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*“We Hold These Truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal. That they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights. That among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.”*

These immortal words of Jefferson burn deep, like letters of fire, within the consciousness of America. They create images of selflessness and nobility — a heritage of dedication and courage —

the fearful Atlantic crossing by Pilgrim bands,  
the thin, blue line at Lexington and Concord,  
the privation at Valley Forge,  
the spirit of those who risked their lives, their  
fortunes, and their sacred honor.

# Our Fragile Freedom

by the Editors

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal. That they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights. That among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

The evolution of American freedoms is an epic without precedent or parallel. Upon the foundation of the Magna Carta and English justice have been laid the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, the Emancipation Proclamation, and numerous other enactments to open doors of opportunity to all.

But straws in the wind signal the presence of sinister breezes sweeping the nation. Subtle undercurrents and bold pilgrimages alike seem to mirror Bible prophecies. Religious activism, clothed in patriotic garb and professing noble purposes, appears to some thoughtful observers as a modern reflection of ancient religious intolerance and a foreboding shadow of things to come.

Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world."

But history is strewn with human carnage and a bloody trail blazed by zealots and demagogues who trampled on freedom in the name of God—

- the Crusades.
- the Inquisition.
- the Massacre on St. Bartholomew's Day.
- Muslims and Hindus in India and Pakistan.
- Protestants and Catholics in Northern Ireland.
- Muslims and Christians in Lebanon.
- Islamic extremists in Libya and Iran.

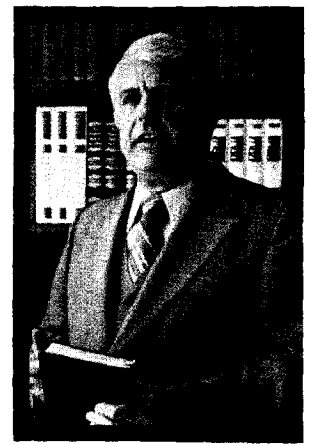
For several years, increasingly militant American evangelicals have been on a collision course with something they disdainfully call "secular humanism." Dramatized by textbook burnings and court battles over creationism versus evolution in school curricula, evangelicals blame the phenomenon for the country's ailments—from drug abuse to declining test scores, pornography and promiscuity, shoplifting to shiftlessness, and family breakups to failures in foreign policy.

As Election Day, 1984, drew near, it appeared that the two major presidential candidates were competing as to who could appear the most devout, while trying not to alienate those who fear state entanglement with religion.

Some have seen in President Reagan's remarks an indication that, unless others subscribe to his viewpoint (and that of the religious right) on certain controversial issues, they are intolerant toward religion. Democratic vice-presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro remarked that Reagan must not be a very good Christian, because of his alleged indifference to those who benefit from social programs such as Social Security and welfare.

Both Republicans and Democrats have utilized churches in voter registration drives.

Fernon D. Retzer, Southern Union director of public affairs and religious liberty, and members of the Southern Society of Adventist Attorneys keep a watchful eye on matters that might affect religious freedom. 1984-85 Society officers are: Kenneth Beane, president; Frank B. Potts, vice-president; Retzer, secretary; Richard P. Center, treasurer.



Jerry Falwell, pastor of a Baptist church in Lynchburg, Virginia, and founder of the Moral Majority, has become a prominent national figure, applauded by some, feared by others. Democratic nominees Walter Mondale and Ferraro have charged that he will be allowed to pick a couple of Supreme Court justices if Reagan wins the election, an allegation Falwell labels "ludicrous." "Mr. Reagan and I do not have an intimate relationship," Falwell says. "I do not call him, and he does not call me."

Pat Robertson, founder of the Christian Broadcasting Network, has used his satellite pulpit to comment on political issues ranging from abortion to foreign policy.

Seventh-day Adventists have traditionally stood for separation of church and state, and have, for many years, published a magazine, *Liberty*, which has been sent to thought leaders nationwide in an effort to keep the issues before them so the rights of the few will not be trampled in a society which honors the voice of the majority.

The Adventist view of eschatology admits the inevitability of intolerance in an America where Protestantism grasps the rejuvenated hand of its old enemy, the Papacy.

The events which led to the March appointment of William Wilson as ambassador to the Vatican were unsettling to American liberty watchers. The deed was nearly done before opponents could mobilize, and their efforts to be heard apparently proved too little, too late.

This election year has dramatized interesting, and sometimes bewildering, challenges to Seventh-day Adventists. With no official church policy on abortion, which has been elevated to a major campaign issue, SDAs can be found in both camps.

Prayer in public schools, which Adventist congressional liaison Gary M. Ross confesses is "a matter that even experts concede is murky and frustrating," has been opposed by *Liberty* magazine as a step toward state-sponsored religion.

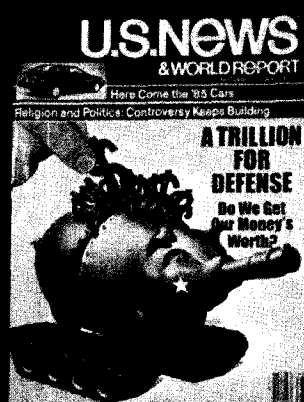
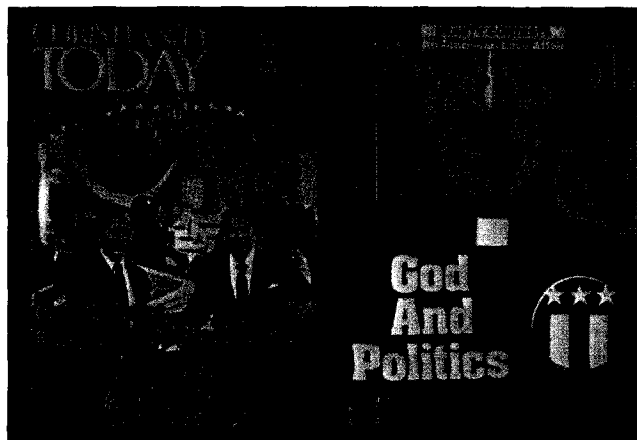
Such a stand would seem to reflect negatively on Ronald Reagan, who favors a constitutional amendment to allow school prayer.

But many Adventists find it difficult to vote for the Democratic ticket, knowing Mondale's debt to the labor unions, which Ellen White condemns, and which continue to be a problem for Sabbath keepers in the workplace.

However individual Seventh-day Adventists choose to vote, it is clear that the Adventist concern for religious freedom has an opportunity to be heard as never before.

Against this backdrop, the Southern Society of Adventist Attorneys celebrated its tenth anniversary October 12 and 13 at Fall Creek Falls State Park, near Pikeville, Tennessee.

"Five years ago, if you were to run an ad in the paper



and say, 'Somebody is going to talk about religious liberty,' you couldn't get 15 people out to listen to it," declared speaker Lee Boothby, an attorney with Americans United for Separation of Church and State. "They weren't interested in it. It wasn't important. I can tell you there are a lot of people interested today. If that were not true, it wouldn't be a big political issue."

But saying "religious liberty" is easier than defining it, Boothby cautioned. "If you were to go down the street and ask 20 people what they mean by 'religious liberty,' you'd get 20 different answers. One would say, 'I want prayer in the schools.' Another would say, 'I don't want prayer in the schools,' and both would consider that an expression of religious liberty."

A growing number seem to be calling for a revision or reinterpretation of the First Amendment, arguing, as did President Reagan in the October 7 presidential debate, that the "establishment clause," barring government support of religion, has received improper priority over the "free exercise" clause, and thus the government has been hostile, rather than neutral, to religious expression.

Walter Carson, associate counsel for the General Conference, acknowledged the awkward position in which the church often finds itself and the potential for public misunderstanding.

Does our support for separation of church and state extend to advocating the removal of "In God We Trust" from American currency, deleting "under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance, or dismissing chaplains from the military and legislatures?

"Sometimes the Legal Affairs Committee [of the General Conference] is unable to reach a consensus," said Carson. "You see people on the committee arguing against a case because maybe the facts are bad, or the principle of the law involved is questionable," or we would be viewed as supporting unpopular, controversial groups and causes.

The potential list is long. Because of our concern for religious liberty, freedom of the press, and freedom from censorship, the church sometimes finds itself in the uncomfortable position of appearing to side with bizarre religious cults, and even pornographers, while opposing the efforts of fundamentalist churches.

The church has been in the difficult position of opposing planned prayer in public schools and nativity scenes on public property because of underlying principles which it deems important for ensuring liberty of conscience for all people.

The church's resistance to growing government intrusion into church financial and operational affairs could identify it in some minds with tax-evading religious leaders, like Sun Myung Moon, and many media preachers who appear to enrich themselves over the

airwaves, or religious institutions which claim First Amendment exemption to camouflage sex or race discrimination.

What do fellow Christians think when Seventh-day Adventist Church leaders express misgivings over the appointment of conservative judges who are seen as tough on crime, pornography, homosexuality, prostitution, etc., because they see these judges as less committed to individual rights and capable of decisions which might have an unfortunate, and probably unintended, effect on religious freedom?

*Adventist Review* Assistant Editor James Coffin reports on a New York case in which a patient, a Jehovah's Witness, ordered physicians not to give her a blood transfusion, despite the fact that she had entered the hospital for a potentially dangerous cesarean birth. "When complications arose, neither her non-Jehovah's Witness husband nor the church's headquarters could be reached immediately. The hospital's legal office finally told the doctors to go ahead with the transfusion—but it was too late. The result: the New York Supreme Court recently declared the hospital negligent and awarded the woman's husband \$1.25 million."

Clearly, politics and religion are no easier for the church to sort out than for government.

"Although we feel secure in our religious liberty, it is not secure," warned Boothby. "It is a very fragile thing, and it is subject to change at any moment, based on current emotions. He then referred to the fact that only two more states are needed to ratify a call for a constitutional convention to draft a balanced budget amendment. But such a convention might not be limited to the budget, Boothby said, and cherished freedoms could be abruptly swept away.

"History tells me," writes *Liberty* Editor Roland Hegstad, "that persecution comes, generally, not from bad people trying to make other people bad, but from good people trying to make other people good. And ironic it would be if we lose our freedom at last, not to leftists tossing bombs, but to Christians espousing slogans—Christian Republic, Faith of Our Fathers, Spirit of '76, Save Our Sunday, Put God Back Into Our Schools.

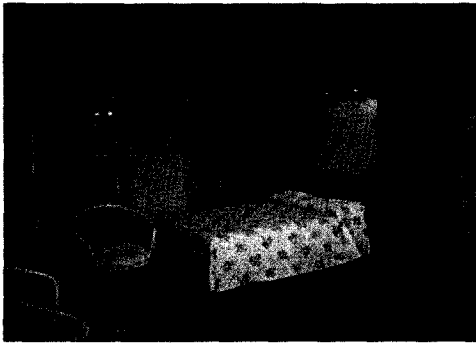
"Once again upon a golden plain a golden image stands, and men are commanded again to bow. Little comfort that this time the image will have a cross in one hand and an American flag in the other."

"I think we should seize the opportunity today," challenges Boothby. "The atmosphere is perfect. The opportunity is here. We have been given an open door to present our beliefs, not only in religious liberty, but in the third angel's message. And it is up to us to seize that opportunity and carry it forth. If we don't, we have failed in our mission to our church and to our God."

Maranatha Living Center is located in New Port Richey on Florida's tranquil Sun Coast.



# Maranath



Attractive surroundings, a convenient location next door to the church, a long list of nearby services and recreational activities make Maranatha Center a nice place to retire.

One of the fully furnished studio rental apartments.

Residents can visit and relax in the lounge located next to the beautiful dining room where vegetarian, home-style meals are served.

Over the last 16 years, the name Maranatha Flights International has become synonymous with volunteer construction work for needy areas around the world. Thousands of Christians have been able to express their love, enthusiasm, and unselfish concern for others through the hundreds of mission projects that have been organized by this "Christian Peace Corps." Often referred to as simply "Maranatha," this family of volunteers has found fellowship, adventure, opportunity, and a deep inner sense that what it does really makes an important difference in the world.

As Maranatha Flights International has grown, both in the number of projects accomplished and the number of participants involved, it has searched for potential methods of putting the organization on a more solid financial footing. Traditionally, donations and membership dues have been the sole means of support for Maranatha. Finally, in the summer of 1982, the Board of Directors decided something must be done immediately to insure the future of the Maranatha ministry.

John Bullock, private businessman and member of the Board of Directors, accepted the challenge of determining a feasible method of financial support for Maranatha. John, along with his business partner, Wayne Schaffer, devised a bold plan that was sure to draw a

great deal of attention. The proposed plan was the construction and operation of a retirement facility.

While presenting this new plan to the Maranatha Board of Directors, John Bullock stated clearly, "This would be a major new development for MFI. The whole concept is new, different, and challenging." After much prayer and deliberation, it was voted to move ahead positively and watch for God's continued leading. Bullock and Schaffer decided to volunteer their time and expertise to help assure the success of the project.

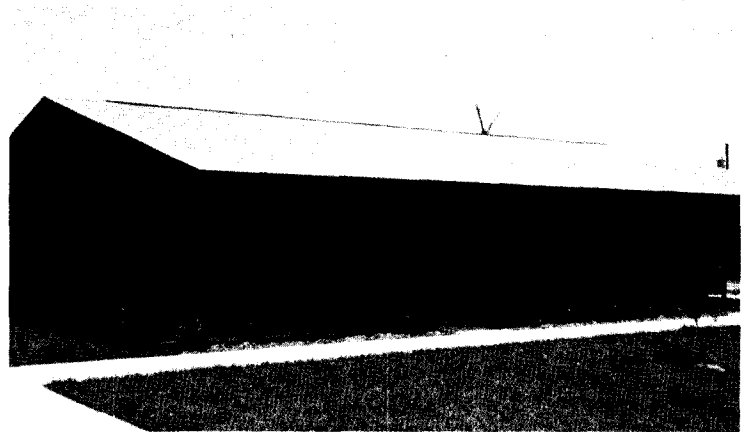
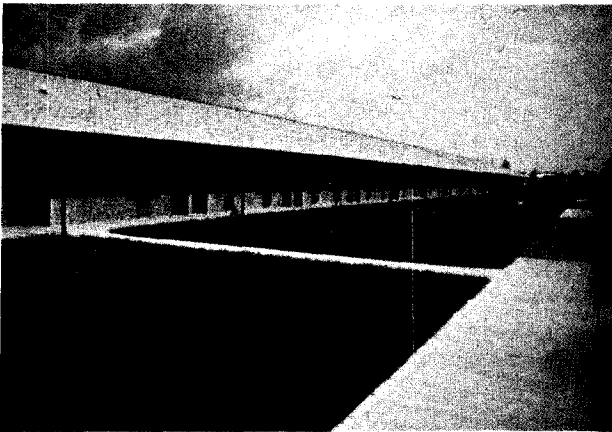
New Port Richey, Florida, was chosen as the site for the new facility, which was to be called the Maranatha Living Center—Florida. It was an exciting day in December of 1983 when Maranatha leadership personnel, Florida Conference officials, and other interested supporters gathered for the official ground-breaking ceremony. The future looked bright for the proposed 80-unit retirement center.

The word went out to the 2,300 members of Maranatha Flights International that help was needed for a unique project that would help to assure the financial future of their organization. The response was inspiring! More than 200 volunteers worked during the early months of 1984, saving the project more than \$400,000 in non-construction costs. Some workers stayed a few da

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# Jew Life for Maranatha

by Don Noble



Others worked for several months. Bob Griffith, when asked why he stayed on the project for more than three months, replied, "This is what heaven is going to be like. We have come from all over the country, and we are having a great time working and fellowshiping together!"

Excitement steadily mounted as the completion of the Living Center neared. When the final brick had been laid and all the furnishings were in place, it was a time of attitude, relief, and hope. Some of the feelings were immortalized by the reaction of Pat Bullock. "We are extremely happy that the Living Center is now a reality. There were discouraging and difficult times during the project, but now we can look to the future knowing that God will bless this new facility."

Plans for the open-house ceremonies began to take shape. "Is Labor Day really a good time to have our grand opening?" "Do you think anyone will come?" "Are we really ready?" These and other questions were on the minds of those making final plans. When the doors were opened on September 2 the response was simply overwhelming. According to Roberta Crabtree, newly appointed administrator of the Maranatha Living Center, "We were delighted with the response at the Open House. Nearly 600 people toured the facility in just

one day. The reactions were extremely positive. Everyone expressed what a lovely home we have, and I was happy to tell them that we are ready for people to make this their new home."

With 24 full-life lease apartments and 56 rental studio apartments, the Maranatha Living Center—Florida is prepared to offer a comfortable, relaxing, and uniquely Christian place to enjoy the retirement years. All proceeds from the operation of the Maranatha Living Center will be used to advance the important ministry of Maranatha Flights International.

Yes, Maranatha really does involve people who want to help other people. Now it is being done, not only through construction, but also through the newly opened Maranatha Living Center—Florida. Visitors are always welcome at the center located at 575 E. County Road 518, New Port Richey, Florida 33552. Telephone (813) 847-2980. Come and see what might look like just another building, but what is, in reality, a miracle that will continue to make other miracles a reality all over the world.

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President and First Lady James E. Edgecombe are pictured at Tallahassee Civic Center. Edgecombe was one of the speakers at the youth federation.



Fourteen Master Guides were inducted at the youth federation in Tallahassee, Florida.

## Induction and Music 1967

by R. R. Brown



Carl, Carla, and Carlton Byrd lift their voices in song at music concert.

Two of the major events in Southeastern among the numerous activities that mark the unwearied pace of President J. A. Edgecombe and his staff were the Southeastern Conference Workers' Meeting and the Southeastern Conference Youth Federation.

### Workers' Meeting

Six hundred and eight baptisms were reported by the pastors at the worker's meeting, held September 17-19 in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. In a setting of peace and tranquility, as the waters of the Atlantic Ocean washed the shores, Edgecombe and his corps of workers had an opportunity to review, recollect, and project.

E. E. Cleveland, dean of evangelism and professor of religion, Oakwood College, and C. E. Dudley, the regional conference president with longest tenure and historian, shared many special and vital insights with the workers and their families in the areas of evangelism and church history as it relates to black achievements.



Retirees unite with active workers in charting the future of the Southeastern Conference.



Nine-year-old Keisha Roberson of Lakeland bursts into song, bringing down the house.



Keith Dennis, conference youth director, worked with Katie Garrett, youth federation president, on the annual federation meeting.



Leon County Judge Mike Carter attended the youth federation meeting.



C. E. Dudley, president, South Central Conference, discusses historical facts at workers' meeting.



Dr. E. E. Cleveland discusses evangelistic procedures with Southeastern Conference workers in Ft. Lauderdale.

The reports of God's miraculous intervention in the affairs of each pastor's ministry thus far called for a deeper commitment as 1984 winds down. A projected figure of more than 1,000 baptisms is anticipated.

After the usual departmental directors' emphasis, the environment with the quiet, placid waters, which transmitted the sense of inner peace, was exchanged for a waiting, bustling world and the demands for a finished work.

**Southeastern Conference Youth Federation**

Each year the Southeastern Conference Youth Federation draws upon its entire constituency to share in the meaningful activities that are planned relevant to youth affairs.

The Civic Center in Tallahassee, Florida, the state's capital, was the site for this year's convocation. Hundreds of members were in attendance. Keynote speaker, President Edgcombe, deliberated on, "as for me and my house we will serve the Lord." He employed the time to bring to the youth's attention many of the prevailing downward trends, and gave strong emphasis as to what they can accomplish in a positive sense. The day was not without its distinctive flair and style as molded by Feder-

ation President Katie Garrett and her efficient staff members.

Joseph W. Hatchett, circuit court judge, and Mike Carter, Leon County judge, were among the special invitees. Apart from the strong youth participation throughout the session, beginning with Friday night's sacred concert, a number of others created an atmosphere of delight for the occasion. Fourteen Master Guides were inducted just prior to a musical in the auditorium and vespers by George Murray, pastor of the Ocala, Florida, Shiloh, church.

AYS Director Keith Dennis is giving strong leadership to the youth of our conference.



Claude Jones directs the Memphis, Tennessee, Mass Choir at the first-ever music federation.

# Singing a New Song

by I. J. Johnson



Conference Secretary J. W. McCoy installs the federation officers. Shelton Kilby, conference minister of music, is at right.

It was a great day, Sabbath, September 22 in the music city of Nashville, Tennessee. Adventists from Tennessee and Alabama packed the gymnasium of the Temple Baptist church on King's Lane to witness, for the first time, a Tennessee Music Federation set up by Shelton Kilby, minister of music of the conference.

The Music Federation is an organization of lay persons from the churches in the state of Tennessee designed to help all members understand all music and appreciate the higher qualities of music.

Kilby pointed out that, "Music is not only the expression of inner feelings, but also music is a tool to mold the feelings of others. Therefore we



should be careful and constructive as we plan for the music for worship."

The theme of the day was "Sing a New Song." The Sabbath school, with three musical selections, opened with a song service conducted by Victor Brooks. The mission story by Kilby told of the uplifting effect of music that he witnessed on a recent trip to South Africa. The Sabbath school lesson, taught by Victor Brooks, traced musical trends in the Bible.

In the divine worship service special music was offered by the Memphis Mass Choir, directed by Claude Jones. His sister, Gail Jones Murphy, was at the piano. There was organ music, a percussion section, and a guitar section.

The concert guitarist, 12-year-old Carl Gable, surprised the audience with his professional skill and dignity.

Benjamin Reaves, who traveled Inter-America and North America singing with a quartet and is now director of the Department of Religion at Oakwood College, used as his topic for the worship sermon, "A New Song." He left the congregation in the

aesthetics of the eternal city singing a new song with Jesus.

The Oakwood College choir, Eurydice Osterman, director, sang anthems, hymns and spirituals, and a gospel song. The female trio that sang with the choir was Karen Palmer, of New York, alto; Anita Jackson, of Huntsville, soprano; and Donna Taylor, of Kansas City, Missouri, tenor. The male quartet, with a small man singing a deep bass with animation, was Anthony Jones, bass; Ceaser Minor, lead; Todd Virgil, tenor; and Philip Palmer, baritone.

After Xavier Butler gave the vesper thought, there was a Music Achievement Awards Concert. The audience was thrilled to hear the wind, stringed, and percussion instruments played so well by so many.

Oakwood College Religion Department Chairman Benjamin Reaves delivers the eleven o'clock message.



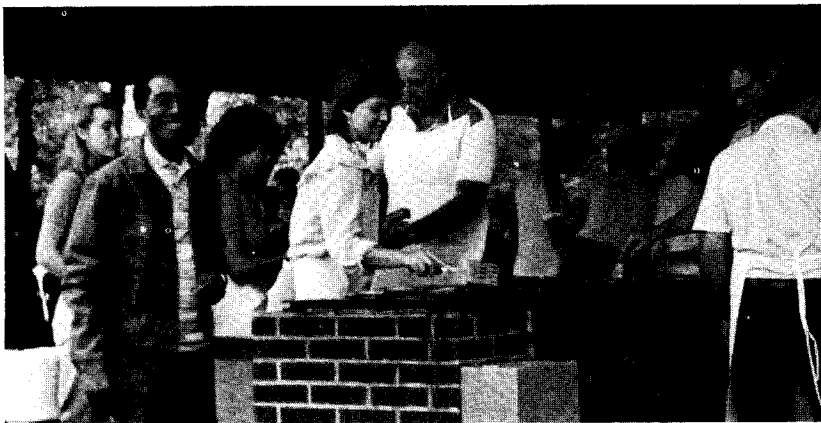
Twelve-year-old Carl Gable sings and plays guitar for the capacity crowd.



Nashville's New Life Choir sings, under the direction of Ed Williams.

## Student Commitment Strong on Collegedale Campus

by Doris Burdick



Ralph Peay, youth director for the Southern Union, faces the camera at the pancake breakfast on Sunday morning of Collegiate Commitment Weekend. Bud Bracebridge, civilian chaplain, and John Wagner, college president, can be seen at work at the griddle, along with Jann Gentry, secretary in the Development Office. (Photo by Gary Howe).

Getting the new school year off to a solid start, students at Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists participated first in a Collegiate Commitment Weekend, September 6-9, followed a few days later by the fall Week of Spiritual Emphasis, September 17-22.

Lessons from the burning bush were brought home on Sabbath of the commitment weekend by Ray Tetz, associate youth director of the Southern California Conference, speaker for Friday night and Sabbath. Doug Martin, Bible teacher at Spring Valley Academy, in Dayton, Ohio, chose the theme song, "Cause me to come to Thy river, oh Lord . . . to come . . . to drink . . . to live," for his 10 Spiritual Emphasis presentations.

Guests for the Collegiate Commitment Weekend were Ralph Peay, youth director, and C. E. Bracebridge, civilian chaplain of the Southern Union, as well as the youth directors from each of the Southern Union conferences. They participated in many ways, from giving a word of encouragement to

students from their areas, to playing softball; from visiting classes, to flipping pancakes at the Sunday outdoor breakfast given for the students. The Word—the spoken Word, the written Word, and Jesus Christ, the living Word—was the focal point for the weekend.

That very Sabbath afternoon, 82 students activated their commitment by reaching out to the community. Neighbors in Chattanooga and Summit were presented with literature and given the opportunity to participate in a religious survey. A variety of other activities are also being sponsored by the CARE (Collegiate Adventists Reaching Everyone) ministry on campus (The acronym, newly adopted, represents the wider view of Campus Ministry). Dale Tunnell, senior theology major, is associated with Jim Herman, campus chaplain, in coordinating programs such as Adopt-a-Grandparent, the Orange Grove Project (working and playing with handicapped children at 15 resident homes in downtown Chattanooga), Clown Ministry (to cheer

hospitalized children), Target Evangelism, and many others.

"Student response this year is fantastic," affirms Tunnell, "I've never seen lists so long of students willing to help. There's great potential here and it will be super to help put their commitment, that potential, in motion."

Commitment continued to grow during the Week of Spiritual Emphasis. Doug Martin and his wife, Jeri, illustrate that commitment themselves, having served as student missionaries in Indonesia, not for the usual year, but for four years. He explained "How to Get on Track," and emphasized that one can change from ordinary to extraordinary by accepting Christ, the omnipotent cure to all human problems.

"To enter the church and find it filled with students and faculty, to hear them sing, and to sense their dynamic response to what the speaker said—this was an encouraging experience for me," commented one community observer.



Doug Martin, speaker for the Week of Spiritual Emphasis, discusses a Bible text with Leslie Johnson, sophomore nursing student from Altamonte Springs, Florida. (Photo by Jerry Kovalski).

# Studying to Serve

by Gary L. Ivey

Photography by Fred Land and the Editor



Participants at the Cohutta Springs Revelation Seminar Training for Laymen Session sit at tables in seminar style while learning to conduct the seminars themselves.

More than 480 people have demonstrated that they desire to be actively involved in sharing the message of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in a tangible way.

Revelation Seminars, created by Harry Robinson when he was evangelism coordinator in the Texas Conference (now working in the Carolina Conference), have proven to be an effective method of reaching people with the Third Angel's Message. Pastors have been conducting them for about three years. Response to advertising has been greater for Revelation

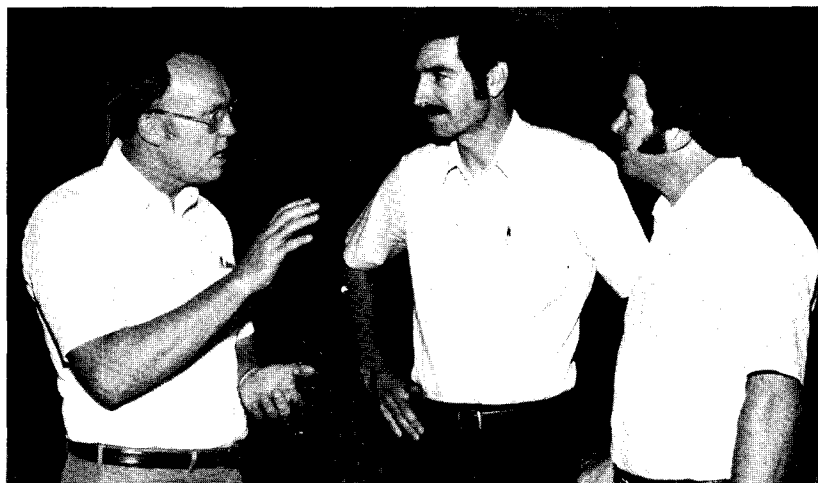
Seminars than for conventional evangelistic meetings.

But laymen have discovered that they can hold Revelation Seminars, too.

Three training sessions have been held recently to train laymen in the holding of Revelation Seminars. August 17-19, 40 persons from the Gulf States Conference gathered at Camp Alamisco in Alabama. Two similar sessions were organized by Southern Union Personal



Dr. Keith Hassinger, an area administrator for the Coastal Bend/Valley area of the Texas Conference, addresses those gathered at the Cohutta Springs workshop.



Larry Cansler, Gulf States Conference evangelist (left), conducts Revelation Seminars, rather than conventional evangelistic meetings. Here he answers questions posed to him by David and Mike Cain, of St. Elmo, Alabama, at the training weekend at Gulf States Conference's Camp Alamisco.



More than 480 laymen have attended Revelation Seminar Training sessions this year.

Ministries Director W. M. Abbott, Jr., and occurred September 28 and 29 at Forest Lake Academy, near Orlando, Florida, and October 5 and 6 at Cohutta Springs Adventist Center, near Crandall, Georgia.

Those present for these training sessions pledged to hold 174 Revelation Seminars in 1984 and the first quarter of 1985.

The Carolina Conference has already had a number of training sessions such as this and is already seeing the results. Eight training sessions had been held by August 18, attended by 206 laymen. Fifteen lay-conducted seminars are in progress in that conference alone as of this writing. In Burlington, a 14-year-old boy is serving as an assistant in a seminar and plans to conduct his own very soon.

The potential of 274 additional evangelistic efforts being conducted in the coming months can be readily seen.

# late news of the conferences

## CAROLINA



A VISITATION COMMITTEE, consisting of five teams of two, has been formed in the Rocky Mount, North Carolina, church. Each team has been given names of inactive Adventists and evangelistic interests to visit. Pastor Bruce Hehn is conducting training sessions.

Pastor Al Mazat indicates that as many as 50 are in attendance at the REVELATION SEMINAR being conducted Sundays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at the Carolina Inn in Gastonia, North Carolina. Approximately 50 percent of those coming are non-Adventists.

Students from Mount Pisgah Academy and Fletcher Academy raised more than \$2,300 during recent INGATHERING field days, according to Don Kenyon, personal ministries director of the Carolina Conference. Three hundred students in more than 75 cars fanned out in a 100-mile radius from the campuses of the individual academies. Doors were knocked on in both North and South Carolina in the all-day activities. Fletcher Academy's field day was September 17 and Pisgah's was October 1. Fletcher raised \$1,100 and Pisgah \$1,250.

The CHURCH BUILDING in Statesville, North Carolina, has been sold for \$50,000. A search is being conducted for property on which to build.

The Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, church is beginning its fellowship hall community services ADDITION. The addition measures 30 feet by 55 feet. Ken Jones, an Adventist builder from the Fletcher area, is supervising the work. Much of the labor will be donated by church members. The addition is scheduled to be finished by the end of November.



Mid-September saw Stephanie Krishinger, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Gene Krishinger, of Hendersonville, North Carolina, board a jet and return for her second year at SEMINARE ADVENTISTE-DU-SALÈVE at Collonges-sous Salève. Her 1983-84 school year was so rewarding to her that during 1984-85, she plans to take enough French credits to major in the subject. Later, she anticipates going for a master's degree in the French language. She spent last school year plus the summer of '84 pursuing her subjects at our college in Collonges. A French roommate during the summer helped Stephanie feel comfortable with the language.

## FLORIDA



Even the threat of hurricanes Diana and Isidore didn't keep REVELATION SEMINAR students away from the St. Augustine class. Some 45 people braved the elements despite warnings of local officials to stay home when Diana was in the area. Meeting in the banquet hall of the Dutch Pantry restaurant, an average of 60-70 nonmembers have been enthusiastically studying their Bibles. "The response has been tremendous," says Pastor Ed Komorowski. "I had people asking me about the Sabbath when we hadn't even touched on the subject." The night the topic of the Sabbath was to be presented Hurricane Isidore dumped rain on the city and still 30 people attended!

Pastor Ron Bentzinger, Clearwater, is holding a MINI-EVANGELISTIC SERIES for his members during the regular Sabbath worship services. "We know from surveys that more than 50 percent of our congregations don't attend nightly evangelistic meetings for various reasons, but they do attend church and we wanted to do this for them.



A BIRTHDAY PARTY for Walker Memorial Junior Academy, which opened its doors in 1947, was "the kick off for fund raising for the new addition to the school," reports William Ruby, principal. At the birthday breakfast, where some 700 pancakes were served, everyone was encouraged to bring a cash birthday gift. More than \$7,000 was raised which went toward the new 8,000-square-foot addition to the school which houses five new classrooms and administrative offices, plus the remodeling of the exterior of the older section of the building.

"Every year our Pathfinders have a GARAGE SALE to raise money for their years' activities," says Markham Woods Pastor Doug Foley, "and the kids raise huge amounts of money! People in the church and community now expect the garage sales. It's a tradition." Marta Zintel, co-director of the club, said \$2,000 was raised this fall to enable club members to go to Camp Hale, Colorado, for the North American Camporee in July, 1985. "We'll have another garage sale in February so that every Pathfinder who wants to go can go."



"Thirty-five people have been BAPTIZED so far this year," reports Clarence Pillsbury, pastor at Ft. Pierce. "The secret to success here is that the church members are working. They brought half of the guests to church for an evangelistic series by Dan and Gloria Bentzinger where 28 souls were baptized. The church members are working and they're so excited that we have changed our baptism goal from 25 to 40 for 1985."



During the recent Greater Miami Metropolitan Spanish Campaign three FIVE-DAY PLANS TO STOP SMOKING were conducted. "People were there who had smoked for 30 and 40 years," reports Pastor Candido Enriquez, who conducted a plan with Dr. Jaime Gonzalez at the Palm Springs church. "One woman was so emotional about her success that she couldn't speak. Her doctor husband had tried every scientific method for 10 years to help her quit smoking and nothing worked. Another man told us our plan was his 'last hope. It is either stop or the grave.'" Twenty-five people quit at that plan and another 25 quit at the plan conducted by Pastor Sergio Torres and Dr. Ingrid Mixter at the Westchester church. Pastor



Jose Hernandez and Dr. Carlos Hernandez had the third plan at the Miami Central church and, of the 100 people in attendance, 80 quit the habit.

A nightly VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL was conducted in Melbourne with several men leading out in the junior division and crafts department. "We found that at night we got better participation from church members, especially the men, since they worked during the day," reports Joanne Kittle, personal ministries leader (July, 1983-84). The nightly VBS was a successful experiment which was started last year. Forty children attended.



The Jacksonville First church will celebrate its FIRST ANNIVERSARY December 8. Pastor Gary Tolbert encourages past and present members to attend. The church in its first year has been very active, including sequence evangelism this summer with a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking, a cooking school, stress seminar, a Real Christianity seminar, Dr. James Dobson's Focus on the Family series, and has just concluded a Prophecy Lecture series.

GULF STATES



Paul Eldridge, former Far Eastern Division president, was guest speaker for the first GULF COAST CAMP MEETING held at Panama City, Florida, September 7 and 8. All Gulf Coast churches were represented, as well as several inland ones. The good response was a determining factor in the decision to make it an annual affair, with the 1985 meeting to be held at Pensacola, Florida.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE



With a spacious kitchen complete with cabinets in the new gym at Ridgetop, Tennessee, head deaconess Marie Christian, assisted by sister deaconesses, gave a SHOWER for "Mother Hubbard's" empty cupboards. As a result, the cupboards in the gym kitchen are no longer bare!



Jim Pleasants, conference youth director, reports a very successful summer CAMPING PROGRAM, with more than 600 young people attending the various camps. Approximately 110 youth made decisions to follow Jesus, with plans for baptism.

Hugh Leggett, conference secretary, is conducting a series of EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS in the Lexington, Kentucky, church. Pastor Bud Williams is assisting him.



A Kentucky-Tennessee PATHFINDER LEADERSHIP CONVENTION was held at Indian Creek Camp, August 24-26. Sixteen clubs were represented. Special focus was on spiritual leadership. Guest speaker was Jim Herman, chaplain at Southern College. Others participating in the program were Dan Kittle, Bible teacher at Highland Academy, and Clyde Leeds, pastor of the Covington, Kentucky, church.

Eugene Johnson, pastor of the Nashville, Tennessee, First church, recently baptized Larry Carter at the TENNESSEE STATE PRISON. This is the sixth person baptized since the evangelistic crusade held inside the prison by Conn Arnold. Johnson has a regular series of studies each week with other interests.

A SABBATH SCHOOL WORKSHOP was held at Madison, Tennessee, Campus church October 20. Sabbath school helps for the first quarter of 1985 were presented by the following team: Marla Bell, cradle roll; Dorothy Matthews, kindergarten; Vicky Pederson, primary; Lindy Parker, juniors and earliteen. Conn Arnold, conference Sabbath school director, led out in the adult lessons. On November 17, a similar workshop will be held in Lexington, Kentucky.

Ed Shafer, pastor of the Frankfort, Lawrenceburg, Gratz, and Versailles churches, reports all churches have surpassed their 1984 INGATHERING goals as of August 6. They continue to make contacts for this great mission program.

Members from the Belcher and Prestonsburg, Kentucky, churches recently conducted HEALTH SCREENING at two of the local county fairs. Using the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference health van, they gave computerized health checks and free blood pressure checks. At the two fairs, more than 480 blood pressures were taken and 220 computer health screens conducted. Literature was also distributed.

SOUTH ATLANTIC



Joseph J. Rodriguez will be a candidate for GRADUATION from Oakwood College in March, 1985; he was called as an "intern evangelist." Rodriguez has distinguished himself as a talented evangelist by his performance in the seven campaigns he has conducted, including the one in Liberia, West Africa, in 1983 at which time he baptized 600 in a six-week period. In New Orleans, he baptized 129. The total exceeds 1,000. His wife of nine months, Eleanor, is a student at Oakwood.

ADVENTIST HEALTH SYSTEM/SUNBELT



William Iles, assistant to the president at Florida Hospital, was recently appointed to serve on the STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, Florida Study Commission on Vocational Education. Iles and 33 other people from various areas of interest and concern were appointed to

serve on the study committee. Approximately three times a year this committee will meet to decide how to recruit young people into the type of vocational education that will assist them in the job market between now and the year 2000. The study committee will also focus on the goals and purposes, strengths and weaknesses of Florida's vocational education system and will recommend to the State Board of Education and the legislature ways to improve it.



Because of the tragic death of a small girl named Amanda in Titusville, Florida, the Orlando TV station, WCPX-Channel 6, began a FINGERPRINTING PROGRAM last August called, "Ident-a-Kid." Florida Hospital has become a co-sponsor of this program. The "Ident-a-Kid" program's goal is to fingerprint more than 100,000 children in the central Florida area. As of September 26, 22,000 children had been fingerprinted. "Tragedy is something no one likes to think about," says Fred Lee, vice president of public relations at Florida Hospital. "Florida Hospital is proud to be a co-sponsor of this program because we believe it is extremely important that parents have the opportunity to fingerprint their children."

## SOUTHERN COLLEGE



Olson Perry, general manager and program director for FM 90.5 WSMC, has been elected president of the ADVENTIST RADIO NETWORK for the next two years. Twelve stations belong to ARN, three of them in the Southern Union. (WDNX at Harbert Hills Academy and WOCCG at Oakwood College are the other two.) Plans currently being developed for the network include coverage of the General Conference Session in New Orleans next June. A summary of each day's sessions will be prepared for broadcast over member stations.



Die Meistersinger, the men's chorus at Southern College, has been invited to participate in the Chattanooga Boys' Choir "SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE" presentations on November 30 to December 2 in Chattanooga. The group of 22 students, under the direction of Dr. Marvin Robertson, chairman of the Division of Music, was especially chosen to present sacred music sections of the program.



ALUMNI CHAPTERS for Southern College have now been set up in 43 areas of the United States. Many of these chapters were activated this past summer by Dr. Jack McClarty, vice president for development, and William H. Taylor, director of alumni affairs. Plans call for visiting several more chapters in the near future.

As new campus foreman for the GROUNDS DEPARTMENT at Southern College, Mark Antone supervises the work of some 45 students. He and his wife, Jayne, have come from California where he was lead gardener for Sterling Vineyards in Calistoga. While taking classes in landscape and nursery technology, he gained supervisory experience in the grounds department at Pacific Union College.

During the second full week of fall classes, KEYS TO LEARNING were shared with students by Harold R. Milliken, Ph.D. Milliken, a professor of biology at Loma Linda University/La Sierra, has made a study of effective learning methods. He bases his suggestions on the concept that the mind is a multi-sensory visual processor. In cooperation with the Teaching Learning Center, he worked with classes and individuals, as well as speaking for assembly and a meeting of teachers.

The annual breakfast meeting of the SC COMMITTEE OF 100 took place at Southern College on September 13. William A. Iles is president of the dues-paying supporters who have joined the group. Charles Fleming, Jr., is executive director. Active membership exceeds 115 and is likely to reach 120 by year's end.

## OAKWOOD COLLEGE



Dr. Emerson A. Cooper, professor of chemistry at Oakwood College, is one of 29 persons in the nation being awarded a CERTIFICATE OF MERIT for outstanding achievement in academic advising for 1984 in a national awards competition sponsored jointly by The American College Testing Program (ACT) and the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA). Cooper was nominated for this competition by Dr. Roy E. Malcolm, vice-president for instruction at Oakwood College. For 36 years, Dr. Cooper has served as the principal advisor at Oakwood for students pursuing careers in medicine, dentistry, chemistry, and the allied health professions.

## SOUTHERN UNION

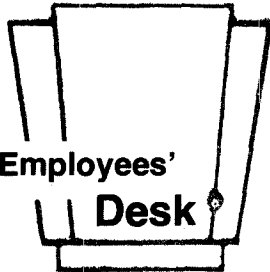


Robert Sheldon and Henry Cowen, district representatives for Christian Record Braille Foundation in North Carolina and Georgia respectively, were HONORED recently for their ministry on behalf of the blind during 1983. Sheldon, serving western North Carolina for Christian Record since 1980, was honored for personally visiting 1,205 blind persons during 1983, in addition to extending nearly 850 free reading and camping services to those he serves. Responsible for the territory in southern Georgia since 1981, Cowen's honor was for visiting 1,036 blind, extending more than 4,850 free services and offering some 547 Bible Correspondence services. The presentations were made during a Christian Record rally for workers serving the blind in the Southern, Southwestern, Columbia, Atlantic, and Lake Union areas at Cohutta Springs Camp in Georgia.

The Southern Union, under the direction of Sabbath School Director Fernon Retzer, will participate in a pilot project introducing CELEBRATION, the denomination's newest journal, to the Sabbath school leaders of this union. At the heart of Celebration will be the new program notes that will assist Sabbath school leaders in developing programs that encourage small group interaction and evangelism. Retzer has already been active in conducting workshop seminars to train his Sabbath school leadership staff in the use of Celebration. The newly elected editor is Harold Baasch, formerly the public relations, marketing, and development director of the Adventist Health System/Sunbelt Health Care Corporation.



Ben Maxson



## Denominational Employees'

Desk

### FROM CONVERT TO DISCIPLE

If you read the Gospel Commission in Matthew 28:18-20 in the New International Version, you quickly discover that the emphasis of this God-given task is on producing disciples, not mere converts. The very word "disciple" implies one who has yielded his or her life to a Master, is spending time with that Master, and is following the Master's example while being empowered by the Master.

In our secular age, there is little difference between the average church member and a person in the world. For most Christians, religion makes significantly little difference in their lives. Not so with disciples. For a disciple of Christ, the dominant controlling factor in life is that relationship with the Master. Note, this is not a life lived by a list of rules or controlling forces. Rather, it is a life lived controlled by the presence of the One who has the power to triumph, for He has already overcome.

God never intended or equipped us to battle the forces of evil in this world. The only battle for which we are equipped is the battle of self-surrender. Once that battle is won, the life of the Christian disciple becomes one of triumph and victory, for when beset by trial or temptation, the Lord fights the battle—not the disciple. The effort of the Christian is to be focused on maintaining that relationship which allows God to triumph in his or her life.

For years we have been told what to do—but we have spent little time in learning how to live this life of discipleship. Isn't it time that we focus on learning to walk with the Master, as Jesus invited His disciples of old to do (Mark 3:13)?

*Ben Maxson is pastor of the Dalton, Georgia, church.*

# World View

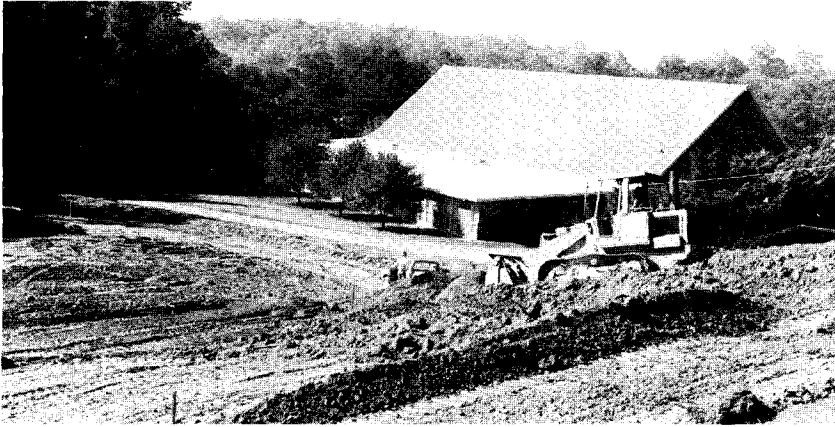
**One Million Leave Jehovah's Witnesses.** The number of former Jehovah's Witnesses has grown to the point that they have formed a network and are producing literature critical of the society. Although evangelism is strong, statistics show that one million left the church in the last 10 years. Through the years, Jehovah's Witnesses have set dates for the return of Christ, the first in 1914, the most recent in 1975. *Newsweek*, October 15.

**Review and Herald Saves \$1.5 Million Per Year.** When the Review and Herald Publishing Association and the Southern Publishing Association merged in March, 1980, studies showed that \$1 million could be saved each year by the merger. As of August 31, 1984, the House showed a saving of \$1,526,000 annually, largely because of decreased staff, compared with the employees required to operate the two plants. "I think it is important to point out that this has been achieved primarily through attrition, with only 13 percent of these cuts being in the form of actual employee layoffs," says Harold Otis, Jr., president. *Review and Herald News Release*, September 24.

**World Temperance Congress Emphasizes Prevention.** Some 400 educators, religious leaders, youth and parent group leaders, health professionals, and government personnel from 33 countries attended the Fifth World Congress of the International Commission for the Prevention of Alcohol and Drug Dependency (ICPA) in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, August 26-30. One of the speakers for the SDA organized temperance convention was Candy Lightner, president and founder of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) whose own 13-year-old daughter was killed by a drunk driver. The roles of religion, the family, and nutrition in prevention of alcoholism and drug abuse were discussed. *Adventist Review*, October 18.

**GC Adopts Church Organization Commission Report.** Delegates to the Annual Council voted to approve the report of F. W. Wernick's Role and Function of Church Organizations Commission October 14. The report, which was discussed for parts of three days, recommends significant changes in SDA church structure around the world (see World View for October). Among the changes were an increased operational latitude and responsibility for the North American Division; trimming of the union structures; a Church Ministries Department combining Sabbath School, Personal Ministries, Youth, and Stewardship on all levels; and the shift of program creation and planning to the local church and conference levels. General Conference President Neal C. Wilson believes \$1.25 million per year will be saved at the General Conference level alone because of the changes. Final action will not be taken until the GC session at New Orleans in 1985. After the GC has recommended procedures for implementation to the divisions, actual changes on the union level would be recommended to the union sessions in 1986. No changes will be made in the GC constitution until after trying the new structure for five years. At the 1990 GC session, permanent changes could be made. *General Conference News Release*, October 15.

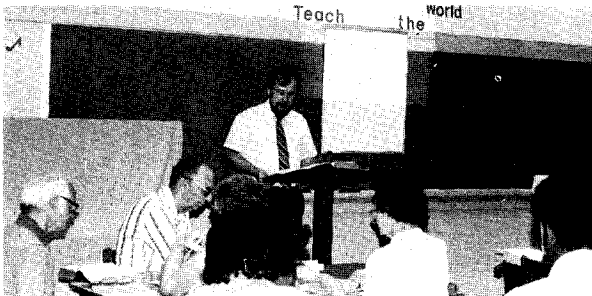
# Pictorial Stories



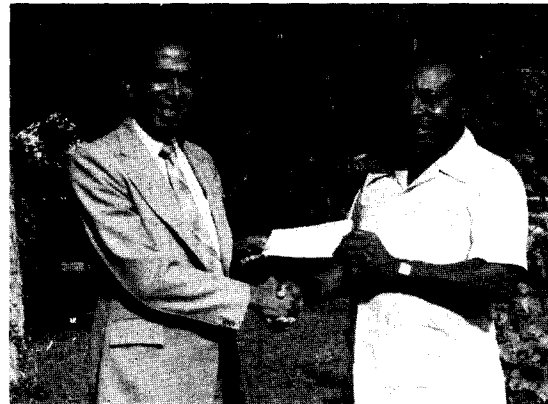
Bulldozers are in position and dirt is being moved at Mount Pisgah Academy. The site is being leveled and graded in preparation for pouring the footings for the new Administration Building.



Roy Vartabedian, D.H.Sc., associate director for preventive care of the Florida Hospital Family Practice Residency, Orlando, Florida, (standing right), and Thomas E. Hamilton, MD (seated) residency program director recently accepted the 1984 *Patient Care Award for Excellence in Patient Education* by a family practice residency program on behalf of the Florida Hospital and its Preventive Care Learning Center. Also pictured is Clayton Raker Hasser, editor of *Patient Care* who presented the award September 11 at the seventh annual Patient Education Conference in Kansas City, Missouri.



Three Revelation Seminars are in full swing in the Salisbury/Lexington, North Carolina, area. Layman Dick Elsner, principal of the church school and a local church elder, is conducting a group in Salisbury; layman Norwood Smith, local elder, holds a class in Lexington, and Pastor Jerry Mobley (pictured) conducts a third seminar in Rockwell.



Southern Union Associate Secretary Ward D. Sumpter (right), presents a check for \$4,000 to Napoleon Grunder, chairman of the board of management for the Franco-Haitian Adventist Institute in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Sumpter raised the money in Atlanta, Georgia, to help build a school in an area which has 1,000 Seventh-day Adventist children, but no school. Sumpter learned of the need while conducting a week of prayer at the Institute. Grunder received the check on a visit to Atlanta September 12.



During a recent Georgia-Cumberland ministers' retreat, pastors joined together in an unusual way. Here, Rolland Ruf is aided by fellow pastors in escaping an "electric fence." The theme of the retreat was Leadership in the Church, and, as is demonstrated in the picture, the lectures were accompanied by a practical application, showing the important relationship between the leader and the support group. Other activities included the "caterpillar walk," which fastened together the feet of about a dozen people, with movement achieved only by a coordinated group effort. Participating in the presentations were Conference Secretary Don Aalborg, Ministerial Director Roy Caughron, President Gary Patterson, and Georgia-Cumberland Academy Pastor LeClare Litchfield.





se happy helpers saw to it that constituents in the Southern on were given an opportunity to share in the Religion Center—Ju-Conian Hall project at Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists. They addressed and stuffed the 40,000 envelopes for them Union President A. C. McClure's letter seeking financial port to complete the transformation of Miller Hall, former music ding, into office, instructional, and laboratory space for the sion of Religion. Seated is Robin Halvorsen, an assistant in the nni Office. Standing are Lesa Hoth (left), Kim Shearer, Lynette ins, Karen Larsen, Renee Jacobson, and Meli Liwag, all stu- ts at Southern College. The mailbags shown represent only one d of the total mailing.



"A prison baptism may not be unusual, but it is when you have to use a flooded shower stall," says Pastor Roy Merrifield (left). Such was the case when Luis Rodriguez (center), who was incarcerated at the Monroe County Jail in Key West, Florida, was baptized by Merrifield, pastor of the Key West church. The baptism came as a result of Bible studies given by Arthur King (right) who works with the Jesus Behind Bars program.

verage of 15 members of the Filipino-American church singly at the Life Care Center of Altamonte Springs in Altamonte gs, Florida. For nearly three years the group sang weekly on ath afternoons. Now it visits the 240 resident care center once a n, with the Pathfinders from the Apopka church also singing once a month. The Filipino-American group was honored, with 60 other volunteers, at a Volunteer Day luncheon at the r, celebrating the dedication of the volunteers to its residents.



A company of believers was organized August 11 in Rockingham, North Carolina. Pastor Mark Goldstein reports a baptism the day of organization and another September 1 has brought membership now to 14. He also adds that each week new visitors are in attendance.

Beginning with the January, 1985, issue, *Your Life and Health* will get a new name—*Vibrant Life*, with the subtitle *A Christian Guide for Total Health*. Following extensive study by the Review and Herald's marketing advisory panel, it was agreed that the magazine should capitalize on our uniqueness as Seventh-day Adventists by featuring articles and human-interest stories that convey the benefits of combining a strong faith in God with good health principles. Speaking about the new name, Editor Ralph Blodgett comments, "I feel that the name *Vibrant Life* really communicates what the new magazine is all about, while the subtitle *A Christian Guide for Total Health* points out the unique message that Seventh-day Adventists have to offer the world—physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually."



The members of the Gallatin, Tennessee, church broke ground for their church building August 19. Since then, construction has begun and the building is scheduled to be weatherproof by October 21. Attending the ceremonies were two former pastors, John Estrada and Mel Hillier. Representing the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference were Clayton Farwell, president, and Dwight Hilderbrandt, treasurer. Gerald Dunham is the chairman of the church building committee. Ray Hartwell is the pastor.



Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jones, of Goodlettsville, Tennessee, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in September. The Ridgetop, Tennessee, church, where they are members, honored them with a potted plant and a money gift.

# The Church In Action

## Education

### School Building Raised in Perry

**Florida** — "Before the break of day we were at work," says Pastor Ernie Roy, pastor of the Eustis and Groveland, Florida, district. He and 20 other members from the Eustis and Forest Lake churches traveled to Perry (his former district) and raised a two-room, 20-foot by 20-foot multi-purpose building to house the Perry church school.

"Several families have moved from Perry because we had no school," said one Perry member. "We moved away, too, two years ago until our children were grown and we could move back. The only way our Perry church is going to grow is to have a church school."

One couple from the church de-



Adventists from the Eustis and Forest Lake churches joined Perry members in framing the school building in a single day.

ceded to lease the school 17 and one-half acres of land and provide the materials for a building and lease it en masse to the school for \$1 per year. The only thing that was needed was volunteer help to erect the school building.

The father of one non-Adventist student at the school then cleared the land and the Eustis/Forest Lake group came. Organized by Dr. and Mrs. Don Litchfield of Eustis, the group in one day had the building completely framed in, ducts installed, partitions put up for two bathrooms, and a small kitchen and trusses were in place, with most of the plywood roof completed. An ASI member also donated \$5,000 so that each student could have a brand new desk.

### Six Academies Participate in First Triathlon at SC

**Southern College** — Swimming, cycling, and running were the modes of motion for the first-ever triathlon sponsored by the Division of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation at Southern College. Of the 36 individuals who participated in the challenge of the three consecutive events, seven were Southern College students and the remainder were academy students from six schools.

Distances chosen for this triathlon were 0.5 miles for the swim, which took place at Cohutta Springs Camp in Georgia; 28.5 miles for cycling (the distance from

Cohutta to the Collegedale campus); and 6.2 miles for the run, twice around a loop on and near the campus.

"The primary goal of this triathlon was to generate enthusiasm for fitness in the academies," according to Dr. Robert Kamieneski, chairman of the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Division. Academies participating this year were Atlanta Adventist Academy, Fletcher Academy, Georgia-Cumberland Academy, Greater Miami Academy, Mount Pisgah Academy, and Shenandoah Valley Academy.

First and second place for overall



Ted Evans (left), assistant professor of health, physical education, and recreation at Southern College, presents a trophy to Brad Senska, sophomore from Scottsdale, Arizona.

time went to Dave Nerness and Brian Craig, both from Shenandoah. Their times were 2:23:08 and 2:28:55, clinching the team trophy for their academy, along with William Anderson and Dave Weidemann, who came in fourth and fifth. Brad Senska, of Southern College, placed third with a time of 2:35:21. Shari Bergman, the only woman to enter the triathlon, completed it with a time of 3:59:32.

### 86 Attend Jr. Academy Bible Conference

**Gulf States** — "Designed 'One of a Kind' by God" was the theme of the Junior Academy Bible Conference held at Camp Alamisco September 13-16. Eighty-six teenagers from 13 schools participated in the three-day retreat, which offered seminar sessions geared to help young people relate to some of the specific challenges they face.



Sabbath afternoon activities at the Bible conference included discussion groups.

Paul Opp, dean of boys at Bass Memorial Academy, was the featured speaker for the weekend. He was assisted by Bill and Janet Wood, Alice Robertson, and George Petty in the presentation of the group discussions covering such topics as: Who You Are Is Good Enough; Braces and Other Ordeals; Being Different Is OK; Cliques and Friends; God's Plan for Your Life; Making Sense Out of Greek and Hebrew; and Where Is Your Heart?

A meaningful communion service on Friday evening brought new commitments from the young people who testified that Jesus is Lord of their lives.

## Youth

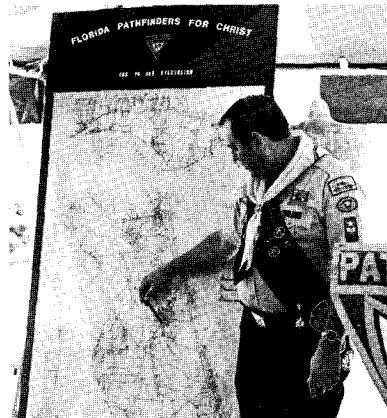
### Layman Directs Florida Pathfinders For Christ

**Florida** — One hundred thirty youngsters have recently joined the ranks of Pathfinder clubs all over the Florida Conference as a result of the new PFC (Pathfinders for Christ) program. The program, which was initiated at the recent Pathfinder convention at Camp Kulaqua, was conceived and is being directed by conference layman Jack NeSmith, Southwest area Pathfinder coordinator.

Pathfinders for Christ is a soul-winning, one-to-one evangelistic program for all Florida Pathfinders. The program is designed to help young people ages 10-15 to share their love for Jesus to their neighbors, friends, and those who have not attended church for a while or for some reason have

dropped out, and to brother or sister other young people, encouraging them to join the local Pathfinder club. By joining the Pathfinder clubs they will be in an environment where they can learn of the Saviour and hopefully make a decision for Him.

"Jack and his wife, Joanne, have



Jack NeSmith points to a map of Florida which shows the locations of all the churches and active Pathfinder clubs.

spent long hours working out the details of this program," says Cheeko Cotta, conference Pathfinder director. "It is through these efforts that this program is finally a reality in Florida. The goal of all our directors and staff is to gain 900 new Pathfinders by June, 1985."

## Health

### Red Cross Uses Ridgetop School For Blood Drive

**Kentucky-Tennessee** — With their blood supply critically low, the Nashville Region American Red

Cross Blood Services personnel were eager to utilize some other sites in Robertson County, Tennessee, besides Springfield, where they come on a regular basis, setting up their equipment in the fellowship hall of one of the city's churches.

The county coordinator contacted the Ridgetop community services director, Mary Wentworth, RN, about the possibility of having the mobile unit to come to Ridgetop.

Once the date and place were established, advertising was done and previous donors contacted.

One of the spacious classrooms of the Lela Whorton Elementary School, Ridgetop, Tennessee, was quickly converted into a blood-collecting center on July 24 by the Red Cross workers and volunteers from the local Adventist church and at least one other church in the community.

Thirty-one persons offered their blood during the four-hour period with four of them deferred. Of the 31, three were first-time donors.

The Red Cross was so pleased with the results they have requested to use the facilities again later this year.

### Deltona Community Center Is Site Of Health Program

**Florida** — "The number one heart risk factor is smoking," said Dr. Rhonda Robinson, Florida Hospital, as she explained the top seven contributing factors of heart disease to residents of Lake Helen, Orange City, and Deltona at the third in a series of no-cost health programs at the Deltona Community Center sponsored by the health-education and community services departments of the Deltona First church.

The other big risk factors include: obesity, stress, high blood pressure, high blood fats, lack of exercise, heredity, and diabetes. Heredity, sex of the person, and age are not factors that people can control.

Those in attendance at the program got their blood pressures taken, viewed an audio-visual program

entitled, "Heart Risk Factors—Staying Well," and asked questions during the lecture. Some received door prizes and all received packets of information on the subject of heart disease.

## Progress

### Contractors Honored After Ft. Meade Remodeling Project

**Florida** — Non-Adventist contractors and tradesmen were honored at a "Day of Celebration" held by the 38-member Ft. Meade congregation. During special Sabbath services, the workers received certificates of appreciation and Bibles for their efforts on the church's remodeling and expansion project.

One contractor, who lives across the street, has taken a strong interest in the church. He not only helped redesign the exterior of the facility, but gave counsel, aided in transactions with other contractors, did a great deal of work at no cost, and even cut the grass!

"The project has really perked up interest from the community," says Dan Forbes, pastor. A gift of \$15,000 was received to build the community service center and another financial gift from the same person bought tables and chairs for the general purpose room, and paid off the air conditioning.

The project included extending



Pastor Dan Forbes gives a brief history showing the progress of the Ft. Meade church to the members and many visitors present for the occasion.



Participating in the Anderson, South Carolina, ground breaking are Arthur Deane (left), building committee member; Larry Barnes, church elder; Ben Wheeler, pastor; Sohelia Dianati, Overstreet Architect Association; Duck Cooley, sheriff; Herman Davis, building committee chairman; Darwin Wright, mayor; Ellen Stewart and Colonel Robert Stewart, from whom the land was purchased.

the sanctuary, building a baptistry, adding a community service and fellowship room, remodeling the Dorcas room, converting an old room into a kitchen, installing central heat and air, changing the windows, refurbishing the exterior of the church, putting on a new roof, and rewiring the church.

### Anderson Breaks Ground for Church

**Carolina** — September 23 was a high day for the 30 members of the Anderson, South Carolina, church. That was the day ground was bro-

ken for the construction of their permanent home on Highway 81 at the edge of Anderson.

Four years ago a group of believers began meeting in Anderson under the guidance of Arnold Friedrich. For two years they met in a "mobile chapel." Then, two years ago, that land was sold and the proceeds were used to purchase the present property. Since then, the members have been holding services at the Anderson YMCA each Sabbath.

Soon the slab will be poured and the walls will be up. The members look forward to the day they can move in.

## Who and Where

### Jackson Lay Evangelist Nets 15 Baptisms

**South Central** — The Berean church of Jackson, Mississippi, conducted a lay evangelistic meeting from July 1 through August 4.

The first elder of the church, MacArthur Crawford, served as the evangelist. He was assisted by B. F. Newsome, another elder of the church.

A number of faithful members of the church attended the meetings, brought relatives and friends, and also helped in the meetings.

From this meeting there were 15

souls baptized and one member was rebaptized. The church now has such a large attendance each Sabbath that chairs must be put in the aisles.

An ongoing follow-up and training institute are being conducted by the pastor, J. I. Grider. Plans are also being formulated for future evangelistic meetings to be held in 1985.

### Pastor's TV Ministry to Air Nationally

**Florida** — "Prophecy Countdown" is becoming a national television program starting November 3. It will air each Saturday at 8 a.m. on Satellite Programming Network (SPN). The same show will also be repeated every Monday at 11 a.m. The program which began on a

local station in Naples, Florida, will now have a potential audience of 11 million homes having cable TV.

"Prophecy Countdown" is different from other programs in that it is a complete evangelistic series centering around Bible prophecy and such subjects as: "What Happens to a Person When He Dies" and "The Truth About Hell."

John Osborne, founder and speaker of "Prophecy Countdown," has become self-supporting in order to be able to devote his full time to the continued development of the program.

Ten toll-free phones are being installed so people from across the nation can call in with questions. Volunteers will staff the phones during all of Osborne's services. The phone number is (800) HIS — LOVE.

## Arden Joins Labor Day Parade

**Carolina** — The New Family Life Singers were featured in the recent Apple Festival in Henderson County, North Carolina. The singing group from the Arden, North Carolina, church, decorated a flatbed truck with the sign "In Apple Country, AMAZING FACTS will give you new life!" As the float moved slowly along the crowded downtown streets, the New Family Life Singers presented musical numbers. At the rear of the truck were the call letters for the station



Members of the New Family Life Singers seen on the float are: George and Nancy Suetzle, Gail McIntyre, Linda McIntyre, Stanley and Beverly Yurth, Jean Conner; George Suetzle, director; and Wilbert Suetzle, sound.

that carries the daily "Amazing Facts" radio program.

One of the singers, Gail McIntyre, is also the personal ministries director. The Sabbath before the Labor Day parade, Gail told the congregation that they could be true witnesses for the Lord by stationing themselves near people who were total strangers and then say, "Look at that float! Have you ever listened to Amazing Facts on our local station? If you haven't, you will surely want to tune in tomorrow at 12:45." The members of the singing group declared it was worth their time, practice, and effort to thus represent their church and the Lord of our lives.

## Carolina Lay Evangelists Hold Reunion

**Carolina** — S. F. Monnier, from the General Conference Personal Ministries Department, was guest speaker for a weekend reunion of Carolina Conference lay evangelists held at Nosoca Pines Ranch, Liberty Hill, South Carolina, September 7, 8.

During the last three years more than 100 Carolina Adventists have attended one or more of the three annual eight-day Lay Evangelist Training Seminars conducted at Nosoca Pines. Monnier was instructor at two of the annual training sessions.

Two people attending the reunion were new Adventists who had

accepted Christ while attending a meeting held by lay evangelists.

Part of the lay evangelism plan is to form action teams in every church. The team meets together to study and pray and organize soul-winning plans. Several seminars and meetings are planned for the last quarter of 1984.

## Ridgetop Couple Recognized for Volunteer Work

**Kentucky-Tennessee** — "Congratulations on your nomination for the 1984 President's Volunteer Action Award. Although you were not among the final award winners, your contribution to your commu-



Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Sullivan (left), were honored by the White House for their volunteer work. Mary Wentworth and Lorraine Dillahay, members of the Ridgetop and Cross Plains, Tennessee, churches, also volunteer their time at the Robertson County Health Care Center.

nity and your fellowman has helped revitalize the spirit of voluntarism in our Nation. I commend the way you have shared your time and talents. Nancy joins me in sending our heartfelt appreciation and good wishes."

So reads the card of congratulations from President Ronald Reagan to Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Sullivan of the Ridgetop, Tennessee, church. They have given of their time and talents each week at the Robertson County Health Care Center in Springfield, assisting the activities director, who nominated them for the award.

Another faithful volunteer at the Health Care Center, who works with the Sullivans, is Lorraine Dillahay of the Cross Plains church. Other church members, including Mary Wentworth, Ridgetop Community Services leader, and some from the Pathfinder club, also visit regularly on Sabbath afternoon.

## Forest City Spanish Triples Midweek Attendance

**Florida**—The Forest City Spanish church, with 430 members, has tripled attendance at midweek prayer meetings.

"We divided the church members into 25 groups and they are meeting every Wednesday evening in homes," says Pastor Erwin Hise. "The last Wednesday of the month all the groups meet together at the church and the attendance is three times larger than before!" Hise feels the success may be attributed to the members being more involved. "Many don't attend the church on Wednesday night but they are willing to go to a group." The meetings are often rotated from home to home and members receive reminder telephone calls two days prior to the meetings.

Hise said a group of 60-70 Forest City members have formed a new group meeting in Apopka for the past year. They have already conducted a Revelation Seminar with seven baptisms, and hopefully five more to follow.

The Deltona Company has grown from 22 to 30 and is having a Revelation Seminar at this time.

## Public Awareness Campaign Studied By Triad Churches

**Carolina**—The Triad Area is considering a public awareness campaign to begin the first part of 1985. Mike Jones presented advertising materials to be used in radio, television, and newspapers at the September 8 meeting at the Greensboro, North Carolina, church.

Pastors and laymen made up the approximately 60 people who came to hear Jones tell of his experience as pastor of the Anchorage, Alaska, church when they used advertising to draw interest to their group of believers. Jones is now head of his own advertising agency. The program has been presented to members of the Winston-Salem, High Point, Kernersville, Burlington, and

Greensboro churches.

The public awareness campaign makes extensive usage of radio, television, and newspapers in the community to reinforce the total advertising thrust. Doctrines of the SDA church are presented in a very positive and clever manner.

A steering committee was appointed to study the feasibility of the project.

## Record Numbers Join Adventists Worldwide

**General Conference** — Record numbers of people are joining the Seventh-day Adventist Church, General Conference President Neal C. Wilson reported in his keynote address October 9 to the 1984 Annual Council.

"Through the first seven quarters of the church's '1,000 Days of Reaping' campaign, nearly 660,000 people have joined," Wilson explained. "The exact figure is 1,034 baptisms per day."

The campaign goal is 1,000 new members per day for 1,000 days, beginning during the fall of 1982 and ending at the General Conference Session in New Orleans in the summer of 1985. Wilson said the church expects to report more than 1.1 million new members at the New Orleans meeting.

Pointing to areas of strong church growth, Wilson said the Inter-American Division hopes to have a membership of 900,000 by

mid-1985. He said the Mexican Union, which had a membership of approximately 20,000 15 years ago, will have 200,000 members by the end of 1984.

Wilson said the largest union—the East African Union with more than 200,000 members—"has even bigger spiritual objectives before them." He said an additional 13 union conferences have more than 100,000 members—four in the Inter-American Division, two in the Far Eastern Division, two in the North American Division, (Southern and Pacific), two in the Africa-Indian Ocean Division, and three in the South American Division.

## Community Guest Day Honors Eight Atlantans

**South Atlantic** — With a fireball behind the desk, in the person of Dr. C. D. Joseph, president of the Lake Region Conference, and an intriguing subject, "Behold I," everyone at the United Decatur, Georgia, church could testify that all were well fed, spiritually and physically. The occasion was Community Guest Day, September 22.

Of the eight honorees who were invited, seven were present to receive their awards. Fulton County Sheriff-elect Richard Langford, who is a preacher with a church, demonstrated his musical talent by accompanying himself as he sang the solo, "Ordinary People."



Honorees at the United Decatur church September 22 included Pastor James and Elizabeth Brown, of the CME church; Joe Owens; Alfred Smith; Carolina Craig; Sally Campbell; and Charlie Young, from Open Door Community Center. Ralph Jennings, of WXLL radio; Alvin Dollar, of Downtown Labor Center; Chaplain Howard Creecy, Jr.; Pastor Derek King, of Christian Council; and Sheriff-elect Richard Langford are not pictured.

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# Calendar of Events

## CAROLINA

**Organ/Piano Recital** by Raphael and Jean Valerio — Nov. 10, 5 p.m. Asheville, N.C., Foster Memorial church. Benefit for Mount Pisgah Academy Administration Building. (A love offering will be taken.)

## FLORIDA

### Bookmobile Schedule

Nov. 1	Walker Memorial Hospital	2-5 p.m.
	Walker Memorial Church	6:30-9 p.m.
3	Miami Temple	Sundown
4	Miami Central Spanish	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
10	Ocala	Sundown
11	Leesburg	9-10 a.m.
	Eustis	11 a.m. - 12 noon
	DeLand	1-2 p.m.
	Deltona	3-4 p.m.
17	Plantation School	Sundown
18	Boynton-Delray	9-10 a.m.
	West Palm Beach	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
	Jupiter/Tequesta	1:30-2:30 p.m.
Dec. 1	Jacksonville First	Sundown
2	Jacksonville Mandarin	9-10 a.m.
	St. Augustine	11 a.m. - 12 noon
	Palatka	1-2 p.m.
	Daytona	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Christmas Open House	
8	Key West	Sundown
9	Marathon	8:30-9:30 a.m.
	Islamorada	10:30-11:30 a.m.
	Homestead	1-2 p.m.
	Miami Temple	4-5:30 p.m.
15	St. Petersburg	Sundown
16	Clearwater	Sundown
	Tampa First	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
<b>Sabbath School Workshops</b>		
Nov. 1	Walker Memorial Church	6:30-9 p.m.
3	Miami Temple	3-5:30 p.m.
4	Miami Central Spanish	9:30 a.m. - 12 noon

**Family Life Seminar** with Ken and Helen Bryant  
Nov. 3, 10, 17 West Palm Beach

### Evangelistic Crusades

Nov. 2-17	South Orlando	Rainey Hooper
In progress until Nov. 24		
	Cocoa University	George Carpenter Harmon Brownlow
In progress until Dec. 1		
	Boynton Beach	Robert DuBose
	West Palm Beach	Lester Pratt

**Conference Youth Advisory** — Nov. 18. Conference office.

## GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

**Conference-wide Sabbath School Seminar** — Nov. 16, 17. Cohutta Springs.

**Lay Witness Weekend** — Dec. 7, 8. Smyrna, Ga.

**Collegedale Academy Alumni Weekend** — April 12, 13. Look for further information. Honor Classes: '80, '75, '65, '60, '55, '45.

## GULF STATES

### Evangelistic Meetings

In progress until Dec. 15,	Larry Cansler, Jackson and Vicksburg, Miss.
Nov. 24 - Dec. 16,	Dan Collins, Huntsville, Ala.

## KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

**It Is Written Rally** with George Vandeman — Dec. 1. Louisville, Ky.

### Fall Bookmobile Schedule

Nov. 3	Dyersburg	Sundown
4	Fulton	9-10 a.m.
	Murray	11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
	Paris	2:30-4:30 p.m.
	Dickson	6:30-7:30 p.m.
10	Murfreesboro	Sundown
11	Woodbury	10 a.m. - 12 noon
	Tullahoma	4:30-6:30 p.m.
17	Louisville School	Sundown
18	Pewee Valley	9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
	St. Matthews	3-4:30 p.m.
	Elizabethtown	6:30-8:30 p.m.
Dec. 1	Memphis First	Sundown
2	Somerville	9-10 a.m.
	Savannah	12 noon - 2 p.m.

9	Lawrenceburg, Tenn.	4:30-6:30 p.m.
	Open House at ABC	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
	Madison, Tenn.	
	Food and Book Specials,	
	Food Demo's, Discounts	
15	Raleigh	Sundown
16	Jackson	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
	Leach	2-3:30 p.m.
	Parsons	4:30-5:30 p.m.
	Lobelville	6:30-7:30 p.m.

## SOUTH CENTRAL

**East Tennessee Youth Federation** — Nov. 3.

**Lay Advisory Council** — Nov. 4.

**Housing Board Meetings** — Nov. 20, Dec. 5, 12.

**Square Up With God Month** — Dec. 1-31.

### Church Officers' Meetings

Dec. 2	Hattiesburg, Miss.
9	Montgomery, Ala.
16	Memphis, Tenn.

**Conference Finance Committee Meeting** — Dec. 3.

**Staff Meeting** — Dec. 4.

**Executive Committee Meeting** — Dec. 17.

**Conference-wide Baptismal Day** — Dec. 29.

## SOUTHERN COLLEGE

**Florence Oliver Anderson Nursing Series**, "The Role of the Nurse in Pediatric Oncology" — Nov. 1, 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Ackerman Auditorium.

**Alumni Homecoming** — Nov. 2-4.

**Jerry Clower** — Nov. 3, 8 p.m. P.E. Center.

**Student Missions Food Fair** — Nov. 4, 12 noon - 6 p.m. Spalding Gymnasium.

**Southern Union Gymnastics Workshop** — Nov. 8-10.

**Gymnastic Show** — Nov. 10, 8 p.m. P.E. Center.

**Thanksgiving Vacation** — Nov. 21-25.

## OAKWOOD COLLEGE

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

## SOUTHERN UNION

**SDA Marriage Encounter** — Nov. 9-11. Southern College, Collegedale, Tenn. For application information write: SDA Marriage Encounter, P.O. Box 1626, Collegedale, TN 37315, or call (615) 396-2605 or (615) 396-2724.

**Week of Prayer** — Nov. 3-10.

**Week of Sacrifice Offering** — Nov. 10.

**Regional Evangelism Council** — Nov. 27-29. Oakwood College.

**World Temperance Day** — Dec. 8.

**Stewardship Day** — Dec. 15.

**Pan American Youth Congress** — Dec. 18-22. Mexico City.

### Adventist Singles Ministries

Nov. 22-24. Southern Union Retreat. Call Connie, (404) 944-7459; Jim, (615) 265-4881; or Betty, (404) 629-0353.

### Christmas Parties

Dec. 1, Atlanta and Collegedale at Calhoun, Ga. Contact Jim Bedell or Connie Trea.

Dec. 9, Florida, Kobe's Restaurant, Orlando. Contact Carol Eldridge.

Dec. 9, Music City, Brunch at Opryland. Contact Joy Webster.

Dec. 15, Carolina, Fletcher church. Contact Wavajean Vogel. (Undetermined), Piedmont at Charlotte, N.C. Contact Gerald Kenyon.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**All Adventist Psychologists and Counselors:** Plans are being made to create an Adventist Psychologists and Counselors Association. The purpose of the association would be to develop a resource network for sharing expertise, for professional referrals, for educational resources, and for an increased opportunity for collegiality and supportive sharing. If you are a practicing educational or school psychologist, a counseling or clinical psychologist, or a graduate student in psychology or counseling, please send your name, address, and a brief vita to Adventist Psychologists and Counselors, Educational and Counseling Psychology, Andrews Univ., Berrien Springs, MI 49104.

**Seventh-day Adventist Speech Pathologists/Audiologists** attending the ASLHA Convention in San Francisco are to watch the message board for time and place of meeting and/or contact Dr. R. E. Hartbauer in the Hilton Hotel.

**"SAY IT! We'll LISTEN Contest."** Open to all writers. Two categories:

amateur and professional. Enter as many manuscripts as you like, but each one must be accompanied by an official entry form. No manuscript will be returned unless accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. All accepted manuscripts become the property of *Listen* magazine. Monetary prizes. Stories that do not win prizes will be considered for possible purchase at regular rates. The deadline is Dec. 31. Write to *Listen* Magazine, 6830 Laurel St. NW, Washington, DC 20012.

**Adventist Symphony for 1985 General Conference Session** — The Music Committee for the 1985 General Conference Session in New Orleans has invited Professor Orlo Gilbert of Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists to organize and direct the session symphony orchestra for the second weekend of July 7, 1985. Accommodations will have to be at the personal expense of each musician, but we pray that it will be well worth your time and money to be able to praise God in unity with a mass orchestra and chorus. To qualify, you must be currently in practice on your instrument and either are now or have been a member of an academy, college, or community orchestra. We need musicians of high quality, but you do not have to be a professional musician. Our greatest need will be for string players: violin, viola, cello, and string bass. Please send your name and address to Professor Orlo Gilbert, Southern College, Division of Music, Collegedale, TN 37315.

**The Adventist Development and Relief Agency** is the service arm of the Seventh-day Adventist Church around the world, providing relief in times of disaster and initiating a variety of community self-help projects and training programs as the needs dictate. ADRA is looking for workers with administrative experience, preferably Public Health training, to head up development and relief operations in Sudan, Ghana, Peru, Chile, Haiti, Ecuador, Madagascar, and many other areas. Write: Executive Director, ADRA International, 6840 Eastern Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20012.

**Urge congress to support National Drug Education Act** by requesting the Committee on Education and Labor to hold hearings on the National Drug Education Act of 1984. (H. R. 4851). The cost of rehabilitation, health care, law enforcement, social services and drug-related crime is increasing at an unacceptably high rate. Prevention of the problem is far less costly to society. Local education agencies are in a unique position to provide K-12 prevention-oriented drug-education programs that are part of the existing school program. The Adventist Health Network eagerly supports this legislation in the hopes it will educate our youth on the dangers of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco before they start. Send your letters of support to: Donald Baker, Chief Clerk, Committee on Education and Labor, 2181 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515.

**Theme Song Contest** — ACAP, Inc. (Adventist Composers, Arrangers and Poets) announces an extension of time for submission of original theme songs to Jan. 1, 1985. All readers are invited to submit their words and music by that date. The theme song should be approximately 16 measures in length, written in a spirited, march-like tempo, emphasizing the work and mission of Maranatha Flights International, and containing the word "Maranatha." Modest prizes will be awarded the top three choices. Entrants should send a simple piano, guitar, or lead line arrangement, or cassette tape, complete with words (nonreturnable) to: ACAP, Inc., P.O. Box 11, Days Creek, OR 97429.

**Opportunities for mission service** available as of Sept. 1: Office workers (secretaries, auditors, accountants, etc.) — 6; Conference administration (includes pastors) — 32; Practical skills (building, farming, maintenance, flying) — 7; Physicians (variety of specialization) — 32; Dentists — 3; Other medical-related skills (PT, lab, optometrist, anesthetist) — 18; Teachers (variety, primarily theology, English, science-math, and elementary) — 57. Of these calls, 57 are for volunteers. Some require language mastery, rather specific academic or experience backgrounds and/or licensure. For many opportunities marital status and/or size of family is also a consideration. Write to Secretariat Information Service, 6840 Eastern Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20012.

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## On the Move

### Carolina

**Mark Heisey** comes to the Tryon/Rutherfordton, N.C., churches from the Pennsylvania Conference. **Rick Howard**, from the Greater New York Conference, is to pastor the Spartanburg/Woodruff, S.C., churches. **Wayne Spangenburg** comes to Wilmington/Delco/Waccamaw, N.C., churches from the Ohio Conference. **Herb Weise** will pastor Wilson/Goldsboro, N.C., churches from Fayetteville/Pembroke, N.C. **Bill Hay**, former branch manager of the Collegedale Adventist Book Center (ABC) has accepted an invitation to join the Carolina ABC as assistant manager. Bill replaces Chuck Sherer.

### Florida

**John Grayson** and **Richard Duke** have traded pastorates. Grayson, who has pastored the Haines City and Lake Wales congregations, is now pastoring the Stuart and Jupiter-Tequesta churches. Richard Duke, who previously pastored the Stuart and Jupiter-Tequesta churches, is leading the Haines City and Lake Wales members. **W. Arden Clarke**, field representative of the Trust Services Department of the Florida Conference, has retired after 40 years of denominational service. Clarke has served as a teacher, pastor, and district leader in the Arkansas-Louisiana, Carolina, Colorado, and Nebraska conferences. He served the General Conference as mission director at the then-called Trans-Africa Division and was the Trust Services director for the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference before coming to Florida.

### Gulf States

1. **Alan Williams**, of Oakwood College, to be pastor of the Olive Branch district in Mississippi. Williams and his wife, Terri, have two daughters, Heather, 8, and Esther, going on 2. **Owen Maupin**, a literature evangelist from Carolina Conference, to be district publishing director in the southern district of the Gulf States Conference.

### Review and Herald Publishing

**Reg Frood** is the new undertreasurer of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, Hagerstown, Md.

## Weddings

### ALLEN — RIVERS

**Winifred Bailey Rivers** and **William Anthony Allen, Sr.**, were united in marriage April 14 at the Mount of Olives church, Brooklyn, N.Y. Officiating ministers were C. E. Bradford, president, North American Division of the General Conference, and local Northeastern Conference pastors, Gilbert Foster and Sebort Anderson. Winifred is the secretary to J. A. Edgecombe, president, Southeastern Conference.

### BURNSED — JUHL

**Lynda Juhl** and **Brooks Burnsed** were united in marriage July 8 at the Karistad, Minn., church. Bruce Juhl, cousin of the bride, officiated. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Juhl, of Greenbush, Minn. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace B. Burnsed, Jr., of Union, S.C. Lynda and Brooks graduated in the class of '84 from Loma Linda School of Dentistry. The couple at present is residing in Loma Linda, Calif.

### CHESNEY — HAWTHORNE

**Jan Dellene Hawthorne** and **Evan Michael Chesney** were united in marriage by Ted N. Graves in the Ringgold, Ga., church on July 15. The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Bill I. Hawthorne, of Ringgold, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Chesney, of Cleveland, Tenn. The couple resides on the campus of Mount Pisgah Academy where Evan teaches choir and Bible. Jan is director of nursing at the Pisgah Manor nursing home.

### GURSKY — SMITH

**Jennifer Robin Smith** and **James Thomas Gursky** were united in marriage at the Asheville, N.C., Foster Memorial church on June 24. The bride is the daughter of Dr. Eldene Smith, of Palm Springs, California, and June Davis, of Philadelphia, Pa. The groom is the son of Mrs. Jerome Bernstein, of Maggie Valley, N.C. The marriage ceremony was performed by Albert M. Ellis and J. W. Braxton. The couple is residing in Asheville.

### OLIVER — PECK

**Pamela Cathleen Peck** and **Charles Thomas Spurgeon Oliver** were married Sept. 23 at the Ooltewah, Tenn., church. Harold Kuebler performed the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Chester Peck, of Collegedale, Tenn., and Mrs. Foxeen Peck, of Benson, Ariz. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Oliver, of Eden Rapids, Michigan. The couple plans to make its home in Collegedale.

## sunset table

	Nov. 2	Nov. 9	Nov. 16	Nov. 23	Nov. 30	Dec. 7
Atlanta, Ga. ....	5:45	5:40	5:35	5:32	5:30	5:30
Charlotte, N.C. ....	5:28	5:22	5:17	5:13	5:11	5:11
Collegedale, Tenn. ....	5:46	5:40	5:35	5:32	5:30	5:29
Huntsville, Ala. ....	4:51	4:45	4:40	4:36	4:35	4:34
Jackson, Miss. ....	5:10	5:04	5:00	4:57	4:56	4:56
Louisville, Ky. ....	5:43	5:36	5:31	5:26	5:23	5:23
Memphis, Tenn. ....	5:05	4:59	4:54	4:50	4:48	4:48
Miami, Fla. ....	5:39	5:35	5:32	5:30	5:29	5:30
Montgomery, Ala. ....	4:55	4:49	4:45	4:42	4:40	4:40
Nashville, Tenn. ....	4:51	4:44	4:39	4:35	4:33	4:32
Orlando, Fla. ....	5:40	5:36	5:32	5:30	5:29	5:30
Wilmington, N.C. ....	5:19	5:13	5:08	5:05	5:03	5:02



## Weddings (Continued)

### PARRISH — HOWE

**Lisa Howe** and **Todd Parrish** were married July 15 at the Chattanooga, Tenn., First church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin S. Howe, of Chattanooga. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Parrish, of Gallatin, Tenn. Gerald Morgan performed the ceremony. The couple is living in Collegedale, Tenn.

### ROBERTS — WOLLARD

**Nina Christine Wollard**, of Islamorada, Fla., and **James Paul Roberts**, of Gaithersburg, Md., were united in marriage Sept. 2 at the Islamorada church. The ceremony was performed by Eugene F. Armour, of S. Lancaster, Mass. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Wollard, Sr. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Roberts. The couple will reside in Olney, Md.

### SANDBORN — JONES

**Kenna Ann Jones**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth D. Jones, of Fletcher, N.C., and **William Jeffery Sandborn**, son of Dr. and Mrs. William D. Sandborn, of Hendersonville, N.C., were united in marriage July 10 in the Fletcher church. Bill is finishing his first year of medicine at Loma Linda University, and Kenna is working as a registered nurse at University Hospital.

### SMALLING — FARWELL

**Jodie Lynn Farwell** and **Troy Young Smalling** were married July 15 in Nashville, Tenn. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bride. The bride is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Clayton R. Farwell, Nashville. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rabon Smalling, also of Nashville. The couple is living in Oscoda, Mich., where Troy is serving in the United States Air Force.

### TRUMP — BRADY-PINNICK

**Dolly Brady-Pinnick**, of College Park, Maryland, was joined in marriage to **Randolf Lee Trump**, of Niceville, Fla., on July 1 at the Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., church. They will make their residence at Niceville where Randy is a manufacturing engineer. Charles Minyard officiated.

### WYNN — JENKINS

**Janeen C. Jenkins** and **Randall L. Wynn** were married June 27 in Chattanooga, Tenn. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Jenkins, of Ooltewah, Tenn. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilton L. Wynn, of Hendersonville, N.C. The couple is living in Chattanooga, Tenn.



### BRIDGES OR WALLS?

by Betty Holbrook

"I have the perfect solution to dirty socks on the floor," gloated one wife. "I just nail them to the floor where they are!" It came as no shock a few months later to learn that this husband and wife had made their first trip to see their lawyers.

"For years I made the mistake of seeing tranquility as the chief end of family life," writes Arthur Fay Sultz. "But if it were, why would God have invented children?" Then he goes on to say that God seems to be more interested in growth. And with growth there is stress, and oftentimes disagreements.

Happy marriages are not free from conflict. They do, in fact, have about as many problems as unhappy marriages. It's how we deal with our problems that makes the difference. We can nail socks to the floor, we can give in, we can compromise. Or we can use our points of contention as learning situations. Sometimes it is appropriate to give in or to compromise, but searching for viable solutions together brings the unity and closeness we dreamed about before marriage.

After a seminar on conflict a young husband brought me a page of doodling he had been working on. On one side of the page was a wall; on the other side a bridge. Both had been made from bricks. How much like us. Some of us use our problems with which to build walls; others use them to build bridges. Building bridges is much more rewarding.

Arthur Fay Sultz, *Life at Close Quarters*, Word Books, 1982, p. 11.

Betty Holbrook and her husband, Delmer, were the first directors of Home and Family Service when it was started in 1975. Betty writes as wife, mother, and grandmother and now serves as director of Home and Family Service.

## Obituaries

**ALLEN, Stephen**, 31, died June 28 in Satellite Beach, Fla. He was a member of the Melbourne, Fla., church. He is survived by his mother, Janice Allen; two brothers, Terry and Michael; and three sisters, Kathy, Susan Allen, and Patricia Underwood.

**BAKER, Regina**, was born July 13, 1900, in Brooklyn, N.Y., and died Sept. 2 in Collegedale, Tenn. At the time of her death she was a member of the Cohutta church. She was laid to rest in Rhea Memory Gardens in Dayton, Tenn., and is survived by her husband, Walter Baker; three sons, Andrew Smith of Collegedale, Edwin Smith of Fayetteville, Pa., Arthur Smith of Adairsville, Ga.; one daughter, Jean Williams of Apison, Tenn.; 13 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. L. O. Coon and Harold Kuebler were in charge of the service.

**BALDWIN, Zenith**, 70, died June 14 in Melbourne, Fla. She was a member of the Melbourne church. Surviving are: husband Paul; sons: Stanley, John, and Dennis; daughter: Bernice Chapman; and nine grandchildren.

**BEALL, Bernard C.**, born on Nov. 4, 1909, in Capitol Heights, Md., passed to his rest Sept. 10 in St. Petersburg, Fla. Beall was preceded in death by his wife but is survived by his son, Bernard Jr.; and four sisters, Catherine Dovell, Ada Amman, Theresa Van Ryswick, and Rita Pummell. Beall was a member of the St. Petersburg church.

**BEYER, Louise S.**, born Brooklyn, N.Y., on Nov. 30, 1893, and passed to her rest July 11 in Tampa, Fla. She was a member of the Tampa First church. She is survived by her son, Allen, of Fairlawn, N.J.; one daughter, Dorothy O'Connor, of Tampa; and one sister, Evelyn Ziefe, North Bergen, N. J.

**BROUSSARD, Phillip N.**, passed away on July 16 after a long bout with cancer. He was born June 1, 1945, in Atchison, Kan. In Dec., 1975, he was married to the former Joan Simmons of Niles, Mich. He attended Oakwood College and graduated with a B.S. in Sociology/Psychology. On Sept. 30, 1983, they were blessed with a baby girl, Tiffany. He is survived by his wife, daughter, brother, and mother.

**BURNETT, Hattie M.**, born Sept. 19, 1890, in McDowell, Mo., passed to her rest July 14 in Orlando, Fla. Mrs. Burnett is survived by her daughter, Margene B. Turner, of Orlando; four grandsons; nine great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson. She was a member of the church at Florida Hospital.

**BURNETTE, Arthur**, born May 25, 1928, in Sullivan County, Tenn., died June 23 in Unico County Hospital in Erwin, Tenn. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, of Erwin; a brother, Junior; a sister, Louise; a son, Gerald, of Erwin; a daughter, Pam Burlison, of Gray, Tenn.; and two grandchildren. Services were held at Erwin Memorial Chapel, conducted by Amos Cooper.

**CALDWELL, Nancy Jane Blevins**, of Hixson, Tenn., was born June 22, 1892, and passed away on Sept. 5. She was a member of the Daisy, Tenn., church. Surviving are three daughters, three sons, three sisters, 18 grandchildren and 37 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Pastors W. A. McCrae and Henry A. Uhl.

**CAMPBELL, Alton Lewis**, born Nov. 14, 1954, in Lillington, N.C., and died Sept. 12 of sickle cell anemia. He was a student at Oakwood College. In June 1980, he married Arlene Tucker, a graduate of Oakwood. He is survived by his wife, Arlene; a daughter, Aisha; his mother, Lillie Mae Campbell; his father, Alton S. Campbell; a half-sister, Kandice; and his grandmothers, Fannie McClain and Evelyn Payne.

**CASH, Ermina**, born April 13, 1909, in Minneapolis, Minn., passed to her rest Sept. 24 in Forest City, Fla. She was employed as a teacher for many years in the denomination's educational system. While attending Union College in Lincoln, Neb., she met and married her late husband, Elder Ralph Cash, in September 1933. In 1982 the Cashes moved to Orlando and soon became part of the Florida Living Center family. Mrs. Cash passed away at the Florida Hospital, Altamonte Springs, Fla.

**CHAPIN, Bryan Wilson**, was born July 23, 1911, in Wellsbridge, N. Y., and died on July 21 in Phenix City, Ala. He had written two books, one entitled "The Energy Crisis" and another on Bible prophecy. Chapin is survived by his wife, Susan; sons, Ted, of Silver Spring, Md., and Lindsay, of Bradford, Pa.; one daughter, Lucinda Galusha, Longwood, Fla.; two brothers, Paul of Panama City, Fla., and Carl, of Ft. Myers, Fla.; one sister, Prudence Gilmore, of Binghamton, N.Y.; and two grandchildren.

**COFFEY, J. Hilliard**, was born Nov. 28, 1898, in Buncombe County, N.C., and passed to his rest July 18 in Asheville, N.C. He was a member of the Asheville Foster Memorial church. Surviving are his wife, Mae; his daughter, Retha Sluder, of Asheville; his son, Cecil Coffey, of Walla Walla, Wash.; and two grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted at the Groce Funeral Home with Albert M. Ellis and Jim Skender officiating. Interment was in Green Hills Cemetery.

**COON, Miles Roy**, born in Lincklaen Center, N.Y., and died June 14 in Tenn. He began preaching at 19 after studying at Atlantic Union College. The next 31 years he spent as pastor and evangelist in Mass., N. Y., Pa., and Ohio. He also worked 16 years as Bible and speech teacher at Madison College in Tenn. Survivors include his wife, Marjorie, of Portland, Tenn.; a son, Roger W., of Washington, D.C.; a daughter, Ardyce M. Graham, of McKinleyville, Calif.; and two brothers, Lester O., of Collegedale, Tenn., and Glenn A., of Roan Mountain, Tenn. Interment was at Portland, Tenn.

**CROSBY, Guy (Ted)**, passed to his rest June 20 in Bradenton, Fla. He was born on Feb. 6, 1908, in Edenville, Mich. He was a member of the Bradenton church. He is survived by his wife, Mildred; one daughter, Carol Asbury; three brothers, Cecil D., John W., and Leonard; three sisters, Beatrice Brown, Thelma Boomer, and Dorothy Greanya. He is also survived by seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

**DYCE, Georgia Graham**, was born July 30, 1896, and died June 10. She was a committed member of the Ashland City, Ky., church. She is survived by eight children, 28 grandchildren, and 32 great-grandchildren. Services were conducted by Bob Self and Clifton Green.

**FELTON, Eimer Nelson**, born Dec. 27, 1896, in New Lothrop, Mich., passed to his rest Aug. 6 in Bay Pines, Fla. He was a member of the Clearwater, Fla., church, and is survived by his wife, Theo and one sister, Grace Scott, of Berrien Springs, Mich.

**FELTS, Maurice M.**, born May 14, 1916, in Palma Sola, Fla., passed to his rest in Orlando, Fla. June 27. A member of the Kress Memorial church, Felts is survived by his wife, Alma; and son, Edward M., of Casselberry, Fla.

**FOLLIS, Clara Ella**, was born January 15, 1896, and died Aug. 22 in Nashville, Tenn. The oldest member of the Bordeaux, Tenn., church (more than 50 years), Mrs. Follis had worked for the Southern Publishing Association for many years, and was an inspiration to many in the church family. She is survived by six children, numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Services were conducted by Bob Self.

**FRANK, William Bennett**, born Nov. 9, 1894, in Iredell, Tex., passed away on July 8, in the Fletcher Hospital, Fletcher, N.C. He was a member of the Arden, N.C., church. Survivors include his wife, Bertie; two daughters, Esther Brown, of Fletcher, and Mary Davidson, of Dallas, Tex.; four sisters, Mrs. W. I. West, Mrs. J. D. Stoneham, Mrs. H. Boettcher, of Dallas, and Mrs. Mike Elliott, of Norman, Okla.; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted in the Shepherd Mausoleum Chapel with Don Gettys, Paul Anderson, and D. G. Anderson officiating.

# Obituaries (Continued)

**GEIGER, Benton Ross**, born June 21, 1984, and died June 21 in Columbia, Miss. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Geiger; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edsel Geiger, of Columbia; and maternal grandparents, Eugene Brown and Myrtle Brown, of Columbia. Graveside services were held at the Columbia Cemetery. L. G. Musselwhite officiated at the service.

**GIMBEL, Marilyn Louise**, was born June 21, 1929, in Paradise Valley, Calif., and passed away in Jellico, Tenn., Aug. 12. She was a nurse at Jellico Hospital, and is survived by her husband, Ben; three sons, David, Danny, and Edward; and one daughter, Kristy.

**GRIFFITH, Mabel Antoinette**, born Jan. 11, 1890, in Bonacca, Honduras, and passed to her rest Sept. 8 in Tampa, Fla. She was a member of the Tampa First church and is survived by two daughters, Glennis Kirkconnell of Tampa, Fla., and Nadine Forcke of Clute, Tex. Also surviving are one brother, Albury H. Tatum of Tampa; and 23 grandchildren.

**HAYES, Walter A.**, age 59, passed away July 11 in Ocean Springs, Miss. He is survived by his wife Jeanne; one son, John W.; and one daughter, Judy. He was a member of the Pascagoula, Miss., church. Services were conducted by R. R. Hallock, David Smith, and Dexter LaBlanc.

**JARRETT, L. E.**, was born Sept. 17, 1888, in Asheville, N.C., and passed to his rest July 4 in Hendersonville, N.C. He was a long standing member of the Asheville Foster Memorial church having recently joined the Fletcher church. Surviving are his wife, Edith Reed Jarrett; a daughter, Beth J. Filler, of Candler, N.C.; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild. Funeral services were conducted at the Asheville Foster Memorial church with Albert M. Ellis, Paul Anderson and Jim Skender officiating. Interment was in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Candler, N.C.

**JENNINGS, Ruby Lee Boggs**, born July 15, 1895, died in Montgomery, Ala., on July 5. She is survived by her husband, Elder Jesse J. Jennings, now retired; one son, Melvin D. Wilson; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

**JOHNSON, Robert A.**, born Aug. 30, 1905, in St. Augustine, Fla., and died July 27 in St. Augustine. Mr. Johnson, a member of the St. Augustine church, is survived by his wife, Alice; three daughters, Charlotte Fox, Roberta Blake, and Vesta Garber; four sons, Charles, James, Herbert, and Robert Clay Johnson; two sisters, Rita Bass, Ruby Paik; and two brothers, Chester and Jessie Johnson.

**KRIBS, Edna M.**, born June 14, 1915, in Long Island, N.Y., died July 17 in Crystal River, Fla. She was a member of the Inverness, Fla., church. Surviving the death are her mother, Edna Fanton, of Inverness; and one brother, Louis Kribs, of Washington state.

**LEITNER, Pearl (Peg)**, born Nov. 2, 1909, in Lakeland, Fla., passed away Aug. 20 in Jacksonville, Fla. Survivors of Mrs. Leitner's passing include two daughters, Joanne Anderson and Judy Wood, both of Atlanta, Ga.; one son, Jack of Jacksonville; two grandchildren; two sisters, Mary Gill and Lillian Huffman; one brother, Paul Glidewell. Mrs. Leitner was a member of the Jacksonville Mandarin church and her funeral was conducted by H. C. Reading, Merrill Enright, and Jerry Benson.

**LEIN, Ernest Albert**, born June 6, 1902, in West Royalston, Mass., died June 29 in Manchester, N.H. He was a member of the Inverness, Fla., church. Lein is survived by his son, Ernest; and two daughters, Patricia Porter and Thekla Lein.

**LIEN, Claire E.**, born Oct. 8, 1913, Newfolden, Minn., and died Aug. 19 in Collegedale, Tenn. For nearly 50 years she assisted her husband in evangelistic, pastoral, and teaching ministry. Also she served as Executive Secretary of the Southern College Alumni Association. Survivors include her husband, Dr. Jerry Lien, a son, Jerry Dick Lien, of Collegedale; two sisters, Evelyn Herrmann, of Loma Linda, Calif. and Florian Lee, of Marshalltown, Iowa; and one brother, Duane Grimstad, of Angwin, Calif. Burial was in Collegedale Memorial Park.

**LOKAS, Sara McClendon**, born Oct. 3, 1918, and died June 22 in University Hospital in Augusta, Ga. Survivors include, her husband, Tommey E.; two sons, William Dixon, of Grovetown, Ga., and Charles Lokas, of Centre, Ala.; two daughters, Jeanette Rodriguez and Sandra Hadwin, both of Augusta; her mother, Artie McClendon, of Augusta; and one sister, Willie Mae Bell, of Johnson City, Tenn.

**MCNEAL, Leona Newsome**, born Nov. 12, 1894, died Sept. 4, in Aiken, S.C. Funeral services were held in the Augusta, Ga., First church by Ken Wilson. Survivors include one sister, Thelma Widener, of Aiken; one son, Fred McNeal, of Augusta, Ga.; three daughters, Geneva Dechau, and Juanita McKinney, both of Aiken, and Dorothy Cunningham, of North Augusta.

**MERCER, Leola E.**, born Aug. 22, 1902, in Alachua County, Fla., passed to her rest Aug. 2 in Jacksonville, Fla. She is survived by two daughters, Margaret Sorrell and Patricia A. Mooberry; two sons, Robert G. and William E. Beck; one sister, Laverne Mason; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. She was a member of the Jacksonville First church.

**MESHEL, Mary H.**, a member of the Melbourne, Fla., church, died July 17 at Merritt Island, Fla. She is survived by one son, Arthur W. Lackner, of Cocoa, Fla.

**MORGAN, John Norbin, Jr.**, born Oct. 16, 1927, in Tupelo, Miss., died June 21 in Fort Worth, Tex. Elder Morgan was a member of the Forest Lake church in Forest City, Fla. In denominational service for 35 years, Morgan graduated from Southern Missionary College. His first assignment was pastor/evangelist in the Alabama-Mississippi Conference. He continued in the same work in the Carolina Conference and was in departmental work in the East Pennsylvania Conference. In 1962 he was religious liberty and public relations director for the Potomac Conference, followed by those same positions in the Southwestern Union and then associate director of public affairs at the General Conference. He was a field representative in the Florida Conference Association from 1982-1984. Elder Morgan was preceded in death by his wife, Cora, of 30 years. He is survived by his two sons, John Norbin Morgan, III, of Goodlettsville, Tenn., Vernon Dale Morgan, M.D., of Hinsdale, Ill.; two daughters, Linda Marie Engleking, of Forth Worth, Tex., and Marilyn Elizabeth Morgan, of Loma Linda, Calif. Also surviving his death are his brother, Charles, of Birmingham, Ala.; a sister, Dorothy Pierce, Tupelo, Miss.; and his parents, Blanche and John Norbin Morgan, Sr., of Tupelo, Miss.

**MURCHISON, Inez Dickman**, born Aug. 19, 1905, in Covington, Ky., died July 12 in Florence, Ky. She was baptized and became a charter member of the Covington church when it was organized in 1919. Edwin Shafer conducted the service. She is survived by one daughter, Gilda Heleman, of Morningview, Ky.; two sisters, Elsie Siegman, of Covington, and Lyda Maxey, of Orlando, Fla.; and one brother, William H. Dickman, of Covington; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**OLIVER, Fredrick Carlton**, born Dec. 30, 1898, died in Columbus, N.C., on Sept. 4. Services were held in the Tryon, N.C., church by Ken Wilson and Charles Wittschiebe. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude; a son, John Oliver, of Columbus; a brother, Joe Oliver, of Rockwell, N.C.; and a grandson.

**RAMSDALL, Myrtle E.**, born June 6, 1899, in Cutler, Me., and passed to her rest July 25 in Altamonte Springs, Fla. She is survived by her husband, Arthur; two sons, Gordon, of Apopka, Fla., and Llewellyn, of Delray Beach, Fla.; one daughter, Marjorie Dearth, of Cocoa, Fla.; one brother, Leon Wilcox, of Altamonte Springs; 14 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. She was a member of the Altamonte Springs church.

**RINGER, Lela Margueriete**, born March 22, 1972, in Fletcher, N.C., died May 12 at Vanderbilt University Hosp. in Nashville, Tenn., after an extended illness. She is survived by her parents Ralph and Nancy Ringer and one sister Laurie; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Ringer, of Apison, Tenn., and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fletcher, of Fletcher, N.C. She was a member of the Murfreesboro, Tenn., church. Funeral services were held in Bryant, Ala., at North Sand Mountain Funeral Home with H. V. Leggett and Dwight L. Hilderbrandt, Jr. officiating. She was buried in the Floral Crest Cemetery.

**ROARK, Robert J.**, born March 20, 1918, in Detroit, Mich., passed to his rest Sept. 16 in Ft. Wayne Ind. Mr. Roark, who was a member of the St. Augustine, Fla., church, was preceded in death by his wife, Violet. He is survived by three daughters, Patricia Andrews, Ruth Thomason, and Linda Wood; two sons, Michael Roark and Gerald Stewart; four sisters, Helen Smith, Margaret Rajaneimi, Anna Denyer, and Myrtle Culver; one brother, Harold Roark; and ten grandchildren.

**ROBISON, Otto Aaron**, born July 23, 1885, in Taylor County, Fla., died Aug. 5 in Apopka, Fla. A member of the Highland, Fla., church, Mr. Robison is survived by his wife, Lytle Robison; two sons, Earl of Apopka, and Milton of Orlando, Fla.; four daughters, Frances Hall of Lakeland, Fla., Ruth Smith of Sanford, Fla., Eleanor Good of Sacramento, Calif., and Lois Smith of Apopka. Also surviving is one sister, Blanche Griggs of Tampa, Fla.

**SAYLER, Bonnie Breitlow**, was born Jan. 9, 1939, in Waupun, Wis., and passed to her rest Aug. 12 in Washington, D.C. She was a member of the Asheville, N.C., Foster Memorial church. Surviving are her daughter, Pam Sayler, of Candler, N.C.; her son, Bob Sayler, of Candler; and her father, Carl Breitlow, of Fletcher, N.C. Funeral services were conducted at the Asheville Foster Memorial church with Albert M. Ellis and Paul Eldridge officiating. Interment was in Shepherds Memorial Park.

**SCHWERIN, Gilbert Albert**, born Sept. 26, 1892, in Nashville, Ind., passed to his rest July 18 in Orlando, Fla. He was a member of the Forest Lake church, and served as a minister, teacher, literature evangelist and was in the medical work in the U.S., Ecuador, Honduras, and Peru. He is survived by his wife Nellie; one daughter, Linda Janet Schwerin; and three grandchildren.

**SCOTT, Pearl Turnbo**, was born June 11, 1893, in Marietta, Okla., and passed away on Feb. 6, in Mt. Pleasant, Tenn. She was the widow of Leon N. Scott. She was a member of the church for many years. The service was conducted by Cecil Graves. She is survived by a daughter, Margaret S. Greene and a son, Donald Leon, both of Mt. Pleasant.

**SMITH, Earl M.**, was born Dec. 10, 1892, and died on July 16 following a brief illness. Survivors include his wife, Josephine; five children; and 15 grandchildren. Burial was in Meister Memorial Cemetery with Eugene Wood and J. R. Perkins officiating.

**SPAULDING, Marguerite**, was born March 19, 1919, in Calif. and passed away July 24 in Jacksonville, Fla. Mrs. Spaulding was a member of the Jacksonville Mandarin church and is survived by one son, Douglas of Tampa, Fla.; one daughter, Shirley Ann Curry of Cherokee, N.C.; and one sister, Shirley Wolfer.

**STONE, Esda Ethelle**, born March 1, 1896, in Williamsburg, S.C., died Aug. 4 in Orlando, Fla. A member of the church at Florida Hospital; Mrs. Stone is survived by three sons, Cephas of Bithlo, Fla., Phadley of Christmas, Fla., and Bayward of Orlando; seven daughters, Doris Grimsley of Miami, Fla., Edith Bane of DeLeon Springs, Fla., Moedon Singleton of DeLand, Fla., Maideline Jenny and Aquila Finch, both of Orlando, Lulitia Fink of Samson, Ala., Lethules Demerritt of North Miami Beach, Fla.; three brothers, Sullivan Carter of Okeechobee, Fla., Carsey Carter of Sulphur Springs, Tex., and Bayward Carter of Calif.; one sister, Willasnow Cacaajago of DeLand; 51 grandchildren; 69 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

**STREIDL, Ruth Marcel Catlin**, was born Feb. 1, 1908, in Youngstown, Ohio, and passed away on July 16 at the Pardee Hospital in Hendersonville, N.C. Those mourning her loss are her husband, Frank, and her son and daughter; her mother, Mabel Catlin, of Youngstown; a brother, Clyde Catlin, of Youngstown; a sister, Elsie Frieder, of Keene, Tex.; and four grandchildren. Memorial services were conducted at the Arden, N.C., church. Officiating ministers were Don Geltys, W. A. Nelson, and C. L. Powers.

**SYPE, Ross Jackson**, was born Dec. 31, 1889, in Arton, Iowa, and died Aug. 10 in Miami, Fla. Elder Sype began work as an evangelist for the Iowa Conference in 1914. In 1919, he and his wife, Gertrude, went as missionaries to the islands where among other things he was president of the Bahaman Mission and president of West Indies Training College. After returning to the states he taught at Madison College and pastored churches in several places in the northwest. During his last active years he was chaplain at Walker Memorial Hospital in Avon Park, Fla. He is survived by a son, Ross (Jack) Jackson, Jr. of Key Largo, Fla.; a daughter, Minita Brown, of Key Largo; a sister, Anna Hamilton, of Canyonville, Ore.; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Graveside service was conducted in Orlando, Fla., by Stan Dombrosky and Harry Bennett.

**WARD, Bessie Lucile Hooper**, born June 9, 1910, died May 1 in her home at Ashland City, Tenn. Bessie was a member of the Ashland, Ky., City church for many years. She is survived by her husband Jim, three children, eight grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

**WEBB, Smith Fletcher**, was born June 10, 1893, at Linden, W. Va., and died Aug. 3 at Avon Park, Fla., where he was a member of the Walker Memorial church. After his graduation from Atlantic Union College in 1928, he was a minister, teacher, and literature evangelist for the Southern New England Conference. He moved to Fla., in 1971, where in retirement he worked to raise up the church at Sebring. He is survived by his wife, Georgia; a daughter, Alzora Leppanen, of West Townsend, Mass.; and two granddaughters, Robert Darnell, Gordon Henderson, A. W. Ortnor, and Emil Moldrick participated in the funeral services. Interment was at the Bouganvillea Cemetery, Avon Park.

**WENK, Jean Marie**, was born Feb. 23, 1950, in Alexandria, Va., and died Aug. 4 in Orlando, Fla. She was a member of the Kress Memorial church in Winter Park, Fla. She is survived by two brothers, Walter Wenk, Jr., and John Wenk.

**YOUNG, Alice Maye Hall**, was born Dec. 16, 1912, in Cocoa, Fla., and passed to her rest Sept. 10 in Sparta, Tenn. Mrs. Young, having worked for the denomination for 40 years, was a registered nurse. Her late husband, Elder Joseph Young, Sr., was the first chaplain at Walker Memorial Hospital in Avon Park, Fla. Mrs. Young, who was a member of the Orlando, Fla., Central church, moved from Orlando in 1981 to Sparta, Tenn. She is survived by one son, Joseph Richard Young, Jr., of Walla Walla, Wash.; two brothers, Leighton T. of Sparta, and Charles C. of Winter Park, Fla.; two sisters, Ileen Hall of Sparta, and Lucile Hall Jones of College Place, Wash.; and three grandchildren. Funeral services and interment were conducted in Orlando, Fla.

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**1985 Missionary Book of the Year**



The lay training institute held at Camp Alamisco this past summer prepared laymen for the 15 Revelation Seminars around the conference from October to December. (Photo by Richard Hallock).



Grandmother Bonnie Beddingfield stands with her grandson, Troy Tolbird, brought him to the evangelistic meetings in Meridian and was on hand to welcome him into church fellowship following his baptism. (Photo by Mike Lombardo).



Desi Briggs (left), personal ministries leader of the Meridian church, was instrumental in reclaiming Geneva Wilder for God's church after an absence of nearly 40 years. (Photo by Mike Lombardo).



## Reaping in Saturated Harvest

To each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it" . . . for . . . "He . . . gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of service. . . ." (Ephesians 4:7-12 NIV). As we cooperate with the Holy Spirit, Who directs each one of us in the accomplishment of these detailed responsibilities, we realize a sense of awe in the carrying out of God's plan of redemption.

During 1984, 194 persons, plus many who were rebaptized, were welcomed into the fellowship of the Gulf States family of God through the cooperative efforts of laymen, evangelists, pastors, and teachers who allowed the Holy Spirit to work through them to reach others. Several laymen conducted Revelation Seminars, evangelists Jack DuBosque, John

Sisk, Larry Cansler, Lyle Albrecht, and Dan Collins held public meetings, while local pastors and teachers assisted in bringing many to Jesus.

The late Walter Hayes and Randy Moore, of Pascagoula, Mississippi; Bob Stagner, of Newton, Mississippi; Ed Crooms, of Bay Minette, Alabama; and Larry and Karen Ulmer, of Mobile, Alabama, were among the group of laymen who held Revelation Seminars early in the year and experienced the thrill of seeing souls for whom they had labored unite with God's church in baptism.

Public evangelistic meetings were held by Jack DuBosque in Dothan, Alabama, with Pastor Brad Schleif; in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, with Stanley Knight; and in Mobile, Alabama, with Dave Smith, Don Jehle, and Clyde Smith assisting. John Sisk teamed up with local Pastor Milton Hallock in a public meet-

ing in Pensacola, Florida; Lyle Albrecht and Paul Boling held a meeting in Montgomery, Alabama while the new Conference Evangelist, Larry Cansler, joined Pastor Mike Lombardo for a meeting in Meridian, Mississippi.

Approximately 15 Revelation Seminars will be conducted from October 15 to December 15. Graduates of the laymen's training institute held at Camp Alamisco this summer. Three final public meetings are planned for this fall: Huntsville, Alabama, Dan Collier of Amazing Facts, will join Paulette Landis, while Conference Evangelist Larry Cansler will be working with two district pastors: Fred Rimer, of Jackson, Mississippi, and Dan Solis, of Vicksburg, Mississippi, in presenting two currently running Revelation Seminars. Meetings currently in progress are Dexter LeBlanc in Gulfport, Mississippi; Les Musselwhite



Dick and Jeanette Spencer had only recently moved to Pensacola with their five children when they learned about the upcoming series of evangelistic meetings. Jeanette's employer, Jim Schrock, invited them to come to the meetings "if they really wanted to learn the truth." Jim and his wife, Francis, had joined the Adventist church in Orlando, Florida, three years ago. Pictured left to right are: Robin Spradling, Dick Spencer, Jeanette Spencer, Jimmy Sams, John and Laura Sisk. (Photo by G. G. Hass).



J. C. McElroy, Jr., administrator of Rush Foundation Hospital and head elder of the Meridian, Mississippi, church, invited Tom Green, director of business services for the hospital, to Larry Canster's meetings and then welcomed him into church fellowship. (Photo by Mike Lombardo).

Talley (right), attended a pre-Revelation Seminar and was baptized in February, 1984. She passed to her husband, Paul, who was baptized in May. Together they studied with Lorie's sister, and brought her to the evangelistic meetings. She was baptized in August. (Photo by Mike Lombardo).



Dr. W. W. Oliphant, of DeKalb, Mississippi, encouraged patient Ronnie Roebuck to read Seventh-day Adventist literature. After three years of contact Ronnie was baptized into the Meridian church.

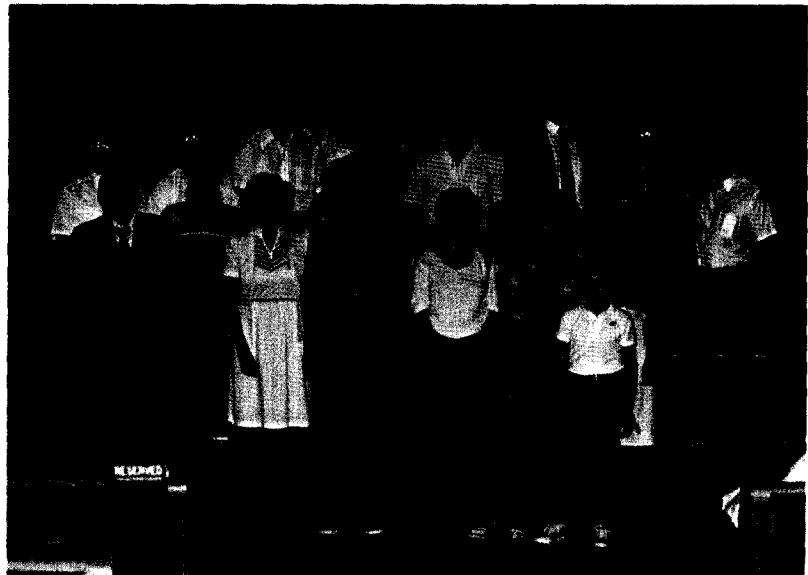


Larry Canster, with his wife Sue, is the Gulf States Conference evangelist. (Photo by Mike Lombardo).

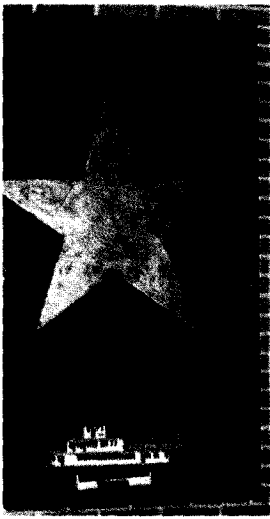
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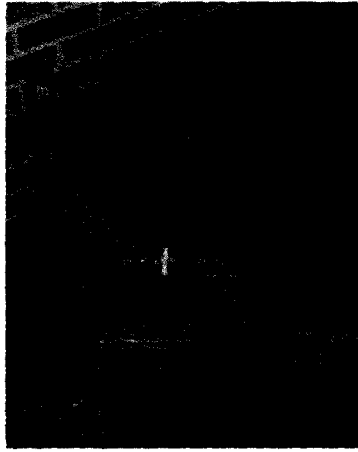
Monticello, Mississippi; Ernest and Jonnie Shipbaugh, a husband and wife, in Panama City, Florida. Throughout all of these different evangelistic thrusts there has run a significant thread of people involvement and a concern for souls. Husbands brought wives and children, sisters brought sisters, professional people brought business acquaintances, doctors and nurses brought patients, grandparents brought teenage grandchildren, employers brought employees, and friends brought friends. Truly the admonition to "sow beside all waters" and "go out to the highways and byways and compel them to come in" is being followed in a new way to reach those souls for whom Jesus died and for whom we are to one day give an account.



Sixteen people were baptized, as well as several who were rebaptized, at the culmination of Lyle Albrecht's meetings in Montgomery. (Photo by Ken Shackelford).

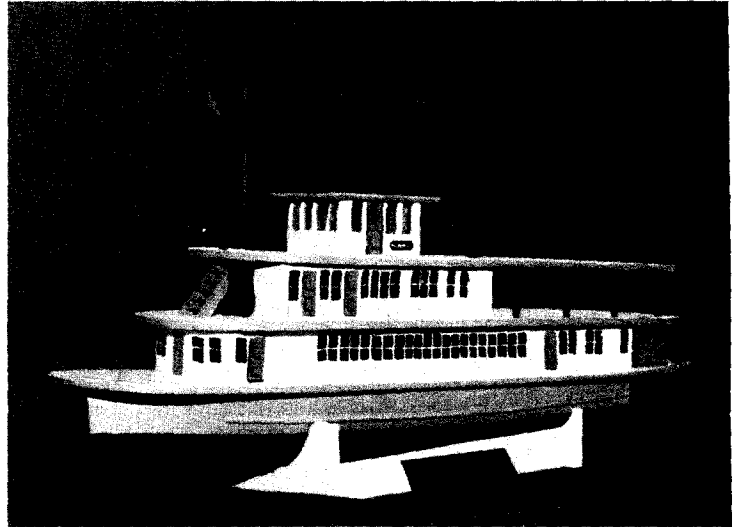


The Morning Star bell was rung to announce each lesson study period.



The actual star that rode high aboard the Morning Star appears above the model.

Replica of the Morning Star, a Mississippi River steamboat used as a floating home for James Edson White and headquarters for his educational and missionary work among the Negro people in the South.



## The Museum of Black SDA History: Remnants of Our Past

by Audrey Stovall Coleman

Photography by Kenneth Broadnax

Located in the west wing of the Eva B. Dykes Library, the Museum of Black SDA History retains holdings dating back to 1896. Established in the school year 1972-73, the Museum, an extension of the Archives, displays a rare collection of photographs, documents, and artifacts as they relate to Oakwood College and black SDA history.

Foremost among the valued remnants include original artifacts from the famed Morning Star (a Mississippi River steamboat used as a floating home for James Edson White and headquarters for his educational and missionary work among the Negro people in the South): the star, the bell (which was rung to announce each lesson study period), and a chair from the boat's chapel. A replica of the Morning Star distinguishes this favored section of the Museum. (The true story of White and the riverboat, *Morning Star*, is told by Ronald D. Graybill in *Mission to Black America*, published by the Pacific Press Publishing Association).

The Museum also displays the

celebrated speech delivered by Ellen G. White to the students and teachers at Oakwood on June 21, 1904, which states in part, that "it was God's purpose that the school should be placed here [near Huntsville]." "He has bestowed on the colored race some of the best and highest talents . . . You have precious opportunities here [in this school]." It was the result of Mrs. White's writings concerning the need for missionary work and the erection of small schools in the South for the Negro, that Oakwood College was started in 1896 and the work of her son, J. E. White, aboard the Morning Star was begun.

No less significant, housed among this rare collection are photographs of the first 16 students of the then Oakwood Industrial School; the Institution's presidents from James I. Beardsley, 1917-1923, to C. B. Rock, 1971—present; its founders, George Irwin and O. A. Olsen; and the first black SDA female medical doctor, Lottie C. I. Blake (the grandmother of the current chairman of the education department, Dr. Paul Brantley). Spe-

cial sections include the Eva B. Dykes Collection (the first black female to qualify for the Ph.D. and the first Ph.D. on the Oakwood staff), after whom the library is named; the Ridgeway Collection, a personal artifact collection from the world travels of P. W. Ridgeway; and an exhibit case with early campus buildings, all but one now destroyed.

Oakwood College has grown from 360 acres, four buildings, and a property valued at \$10,157.57, with four teachers and 16 students (eight men and eight women) in 1896 to 1,185 acres, 19 buildings, and a property valued at \$12,784,498 (1983), with 84 FTE teachers (1983) and 1,465 students (1983).

Oakwood is truly a place of "precious opportunities" as described by Mrs. White, and its Museum depicts the precious realities of opportunities improved.

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### Guam and the Southern Union

The island of Guam is a long way from the Southern Union Conference. You know, of course, that it is a small dot in the western part of the Pacific Ocean. It is only 30 miles long and eight and one-half miles wide, with a population of 111,000. But from this remote American territory the message of the gospel will soon be reaching out to approximately 2.5 billion people.

Although this column is dedicated to sharing with you the state of the Southern Union, I would not have us forget that we are a part of a world church—a church with a mission to share the gospel with "every nation, kindred, tongue, and people." We do have a special responsibility for the eight southeastern states of our nation, but we share in the responsibility for our world mission.

It is for this reason that I tell you about a challenging project being undertaken by our world family. The church has an option to purchase property on Guam with plans to build a powerful shortwave radio station. From this station the gospel message will reach large areas of Asia, Australia, the Indian and Pacific Oceans, and even a portion of Africa. In fact, more than one-half of the population of the globe will have access to this message through Adventist World Radio.

As you can imagine, a project of this

magnitude requires big thinking. Five million dollars are needed just for building and preparing to transmit. Another \$1 million per year will be required for operating the station. These figures are staggering, but they are not impossible.

Realizing that there is a strong desire on the part of Adventists everywhere to be a part of a major outreach with the gospel and to see the work finished, we will be given two opportunities during the spring of 1985 to make this crucial project a reality.

On Sabbath, March 9, and again on Sabbath, May 25, your church and every Adventist church around the world will be receiving an offering for Adventist World Radio. But this simply cannot be just another offering. It must be unusual. In fact it has been suggested that we seriously consider giving an amount equal to the tithe of one week. This, of course, cannot be done without planning. For this reason I have chosen to share this with you now.

Adventist World Radio beaming this message to 2.5 billion people is an exciting concept. Certainly the Lord has made it possible for a rapid completion of His work. Please begin planning now for a large gift for this project on March 9 and May 25, 1985. Who knows, this great outreach may result in a firmament of chosen ones shining forth out of the darkness that covers the peoples of this vast area.

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