed to overflowing and the crowd spilled over into folding chairs on the lawn.

The name of Annie Mae Flowers will ever be on the lips of present and future members because she was the sole black person in that town who accepted the message of truth through the words of a literature evangelist 18 years ago. Through much prayer and the accumulated efforts of the dedicated lay evangelists of Charlotte-Berean and Pastors Williams, Parker, Conner, Franklin, Lewis, and currently Richard Long, victory was realized

with the opening of a 200-seat sanctuary in which to worship. To culminate a day of worship and consecration of the building, all of which was presided over by Hairston, Wintley Phipps, a soloist at the recent Democratic National Convention who brought the audience to its feet, climaxed this spirit-filled day with a rousing sacred concert.

Gastonia, North Carolina. For some six years, one dozen baptized Seventh-day Adventists traveled more than 40 miles to worship in Charlotte. Ancy Whitaker had done this for more than 50 years prior to this; and Very Edwards for more than 18 years.

A young Seventh-day Adventist Christian engineer working in Ohio was praying to the Lord to open a door for him to do something in His cause. The organization for which he worked sent him on a recruiting trip to North Carolina in 1979. A scout from another corporation took note of his performance and was so impressed that he set himself out to get this young man—Robert Johnson—at any cost. Within a few weeks after this

Participants in ribbon cutting at Manning included: Elder Joseph Hill (left); Pastor Kenneth Moore; deacon Julian R. Nelson; first elder Herald Waldon; Manning Mayor Pansy Ridgeway; President R. B. Hairston; Pastor Nathaniel Hollis; O. J. McKinney, Southern Union; Joe Hinson, of South Atlantic Conference; and head deacon Joseph Conyers.



expedition, and like Moses, ignoring the hefty increase in salary offered by his employers to prevent him leaving, and seeing nothing but an answer to his prayer, he with his wife, Willett, and children accepted the job in Gastonia. There he found the niche that the Lord had carved out for him. Willett, a certified teacher, opened the first and only official home school in the South Atlantic Conference.

Robert started out conducting mid-week prayer services with the group. By September that same year, they officially started Sabbath services. He led the little flock, under the direction and cooperation of the Charlotte pastors, from 1979 to 1982 when the conference sent Herbert Anderson to pastor the now 53-member church that had now emerged.

Janet Wood, one of the 12 who formed the nucleus, had built a little mission at the back of her home. Here was one of the places in which they had worshipped during their wanderings. Here is where they had their home school. Finally, on May 12, 1984, they opened and consecrated their own church building.

New Bern, North Carolina, Ephesus. Not many churches had to go by the official residence of the president of the United States in order to find out where to find some Sabbath keepers. Riddie Godley was reading her Bible, and somehow the Spirit of the Lord showed her that the seventh-day Sabbath was really Saturday and not Sunday. She wrote to the White House to inquire about seventh-day Sabbath keepers. The White House contacted the Carolina Conference and directed them to her. This initiated the start of the black work in this little coastal town—New Bern.

May 26 was the date of the fifth move, to 1217 North

Pasteur Street, of this church in the 73 years since Mrs. Godley started the flame in 1911. Calvin L. Watkins, a fiery, young pastor-evangelist is the 21st pastor of that congregation, which numbers more than 350 members. He led this enthusiastic, hard-working congregation into this, its final home, hopefully, before the Lord comes. Like most Adventist churches, they started out in a cottage meeting in the home of Richard Huggins. The nucleus of the church were: Reddie Godley, Jennie Willis, Richard Huggins, Victoria Huggins, Sister Faison, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. Fields.

Manning, South Carolina, Maranatha. Business as usual is no longer the usual business at East Huggins and Drayton since June 23. The reason is because the excitement of the proclamation of the Advent message has henceforth monopolized that corner.

Wilhelmenia Walden, a Head Start school teacher in Sumter, South Carolina, had an area meeting of other Head Start teachers at her office. Hanna Felder, of Manning, was curious about a tract she saw on Mrs. Walden's desk. She inquired about it. Like all wide-awake Seventh-day Adventists, Mrs. Walden discussed the contents of the tract with Mrs. Felder and offered to hold Bible studies in Manning if Felder would find a place and invite others to attend with her. This was done. By February 20, 1979, with everything in readiness, Walden and her sister, Susan Wilder, went to Manning and started the Bible study with the group assembled. Strangely enough, Mrs. Felder had not yet accepted the message, but by December, 1979, a church was organized and, five years later, a 200-seat church was opened with some 80 members, including 32 baptisms from an effort by O. J. McKinney in July, 1984.



Ella Bengel, mayor pro-tem of New Bern, represented the mayor on the occasion of the New Bern church ribbon cutting. She attended school in the building when it was a private school some years before the church bought it.



Participants in the ribbon-cutting ceremony at Gastonia, North Carolina, are: H. L. Anderson, pastor of the church (second from left); J. A. Simons, secretary-treasurer of South Atlantic Conference; Thebold Jeffries, mayor of Gastonia; R. D. Johnson, local elder; W. C. Ratchford, deacon; President R. B. Hairston; and Janette Wood.

Catching the Vision

by Alice Robertson



Teacher Keith Ellsworth makes learning interesting for the first graders of the Sylacauga school.

Where there is no vision, the people perish." (Proverbs 29:18). At Sylacauga, Alabama, a small group of believers literally took this counsel from the wise king Solomon to heart and realized that if they hoped to survive as a company and eventually become a church body they needed to attract more members. They recognized that one way to attract new members as well as to provide for those closest to them would be to open a school for the children in their midst. This group of 10 dedicated adults and six children began the herculean task of constructing a church building, including making provision for a church school, with lots of grow room.

For two years, under the direction of John Jones, construction was under way with much personal sacrifice and many financial gifts from



The Meridian, Mississippi, school opened again in August with seven students: April Nicholson (left), Jason Traweek, Jay Briggs, Peggy Dyke, teacher Troy Tolbird. Right row: Kim Corella, visitor, (right front) LeAnn Dyke, Greg Briggs, Paris Traweek. (Photo by Mike Lombardo)

interested friends and relatives. On August 20, school officially opened with nine students in grades one to five with Keith Ellsworth as the teacher. Two weeks later a sixth-grade boy enrolled, bringing the total number of students to 10. This has been miraculous, indeed, as the initial expectation was for six students. "God has blessed in a very wonderful way," Ellsworth remarks. "There is a good spiritual attitude among the students and Friday morning prayer bands are a joy."

Much still remains to be finished but the little company of believers is going forward in faith with undimmed vision. "Chalkboards, new student desks, bookcases, etc., are

ordered and will be arriving soon," states John J. Jones, school board chairman and leader of the group. Several families are making inquiry about the area in contemplation of moving there in order to enroll their youngsters in this fine new school where Adventist Christian education is a top priority concern.

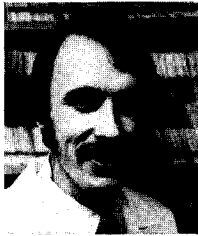
A similar spirit of dedication, commitment, and faith is evident at Meridian, Mississippi. After having to close the doors for one year because of unsafe construction, the Meridian church has reopened its school this fall. Peggy Dyke is teaching seven students in six grades at present, with anticipation of a larger enrollment in the future.

On Sabbath, September 1, all seven students participated in a special program at the beginning of the eleven o'clock service. Three scriptural songs were sung in unison by the young people. Each child quoted a Bible text and then one of the students, Troy Tolbird, was welcomed into church fellowship through baptism.

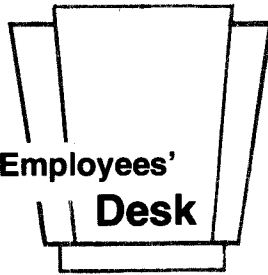
Mike Lombardo, the pastor, states, "The church family appreciates the deep spiritual atmosphere present in the classroom and evidenced by the total commitment of the school to the work of the church."



The Sylacauga church stepped out in faith to start a school and was blessed with 10 students: Tim Lowery (front row, left), Jason Jones, Jennifer Lowery, Mike Bellamy, Jeff Jones. Buster Lowery (back row, left) John J. Jones, John E. Jones, Jennifer Bellamy, Latina Bellamy.



Ralph H. Ruckle



Denominational Employees' Desk

The Church A Training Center

Now is the exciting opportunity to maximize on the vision found in the powerful book *Christian Service* (pp. 58-76), to mobilize our laymen. In a day when we are tempted to cut the evangelism budget, let's instead invest in a comprehensive, in-the-field, training and discipling impact. A church that is enthusiastically witnessing/sharing, will be healthy spiritually, economically, and will grow. Let me briefly share with you a practical application of the vision.

Our academies with their dormitories and classroom facilities could be used in the summers for centralized training. Our most energetic resources are couples with dependent children, so a total family curriculum would be attractive. Students could be employed to extend the staff in working with the children. A format using work/study, coupled with family recreation, would enable families to invest their vacation time.

The most permanent impact on a church would result from a lay evangelistic trainer guiding his disciples on the job in their own home territory. The trainer would guide a church or cluster of churches for an extended period until his disciples were confident enough to function alone and hopefully disciple other members. By keeping a low profile, the trainer would enhance the bonding of the community with the lay persons and the local pastor who would remain on the scene of action, thus facilitating their own discipling relationships.

Trained lay resource teams from the neighboring cluster of churches could come in on the weekends to train in areas of their own expertise. They would complement the lay evangelistic trainer and could also provide the manpower for projects needing volume impact, but always keeping the local members at the forefront.

Continuing education seminars and a time for spiritual renewal, encouragement, and sharing for the lay evangelists could be held at a central training center, (academy or youth camp, or at larger churches). Video and cassette programs could complement their training, along with the wealth of other materials now available on church growth and lay evangelism.

All heaven is anxiously awaiting to join forces with spirit-filled, trained laymen, united with our dedicated ministers to rapidly finish our privilege of soul winning, so we can all go home soon.

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World View

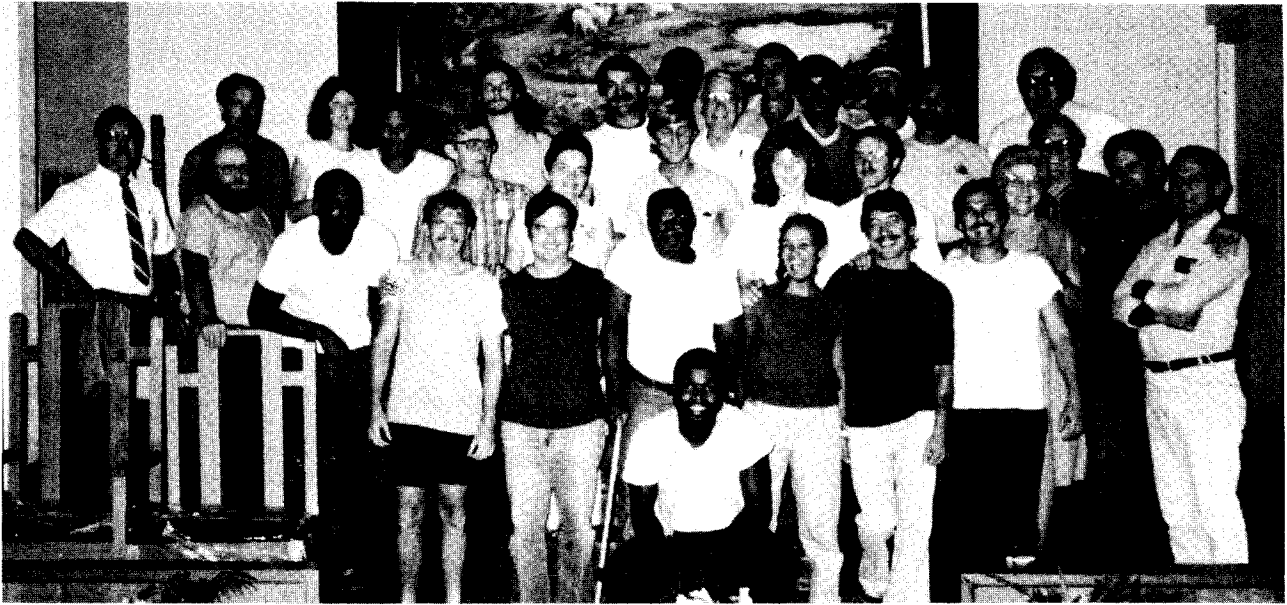
Religion Becomes Major Campaign Issue. "Most Americans would be surprised to learn that God is a Republican," Walter Mondale, Democratic presidential nominee, told a Jewish gathering September 6. He was reacting to remarks which President Ronald Reagan had made earlier indicating that the Republican party was the party of "values," a word associated with conservative religious issues such as pornography, abortion, school prayer, etc. *US News & World Report*, September 17.

New Discovery Prompts Activity in Search of Noah's Ark. August 25, Marvin Steffins, of International Expeditions, called a news conference in Ankara, Turkey, to announce that his team had discovered a "boat-shaped formation" a mile above sea level on the southwestern face of Mount Ararat. The government of Turkey became upset when they suspected that samples had been removed from the country without proper permission. Former astronaut James Irwin, a born-again Christian associated with the High Flight Foundation, visited the site, but found "only rocks." *The Atlanta Journal*, September 2.

Commission Studies Church Organization. A General-Conference-appointed Commission on the Role and Function of Denominational Organizations released the final draft of its report in August. The report deals with all levels of church organization and suggests modifications for improved efficiency. The commission, headed by F. W. Wernick, emphasized the need for unity within the church. It reiterated the "special" relationship of the North American Division to the GC, and its loyalty to the committee form of government. Personnel reductions were recommended on all levels, with the Lay Activities (Personal Ministries), Sabbath School, Stewardship, and Youth departments being combined into a Department of Church Ministries on the GC and union levels. The report calls for the departments of Communication, Health/Temperance, Public Affairs, and Religious Liberty to operate generally at the union but not the conference level. *Adventist Review*, September 27.

Davenport Commission Gives Phase II Report. The President's Review Commission, formed by GC President Neal C. Wilson to study the circumstances surrounding several church entities' involvement with the California doctor who declared bankruptcy in 1982, made recommendations in a report released July 18. Under the 26 points of the report, church entities can have a constituency meeting called by the next higher organization if it is determined that the entity is out of harmony with North American Division policy. Officers will be required to declare in writing their intent to follow policy. A checklist would be developed to insure compliance in investments of \$25,000 or more. Additional recommendations were made in the area of Auditing, Trust Services, and communication within the church concerning grievances. *Adventist Review*, September 27.

THIRTY CONVICTS JOIN ADVENTIS



Pictured are those who attended the special service at the penitentiary August 30, when five inmates were baptized. A number of "free-world" visitors meet with the inmates on a regular basis.

uring the last two weeks of June, the State Prison for men in Nashville, Tennessee, hovered on the brink of a lethal explosion. Shakedowns in the penitentiary turned up 63 shanks (prison-made knives), two match bombs, a .38-caliber pistol, 28 packages of marijuana and 184 gallons of "Julip"—a potent wine made from fruit.

During the same two weeks, Conn Arnold, director of personal ministries for the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, and affec-

tionately known as "the hoodlum's priest" behind the walls, met with respected convict leaders to announce his plans for a month-long evangelistic crusade in the prison chapel during July. "I need your support," he told them.

He got it!

After he left, a dozen men met in the prison newspaper office to discuss his request. The vote was unanimous. "Frankly, I think this is the best thing that could happen right now," said Johnny Greene,

the foundation secretary for the 7th Step chapter. After 15 years of incarceration, he knew better than most the danger evolving behind the walls.

Nearly 100 prisoners and free-world guests filled the chapel for the first service on July 7. Few of the men were professing Christians. Most were "lifers," men who rarely attended chapel services for any reason.

"I don't care nothin' about this chapel," one man said bluntly. "But



Conn Arnold makes an appeal for the inmates to accept Christ as their Saviour. More than 30 came forward.



Conference President Clay Farwell, led the music one night of the campaign and visited with a number of inmates while there.

FREEDOM FELLOWSHIP

by Jeris E. Bragan

Pastor Arnold went to visit my mama for me and I want to hear what he's got to say."

The chapel exploded with music as the Jubilate' Singers began a 30-minute concert. The men were visibly stunned, looking at one another in frank astonishment as the music filled the chapel. The singers seemed equally startled when the men shattered the silence with thunderous applause after each song and a standing ovation at the end.

On Wednesday, July 11, the penitentiary erupted with violence as 75 rampaging, maximum security prisoners in Unit 1 broke out of their confinement and seized control of the cell block. One officer was critically wounded from multiple stab wounds and another was held hostage for nearly two hours with a knife at his throat before being rescued.

When Arnold and other guests arrived at approximately 6:15 p.m., they saw heavily armed officers, dressed in full riot gear, racing toward the main entrance of the prison. The crusade appeared to be over before it really began.

The population was restless and uneasy through the following day. Everybody assumed the prison

would remain on lock-down status for days, possibly weeks, but Warden Michael Dutton ordered the rest of the penitentiary to continue with a normal routine. "I'm not going to punish everybody for the violent acts of a few," he said flatly.

Many of the prisoners, fearful of what might happen in a crowd, said they would avoid the chapel for a few days until things returned to normal. When it was time for the service to begin Thursday evening, only a handful of men were there. Several convicts poked their head in the door, looked around, but then left.

Minutes later, the chapel began rapidly filling up. Puzzled, I asked a friend why such a crowd had suddenly appeared.

He laughed. "The guys didn't think even Conn would have the guts to bring women in here the night after a riot. But the word got around that he'd brought his wife, secretary, and several other women." He shrugged. "If they ain't afraid of coming out here. . . ."

"This is a good thing," another man interrupted. "Guys have been talkin' all day about the good spirit up here the last few days. I don't know much about religion, but I do know we ain't gonna let nothin' happen to stop this!"

"God is looking for a few good men behind these walls," Arnold said at the end of the last service. "If you're one of those men, I'd like you to come up here in front of this crowd and take your stand for Jesus Christ."

Silence. Nobody moved. Seconds ticked off as men silently reflected on everything they'd seen and heard during the previous month.

Then they were on their feet, 30 of them, a cluster here and there, the most solid and respected men in the penitentiary, moving toward the front of the chapel. Several of the men warmly embraced Arnold, while others wiped their eyes, stubbornly refusing to surrender to their deeply felt emotions.

"I admired Jesus as a man a long time before I knew Him as Lord of my life," said one prisoner when Arnold asked him to share a few words. "He was my hero and role model because He had 'The Right Stuff,' the kind of courage, faith, and commitment that I see in this chapel right now."

Jeris E. Bragan is an inmate at the Tennessee State Prison in Nashville.



Rashelle Stirewalt registers the charter members of the company that was organized as a result of the evangelistic campaign. She is Arnold's secretary at the conference office.



Five men were baptized on August 30 by Arnold and Eugene Johnson. Johnson is pastor of the Nashville First church and of the newly formed company. Pictured are: Thomas Trull (left), Ray Humphrey, Richie Hall, Louie McCracken, Arnold, Edward Bettner and Johnson.

late news of the conferences

CAROLINA



Louis Canosa, education superintendent for the Carolina Conference, reports a special WORKSHOP for school board members, pastors, principals, Home and School leaders, and treasurers was held at the Sharon church, Charlotte, North Carolina. There were approximately 75 in attendance from throughout the conference at the meeting August 26. Canosa also indicates that a new school has been opened in Westminster, South Carolina. The teacher is Sonya Mathers.

Paul Anderson, pastor of the Fletcher, North Carolina, church, was featured recently in a MEET YOUR PASTOR column in the local newspaper. *The Henderson Time-News* ran the article, complete with large picture. Anderson moved to the Fletcher church this summer.



Larry Allen, pastor of the North Wilkesboro/Mount Airy, North Carolina, district, reports a PUBLIC AWARENESS campaign has been initiated by the North Wilkesboro church. The awareness spots began appearing the middle of September in the local bi-weekly paper and on a local radio station. Allen has been on local radio for two-and-a-half years with a five-minute, Monday-through-Friday program.

Faith for Today's weekly dramatic series, WESTBROOK HOSPITAL, can now be viewed over a new station, WRDG, Channel 16, which covers Winston-Salem, Burlington, and Greensboro, North Carolina. The program is being aired five days a week, Monday through Friday, at 9 a.m., as a public service.

Jan Robertson and **Bicky Hill**, both members of the Kernersville, North Carolina, church, have recently returned from Reading, Pennsylvania, where they were active in a morning VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL and the musical ministry and witnessing of evening evangelistic services. These programs were held in a little mission deep in the inner city and were attended by 65 children and their families.



The Holiday Inn West in Winston-Salem is the site of a REVELATION SEMINAR conducted by **Pastor Bruce Koch** of the Winston-Salem, North Carolina, church. It is the first Revelation Seminar for that area and plans have been made to conduct two per year covering the entire city and county, 15,000 homes at a time. It is anticipated that, even with lay teachers assisting in future sessions, it will still take more than two years to offer the classes to this growing community rated as "most desirable to locate in," according to a recently released publication.

Koch also says that the school year is off to a roaring success with a 25 percent INCREASE IN ENROLLMENT from the Winston-Salem area to the Tri-City Jr. Academy. The Pathfinder club in its first year, missed being a 200-point club by only four points. Next year they're anticipating to reach it and do even better.

A FIVE-DAY PLAN was recently completed in Winston-Salem. Thirty-five attended. The final night found 80 percent success rate and this occurred in the heart of the tobacco-producing area.

Nearly 100 people attended a CARING CHURCH SEMINAR at Nosoca Pines Ranch, August 24, 25. The seminar was sponsored by the Southern Union Personal Ministries and Sabbath School Departments. It was one of a series of similar seminars being conducted throughout the Southern Union territory for Sabbath school superintendents, personal ministries leaders, and adult division teachers. Delegates to this gathering came from the Carolina Conference and from the Carolina portion of the South Atlantic Conference. The purpose of the seminar was to demonstrate how Sabbath school and personal ministries can coordinate their activities in the Caring Church concept.

FLORIDA



The annual *LISTEN* magazine offering by members puts Florida as the leader in the nation, with 1,183 subscriptions. This year a Parents' Support Group Kit was included in every club of 10 subscriptions and many of our schools now have them.

Pastor and Mrs. Ricardo Liwag, of the Filipino-American church in Orlando, have the distinction of starting the first two Filipino-American churches in the United States in San Jose and San Francisco, and a company in Seattle. The Orlando church just marked its second anniversary. The congregation of 56 recently hosted a REVELATION SEMINAR, with 16 students, nine graduates, and two baptisms, with two others being baptized since. An Advanced Revelation Seminar is planned for this month.



Pastor John Marshall, of the DeLand and Deltona churches, recently completed a REVELATION SEMINAR in Deltona at the Community Center. Two-thirds of those in attendance are not members but are attending church faithfully. As one student said about the lessons, "They're doing what they're supposed to do . . . , get you to accept Christ and get ready for His second coming." Previous to this class, the conference evangelistic team, the Bentzingers, held a Prophecy Crusade and 17 people were baptized.



"Three college students, two pre-med and one ministerial, have successfully canvassed as **STUDENT LITERATURE EVANGELISTS** this summer," reports **Bill Beckworth**, publishing director, "earning scholarships to further their college education." As a direct result of their contacts and those of 19 full-time LEs, 21 persons have been baptized this year.



Rafael Rodriguez, pastor, Ft. Lauderdale Spanish, says the first **WEEK OF PRAYER** for the year covered *Steps to Christ*, with meetings that followed resulting in eight baptisms and 65 interests. The second week of prayer, with Dr. Julio Tabuenca and Ben Romero, was followed with a Revelation Seminar. The attendance of 81 at the seminar swelled to 126 with God's blessing by lesson 12—halfway through the seminar. This was the largest seminar they have conducted and they welcome the 47 nonmembers six of whom have already requested baptism.



Duane Barnett, associate superintendent of education, reported that 175 teachers from the Florida Conference attended the Southern Union K-12 **TEACHER'S CONVENTION** held at Southern College in preparation for this school year.

"If God made it eat it," "the whiter the bread the quicker you're dead," and "read the label, set a better table," said community health educator **Chris Rucker, MPH**, at a **HEALTH EMPHASIS WEEKEND** at Kress Memorial church. Health principles based on a natural diet were featured.

With reports in for the first half of 1984, 766 people have **ACCEPTED JESUS CHRIST** and been baptized, according to **Vic Zuchowski**, conference evangelism coordinator. As of the end of July some 10 crusades had been conducted by Florida Conference evangelists, 16 by conference pastors, and 23 Revelation Seminars held by pastors. Some 126 more crusades will be held during the balance of the year by the same people, plus visiting evangelists, conference departmental leaders, and those pastors and lay preachers working with the Miami Metropolitan Campaign.

More than 300 pastors, wives, children, and conference employees attended "The Pastor and His Family" **SEMINAR** conducted at Camp Kulaqua by **Chet Damron**, campus chaplain at Andrews University. Damron explained that if the pastor and his family learn how to cope with problems and different stresses that they meet in their church and private lives they can better help their parishioners. Damron taught pastors and wives how to relax in their program without feeling guilty, taught communication skills, and stressed that a balanced program should be maintained not only in the physical—what we eat and nourishment to the body—but also the nourishment of relaxation, to let the body revive.



GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

A **SPECIAL SERVICE** was held on August 25 at the Smyrna, Georgia, church to dedicate the new church officers. Several of the new officers took a few minutes to give a presentation and personal testimony as to what they hoped to accomplish in the coming year. The service concluded with a responsive reading at which time the newly appointed officers renewed their consecration vows to God and church.

Faith for Today's weekly dramatic series, **WESTBROOK HOSPITAL**, can now be viewed over a new outlet in the Collegedale area. Battlefield Cablevision, Channel 12, of Chickamauga, Georgia, a suburb of Chattanooga, is airing the program Saturdays at 6 p.m. as a public service to its 30,000 subscribers.

Through a lay project directed by **David Brooks**, purchasing agent for McKee Baking Company in Collegedale, Tennessee, 42 **SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST IMAGE SPOTS** were aired in Chattanooga during the Olympic Games coverage. The special Faith-for-Today-produced spots were aired during prime time, fringe prime time, and late night over the two-week coverage of the games on WTVC, Channel 9, the ABC affiliate station. Brooks and friends raised more than \$16,000 to buy the time for this awareness project. The station ran both 60-second and 30-second spots, with the majority placed during prime time in the Olympic coverage. The first ones were shown during the opening ceremonies. Because of the appeal and quality of the spots, the station has agreed to run them during the remainder of the summer without charge as a public service.



GULF STATES



Sabbath school members at the Panama City, Florida, church, under the leadership of **Richard Hoover**, Sabbath school superintendent, are distributing copies of **HAPPINESS DIGEST** to the residents of Lynn Haven, a town just north of Panama City. Approximately 12 volunteers are enjoying this outreach ministry one Sabbath afternoon each month.



Conference Evangelist **Larry Cansler** and **Pastor Mike Lombardo** report 18 baptisms to date as a result of the **REVELATION SEMINAR** held in Meridian, Mississippi. Follow-up meetings are being attended by 40 persons, some of whom are planning to be baptized in the near future. Sabbath afternoon fellowship times are being held for these new members to acquaint them with appropriate Sabbath activities to be adopted into their new life style. A cooking school is being planned for them, also.



Fifteen persons were **BAPTIZED** at the close of the meetings held by Evangelist **John Sisk** and **Pastor Milton Hallock** in Pensacola, Florida.

AREA CAMP MEETINGS, known as Bible conferences, were held in three locations within the conference this fall. The first was held for the greater Birmingham area on August 24 and 25, with **Rex Edwards**, of the General Conference Ministerial Association, as guest speaker. On September 7 and 8 at Panama City, Florida, **Paul Eldridge** addressed those in attendance from the Gulf Coast area. The third area meeting was held at the Floral Crest school on Sand Mountain at Bryant, Alabama, on September 21 and 22, with **N. R. Dower** as guest speaker.

G. N. Kovalski, principal of Bass Memorial Academy, reports an **ENROLLMENT** of 128 students. "The boys who are living in the dormitory are very appreciative of the remodeling

that was done this past summer by the Laymen's Committee Concerned for Christian Education," states Kovalski.

The 1984 INGATHERING CAMPAIGN is moving along nicely. The Panama City district was the first to reach its goal and has been joined by the churches in Amory, Meridian, and Newton, Mississippi; Bay Minette, Gilbertown, and Phenix City, Alabama; and DeFuniak Springs, Florida.

Total enrollment for the SUMMER CAMPING PROGRAM at Camp Alamisco was 360, which is a substantial increase from 1983. Teen camp showed the largest increase, with 112 campers, or a 200 percent increase, and also established the record of the largest camp in the history of the conference. Eighty campers participated in a special ski camp held during teen camp. New attractions at teen camp included a rock climbing trip, canoe and sailing trips. A new feature, computer camp, was attended by 18 young people.

The 35-member Columbus, Mississippi, church has entered the post-summer season with a heavy schedule of OUTREACH ACTIVITIES, reports Nancy-Jane Skiwski, church communication secretary. During August and September seminars were conducted in weight control, natural foods cooking, stress control, as well as a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. Laymen's visiting teams have been seeing 18-20 persons each week.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

On August 19, the Gallatin, Tennessee, church members were joined by officers of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference to BREAK GROUND for a new sanctuary. Plans have been made for the Helping Hands to join them on October 21 to erect the building.

Congressman Don Sundquist announced recently that HARBERT HILLS ACADEMY, near Savannah, Tennessee, has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Energy for its energy conservation achievements. The self-supporting academy was cited for its "Rural Life Foundation Conservation Project" under the National Awards Program for Energy Innovation, Sundquist said. The award program is part of an Office of Conservation and Renewable Energy initiative which is called "Technology Transfer '80s." Through this program, the Department of Energy hopes to develop a cooperative state-federal energy efficiency effort to increase technology sharing in coming years. "Harbert Hills was recognized due to its innovative conservation and renewable energy achievements that hold promise for expanded use throughout the country," Sundquist said. "The academy is to be commended for its interest in helping to find alternative methods to help conserve our nation's energy." Winners in the nationwide program have been invited to Washington to attend the awards ceremony on October 1 at the Department of Energy Auditorium. U.S. Energy Secretary Donald Hodel will present certificates to those winners who participate.

SOUTH CENTRAL



Morris Patterson held a TENT EFFORT in Springfield, Tennessee, this summer. As he closed the meeting the last Sabbath in August, he had baptized 35 souls. Patterson is expecting 16 more to be baptized soon.

When Roy Patterson, former pastor of the Breath of Life church in Memphis, Tennessee, was introduced to his new charge, Bethany church of Montgomery, Alabama, by I. J. Johnson, conference communication director, Patterson set some HIGH GOALS of living and witnessing for himself and the church. That afternoon in Troy, Alabama, after Patterson gave a rousing sermon, one soul joined the church. Patterson indicated that he always expects souls to come to Christ at every meeting. He therefore opens the doors of the church and gives the invitation in prayer meetings, and even after programs and choir recitals. He says that he has had souls to come forward in all of these meetings.

D. Edmonds was INTRODUCED to the Breath of Life church in Memphis, Tennessee, by President C. E. Dudley on September 1. Dr. Dudley organized a new church in that district that same afternoon. Roy Patterson, recently transferred from BOL to Bethany, in Montgomery, returned for the organizational service.

Pastor William Monk, recently transferred to Morristown, Tennessee, held a COMMUNITY RELATIONS DAY in August. President Dudley and E. E. Cleveland, of Oakwood College, were present. The mayor and other civic and political leaders were present. The news media carried the story by newspaper, radio, and TV.

ANTHURIUM ANDALONUM was the species used for decoration throughout the camp grounds and the College church during the South Central camp meeting. This species, flown in from Hawaii, has an unusual showy orange-red spathe (bloom) with a yellow spadix (tail). Anthurium (Greek) means tail flower. The spathes or blooms are thick in texture like soft leather six to 10 inches long. There are some 578 known species, but not more than 50 in this country.

SOUTHEASTERN



At the conclusion of a six-week REVELATION SEMINAR held in Daytona Beach, Florida, five persons and two families were baptized into the Mt. Calvary church by Pastor Roy C. Parham.

The north Florida and south Georgia community service leaders of the Southeastern Conference held their first FEDERATION DAY July 21 at the First church of Thomasville, Georgia, pastored by Claude Matthews. Participants in the program included I. L. Harrell, community service director, Southeastern Conference; Rosetta Doughtrey, president of the



federation; and members of the Thomasville City Commission Elijah Hill and Earl Williams, who presented a key to the city to Harrell. Music was rendered by the Fitzgerald Trinity Temple Choir, followed by James Killens, vice president of the federation, presenting the guest speaker, Earl Moore, pastor of the United Decatur church, Decatur, Georgia. Moore challenged each member to go into the community to help those less fortunate than themselves.

ADVENTIST HEALTH SYSTEM/SUNBELT



COLLEGE

Nearly \$2 million worth of COMPUTERIZED RADIOLOGY EQUIPMENT added to Madison Hospital in the last year makes detecting illnesses less expensive and more comfortable for patients. This summer approximately \$500,000 worth of equipment joined the \$1.4 million CT scanner installed at the hospital last fall. The CT scanner takes thin, cross-section pictures of any part of the body and helps diagnose tumors, infections, and potential stroke victims without surgery. The latest equipment includes a doppler carotid scanner, particularly helpful in diagnosing potential stroke victims. The scanner bounces sound waves off arteries and analyzes them to find blockages that may cause strokes.



After a long summer of silence, WOCG (90.1 FM) is back on the air. The Oakwood College RADIO STATION was silenced on May 25 when a bulldozer damaged the 230-foot radio tower.

Oakwood College GRADUATE Raymond Blackburn, MD, a "successful doctor with a thriving dermatology practice in Dallas [Texas]," as quoted from "We're in the Money" section of the August issue of *Black Enterprise*. Thirty-five-year-old Blackburn is a 1971 graduate of Oakwood who spent two summers at Harvard on a health career scholarship and attended the Loma Linda University School of Medicine in an accelerated program. Blackburn dreams of winning the Nobel prize. And, in pursuit of it, he has developed a prescription cream for fading blemishes on black skin and wants to be the first person to develop a cure for baldness. *Black Enterprise* quotes him as having said, "It's a dream, but if you can't dream it you never achieve it."



In June, Frances Bliss, associate professor of education at Oakwood College, earned a DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREE in education with a specialty in reading from Southern Illinois University.

STAFF ADDITIONS AND CHANGES include Victor Cancel, Jr., formerly with the 3M Company, St. Paul, Minnesota, has been appointed as general manager of industries and engineering. Henry Mosley, former comptroller, has been appointed as assistant treasurer. Gary Wimbish is the new director of recruitment. Johnny Johnson is the new director of student finance. In addition, he coordinates the cooperative-education program. Dr. Melvin Davis, the director of institutional research, has been given the additional responsibility of directing the computer center. His new title is director of management information systems and institutional research. Geraldine Pullins is the new computer center manager. Julian Minor is the new director of the physical plant, replacing Roscoe Howard, who is now the director of construction. James Lathon has joined the staff as director of marketing and sales for industries. Cleveland Tivy has come out of retirement to direct off-campus employment. Alma York, former chairman of the nursing department, is now director of international student relations. Dr. Sandra Price has been appointed as the coordinator of information systems (instructional). New academic department chairpersons are Dr. David Richardson, chemistry, and Mrs. Charlie Jo Morgan, nursing.



SOUTHERN COLLEGE



Gerald Colvin, Ed.D., Ph.D., RETURNS TO SOUTHERN COLLEGE after two years at Southwestern Adventist College in Keene, Texas. As a professor of education and psychology, this semester he will teach introduction to psychology, research methods, and fundamentals of counseling. Ben Bandiola, Ph.D., is also joining the Division of Education and Human Sciences as professor of education and psychology. He and his wife, Anita, come from Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska, after 15 years there. This semester Bandiola teaches developmental psychology, physiological psychology, personality, and parenting.



Word has come that seven more graduates of Southern College have successfully completed the CPA EXAM. Three of them are 1984 graduates: Charles Hammer, Brenda Jones, and Terry Shaw. Previous graduates passing the test this year were Mary Kay Artress, Dawn Austin, Betty Cheever, and Charles Hess. The test was taken in May and results were announced in August. "Over the years we have had more than 100 graduates become certified public accountants," says Dr. Wayne VandeVere, chairman of the Division of Business and Office Administration, "but it is rather unusual for three new graduates to pass all four sections on the first try."



Dr. Melvin Campbell, professor of education, received his MASTER OF EDUCATION degree in administration and supervision this summer from the University of Tennessee in Chattanooga. He has secondary education teaching certification from the state of Tennessee in the areas of chemistry, physics, general science, mathematics, and Bible. Purdue University granted him a Ph.D. in chemistry in 1963. He has been teaching at Southern since 1968.



On September 2 the members of the Progress Village, Florida, church, supported by friends and relatives, gathered on the site of their proposed new church to break ground. This small band of believers, led by Pastor Herman L. Davis, Sr., was organized less than three years ago. Since then the church has purchased two acres of land for \$20,000. This effort was spearheaded by the late Odessa Smith. The church members have on hand another \$20,000 to be applied to the construction of the new church. Pictured are: Davis (left), Charles Ash, Cathy Norton, Southeastern Conference Secretary-Treasurer D. A. Walker, Carrie Verriette (daughter of Odessa Smith), President J. A. Edgecombe, Dorothy Niles, James Carter, and Opal Lattimore.



H. M. S. and Mabel Richards hold a framed resolution from California State Assemblyman Tom McClintock honoring Dr. Richards on his 90th birthday, August 28. The document traces the highlights of Richards' lifetime career in evangelism and radio ministry, declaring the Voice of Prophecy founder to be "deserving of highest commendations and heartiest congratulations from the people of California." Richards has made a rapid recovery from a stroke he suffered six days before his birthday this year. Two years ago, he had a stroke three days before his 88th birthday.



On August 26 Harbert Hills Academy Nursing Home, Savannah, Tennessee, opened its new wing, which will house another 14 persons. Taking part in the ribbon-cutting service is: Louis Dickman, administrator (left); Wayne Bangus, vice-president, C & I Bank in Savannah, Tennessee; and Judge James Patterson, of Savannah. J. W. Clarke, Kentucky-Tennessee Conference health director, was the guest speaker.

Pictorial



"Living for Jesus Is What Really Matters" was the theme at the Greater Miami Youth Congress, August 11. Twenty-five newly baptized members, as a result of the Miami Metropolitan Campaign youth meetings, stand on the platform with Walter Cameron, conference Spanish evangelism coordinator. Meetings were held three nights per week in six locations. The youth congress climaxed the youth meetings.



St. Matthews, Kentucky, church Pastor Lester Keizer and his community services committee agreed to present the 1984 Annual Community Services Award to the Governor of Kentucky. After many contacts and procedures, a date was set for the presentation. On May 21, Keizer made the presentation in the Governor's office. Governor Martha Collins, the only female governor in the United States at this time, graciously accepted the plaque and commented on the work of Seventh-day Adventists, especially in regard to the work recently done during the flooding in Kentucky. Accompanying Keizer were Jack W. Clarke, conference communication director (left); Clayton R. Farwell, conference president; Don Wade, assistant director of communication for the state of Kentucky; Gertrude Genton, Kentucky Blue-Grass Federation president, and Conn Arnold, conference community services director.



Mora-Arriaga Mariachi Band from Mexico entertains guests of the "Day of Celebration," at the Greater Miami Academy Open House. GMA was recently named as the fastest growing SDA school in North America. Enrollment in the academy doubled this year. One thousand persons attended the open house.



Smoking Sam, bread making, alfalfa seed sprouting, a representative of the Robertson County Sheriff's Department speaking on drugs—all were highlights of the Ridgetop, Tennessee, vacation Bible school under the direction of Julie Estella. Rachel and Becky Sinclair are ready to take their freshly baked bread home. Note the alfalfa sprouts in their other hands.



Three members of a Sabbath school class for the mentally retarded at the Orlando, Florida, Central church sing "The Old Rugged Cross" at a recent vesper service. The class welcomes non-Adventists and four have been baptized. Ranya Montouri teaches the special education class. "The mentally handicapped are quite spiritual and accept the message of truth wholeheartedly and without inhibitions," she says.

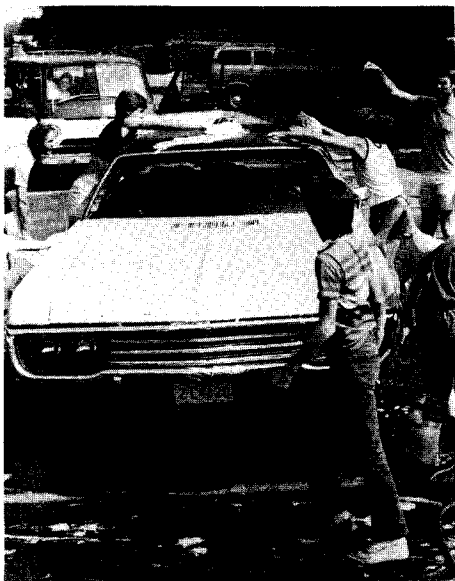
Stories

The senior shepherdesses of the Regional conferences of North America recognized Celia M. Cleveland, wife of Oakwood College Religion Professor and Evangelist E. E. Cleveland, August 25 at the South Atlantic Conference office in Atlanta. The ladies presented her with a motorized wheelchair which, according to Gladys McClamb, who spearheaded the project, "is the Cadillac of wheelchairs." Mrs. Cleveland, who is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. B. W. Abney, the first black missionary from North America to South Africa, is also an outstanding musician. She has been the musical backbone of E. E. Cleveland's hundreds of evangelistic crusades all over North America and many parts of the globe.



Maurice Abbott, Southern Union personal ministries director, shares the ingredients for becoming a caring church with 183 representatives from three conferences during a recent Caring Church Seminar. Each session of the seminar, held at Cohutta Springs Adventist Center, was professionally videotaped and copies will soon be available through local conference Personal Ministries and Sabbath School departments. Video equipment and personnel were provided by the Stone Mountain, Georgia, Seventh-day Adventist Church video ministry and the Southern Union and Georgia-Cumberland Conference communication departments.





Pathfinder youth and staff members of the Highland Seventh-day Adventist Church, Portland, Tennessee, raised \$590 by washing 105 cars in a Sunday "washathon" August 19. Various individuals pledged to donate five to ten cents per car washed. They will use the money for travel to the North American Division Pathfinder Camporee at Camp Hale, Colorado, next summer.



Under the leadership of Calvin Brooks, director of the Miami, Florida, Maranatha church Pathfinders, the club won the Florida Conference Drill Competition for 1984 which was held recently in Orlando.



His thirtieth year as a teacher of physics at Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists will find Ray Hefferlin on sabbatical leave to the University of Denver in Colorado. This leave will not be his first. The Soviet Union hosted his participation in the National Academy of Sciences Exchange Program in 1978-79. Again in 1981 he and his family spent six months in Leningrad, riding the Trans-Siberian railroad and visiting Japan on their return journey. A primary area of investigation for him, his departmental colleague at Southern College, Dr. Henry Kuhlman and a number of their students involves the building of periodic systems for free diatomic molecules. A \$5,000 research grant was just awarded him by Southern College to enable him to establish contact with other specialists such as Dr. Fanao Kong, of the People's Republic of China. He will continue to interact with Southern's physics department throughout the year, as his students carry on with research projects.



"The Bible Discovery Club Letter is here!" Youngsters gather around Aunt Bea, author of the monthly newsletter, to read the latest issue. "More decisions are made for the Lord when children are 10 to 15 years old," says Aunt Bea (Betty Byrd, a layman working with the Florida Conference Sabbath School Department). "Child evangelism pays," she says.



Kentucky-Tennessee Conference community services officers recently held a work bee to restock the big van after a recent series of floods in eastern Kentucky. Shown above are: Bea Johnson, president of the Kentucky-Lake Federation (left); Pastor Luther May; Faye Campbell, president of the Kentucky-Tennessee Community Services Federation; Dot Arnold; Helen Boskind; and Eunice May, vice-president of the Kentucky-Tennessee Community Services Federation.

Board members of the Pacific Press Publishing Association visited the construction site of the new Pacific Press headquarters in Nampa, Idaho, August 29 and were able to visualize for the first time the scope of operations for the new plant facility. President and General Manager Gene Stiles led the board members on a walking tour of the area and pointed out different features and the progress of the construction. The building itself is now fully enclosed and the interior walls are going up. Floors in the production area are being prepared for installation of the presses at the end of October.



The Church In Action

Education

Enrollment Stable At SC as Classes Resume

Southern College — When registration officially closed on September 11, the total was within three students of last year's number.

This year, 1,622 students were registered by that date, 160 of them on the Orlando Center campus. Last year at that same point, 1,625 had registered. Two days of general registration concluded on August 27, but late registrants continued to sign up for classes until 5 p.m. of the final day, according to the records office.

President John Wagner commended Mary Elam, director of records, for her skillful organization and direction of the registration process. Elam shares credit for the computer-streamlined process



Dan Rozell, associate professor of business, advises Lori Wurster, junior business major from Huntington Valley, Pennsylvania, during registration at Southern College.

dures with John Beckett, director of computer services, and Bill Estep, systems coordinator.

An increased enrollment on the Orlando campus reflects the fact that the two-year A.S. nursing degree available there is entering its second year of existence. Nursing, business (particularly long-term health care), and music are areas showing increased enrollment this year. The number of beginning freshmen is up nearly 10 percent over last year and the number of juniors is also up. These are balanced by small declines in the number of sophomores and seniors.

Charleston Enrollment Nearly Doubles

Carolina — At the beginning of the summer, the Charleston, South Carolina, elementary school had a promising enrollment of 15 students for the new 1984-85 school year. However, by the middle of August that figure had almost doubled. Why? One reason was the dedication and prayers of the pastor, the church, the school board, and the teacher. They all felt the need for the children to get a Christian education.

David Prest, former pastor, had conferences with the parents and promoted Christian education. The church supported a worthy student fund to help students who couldn't afford to attend. Janis Gregston, teacher, says, "I prayed for 30 students to enroll, but after we enrolled 25, I stopped praying because 25 was more than I could handle!"

About 10 years ago, the Charleston school had 125 students and six teachers. Things have changed over the years and this school year promises 29 students (compared to 19 students last year) and two teachers. The possibility of a few more students still exists.

Oakwood Hosts Equal Opportunity Education Conference

Oakwood College — The first National Association for Equal Opportunity in Education (NAFEO)/U.S.

Agency for International Development (AID) Planning Conference for Liaison Officers was co-hosted by Oakwood College and Alabama A & M University on the campus of Oakwood, August 9 and 10.

The NAFEO/AID Cooperative Agreement for International Development was reached in January as a response to the need to facilitate and enhance the capacity of NAFEO in assisting the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) participation in programs administered by AID. AID is committed to bolstering economic development in key areas of the world and increasing involvement of American minority organizations in its activities.

Of the 103 HBCUs designated by the Agency as participants, 28 were represented at this initial planning conference that incorporated the role, responsibility, and relationship of the HBCU liaison officers in effectively administering the program at their institutions.

Alumni Giving Quadruples in Four Years at Southern

Southern College — Challenge grants of \$45,500 from BECA (Business Executives Challenge Alumni) will be presented this month (October) to Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists during the Annual Council in Washington, D.C.

The terms of the challenge grants were alumni contributions of \$120,000 and a total of 1,575 donors. Both goals were exceeded.

Newly released figures show that alumni of Southern College are increasingly supporting their alma mater in a clearly measurable way, with cash gifts more than four times the amount given in 1979-80.

"The growing generosity of our alumni means a lot to me personally," says Dr. John Wagner, president, who is attending the Annual Council meeting October 9 to 16 and will represent the college at the BECA award presentation. "My appreciation for this support is intensified by the financial facts of growing scholarship needs and inflating capital project costs."

In the year ending June 30,

\$120,038 was given to the annual alumni fund for unrestricted use. This is an 18 percent increase over the previous year. These gifts are spread among a number of needs, student aid among them.

Youth

60 Participate In Basic Skills Camp

Carolina — On July 15, nearly 60 young people, ranging in age from nine to 21, arrived at Nosoca Pines Ranch to participate in the annual Basic Skills Camp. Merle Rouse, camp director, directed the program, with Sherry Housely, teacher at the Camden, South Carolina, church school, leading out in the reading program and Vonnie Straughan, math and science teacher at the Houston Junior Academy in Texas, leading out in math.

Success was seen in both programs as the young people achieved higher levels in their areas of concern. The gain in meaningful reading was two-and-one-half years. The gain in decoding isolated words was one year and three months. An average gain of three years and one month per student was seen in the comprehension of basic skills in math, with a weekly average of 1.45 years.

When one looks over the gains that were achieved, it is well to note that the program is best measured not by numbers, but by the change in the attitude of the child toward himself. Once he sees that a new door of success is open to him and



Jarred Collum (right), from Alabama, reads to Cyndi Thornburg, his Basic Skills Camp teacher.

he knows that he has conquered some weaknesses, the smile spreads and the eyes brighten for reading and math can now be dealt with, absent the struggle.

400 Florida Pathfinder Leaders Convene

Florida — More than 400 Pathfinder staff members attended what most considered to be the best Pathfinder Leadership Convention ever held. "Dr. Robert Wilson, assistant to the president of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, challenged us to be leaders with a clear vision to lead Pathfindering into the future, which is the new motto for Florida Pathfinders, 'Moving Pathfindering into the Future,'" reports Cheeko Cotta, conference Pathfinder director.

The convention, held at Camp Kulaqua, offered workshops to train Florida's leaders in the areas of: finance, organization, caring for Pathfinder equipment, funding, discipline, office organization, and printed materials. The new Pathfinders for Christ (PFC) concept was introduced. It is a recruitment plan designed to bring new youngsters into Pathfinder clubs and closer to Christ. Dorothy Richards, creator of the Pathfinder Cookie, the new fund raiser for clubs, gave a presentation. "Orders are coming in from across America," Cotta says. The cookie received national endorsement in June.

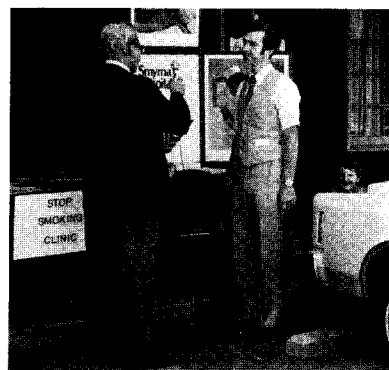
Doris Siegel, a Seventh-day Adventist businesswoman, and owner of Grove City Buslines and Earth Tours, came with a new super-deluxe Provost bus and many of her bus drivers and offered the organization a plan whereby every Pathfinder could travel to the North American Division Camporee in Camp Hale, Colorado, for \$150 round trip! Pathfinders had been faced with a \$400 amount in original transportation figures.

At her own expense Siegel will even provide extra drivers and a mechanic who will be flown to various locations along the route to provide assistance as needed!

Health

Southside Church Holds Screening On Cable TV

Georgia-Cumberland — The Atlanta, Georgia, Southside church introduced its new pastor, John Cooper, via live cable TV on August 4. The church held a health screening clinic in front of the Morrow, Georgia, channel 34 cable TV station, which is the Clayton County Ministerial Association channel. Maurice Abbott, Southern Union



Glen Wintermeyer (right), representing Smyrna Hospital, is interviewed by Southern Union Personal Ministries Director Maurice Abbott during the four-hour presentation of the Health Screening Clinic.

personal ministries and community services director, was the master of ceremonies during the four-hour program.

Approximately seven churches, the local conference, and Southern Union Conference were involved in the program, under the direction of Larry Buckner, Shirley Cupit, John Swafford, and Bill Henson. Musical presentations were given by different church members and refreshments offered. The two conference health vans were used to conduct blood pressures, computerized health tests, blood sugar analysis, and glaucoma testing.

Response to Eating Disorders Unit Overwhelming

Madison Hospital — Madison Hospital has opened the first eating disorders unit in Tennessee,

reports Hospital President Jim Boyle.

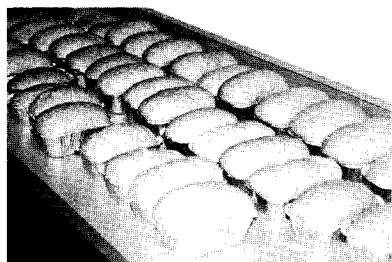
The 14-bed unit specializes in the treatment of bulimia, bulimarexia, and anorexia nervosa, the three most common eating disorders.

Specially trained staff members recognize that eating disorders are serious diseases rooted in a person's feelings of self-worth and acceptance. Staff members include physicians, nurses, counselors, dietitians, chaplains, and physical and recreational therapists, all working together to provide the patient with the tools for recovery.

Response to the unit in the Nashville area has been overwhelming. Program director Ann Buckalew, RN, herself a recovering bulimic, has discussed the program on nearly a dozen local radio and television shows. Local news broadcasts still feature the unit, nearly two months after it opened.

Nutrition Seminar Held at Camp Meeting

South Central — Country Life's "Something Better" nutrition seminar and vegetarian cooking school was held at South Central camp meeting this year. Forty-nine ladies, and one gentleman attended every class. Seminar sponsors were encouraged and excited as they saw the interest shown in learning more about health and nutrition, stretching the limit to 50 students; many more came to register as the word spread around the campground throughout the week." Country Life Cookbook" and "Nutrition for Vegetarians," by Agatha Thrash, were ordered and sold out three times—as ministers,



Personnel from the Country Life vegetarian restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee, led nearly 50 persons at the South Central camp meeting in a nutrition seminar, including bread making.

students, and friends caught the enthusiasm.

Each class began with a nutrition lecture covering many principles of health and disease. Then, a variety of dishes was demonstrated, followed by an abundance of samples eagerly tasted by the class.

The week-long seminar covered such topics as nutritious breakfast ideas, sugarless desserts, meatless entrees, fat-free vegetable cookery, and an exciting BreadMake! Many ladies, baking bread for the first time, beamed with pride as they took home their little golden brown loaf.

As a special feature, a class in home remedies was offered. A variety of water treatments, poultices, and medical herbs were demonstrated.

Health Fair Draws 1,000 At Greenwood

South Atlantic — There were happy smiles on every face, Smoking Sam puffed away, the Health Appraisal computer whirled, folk looked at the Wellness Exhibit, others browsed through and helped themselves to free health literature, the aroma of "Patty Mix" wafted through the air as the nurses and Community Services volunteers of the 48-member Zion Temple church in Greenwood, South Carolina, welcomed their neighbors to their first Health Fair August 17.

The church's "Health-Happiness Fair" was held at the largest, newest shopping center in Greenwood, The Cross Creek Mall. At least 1,000 men, women, and children passed through or by the five tables, two large exhibit panels, and the South Atlantic Conference mobile Health Van from 9:30 a.m. till 7 p.m.

Two hundred and fifty people received free blood pressures; 750 persons had the computerized personal health appraisal or analysis and were given copies of the March, 1984, *Saturday Evening Post* excerpt on Seventh-day Adventists; 85 persons, mostly youngsters, met Smoking Sam and listened avidly to his sad story. After each demonstration, almost all participants made a verbal decision either not to smoke or to stop smoking; 635 pieces of

health literature were selected or distributed; pounds of vegetarian food were tasted and purchased from Walter Hawk, South Atlantic Adventist Book Center manager; 312 people asked for and were receptive to health counseling, professionally given by the nurses, Dorcas workers, Adventist men and/or Pathfinders.

One-half the Zion Temple members are "new believers" baptized in the August, 1983, Bible Says Crusade tent effort, held in Greenwood by Pastor Drake Barber.

Grant Brings Hospital Campaign To \$4 Million

Florida Hospital — The Kresge Foundation, located in Troy, Michigan, has awarded a \$200,000 challenge grant for Florida Hospital's capital campaign, bringing the total to \$4 million of the \$4.5 million goal.

In order to meet the qualifications of the grant, the hospital must raise the remaining \$500,000 of its capital campaign goal by November 15.

The grant was made specifically for the hospital's Lifestyle Improvement Center. The residential center, to be located in Cassia, Florida, will offer a combination of programs aimed at helping people improve their health through modification of their life style habits. Center ground breaking is slated for late 1984.

Florida Hospital is one of 128 charitable organizations in 35 states, the District of Columbia, and Canada, who were awarded grants in 1984 by The Kresge Foundation. The majority of these grants were for projects involving construction or renovations of facilities.

Progress

Elim Church Mortgage Paid In Full

Southeastern — Dedicatory and mortgage-burning services at the Elim church in St. Petersburg,

Florida, held August 15-19 will long be remembered. During the five-day celebration, former pastors of Elim, including O. J. McKinney, associate ministerial secretary, Southern Union Conference; M. T. Battle, associate secretary, General Conference, Washington, D.C.; W. C. Byrd, pastor of the Ft. Lauderdale church; I. L. Harrell, personal ministries director, Southeastern Conference; L. R. Hastings, retired minister, Southeastern Conference; H. L. Thompson, pastor, Tamarind Avenue church, Compton, California, came from far and near to participate in the special services.

W. S. Banfield, director of the Office of Human Relations, General Conference, delivered the dedicatory message. President J. A. Edgecombe and D. A. Walker, secretary/treasurer, Southeastern Conference, along with J. E. Harris, pastor of Elim, conducted the mortgage-burning ceremony. Prior to the ceremony, portraits of the following men who served as pastors of Elim church from its inception to the present time were unveiled: Strachan, Osterman, Stephens, J. G. Thomas, Story, Chrichlow, Bookhardt, H. D. Dobbins, L. S. Follette, G. Mills, J. W. Jones, M. T. Battle, L. R. Hastings, Matthew Green, I. L. Harrell, Willie Lewis, F. S. Keith, J. L. Lewis, H. L. Thompson, O. J. McKinney, W. C. Byrd, and J. E. Harris.

A sacred concert was held Saturday evening featuring the 70-member Dupont Park Chorale from Washington, D.C., under the direction of Terrell Danley and Esther Wroten.



Participating in the mortgage burning at the St. Petersburg, Florida, Elim church are: I. L. Harrell (left), J. E. Harris, W. S. Banfield, D. A. Walker, J. A. Edgecombe, and O. J. McKinney.

Hollywood School Opens

Florida — At the Hollywood, Florida, school open house ribbon-cutting ceremony on August 12, Cooper City Mayor Sue Ellen Fardleman shared a heartwarming story she had kept to herself for 12 years. In her remarks she



Mayors David Keating, of Hollywood, and Sue Ellen Fardleman, of Cooper City, cut the ribbon at open house ceremonies at the newly relocated Hollywood church school.

praised her faithful Seventh-day Adventist neighbors, saying that it was because of their concerned interest that she was able to go through the tragedy of losing her husband, leaving her alone with two children.

Both the church and school have recently moved to the present location from one which they had occupied for 25 years. The new location is a five-acre tract with existing church and school buildings on it.

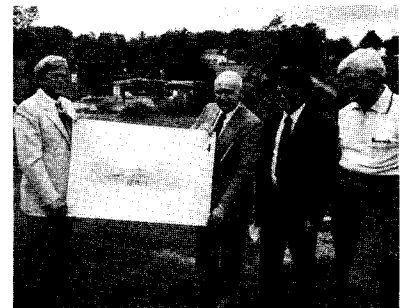
The church building is being used as is. The rear building on the property has been remodeled into two large classrooms with a big room for a library and assembly room.

Mayors David Keating, of Hollywood, and Sue Ellen Fardleman, of Cooper City, addressed the capacity crowd. Fardleman stated that she had watched the progress of the church and school, and that she was happy to have this school with high standards in the neighborhood.

She challenged the school board and teachers, saying that if "they could educate just one person to care in the way her neighbors did, the sacrifice of members and efforts of the school will be well rewarded."

Ground Broken For New Greenville Church

Georgia-Cumberland — The Greenville, Tennessee, congregation broke ground July 19 for a new church structure. The building, a dodecagon (12-sided structure), will contain 19,900 square feet and seat



Greenville, Tennessee, Pastor Mel Clemons (left), and building committee chairman J. R. McKinney, MD, hold the artist's drawing of the new sanctuary while Wes Schram, of Denominational Building Services, and Robert Williams, construction supervisor, look on.

776. Pastor Mel Clemons reports that Denominational Building Services, from Lincoln, Nebraska, was ready to start construction immediately.

The structure is designed for easy access to the sanctuary from all educational classrooms, which will wrap around the main sanctuary. Participants in the ground breaking were: Mel Clemons, pastor of the Greenville church; J. R. McKinney, MD, chairman of the building committee; Wes Schram, president

of Denominational Building Services; Robert Williams, construction supervisor from South Bend, Indiana; Greeneville Mayor Thomas Love; Greene County Judge John Hankins; Greeneville church participants: Wayne Blazer, Kay Butler, Pastor J. O. Wilson, Maurine Reynolds, and Kenny Martin. Don Aalborg represented the Georgia-Cumberland Conference at the ceremony.

Who and Where

300 Study Family Issues

Southeastern — More than 300 persons attended the annual Southeastern Conference Weekend with its theme, "The All-American Dream," in Hawthorne, Florida, August 31-September 3. The weekend was filled with a series of social, educational, and spiritual encounters. The well-organized program unfolded with symmetry and dispatch.

The staff, under the leadership of the youth director, Keith Dennis, was responsible for the entire spectrum of activities, which included finance, registration, the banquet, recreation, food services, music, audio, security, workshops, horseback riding, and nursing care.

The guest facilitators were Dr. James Hammond, of Columbia Union College, who dealt with Domestic Violence, The Single Parent, Stress Signals Prior to Family Break-up, Inter-intra-family Relations. Norwida Marshall, Ed.D., associate education director, South-



The Westbrook Theatre presentation, "So Near, So Far," a Faith for Today production, was televised September 9 in Atlanta, Georgia. Local individuals responsible for advertising, promotion, and follow-up were: George Powell, communication director of the Southern Union (left); Glen Wintermeyer, health education director for Smyrna Hospital; Stephanie Stone, Smyrna Hospital public relations director; Gary Ivey, assistant communication director of the Southern Union; and Don Aalborg, secretary and communication director of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. Wintermeyer conducted five stress seminars in conjunction with the TV special. Not pictured is John Swafford, pastor of the Cascade Road church, and chairman of the Metro Atlanta Adventist Ministerial Association.

ern Union Conference, spoke on Faith Relations, and Joe Evans, MD, on Sexually Transmitted Diseases.

Conference participants were James A. Edgecombe, president, keynote speaker for the banquet; R. R. Brown, stewardship and communication director; D. A. Walker, secretary/treasurer.

Joyce Buisson, I. L. Harrell, personal ministries director, and Robert Patterson, treasurer of Oakwood College, distinguished for their support of the youth, were honored.

Faith for Today Special Draws Record Response In Atlanta

Faith For Today — Almost a quarter of a million people viewed Faith for Today's prime-time special *So Near, So Far* when it played on WSB, Channel 2, the ABC network

station in Atlanta, September 9.

It was the third most popular program during the 7 to 8 p.m. time period, according to the A. C. Nielsen rating. Eight percent of all televisions in Atlanta were tuned to this Seventh-day Adventist program. And 17 percent of all the television households that had their sets turned on were watching. This translates into a figure of 243,071, people actually watching, or almost one in every five people. The figure includes 36 percent men, 51 percent women, four percent teenagers, and nine percent children. Other showings have been in Boise, Idaho, and New Orleans, Louisiana.

Besides several Seventh-day Adventist awareness messages, the program also included commercials inviting viewers to write or use a toll-free phone number to request a free book entitled "How You Can Live With Stress." Viewers were also invited to attend a stress management seminar. So far 722 people have called for the booklet. Write-in totals are incomplete as yet, but early responses indicate enthusiastic response.

Newspaper and *TV Guide* advertising promoted the showings as well as printed flyers given out door-to-door by church members on Sabbath afternoon.

As a follow-up to the special and the book offer, six stress management seminars and four Revelation seminars were sponsored by Smyrna Hospital and area churches.



Pictured at the Southeastern Conference Family Weekend are: D. A. Walker, secretary/treasurer; Keith Dennis, youth director; I. L. Harrell, personal ministries director; Joyce Buisson; Robert Patterson, treasurer, Oakwood College; J. A. Edgecombe, president.

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Calendar of Events

CAROLINA

Eastern Carolina Camp Meeting — Oct. 5, 6.
Adventist Youth Retreat (For those not in SDA schools) — Oct. 12-14. Nosoca Pines Ranch.
Carolina Chapter Church Musicians Guild Retreat — Oct. 19, 20. Nosoca Pines Ranch. (For reservations contact NPR, P.O. Box 216, Liberty Hill, SC 29074, or (803) 273-8200).
Spartanburg Church Dedication — Oct. 19, 20. Neal C. Wilson, speaker.

FLORIDA

Community Services Federation Meetings

Oct. 6 Upper Gold Coast, Ft. Pierce
 7 Lower Gold Coast, East Hialeah Spanish
 8 Central, Winter Springs
 9 Ridge, Avon Park
 10 Gulf, New Port Richey
 11 North, Lake City

Family Life Seminars with Ken and Helen Bryant

Oct. 6 Hollywood
 13-19 Sanford
 27 Leesburg

Nov. 3, 10, 17 West Palm Beach

Youth Ministries

Oct. 12-14 Junior/Senior Spiritual Retreat Camp Kulaqua
 18-21 Pathfinder Camporee Camp Kulaqua
 23-26 Youth Specialties Convention Atlanta
 Nov. 9-11 NSO Retreat Camp Kulaqua

Evangelistic Crusades

Miami Metropolitan Campaign in progress until Nov. 3.
 Carol City M. Lopez and E. Ruiz
 Palm Springs J. Suarez and C. Enriquez
 Hialeah E. Romero and A. Layman
 Hialeah II Lay Preachers
 Miami Central Cameron and Hernandez
 Miami Beach F. Paulin
 Greater Miami Academy C. Aeschlimann and S. Torres
 Coral Gables D. Amich
 Homestead C. Turcios and P. Roque
 Oct. 13 - Nov. 17 Bradenton George Carpenter
 Oct. 27 - Dec. 1 West Palm Beach Lester Pratt
 Oct. 27 - Dec. 1 Eustis Harmon Brownlow
 Oct. 27 - Dec. 1 St. Cloud Robert DuBose

Sabbath School Workshops

Spanish Workshops:
 Oct. 27 Forest City Spanish 3-5:30 p.m.
 Nov. 4 Miami Central Spanish 9:30 a.m. - noon
 English Workshops:
 Oct. 28 Kress Memorial 9:30 a.m. - noon
 28 Jacksonville Mandarin 6-8:30 p.m.
 29 Port Charlotte 6:30-9 p.m.
 30 St. Petersburg 6:30-9 p.m.
 Nov. 1 Walker Memorial 6:30-9 p.m.
 3 Miami Temple 3-5:30 p.m.

Featured speaker, Howard Rampton, Sabbath school director of the General Conference. Bookmobile and felt sales. Program helps presented for first quarter '85. All new leaders and officers should attend except youth leaders.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Joint Camporee with Kentucky-Tennessee Pathfinders — Oct. 4-7.
Lay Witness Weekend — Oct. 12, 13. Mountain City, Tenn.
Adventist Single Ministries — Oct. 13, 14. Georgia chapter hosts its third annual Harvest-Moon Hayride weekend. Activities include a five-mile hayride and the world's largest laser show projected on Stone Mountain. Contact: Esther Tobiasson, Rt. 3, Box 48, Hiram, GA 30141. (404) 943-1578.
Ellijay, Ga., Annual Homecoming — Oct. 20. Archa Dart will be the guest speaker. Potluck following service.
Ministerial Association Meetings
 Oct. 22 Macon Oct. 24 Collegedale
 23 Atlanta 25 Knoxville
Graysville, Tenn., Homecoming — Oct. 27.
Unordained Ministers' Retreat — Oct. 28-30. Cohutta Springs.
Youth Congress — Nov. 3.
Sabbath School Seminar — Nov. 16, 17. Cohutta Springs.

GULF STATES

Pathfinder Camporee — Oct. 12, 13. Lake Lurleen State Park, Tuscaloosa, Ala. Penny Estes Wheeler, speaker.
Lay Revelation Seminars — Oct. 15 - Dec. 15. Conference-wide.
Evangelistic Meetings — Oct. 15 - Dec. 15. Larry Cansler. Jackson and Vicksburg, Miss.

Bookmobile Schedule

Oct. 19 Selma, Ala. 3-5 p.m.	Oct. 22 Vicksburg, Miss. 6:30-9 p.m.
20 Gilbertown, Ala. 7:30-9:30 p.m.	23 Greenville, Miss. Noon - 1:30 p.m.
21 Laurel, Miss. 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon	Water Valley, Miss. 5:30-8 p.m.
Brookhaven, Miss. 2-3:30 p.m.	24 Olive Branch, Miss. 5:30-8 p.m.
McComb, Miss. 4:30-5:30 p.m.	25 Corinth, Miss. 6-8:30 p.m.
Natchez, Miss. 7:30-9 p.m.	26 Columbus, Miss. Noon - 2 p.m.

Pathfinder and Youth Ministry Training Weekend — Nov. 2, 3. Camp Alamisco.

Lord's Day Seminar — Nov. 9, 10. Montgomery, Ala., First church. Dr. Samuel Bacchiocchi, speaker.

Conference-Wide Youth Rally — Jan. 25, 26, 1985. Bass Memorial Academy. John Thurber, speaker.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

Kentucky-Tennessee Conference and Georgia-Cumberland Conference Bible Conference — Oct. 5-7. Indian Creek Camp, near Smithville, Tenn.

Bookmobile Schedule

Oct. 6 Manchester Sundown	Oct. 21 Bowling Green 4:30-6 p.m.
7 London 9-10:30 a.m.	Franklin, Ky. 7-8 p.m.
Williamsburg 1-3 p.m.	27 Highland Sundown
Stearns 4-5:30 p.m.	28 Gallatin 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
8 Grove 8:30-9:30 a.m.	Nov. 3 Dyersburg Sundown
Jamestown 1-2 p.m.	4 Fulton 9-10 a.m.
Columbia 3-4:30 p.m.	Murray 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Glasgow 6-7 p.m.	Paris 2:30-4:30 p.m.
13 Owensboro Sundown	Dickson 6:30-7:30 p.m.
14 Henderson 8:30-10:30 a.m.	10 Murfreesboro Sundown
Madisonville 1-2 p.m.	11 Woodbury 10 a.m. - Noon
Ohio Co. 4-5:30 p.m.	Tullahoma 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Sand Hill 7-8 p.m.	17 Louisville School Sundown
20 Paducah Sundown	18 Pewee Valley 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
21 Hopkinsville 9:30-11 a.m.	St. Matthews 3-4:30 p.m.
Clarksville 1-2 p.m.	Elizabethtown 6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Prayer Crusade with Glenn Coon — Oct. 19-27. Highland Academy.

St. Matthews Church Homecoming — Oct. 20. 9810 Shelbyville Rd., Louisville, Ky. The new pastor, Denver Cavins, will be the speaker.

SOUTH ATLANTIC

Religious Liberty Rally — Oct. 20. Raleigh, N.C.
South Carolina Youth Federation — Oct. 20. Greenville, S.C.
Fall Publishing Workshop — Oct. 28-30. Hawthorne, Fla.
North Carolina Youth Federation — Nov. 3.
Georgia Church Officers' Convention — Nov. 10.

SOUTH CENTRAL

Staff Meeting — Oct. 2.
Housing Board Meeting — Oct. 3.
Youth Federations
 Oct. 6 North Alabama
 20 South Mississippi
 Nov. 3 East Tennessee

K-12 Education Board Meeting — Oct. 30.
Lay Advisory Council Meeting — Nov. 4. Oakwood College.
Ingathering Victory Day — Nov. 24.

SOUTHEASTERN

Church Opening — Oct. 6. Melbourne, Fla.
Community Service Federations
 Oct. 20 Hawthorne, Fla. Nov. 17 Bainbridge, Ga.
Church Officers' Meeting — Nov. 18. Tallahassee, Fla.
French Convocation — Nov. 24.
Spanish Convocation — Nov. 30, Dec. 1.
South Florida Federation — Dec. 7, 8.

SOUTHERN COLLEGE

Fall Ingathering — Oct. 3.
Loma Linda Medical School Interviews — Oct. 3, 4. Rene Evard, Ph.D., associate dean for admissions from Loma Linda University School of Medicine, will be on the campus Oct. 3 and 4 to interview interested students. All students planning to apply to Loma Linda School of Medicine for the 1985-86 school year should have an interview with Dr. Evard to complete their application. Contact the office of K. R. Davis in the Counseling Center at (615) 238-2561 to schedule an appointment.
Convocation, "John Muir's High Sierra" — Oct. 4, 10:30 a.m. P.E. Center.
Florence Oliver Anderson Nursing Series
 "Assertiveness for Nurses" — Oct. 4. 6-8 p.m. Mazie Herin Hall, Room 103 (\$6 only if CEU certificate requested; otherwise no fee).
 "Nursing Needs of the Adventist Health System" — Oct. 25, 11:05 a.m. Thatcher Hall Chapel.
 "The Role of the Nurse in Pediatric Oncology" — Nov. 1, 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Ackerman Auditorium (\$6 fee only if CEU certificate requested; otherwise no fee).

Vespers

Oct. 12 Tui Pitman 8 p.m., Collegedale church
 19 Wayne McFarland 8 p.m., Collegedale church

Pops Concert — Oct. 13, 8:15 p.m. P.E. Center.

CABL Week — Oct. 15-19.

Community Sparkle Day — Oct. 21.

Nurses' Dedication — Oct. 27, 6:30 p.m. Collegedale church.

Student Week of Prayer — Oct. 29 - Nov. 2.

Alumni Homecoming — Nov. 2-4. Mark Dalton, Joe Crews, Karen Oswald Nelson, Jerry Clower, speakers. Honor classes: '24, '34, '59, '74, and '79.

OAKWOOD COLLEGE

Youth Emphasis Weekend — Oct. 12-14.

Medical Temperance Day — Oct. 20.

Sacred Music Day — Oct. 27.

Fall Festival — Oct. 28.

Fall Week of Spiritual Emphasis — Oct. 29 - Nov. 3.

Health Awareness Month Assembly — Nov. 7. Speaker: Gwen White.

Education Day — Nov. 10.

Christmas Banquet — Nov. 15.

Final Exams — Nov. 16-20.

Local Alumni Day — Nov. 17.

Thanksgiving-Christmas Recess — Nov. 21 - Dec. 31.

SOUTHERN UNION

Lay Revelation Seminar Training — Oct. 5, 6. Cohutta Springs.

Health Emphasis Week — Oct. 6-13.

Voice of Prophecy Offering — Oct. 13.

Community Relations Day / Sabbath School Community Guest Day — Oct. 20.

Medical-Dental Retreat — Oct. 25-27. Gatlinburg, Tenn.

Week of Prayer — Nov. 3-10.

It Is Written Schedule

Oct. 7	The Cave Dwellers	Nov. 4	The Vegetable Bandwagon
14	Looking for Adam	11	How to Live With a Tiger
21	The Hunza Story	18	When God Made Rest
28	The Inside Story	25	The Masada Story

SDA Marriage Encounter — Nov. 9-11. Southern College, Collegedale, Tenn. Marriage Encounter is not counseling or group therapy, but an opportunity to share feelings alone with your spouse. For application info. write: SDA Marriage Encounter, P.O. Box 1626, Collegedale, TN 37315. Or call: (615) 396-2605, or (615) 396-2724.

Annual Southern Union Adventist Singles Ministry Retreat — Nov. 22-25. For information call Connie, (404) 944-7459; Jim, (615) 265-4881; or Betty, (404) 629-0353.

OUT OF UNION

Sunnydale Academy Alumni Homecoming Weekend — Oct. 19 and 20. Honor classes: '54, '59, '64, and '74. Special feature: Sunnydale Academy Handbell Choir. Contact Hilda Pride, P.O. Box 147, Centralia, MO 65240, or call (314) 687-3046.

Union College Alumni Gathering — Nov. 3 at 5 p.m. Southern College. For more info. contact: Mrs. Grace Shaffer, (615) 396-2313. Everyone welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kwadase, Ghana, Church Requests Literature. A 300-member African SDA church is asking that Americans send Bibles, picture rolls, Spirit of Prophecy books, magazines, hymn books, etc., for its aggressive and successful evangelistic efforts. Send to: Enoch Kofi Affum, SDA Church, P.O. Box 480, Kumasi-Ashanti, Ghana, West Africa.

National Bible Week Materials Available Now. National Bible Week is scheduled for November 18-25. Bible Week packets contain pamphlets, Bible reading guides, bookmarks, and other information to spur public interest in Bible reading and study. To obtain a free packet of 1984 National Bible Week materials and order blanks for quantity orders, write to: Laymen's National Bible Committee, 815 Second Ave., New York, NY 10017. Donations are accepted.

SEARCH FOR SDA BLIND

Know of a blind or legally blind SDA friend? Christian Record Braille Foundation is attempting to compile an accurate list to survey sight-impaired Adventists on how we can better serve them. Send names and addresses to Reading Services, Christian Record, 4444 South 52nd St., Lincoln, NE 68506.

sunset table

	Oct. 5	Oct. 12	Oct. 19	Oct. 26	Nov. 2	Nov. 9
Atlanta, Ga.	7:17	7:08	7:00	6:52	5:45	5:40
Charlotte, N.C.	7:02	6:52	6:44	6:35	5:28	5:22
Collegedale, Tenn. .	7:20	7:10	7:02	6:53	5:46	5:40
Huntsville, Ala.	6:25	6:15	6:07	5:58	4:51	4:45
Jackson, Miss.	6:41	6:32	6:24	6:17	5:10	5:04
Louisville, Ky.	7:21	7:10	7:00	6:51	5:43	5:36
Memphis, Tenn.	6:39	6:29	6:21	6:12	5:05	4:59
Miami, Fla.	7:03	6:56	6:50	6:44	5:39	5:35
Montgomery, Ala. . .	6:26	6:17	6:09	6:01	4:55	4:49
Nashville, Tenn.	6:25	6:16	6:07	5:58	4:51	4:44
Orlando, Fla.	7:07	6:59	6:52	6:46	5:40	5:36
Wilmington, N.C.	6:51	6:42	6:34	6:26	5:19	5:13

in transition



On the Move

Carolina

James Sawtell has moved from Aiken/Batesburg-Leesville, S.C., district to Charleston/Mt. Pleasant, S.C. churches.

Mark A. Heisey, from Pennsylvania Conference, will pastor the Tryon/Rutherfordton, N.C., churches.

Dale Pollett, from Wilmington/Delco, N.C., churches, transfers to the Morganton/Table Rock, N.C., churches.

Leslie Smart, moved from the Wilson/Goldsboro, N.C., churches to the Marion/Laurel, N.C., churches.

Herbert Weise, from Fayetteville/Pembroke, N.C., churches, will go to Wilson/Goldsboro churches.

Bill Harward, former pastor of the Union/Clinton, S.C., churches, has transferred to Aiken/Batesburg-Leesville, churches.

1. **Rick Howard**, from Greater New York Conference, will pastor the Spartanburg/Woodruff, S.C., churches.

Florida

Charles Schmidt has accepted a call to be the assistant publishing director for the Tampa district. Schmidt has served most recently in the Carolina and Colorado conferences.

Richard O'Ffill has joined the Florida Conference as associate director of the Community Services, Health, and Inner City departments. O'Ffill most recently was the director of the Africa Bureau for the Adventist Development and Relief Agency International at the General Conference.

South Atlantic

F. W. Parker is the new director of Sabbath school, replacing **G. H. Taylor**, who has retired. **Calvin Watkins**, of the New Bern, N.C., district, is now the conference evangelist. New Bern will be filled later. **Alvin Freeman**, former assistant pastor at Savannah-Ramah, Ga., is now pastor of Gastonia/Salisbury, N.C., district. He replaces **Herbert Anderson**. **Gary Jouett**, from Oakwood College, is replacing Al Freeman as assistant pastor at Savannah, Ga. **Ernest Young**, from Southeastern Conference, is now the pastor of the newly organized Atlanta, Ga., West End church. He replaces F. W. Parker, who was the temporary pastor of the church. **Herbert Anderson**, of the Gastonia/Salisbury district, is the new pastor of Hemingway/Bucksport, S.C., district, replacing **Ted Elerbe**. **Roy Willis**, the former assistant pastor of the Atlanta, Ga., Maranatha church, is now the pastor of the newly formed Rome/Senoia, Ga., church district.

Adventist Health System/Sunbelt

2. **Des Cummings, Jr., Ph.D.**, the founder and former director of the Institute of Church Ministry at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, recently assumed responsibility as vice president of marketing research, strategic planning, new ventures, and product line development at Florida Hospital. His responsibilities will include supporting the managers of the hospital with market research information.

Oakwood College

3. **Robert Patterson** joins the college administration as vice-president for finance. He has previously served as treasurer of the South Atlantic Conference.

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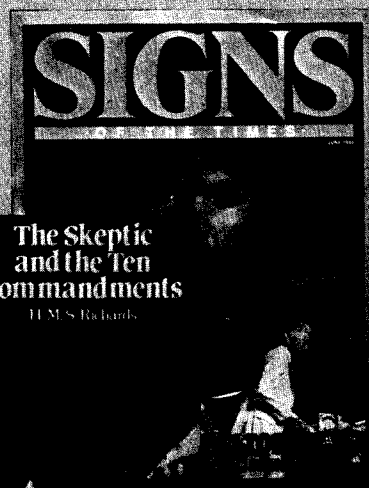
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Clinton Thompson (left), Leon Carroll, and Earrol Smith, survey territory that will yield a rich harvest of souls.

Labors of Laymen

by R. R. Brown

"The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers." (*Counsels on Stewardship* p. 68)

With this statement in mind the laymen in Southeastern Conference have been on a march for God.

David McCalla is the director of employee relations for all seven campuses of the University of Miami, with main offices in Coral Gables, Florida. There are more than 6,000 employees at this, the fourth largest private employer in south

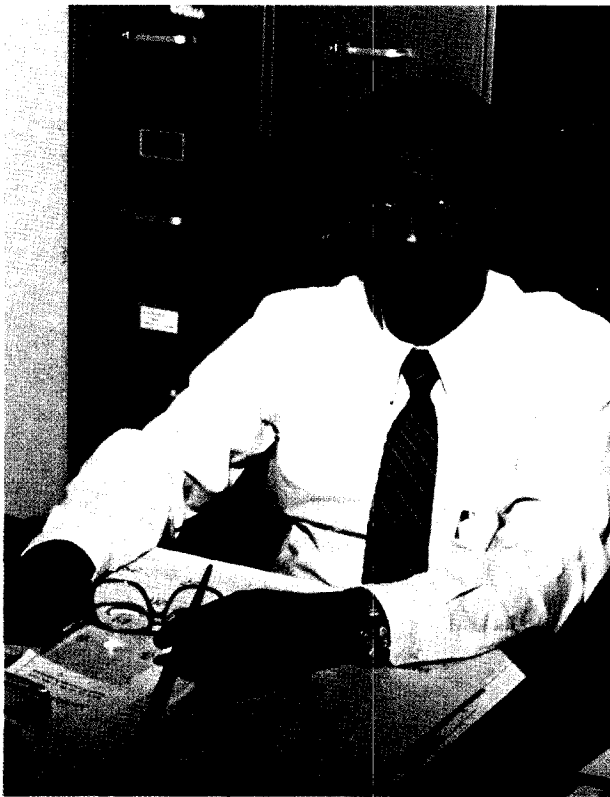
Florida. He also serves as a lecturer for seminars and workshops for supervisors and managers on subjects relating to employee relations. Since 1981, he has served as a member of the Southeastern Conference Executive Committee.

In 1966, when W. S. Banfield was president of South Atlantic Conference, McCalla began service in a self-supporting ministry serving with R. L.

Woodfork, L. G. Rahming, F. W. Parker, and J. A. Edgecombe in Key West, Florida City, Carol City, Tabernacle, and the French churches, Zion, Sinai, and Jerusalem.

McCalla has distinguished himself as an ambassador for Christ. Despite his weighty responsibilities he has given invaluable support to Southeastern. He has done an outstanding job in being the interim pastor at Tabernacle church and was the ground floor of the activities during the acquisition of the half-million-dollar church building. When the Zion French and Sinai churches needed a pastor, McCalla became the interim pastor. Yoking with Nathanael Myrtill, Sabbath school and lay activities director of the South Haiti Mission, in an evangelistic thrust in Miami for the French believers, they baptized 104 persons in 1983, and organized the Jerusalem church. During approximately one year's ministry there, McCalla acquired land valued at \$33,000 for building the Sinai French church in Ft. Lauderdale. His achievements at Zion French included painting and extensive repairs, purchase of air conditioning units, tithe gains, and a reemphasis of the stewardship program. The first French convocation in Miami, November, 1983, was spearheaded by him.

McCalla devotes 25-30 hours per week to God's



David McCalla, director of employee relations for the University of Miami, has been very active in the churches of south Florida, sometimes serving as an interim pastor.

church. He feels that the Southeastern Conference has only scratched the surface in evangelism. He envisions more door-to-door evangelism and cottage meetings with membership involvement as the answer to greater gains in souls for the kingdom. His greatest contribution to the Southeastern Conference has been laymen's training, giving Bible studies, and assisting with the stewardship programs. His main concern, while devoting time and energy in a self-supporting ministry, is to help in finishing the work so God's Kingdom can be established. This is a self-supporting ministry at its peak.

Southeastern's greatest resource is the consecrated lay person and self-supporting ministry. In response to Matthew 24:14, "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come," they go forward undauntedly.

McCalla's work is not isolated. On July 29, 1984, after several weeks of intensive Bible studies throughout the community in Dania, Florida, personal ministry director Clinton Thompson and local elders Earrol Smith and Leon Carroll from that congregation, whose burning desire was to add disciples to the fellowship of Christ, embarked upon a lay evangelistic effort. Thompson and Smith alternated in presenting the messages nightly. After four weeks, 15 precious souls were baptized by W. C. Byrd, district pastor. Several others are in the baptismal class awaiting baptism.

The lay ministry of these three workers for God covers 18 hours weekly and God gives rewards for their labors.

Here are two accounts. Smith's daughter, Lisa, has a co-worker in the State Employment Office who evinced an interest in God's word. Carroll gave her literature and instruction. She was visited by Smith and Thompson. More Bible studies followed, and gladly she attended the lay crusade. She and her daughter now rejoice in the faith.

Thompson saw his brother accept Christ and receive the rite of baptism after his marriage, and his wife is now in preparation for a like experience.

The efforts of these lay persons can be recounted time and time again throughout Southeastern Conference, and must.

President J. A. Edgecombe is, by every conceivable method, attempting to see the mighty army of laymen rally to the call of God and join with the ministers to finish the work. So they, "Go quickly out in the street and lanes
And in the broad highway,
And call the maimed, the halt, and blind.
To be ready for the breaking of the day."



"Miracles? We See Them All the Time"

by J. W. Clarke
Photography by Sarah J. Nice



Mary Ann Redden makes a delivery on her regular truck route. She is a true example of one putting herself and her job in the hands of the Lord.

The Gratz, Kentucky, church membership is 83. Their Investment goal is \$700 each year. Last year, more than \$2,000 was turned in, and, as of September 1, they already have almost \$900. Louise Bynum, Investment leader, says, "We believe in miracles because we see them all the time."

Mary Ann Redden is a salesperson for "Toms" products. She works on a commission and sales were so bad she was becoming discouraged. She prayed about it and promised the Lord a certain percentage of her sales.

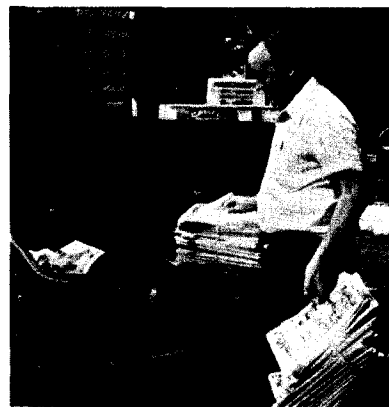
Very quickly everything changed. The first year her sales were excellent, but last year her sales had increased so much that her company presented her with a plaque for the person with the highest sales. She asked that they inscribe the words, "Highest Sales by

Investing With God" on the plaque.

James McKee has been a member for nearly one year. He needed a job and nothing seemed to develop. He, too, prayed about his situation. Although he had completed classes in computer programming, he found the field to be overcrowded and couldn't find employment. He promised the Lord one percent of his yearly income as an Investment project. In a very short time he was hired by American Telephone and Telegraph (AT&T). His fiancée, Sarah J. Nice, was looking for a job, too. She promised one percent of her income as an Investment project and 20 percent of her first check. On August 21 she started work.



James McKee and Sarah J. Nice both had experiences quite similar as they joined the Lord in a joint agreement. Both promised the Lord a percentage of their income for Investment if they could find work. The Lord answered and now they are carrying out their part.



Roger Sumner made a pact with God to give \$1 for every new customer on his Sunday paper route. Now he has reached the point of having to hire a helper to keep up with the increased number.

Roger Sumner has a paper route on Sunday mornings. At first he had only a few customers and found it difficult to increase the number of customers. He talked with the Lord about it and decided to give \$1 for each new sale for Investment. How exciting it was to note the progress. He now has 150 customers and has reached the point where he may have to hire someone to help him.

Louise Bynum says, "When I think of our little faithful few, I think of God's promise in Malachi, and, also, the story of Gideon. He is always there."

How important and wonderful it is to be copartners with the Lord! Investment gives added strength to the mission work of our church, and our hearts and souls are strengthened as we become involved.

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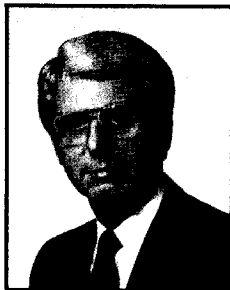
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Center Elected Treasurer

It is my pleasure to introduce to you the new treasurer of the Southern Union Conference. Richard Center, treasurer of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference for the past seven and one-half years, was elected union treasurer by the Southern Union Conference committee on Tuesday, September 25. His new duties, in addition to being chief financial officer of the union, will include coordination of financial activity in the eight conferences of the union. He will also serve as financial consultant to Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists and to Adventist Health System/Sunbelt. He will also provide the link with General Conference financial policy, both in its formation and implementation.

Elder Center's experience also includes four years as treasurer of the Gulf States (Alabama-Mississippi) Conference, five years as assistant union treasurer and two years as a union auditor. Both he and his wife, Maxine, are graduates of Southern College of SDA, and began their work for the church immediately following graduation. Mrs. Center is a registered nurse. Their daughter, Pam, is a nursing student at Southern College and



Richard Center

their son, Doug, is a senior at Georgia-Cumberland Academy.

The election of Elder Center follows the retirement of Elder J. Henson Whitehead, who served as union treasurer for 19½ years. Throughout his experience in church work, Elder Center has been in close association with Elder Whitehead. This training and experience were major factors as the committee made its selection.

Elder Center was born in Chattanooga and reared in North Georgia, while Mrs. Center comes from California. Their dedication to the church and love for the Lord are reflected in their very warm and loving relationships with people, and we are happy that they have chosen to accept the invitation to join the Southern Union leadership team.

Thanks for your prayers in their behalf and for our church that God will empower us to do this work in taking the message of salvation to a dying world.

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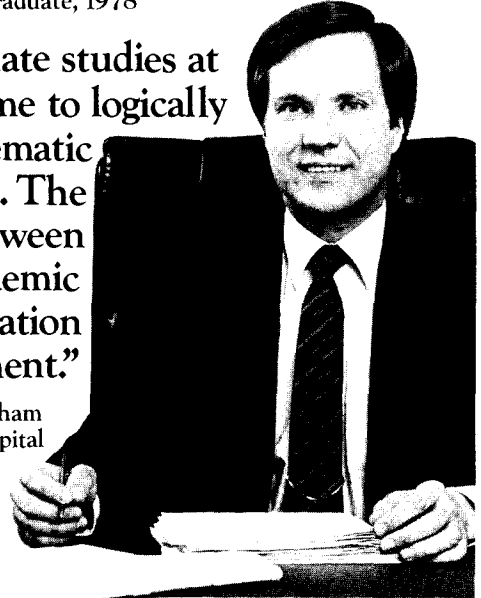
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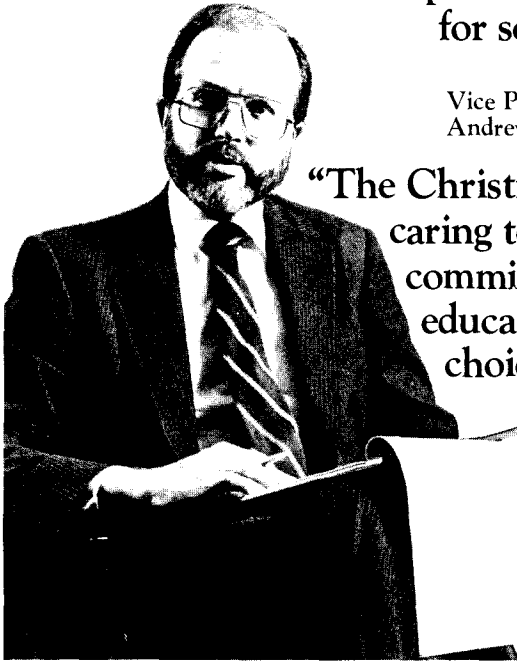
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