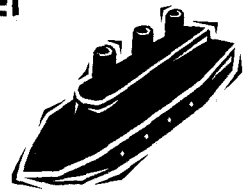


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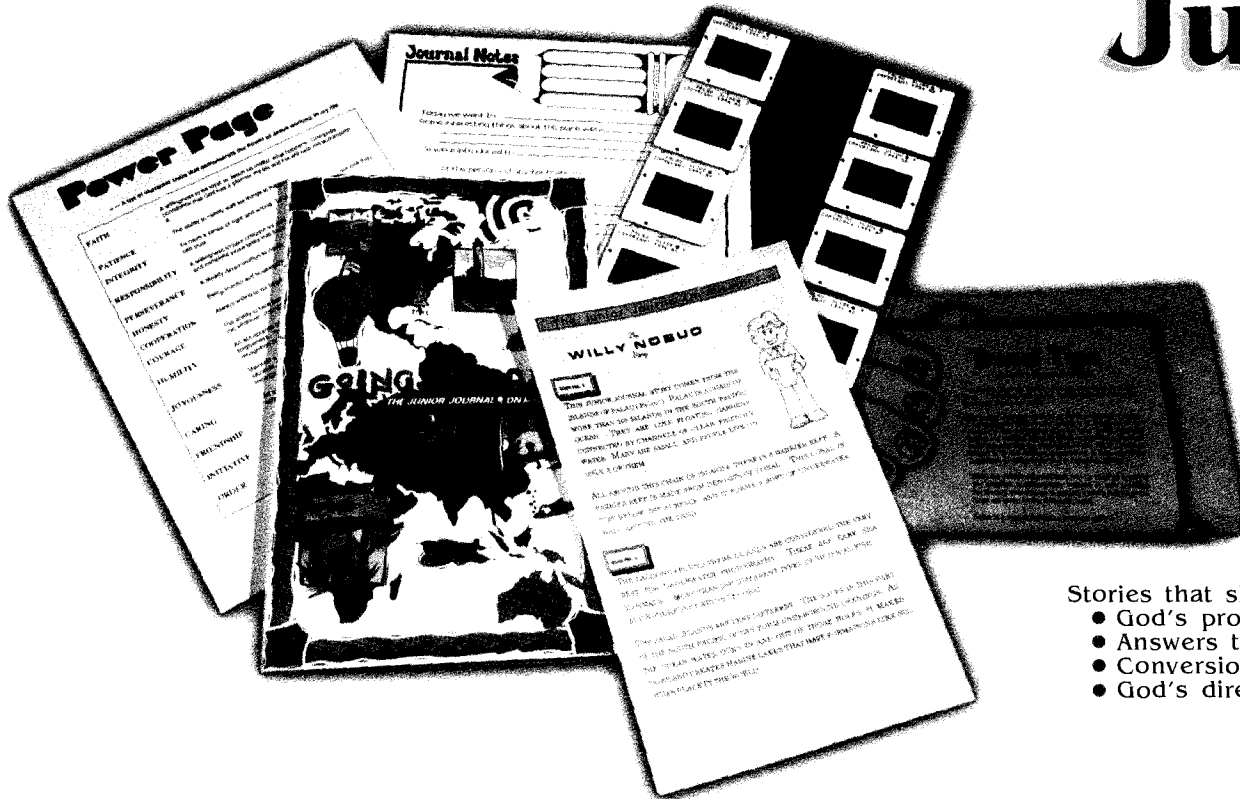
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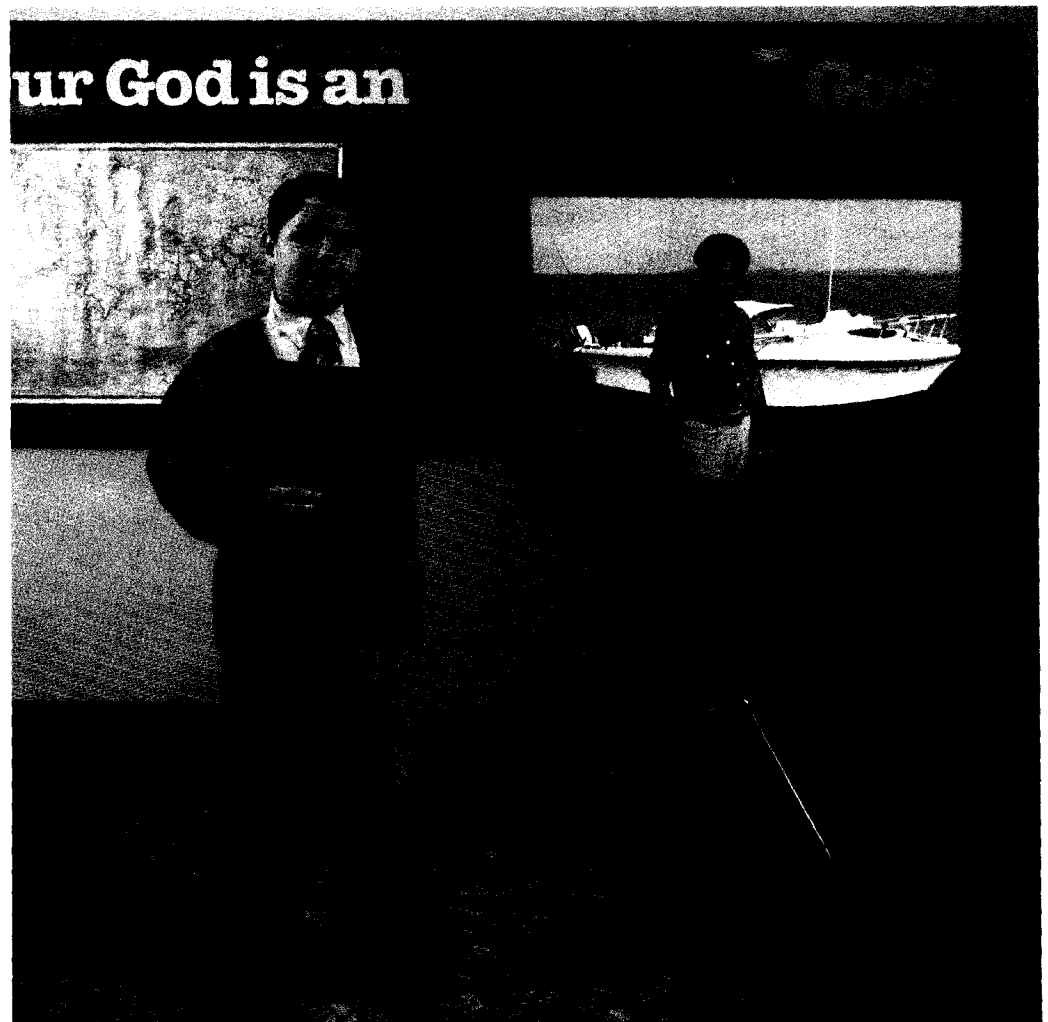
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Junior



- Stories that show—
- God's protection
 - Answers to prayer
 - Conversions
 - God's direction

The JUNIOR JOURNAL gives exciting opportunities to the juniors. They become more involved in their Sabbath school when they participate.



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Journal— A New Dimension

by W. M. Abbott, Jr.

Through the years, the Southern Union has produced and piloted many programs for the Sabbath school. There have been union-wide Sabbath school congresses—local conference training seminars—academy and college-sponsored mission trips—local church Investment projects and mission pageants.

Twenty-five years ago, MISSION SPOTLIGHT was initiated by the communication department of the Southern Union to bring new meaning to the mission program of the Sabbath school. From the Southern Union, it spread to every conference in North America and into 37 overseas countries.

The ADVENTURE SERIES for the kindergarten and primary divisions provided Bible stories, nature nuggets, and visits to other countries through filmstrips and stories. More than 2,000 sets of these 60 films are still serving Sabbath school children.

The HALL OF FAITH is a set of 12 films on the pioneer missionaries of our church. These were produced for the earliteens and youth in the hope of inspiring young people with the true mission of Seventh-day Adventists.

And, now comes a new pilot program. This time for juniors. The JUNIOR JOURNAL on missions is outlined to cover interesting short stories about people. People all over the world. From the island of Palau to the land of Pakistan. From Iceland and India to Indonesia and Israel. They are stories that will show God's protection—answers to prayer—conversions from heathenism and atheism—stories of how God leads and directs people's lives.

The stories and pictures will come from the Mission Spotlight team as they interview people throughout the world. The stories are being composed in a junior style with eight to ten slides. A junior will read the story and show the pictures to illustrate it. Two juniors can

participate by having one in charge of setting up the projector and screen, then making the slide changes for the reader. The script indicates where each slide is to be shown.

Three JUNIOR JOURNAL packets will be shipped each quarter to participating Sabbath schools. One story can be used each month. Some of the stories may be interesting to the primary group. The division leaders can determine this possibility. It has also been suggested that one time each quarter the juniors can select their favorite story for the quarter and present it in the adult Sabbath school. All of this gives opportunity for the juniors to have an active part in Sabbath school.

Besides the illustrated story, each JUNIOR JOURNAL packet will contain interesting activities created around the story so a junior leader actually has a complete Sabbath morning program. These ideas are optional, but they offer great potential for developing a meaningful junior Sabbath school department.

In early December, a sample packet and order form were sent to every Sabbath school in the Southern Union Conference. Mission Spotlight has not only made an attractive packet of materials, they have made it affordable for every Sabbath school, whether you have one junior or one hundred. The yearly subscription is \$5 per program or \$60 for the year plus quarterly shipping charges of \$3.

This year, beginning with the first quarter of 1995, every Sabbath school in the Southern Union will have opportunity to pilot this new "mission emphasis" with their juniors. The Southern Union church ministries department is thrilled to be able to introduce another Sabbath school innovation. Let's have 100% participation. ■

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Straightening Out

by Lewis Stout

By all accounts, Americans are in an angry state right now demanding that government change the way it interrelates with them. There seems to be a belief that if we really started punishing bad behavior and encouraging morality, things would be a lot better for plain, ordinary working-class people. Many are saying that we should have new laws making religion more a part of public life. Most Americans have little knowledge of or concern about the lessons of history, either recent American or old European. But in 1994, history was made when top leaders of major Protestant denominations and Roman Catholics ceremoniously signed a new document, Evangelicals and Catholics Together. The document publicly acknowledges what has been a fact of life for a number of years. On social and moral issues the two formerly bitterest of enemies have been working closely together. Now they say they will no longer proselytize among themselves.

Immediately after their recent election to majority power in Washington, Republican leaders announced that before July 4, 1995, there would be a vote on an amendment to the Bill of Rights which would significantly strengthen the role of government in promoting a particular kind of religious exercise, in this case prayer in public schools. What Christian could be against this? But wait a minute, if the state can regulate this particular exercise does it not set a precedent for controlling other types of religious conduct as well?

Amazingly, Ellen White foresaw these things more than 100 years ago. She states in *Great Controversy*:

"When the leading churches of the United States, uniting upon such points of doctrine as are held by them in common, shall

influence the state to enforce their decrees and to sustain their institutions, then Protestant America will have formed an image of the Roman hierarchy, and the infliction of civil penalties upon dissenters will inevitably result."

—*Great Controversy*, p. 445

Can anyone seriously argue that this has not been very recently fulfilled? What are the implications? Who are these dissenters Ellen White talked about? Why have we been warned ahead of time?

Last November 8 in a close referendum election, Massachusetts voters defeated a state-wide Sunday law. In a large scale promotional effort the Massachusetts Council of Churches had circulated a pamphlet titled *Sunday Laws Revisited*. In this tract there is an article written by Edward V. Vacek, S.J., a Catholic priest who teaches at Weston Seminary. The title of the article is "Right to Leisure and the Dangers of Consumerism." His article states the following:

"There is no simple formula that will solve the proper balance between economic freedom and other communal goals. However, we must together try to develop the general orientation we wish to give to our communal life. As I have already indicated, I believe that our nation needs a communal background time; we need a calendar that, in addition to holidays, includes at least one day each week set aside for common rest, leisure activities, reflection, and the like. We already have that day in Sunday. I recognize the religious bias in the choice of that day. However, no other day, if arbitrarily selected, would command communal assent. An arbitrarily selected day would seem just too arbitrary. Hence, I think that government should provide an appropriate set of inducements and restraints to keep Sunday, if not a holy day in the sense of a day of worship, at least in the sense of a day set apart."

Even though Professor Vacek goes on to say he does not believe now is the time to enact Sunday laws

he does look forward to a time when the majority of Americans will demand them. He encourages the churches to "get their own house in order before they lobby the state to change its laws." He adds, "Christians must help create a culture in which rest from work and shopping is positively valued. If people want this kind of rest, then the laws can follow."

Some among us have consigned the fear of Sunday laws to that bad old 19th Century and the

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religious bigots of those bygone days. However, a thoughtful perusal of the literature turns up a surprising number of articles and papers written in the last 10 years, including the present pope's encyclical *Centesimus Annus*. Many secular arguments, as well as religious ones, are set forth. It would pay us as a people to keep our eyes open and to review the warnings a compassionate God has provided believers.

As a people, God has richly blessed us, lovingly showing us the true meaning of what is happening in our world. I take great solace in the fact that our message hasn't changed. Despite the fretting of a few dissenters it hasn't had to. Our interpretation of prophecy has not needed to readjust and adapt itself to changing circumstances in our world. To me, this is one of the greatest signs that God has been leading this movement.

Now we must recognize that we

America

have a responsibility to share what we know with the world around us. In this country we just had one of the greatest turnovers of political leadership in our history. Thousands of new leaders are now making, enforcing, and interpreting laws that are increasingly invasive of personal freedom. They are absorbed so much in day-to-day problems that they don't see the big picture which is revealed in Scripture alone. We must show them.

Here at the Southern Union our department is busy right now cataloging all the significant changes in political leadership. Shortly we will have a brand new list of some 40,000 names of leaders at every level of government: federal, state, county, and city. We want to send each one of them a subscription to *Liberty* magazine. Only with a very generous offering for Religious Liberty this month will this be possible.

Tell me now, fellow believer, wouldn't it bring you real joy to know that because of your willingness to share the Blessed Hope many of our leaders are having the opportunity to see the big picture. To see where all political trends are leading. To understand that this whole world has an imminent rendezvous with eternity. To have something real and tangible to hope for. That is the mission of *Liberty* magazine. Along with your generous gift for this cause, remember to pray for *Liberty* and for its editor, Clifford Goldstein.

Perhaps you know a better way to reach all the thought leaders in our communities than to send *Liberty* magazine. I don't. I do know that top worldly leaders read this journal. So I recommend that you support it. Maybe someday you will be able to find souls in the kingdom because of your gift. ■

Lewis Stout is director of public affairs and religious liberty.

Hands ACROSS • THE

*"...And all the world wondered
after the beast."*

REVELATION 13:8, 14



Trusts and Wills— An Invaluable Service



Lin Powell, director of Trust Services, Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

by John W. Fowler

Who needs a trust or will?" The question came from a well-meaning inquirer. Developing a trust or a will may seem like unnecessary effort and expense. However, the reality is very different. Lin Powell, who has been serving as a pastor and conference revivalist, has accepted a call to serve as the trust service director for the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference. He points out that perhaps as many as seven out of 10 people die without a will. Why should you have a will?

1. To provide for spouse/children needs after your death.
2. To name a Christian guardian for your minor children, should there be any.
3. To make provision for educating your children if you should die.

4. To pass on personal items to specific beneficiaries.
5. To provide for the Lord's work after your death should you want part of your estate to go to the church.
6. To provide for an orderly distribution and minimize expenses.

There are other reasons, but these are the main ones, and obviously good reasons for making a will.

What is the difference between a will and a trust?

First, let's distinguish between a trust and a will. A will is a legal document that describes how you want your estate distributed upon your death. In your will you nominate an executor who has the responsibility of making sure that the wishes of the person making the will are carried out in detail.

A Revocable Trust is also a legal document which is an agreement entered into between two parties.

One party is called the trustor and the other party is the trustee. In many situations the Conference Association serves as trustee for the assets which are assigned to the trust. During the lifetime of the donor, the use, benefit, and income from the trust assets belongs to the donor. The property or cash held in a Revocable Trust is available to the donor at any time and can be used at his or her discretion.


Revocable Trusts may be amended during one's lifetime or revoked if needed, to meet changing circumstances. Also, the trust document includes instructions as to how the trust assets are to be distributed at the death of the trustor.

No matter how time and circumstances may change your life, it is comforting to know that Christian people of integrity will be caring for your affairs according to your directions.

Charitable Gift Annuities

Life income plans such as Charitable Gift Annuities and Charitable Remainder UniTrusts are gifts with a double blessing. You can know the satisfaction of having made a significant gift to the Lord's work and receive an adequate income for yourself and your spouse for life. In addition to providing an income for you, these instruments also give you the benefit of significant tax savings.

Lin Powell and his staff will be happy to explain to you a new program which we have implemented to assist you in obtaining your will. This service is enjoying tremendous success throughout our conference. During the last year, 350 wills have been written.

We invite our people in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference to call or write Lin Powell should they desire information about a trust, a will, or other instruments useful for estate planning. 



The Mount Calvary church which was organized and built under Eric C. Ward's leadership.

by Charles E. Dudley, Sr.

At the end of September 1994 Eric C. Ward closed his 21-year pastorate at the Oakwood College church and handed the reins of leadership to Dr. Leslie Pollard who now serves as the new senior pastor.



Ward came to the college church in 1973 as the first pastor the college had ever had who was on the payroll of the South Central Conference. Several considerations led the college and conference to move toward calling a conference-employed pastor. First, there was the growing student body and church family with increasing pastoral demands. Secondly, because the finances of the college, were in jeopardy and on the decline, it was wise to transfer the salary of the church pastor from the college payroll to the conference. Thirdly, the church's leadership needed to be separated from the college so that the church and its pastor would hold the same relationship to the conference as do other churches and pastors.

Calvin B. Rock, who was president of the college, and Charles E. Dudley, who was president of the South Central Conference at the time, called Eric C. Ward with three objectives in mind. Number one, to build a church building so that they would no longer have to worship in the gymnasium, Moran Hall, or Ashby Hall as they had done for years; number two, to nurture the spiritual development of the students, and three, to help train the young prospective pastors.

On his first trip to Oakwood after accepting the call, Ward stepped off the plane with an architectural model of the church building that he envisioned constructing and the plans to pay for it. Although the college board of trustees felt that another direction should be taken concerning the building, he was blessed of God to see the



Eric C. Ward with his wife and family.

Shepherd to Many

\$1,750,000 plant completed and paid for within a five-year period in keeping with the policies of the denomination.

After the church complex and religion center complex were completed, he set about to construct a school plant for the academy. One-third of this project was completed before he was relieved of his responsibility; however, the plans for this project had been set in motion and only needed to be followed through.

His spiritual leadership can be felt in all of the divisions of the church around the world as he proved to be a real "role model" for pastors, laymen, and evangelists around the globe.

While serving as pastor of the college church, he organized his entire church for service and pitched a tent on a shopping center mall in the city of Huntsville, Alabama. This evangelistic crusade led to the formation of the Mt. Calvary church for whom he built a church home.

Ward spearheaded a drive to establish new congregations in the surrounding cities that served as training posts not only for students but for the members of the church. New work was organized in Decatur, Athens, Triana, Stevenson, Scottsboro, Brent, Decherd, Guntersville, Rogersville, Limestone County, and Berkeley. His influence could be felt as far away as Tupelo and Corinth, Mississippi, when Donnel Morgan, one of his students, challenged God to bless him to begin a new work in Tupelo and Corinth, Mississippi. When the conference established its Infiltration Evangelism program that offered opportunities for unemployed theology majors to give proof of their calling and be absorbed into the ministry, Ward oversaw this pro-

gram and other communities were entered with the gospel. In most of these places, houses of worship were built or secured. Many students are serving as pastors in the organized work because of Ward's vision, challenge, and direction.

Through his weekly radio broadcasts and newspaper columns he spoke to thousands of people in the North Alabama and South Tennessee area. His hearers and readers loved his ministry and appreciated the fact that he served not only as the pastor of the Oakwood College congregation but as the shepherd for many other people and organizations of the Huntsville community—the business people, the banking people, the city leaders, the religious community, the educational community. The city was blessed under his leadership.

While serving as pastor of the church, the school administration invited him to serve as a professor on the staff of the department of religion. Hundreds of young ministerial students were given a vision about what ministry entailed—the evangelistic thrust, the church board and business meetings, adherence to denominational policies, loyalty to the organization, the meaning of the basic teachings of the church, and pastoral visitation. More than 500 preachers were trained under his leadership.

Many church members and the student body will miss him, but the work of the Lord still moves onward. He led the people to the very end of his ministry having fought a good fight, finished the course and kept the faith. It was admirable to see him take the reins of the church and to tenderly place them into the hands of one whom he had helped to train. ■

Some of the many staff persons and interns who served under Eric C. Ward at the Oakwood College church.



CAROLINA

James Casper, a Southern Baptist minister, asked one of his professors, "Why don't we worship on the seventh day?" The professor never gave him an answer to completely satisfy him. Several years later, Casper attended the Word of Prophecy crusade at the Morganton, N.C., church and his questions were answered. Casper was recently baptized at the conclusion of the evangelistic meetings.



Let me tell you a story about my little son—how he brought me to the Lord when his time on earth was done. It was such a mighty feat for such a little one. They say a child shall lead them, and that's what my boy has done. When **Crystal Harvey Ryan**, to a rare blood disorder, it was almost more than she could bear. One evening last March, little Ryan wasn't acting normal. The following day, he was taken to the hospital. Within hours, Ryan suffered a massive stroke brought on by an inherited blood disorder called antiphospholipid. "The thing that made it so difficult was that there was no warning, one day he's here," Crystal recalls, "the next day he's not with us." Shortly after Ryan died, Crystal wrote a song to help her deal with the pain. She had written words and a tune, but there was no music. A few weeks later, she was invited to attend the Word of Prophecy meetings held at the Morganton, N.C., church. Crystal enjoyed the meetings very much, she especially enjoyed the music. One evening she spoke with the pianist, Joey Gore, who works with evangelist Dale Pollett. She asked him if he would put music to the song she had written. Within minutes, Gore placed beautiful music to Crystal's song, "In Jesus Arms."



Disney Engineering Award Winner

This year, Walt Disney Imagineering (WDI), a subsidiary of the Walt Disney Company, hosted its third annual design competition. In this competition future architects and engineers designed a theme park or a theme ride that they felt could be a reality in the future.

Belvia L. Matthews, an applied mathematics and mechanical engineering student at Oakwood, entered the competition. The theme park that she developed was Nintendo World. The rides and attractions in the park were designed to reflect the actual games and characters of the Nintendo Home Entertainment System.

In order to enter the competition, students had to be members of and send their designs to one of the organizations that WDI sponsored. Matthews is a member of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) and therefore sent her project to their headquarters. She was chosen by NSBE as one of their three finalists. She and the other finalists were flown to Glendale, Calif., for a week to present their design projects to eight WDI judges. The judges liked Matthews' ideas and she won first prize in the design competition for NSBE.

As first place winner she received a cash prize and a six-month co-op position at WDI which she will start in January or June 1995.

While in California, she had the opportunity to tour the Walt Disney Company's headquarters as well as the backstage scenes of Disneyland. She also had an opportunity to meet Walt Disney's president and many of the vice presidents.

Roy E. Malcolm

Crystal was baptized in November at the conclusion of the Word of Prophecy meetings. With a song in her heart, Crystal sang to her new church family in Morganton. In her own words, she has this assurance:

"When our blessed Savior comes,
He'll place them in your arms.
Yes, He'll give you sweet assurance,
they sleep in Jesus' arms.
He gave me sweet assurance,
Ryan sleeps in Jesus' arms."

FLORIDA



Cindy Kurtzhals, communication director for the Florida Conference, has been selected for inclusion in 2000 Notable American Women, *The World Who's Who of Women—13th*

Edition, and *Who's Who Worldwide Registry, Inc.* This recognition comes on the heels of the departmental team earning its third international award from Excellence in Media in Hollywood, Calif., for the Conference's *Florida Focus*. Kurtzhals is a third-term member of the board of directors for the Central Florida Press Club in Orlando.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND



Jane Ruf, a registered nurse currently working on a master's degree in nursing administration, is the new coordinator for the Athens, Ga., area nurses' clinic for the homeless and

disadvantaged. In addition to her other responsibilities, Jane will coordinate fund-raising activities. Jane's return to the workplace is especially meaningful after July 9, 1993, when she was hit by a car at a gas station. Doctors have repeatedly

told her that without a miracle she would have lost her leg.

SOUTH CENTRAL

Rozelia Harris, a member of the Bethany church in Montgomery, Ala., assists in coordinating, through her church, a community services feeding program for the homeless, and sick and shut-ins. Harris was recently honored at Alabama State University as an Alumni of Distinction, which represents those individuals who have achieved milestones in their careers and continue to make solid contributions in their career fields and in their communities. She has worked in the interest of citizens' welfare for more than 30 years. She recently retired as program operations supervisor in the Alabama Department of Human Resources Division of Child Support in Montgomery. She administered and supervised the tax offset intercept, state parent location and central registry units, and the unemployment compensation benefit intercept program.

OAKWOOD COLLEGE

Lois Marie Clay is a student recognized for high academic achievements, work dedication, and commitment to the pursuit of higher education. Lois was elected as Oakwood's Top Student of 1994.

Lela Moore Gooding, Rise Lowery, and Edrene De Shield Malcolm are Oakwood teachers who have been included in the third edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers 1994*. All of the 65,500 listed teachers were selected by one or more former students who themselves were listed in the *Who's Who Among High School Students* or *The National Dean's List*. There is no greater honor for a teacher than to be recognized for excellence by former students, especially when those



She Can't Stop

Lucille Davis, of the Floral Crest, Ala., Pathfinder club, was honored at the recent Gulf States Pathfinder camporee. Davis has been active with Pathfinders for about 36 years.

Davis first got involved in Pathfinding when she and her husband lived in Greeneville, Tenn. There she was invested as a Master Guide and had 72 tokens on her honor sash. She helped with that club for two years before moving to Bryant, Ala., and became a member of the Floral Crest church. For the past 35 years she has been club director, counselor, cook, teacher, and most of all, a positive Christian influence on the lives of scores of Pathfinders.

One of her most memorable Pathfinder experiences was the Camp Hale Pathfinder camporee in 1985. The responsibility of getting all the Pathfinders to Colorado and back safely was a major hurdle for the club. Other memories include backpacking in the Smoky Mountains and almost losing one Pathfinder. She has attended all three of the division-wide Pathfinder camporees.

Recently her husband, Granville, was hospitalized at Loma Linda and while there she helped the Loma Linda Campus Hill Pathfinder club for two months. She just can't get away from Pathfinders.

Bill Wood

students represent the best high school and college students in America today.



Prudence La Beach Pollard, Ph.D., is the new executive director for administration/human resources at Oakwood College. She received the doctorate in educational

leadership (evaluation and measurement) from Western Michigan University in 1993. The news media reported on Pollard's research into the development needs of top executives in international industrial corporations. Pollard began her professional career as a registered dietitian, specializing in program development, evaluation, and management. She served at Loma Linda University School of Public Health as assistant professor in the graduate program in public health nutrition.

AHS/SUNBELT

Thomas L. Werner, president of Florida Hospital, was elected and installed chairman-elect of the Florida Hospital Association (FHA). He served as treasurer of the statewide association since 1992. The FHA represents 220 hospitals before state and federal lawmakers, the court system, and regulatory agencies. Werner has been at Florida Hospital since 1981, and was named president in 1984.

Calvin Wiese, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Adventist Health System/Sunbelt, was honored as Business Alumnus of the Year by the Southern College Business Alumni Association on Oct. 30. Wiese is a 1982 graduate of Southern College. He began working with AHS/Sunbelt through an Ernst and Young internship. He joined the corporation full-time in 1981 as a staff accountant. He subsequently served as director of internal auditing, controller, and vice president.

Carolina

The Amazing Facts evangelistic team of John and Crystal Earnhardt recently held an **EVANGELISM CRUSADE** at the Greenwood, S.C., church. Approximately 120 visitors attended during the first three evenings of the crusade. The entire Greenwood church rallied with the evangelists. There were six baptisms.

THE PATHFINDER AND ADVENTURER CLUBS AT THE MORGANTON, N.C., CHURCH are bursting at the seams with more than 35 young people attending the Wednesday evening meetings. The group has doubled since last year. Both groups are busy earning honors and holding fund-raiser events to purchase uniforms and help with mission projects. The Adventurers receive \$20 in play money the first of each month. They can spend it buying privileges during the month or they can save it. On the fifth Wednesday of each month with a fifth Wednesday, the parents of the Adventurer children come to the meeting and prepare supper for the children and staff. A store is set up where the children can spend any saved play money they have. They are also

being taught the principles of tithing when they receive their money.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS came to the Raleigh, N.C., church October 28. The Raleigh school invited the Burlington and Durham schools for the day's events. Teams were created, and events varied from egg and water-balloon tosses to three-legged races, a high-jump competition to a pie-eating contest. The event was a huge success with students, parents, and teachers working side-by-side to create an exciting and fun-filled day.

The Columbia, S.C., church held a special **PRECIOUS MEMORIES SOCIAL** in honor of the elder generations November 13. The social provided fellowship for both the young and older members together. Food during the event was purchased at one of the mission booths and provided a variety of Oriental, Mexican, and American cuisine. The evening was highlighted by the auction of a quilt made by the ladies of the church for \$2,350. This money will be used to finance a new water system for the church.

Florida

The conference sponsored a **FESTIVAL OF FAITH** October 22 at the Orlando Central church commemorating 150 years of God's leading following 1844's Great Disappointment. The church was transformed into the 1800's and the congregation sang early advent hymns. General Conference President Robert S. Folkenberg, Sr., challenged members to a deeper commitment in preparation for Jesus' soon return.

South Brevard and Vero Beach church members were among the first to **PROVIDE HELP TO BAREFOOT BAY RESIDENTS AFTER A TORNADO**, spawned by Hurricane Gordon, hit their community, November 15. Working with local Red Cross and Salvation Army officials, church members set up shelters and a triage unit for the injured. They also distributed blankets and food.

East Pasco Adventist Educational Center (EPAEC) fostered greater **COMMUNITY AWARENESS** of its mission by hosting a Dade City Chamber of Commerce breakfast, October 18. Area business and civic leaders, including Florida State Representative Carl Littlefield, listened to a report on the history and growth of EPAEC. East Pasco Medical Center also participated by providing the meal.

Rolando de los Rios, conference vice president for Hispanic ministries, and 20 of Florida's Hispanic pastors attended a recent **HISPANIC EVANGELISM COUNCIL** sponsored by the North American Division. The meetings focused on multicultural differences in the Hispanic community and its impact on church evangelism. There are 7,400 Hispanic members in the conference.

One hundred women, representing women's ministries programs in the conference's Ridge district, gathered at the Ft. Myers church October

22 for a **WOMEN'S MINISTRIES DAY**. Crises in the Christian Church and Intimate Encounters With God were among the subjects covered.

UNITY THROUGH BROTHERLY LOVE WAS THE FOCUS OF A RECENT INTERNATIONAL DAY SABBATH conducted by the Brandon church. More than 30 countries were represented as members celebrated the church's cultural diversity by dressing in costumes reflecting their ethnic backgrounds.

Sixty attended a weekend seminar on **PERSONAL CRISIS MANAGEMENT** sponsored by the Mt. Dora church November 4-6. Topics discussed included grief recovery and coping with stress, anxiety, and depression.

GET CONNECTED was the theme for Forest Lake Academy's recent week of spiritual emphasis as Joey Rivera, Apopka church youth pastor, challenged students to develop a consistent prayer life. The week ended with an Agape feast where students were given the opportunity to recommit their lives to God.

Apopka church pastors John Appel and Joey Rivera, Forest Lake church pastor Terry Pooler, and Florida Hospital chaplain Don Riesen represented the Seventh-day Adventist Church at the city of Apopka's annual **THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION** November 22. More than 320 attended the program held at the First United Methodist church of Apopka. The event was sponsored by the Apopka area Ministerial Association, whose members represent churches of all faiths.

The South Orlando church Pathfinder club collected more than 700 canned goods for its annual **THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**. The 17-member club used the food to make special Thanksgiving baskets and personally delivered them to area families.

Georgia-Cumberland

THE BIENNIAL AAA ARDVARK OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT benefiting Atlanta Adventist Academy's athletic department raised in excess of \$4100 on October 23. Eighty-six golfers participated in the tournament at the Sky Valley Ski and Golf Club. Proceeds of this and future tournaments over the next four years have been pledged to retire a \$12,000 debt on the gymnasium.

THE INTERIM ADMINISTRATIVE AND

DEPARTMENTAL REORGANIZATION FOR THE CONFERENCE OFFICE is as follows: executive secretary Al Long will give more focus to several human resource issues and will also become the office personnel manager. To balance these added responsibilities, ethnic ministries will transfer to George Powell, vice-president for development. Roy Caughron, vice-president for ministerial, will now schedule interim pastors for churches

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and give greater focus to ministerial concerns. Tom Baez, adult ministries director, will coordinate evangelism, and Dave Cress will coordinate the church ministries department.

Two hundred fifty-six junior Pathfinders and staff representing 26 different clubs came to Cohutta Springs Camp, November 11-13, for a **HONORS WEEKEND**. Pathfinders were able to earn six honors from either nature or the arts and crafts areas. Fifteen teachers taught

the two-and-a-half-hour sessions.

North American Division youth leader Jose Rojas brought two powerful messages to the delegates attending the **1994 YOUTH FESTIVAL** November 5 at Southern College. Delegates were given the opportunity to respond to a call to commit to Jesus Christ. Two hundred twenty-nine youth and young adults came forward and an additional 26 individuals made decisions for baptism.

Kentucky-Tennessee



There is a surge of **NEW CHURCHES BEING STARTED** in the conference. This year new companies were organized in Hohenwald and Louisville Korean, and a new work has been started in Scottsville with plans for organization in the very near future.

Tony Torres conducted a **BAPTISM** of three at the Bordeaux church December 3. Tony has been pastoring the Bordeaux/Ashland City district less than a month. An evangelistic crusade is planned for February in the Bordeaux church gym which is being renovated. A Prophecy Seminar is planned this spring for the Ashland City church.

TWENTY-NINE EVANGELISTIC SERIES ARE PLANNED FOR 1995. Several of the meetings are to be conducted by visiting evangelists; however, most will be conducted by the local pastors.

Kim Kjaer, a lay evangelist for Amazing Facts, has just completed an **EVANGELISTIC SERIES** in Dickson, Tenn. He was assisted by the local pastor, John Estrada. The church was packed each evening and eight individuals were baptized.

THE ANNUAL MADISON ACADEMY, KEN-

TUCKY, OUTREACH PROGRAM took place November 2-5. Youth leaders Brett Hadley, Alan Craig, Sam Soler, Scott Christen, and Don Keele coordinated the 25 young people for service to the Middlesboro community. They built porches, refinished rooms, painted, and supplied the labor and materials to assist the less fortunate. Through this effort the community perception of Adventism is opening up doors for evangelism.

Joe Whedbee conducted an **EVANGELISTIC MEETING** in Leach, Tenn., with 50 attending each evening. Eight have already been baptized.

Scott Shafer, another Amazing Facts evangelist, is conducting a **SERIES OF MEETINGS IN A NEWLY ORGANIZED COMPANY** in Hohenwald, Tenn. David Sagan, the local pastor, is assisting the evangelist.

HIGHLAND ACADEMY HAS MADE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS PART OF THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM. Each month the entire student body participates in one day of outreach. Projects include helping in an orphanage, cleanup for elderly, day care assistance, health seminars, windshield ministry, and puppet ministry.

Oakwood College



THE ASSOCIATION FOR EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN HIGHER EDUCATION (NAFEO) has awarded Oakwood a grant of \$1,000 to be used for the purchase of supplies or other items related to a special archival project. Oakwood College was one of the ten institutions selected. Oakwood will work with NAFEO

to enhance the preservation of archival collections in historically black colleges and universities.

A \$50,000 CHECK recently arrived from the David Packard Foundation. This is the first payment of a special grant given because of a proposal written by the Grants Management Office.

Southern College



The music department has completed installation of a **10-KEYBOARD ELECTRONIC PIANO LAB**. The lab, which features Techniques Keyboards, is designed to accommodate students in music theory, keyboard harmony, and group piano classes.

WHITE OAK MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING ASSOCIATION IS EXPECTED TO BE ON THE AIR IN EARLY 1995. Blake Hauge is the general manager. WOMBA has been in the developing stages for a few years and is planning to support two local stations—one that will reach the entire Chattanooga area and the other, the Collegedale valley. Broadcasts will involve journalism and communication department students.

The number of **FAMILY-NAMED RESTRICTED LOANS AND SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENTS HAS BEEN STEADILY GROWING**—five new ones since June 1. The total number has reached 110. The most recent one is the Claudine McConnell Pauley Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund. It honors spring graduate Claudine Pauley who died August 4.

The administration has given full support to the faculty and staff on their pursuit of the **NATIONAL WELL WORKPLACE GOLD AWARD.**

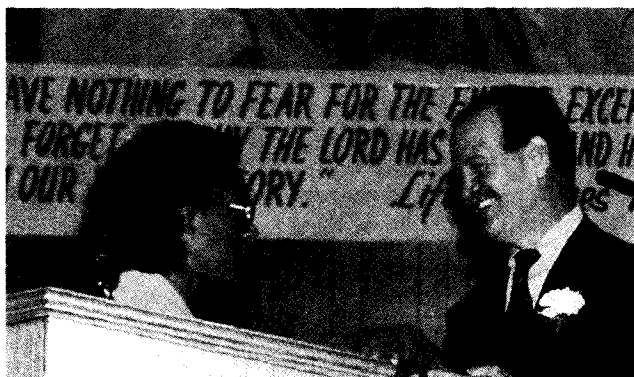
The Wellness Committee is coordinating the effort.

Barbara James and Mary Ann Roberts of the nursing department, and Jeff Leeper of business administration were granted **DOCTORAL STUDY LEAVES**. James and Roberts will begin at the University of Alabama, Birmingham, this summer. Leeper is still looking into when and where to begin his studies.

THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE RECEIVED GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE TOTALING \$2.13 MILLION LAST YEAR. Cash for the new Hickman Science Center has reached \$2 million, with nearly that much in outstanding pledges. About 175 businesses, foundations, and 400 individuals were personally visited. The Scholarship Endowment is at \$8.76 million. The number of planned giving documents has grown from 18 in 1990, to 95 at present.

TRUSTEES VOTED TO RAISE THE ROOF BY ADDING A FOURTH FLOOR TO THE CONFERENCE CENTER, which was originally built as a student residence addition to Thatcher Hall. The present flat roof requires replacement, and additional rooms constructed at the same time as a gable roof would add flexible residential space for future needs.

—Outreach—



Presentation of plaque to Sam Lauf by Eileen Pilliner.

Shiloh Celebrates Friend's Day

Southeastern—Three hundred members and guests celebrated Family and Friends day at Shiloh church in Ocala, Fla., on October 15.

Months of preparation were spent prior to this event. During the spring, Sabbath school classes adopted a new outreach program to contact more people from the community. Each Sabbath school class was given a territory named Samaria with a concentrated effort on reaching, caring, and inviting neighbors to church.

Eileen Pilliner, superintendent, invited and recognized influential

community leaders. Among them were James Stephens, pastor of St. Paul AME church, Mr. Sam Lauf, principal of the local community education center, and Thelma Parker, a journalist and a member of the Ultrusa Reading Club.

Recognition was also given to church members who were active in the community. Corrine Booze was presented a plaque for her involvement in the local food bank. Wayman Hope was recognized for making sure that the annual investment program is successful.

The speaker for the occasion was pastor Thomas A. McNealy, Miami/Bethany church.

Elizabeth Hamilton

Workshops Provide Outreach to Community

South Central—Several workshops were provided by Mary Averhart, a member and community services leader at Bethany church in Montgomery, Ala.

Mary, a born designer and creative person, has conducted many workshops and lectured to groups on "How to Make Something From Nothing." She has taken old houses and new houses and made them into beauti-

ful conversation pieces. Her introduction to new and different ideas are usable, practical, and very economical.

These workshops were presented at a community center in an effort to educate people to think twice before they throw away items they may consider unusable. "Something From Nothing" workshops included arts and crafts, and interior decoration. Some of the suggestions were ideas for color combinations, decoration, centerpieces, and table settings. Homemade teaching tools for classroom and home usage were introduced.

To further inform the participants, a workshop on "How to Get a Job and Keep It" was presented. Professional contributors—Rozelia Harris and Everlene Hayes, covered topics on attitude on the job, supervisor/employee relationship, employer/employee relations, appropriate dress, and filling out applications.

Deidre Ramsey and Sidney Averhart were right on target with a skit pinpointing the importance of having the right attitude on one's

job. The skit reinforced the fact that a person's attitude will determine if he/she will remain employed or unemployed.

The concluding workshop was on "Low Cost Cooking." Dorothy Sanders, contributor, focused on family nutrition—presenting tips and demonstrations on food preparation, budget shopping, menu planning, and the use of nonexpensive items to prepare tasty and delicious entrees. Several dishes were prepared.

Dorothy Sanders

—Progress—



Conference officers and church members celebrated the purchase of a church building.

Smithfield First Purchases Church

South Atlantic—Smithfield First church celebrated the purchase of its church building September 10 in an all-day service of consecration and celebration of the sanctuary.

Approximately 200 persons from the Smithfield community and neighboring Adventist churches were present as South Atlantic Conference officers Ralph Peay, president; Calvin Preston, secretary, and

Eugene Mason, treasurer, led in the church dedication.

"Build Me a Sanctuary," was the title of the sermon delivered by Joseph L. Follette, founding pastor of the Smithfield church.

Gary Jouett, pastor of the Raleigh-Wilson-Smithfield district, presided over the day's events which included Sabbath school, divine worship, lunch, and a celebration concert.

The Smithfield First church is located at 913 South Fifth Street, Smithfield, NC 27577.

Ronald Chunn

Expanded School Room And Curriculum Draw Students

Florida—Members and faculty of the New Port Richey church and

school took on a school expansion program that is helping them to more fully accomplish their educational goals. And not only that, it has helped increase the kindergarten-first grade (K-1) enrollment to the largest in years.



SPENCER CARRIGAN

In addition to getting one-on-one teacher attention, and learning about computers, students are learning how to launder their clothes. Pictured are: Amber Leverock and Vincenza Hickman.

The Florida State Department of Education is encouraging elementary schools to teach practical life skills. These include learning how to iron clothes, prepare meals, answer the telephone, and take care of some home appliances.

The church's action plan was to develop a larger space than the existing 20' x 30' room by enclosing the breezeway on the west side of the building. It was an ambitious summertime expansion project. Now the K-1 classroom has a brighter, more spacious 20' x 55' room area with a lot of natural light.

Coincidentally and providentially, while the new addition was under construction, the school started receiving names of prospective students for the much-needed

increase in enrollment. Because some kindergarteners' families were moving out of the area, there was going to be a potential drop in enrollment. Members saw these new students as a sign—in a tangible way—that the Lord was blessing their efforts.

Teachers now report a more positive attitude among the students. They enjoy learning about Jesus' love and care for them. And, they're learning the new practical life skills.

New Port Richey parents appreciate this overall type of education their children are receiving. School board members hope many more parents will see the benefit of Adventist Christian education in this Florida Conference school.

Spencer Carrigan

Update

Celebrating 100 Years of Service

Carolina—Spartanburg can boast not only of having the first radio and television stations and the first airmail service in the state of South Carolina, it can also proudly claim the home of the first Seventh-day Adventist church in South Carolina.

Malcolm Gordon, president of the Southern Union, and Ken Coonley,

president of the Carolina Conference, came back home November 4-5 to celebrate the 100 years of the church's service in Spartanburg.

Harold Moody, M.D., presented recognition to Patsy Powers. Her dedication to the church as minister of music spans 40 years. She was recognized as being active in all phases of church musical life, including teacher of music in the church-school.

Ron Quick



Present and former pastors Malcolm Gordon (left, standing), Ken Coonley, David Dobias, Rick Howard, and Walton Williams. Don Stutler (left, seated) and Roger Coon.

Mission-to-Vision Mission Statement Process Begins

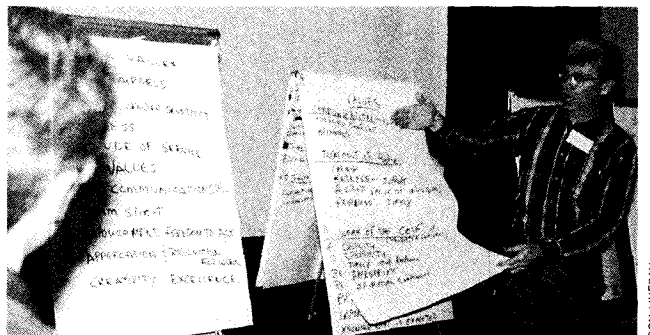
Georgia-Cumberland—On November 20 the executive committee, reorganization commission, and conference office staff met at Cohutta Springs Adventist Center to develop a mission-to-vision statement and strategy.

The eight-hour process was led by Roy Naden who asked the group to breakout into small brainstorming

and discussion sessions to focus on primary conference customers, their needs, and the values that are most important to the conference operation.

The day concluded with a primary draft of the mission statement. The process will continue to involve the pastoral and educational staff. This mission statement will be the guiding force to future reorganization of conference office responsibilities.

Don Livesay



Dan Clifford reports on his group's lists of important values for the office.

Eastern Carolina Meet by the Sea

Carolina—The fifth annual meeting by the sea, eastern Carolina

camp meeting, was held October 28-30 at Oak Island.

"This event continues to grow," stated Ken Coonley, conference president, at a recent



Some feel the location and quality of speakers are the reasons for the growing attendance.

departmental meeting. Because of the growing number attending the camp meeting, it was suggested that thought be given to holding the weekend meeting at another location. However, some felt the location

and quality of speakers are the reasons for the growing attendance.

This near-perfect location by the sea will most likely be the sight for the eastern Carolina camp meeting next fall.

Ron Quick

Lay Advisory Board Takes Retreat

Carolina—It isn't all work for these lay advisory members. Recently, members of the lay advisory took a break from their meetings at Nosoca Pines Ranch and cruised on the pontoon boat belonging to the camp.

The annual weekend retreat gives church members an opportunity to share in the plans of the growing church in Carolina.

Some of the topics

for discussion were ideas and methods for holding and retaining young adults in the church, and structure of the worship service and how to make it more meaningful.

Leo Van Dolson, guest speaker, presented a series on last day events. Van Dolson, who was on the General Conference staff, is now retired.

"It would be wonderful if all the churches in the Carolinas could be represented," stated Ken Coonley, Carolina Conference president. This year, 36 churches were represented.

Ron Quick



Board members cruise on a pontoon boat.

Faculty Praises ReachBack Conference

Oakwood College—Operation ReachBack Inc., which held its first thinktank conference in Nashville, November 4-6, was a success.

Black professionals from across the nation were there to hear and participate in the presentation of essays on various topics. Oakwood had four presenters: Roy Malcolm, E. Saunders, Mervyn Warren, and A.

Samson. Malcolm extended greetings on behalf of Oakwood College President Benjamin Reaves, and announced that Oakwood was sending additional representatives.

Areas of discussion included church structure, culture, health, theology, family, government, and society.

Thirty-one people presented papers at various intervals, using the panel technique with a moderator throughout the weekend conference.

Roy E. Malcolm

Oakwood Honors Retirees

Oakwood College—Ten retirees were honored at the annual board/faculty dinner October 23. The event was held in Wade Hall with Paul Foster as master of ceremonies. Retirees included:

Shirley Beary, Alfonzo Greene, Edward O. Jones, Preston Calhoun, Frankie Cantrell, Pearl Carter, Maurice Marshall, Faith Watkins McKeiver, Mabel Norman, and Richard Norman.

Several other college workers were honored for years of service.

Roy E. Malcolm

Flood Victims Celebrate Thanksgiving

South Atlantic—The Emanuel church of Albany, Ga., celebrated a special Thanksgiving Day for the flood victims of 1994. The keynote speaker was O. J. McKinney.

The program emphasized the theme "In Everything Give Thanks." Not only the victims, but the membership left church rejoicing.

There was a special dinner following the divine worship, and at that dinner the flood victims were the guests of honor; and donations were distributed to Advent-

tists and nonAdventists. In addition, cleaning supplies and toiletries were handed out.

Special thanks was given to Calvin Watkins and his community services department of the South Atlantic Conference for establishing an adoption program for the flood victims, and his work in the relief efforts.

Other churches of the conference are involved in helping the victims of this disaster. Because of Watkins' leadership, the program will be continuing for a long time to relieve the suffering of the ones who were displaced.

Thelma D. Anderson

Bethany Reaches Out to Community

South Central—The community services at Bethany church in

Montgomery, Ala., is still on the move. The most recent project taken on by the community services department is the Sunday morning breakfast for

the homeless. This program is sponsored by the Sabbath school classes on a rotating basis. The class members support the breakfast by giving money, service, or food items.

This program is diverse, in that it not only feeds the homeless, but meals are delivered to the sick and shut-in church members and non-members alike.

Averhart indicated that, "We are blessed to have men and women of the church to come and conduct spirit-filled devotions—directing them to the source (God) that can make a difference in the way they live and think."

One goal of this program is to help the needy help themselves. Some are talented and

have special skills, and are assisted by members of the staff to find jobs to match their skills. Other individuals have visited the worship services, and at least two have been baptized as a result of attending the breakfast.

Marion Johnson, newly appointed pastor of eight months, has been very helpful in providing ideas to improve the breakfast program, and giving his time in the kitchen preparing the meals. Approximately one hundred or more meals are prepared.

In addition to the breakfast program, give-away clothing fairs are sponsored twice a year, and at least 35 food baskets are given away during the Christmas season.

Dorothy Sanders

Christ. Then Southern College's own Terrie Ruff addressed the issue of "Dealing With Peer Relationships." With the philosophy that "God doesn't create junk," Terrie's message helped the young ladies to see that healthy self-esteem is important in properly dealing with peer pressures.

The last workshop was led by Sharon and Benji Leach, who asked the question "Are You Fit to be Tied?" Even though marriage is a

few years in the future for most of these girls, the Leaches showed ways they can begin now to prepare for a happy, healthy marriage relationship.

Saturday night was full of activities like basketball, aerobics, and ice cream, lots of ice cream. After breakfast and a farewell meeting Sunday morning, the girls concluded the weekend by joining in a large circle singing of meeting in heaven by the Savior's side.

Susan Brown

Zion French Celebrates Secretaries' Day

Southeastern—Zion French church in Miami, held its first Secretaries' Day October 15. Amos Bossous, pastor, together with the church board members supported the concept, led by Marie Jose Daphnis, church clerk.

W. L. Taylor, conference secretary, was the guest speaker. Local church and professional secretaries were reminded that their ultimate boss is Jesus Christ. It is His business above all that must be transcribed to a dying world.

A fellowship dinner was held after church service, followed by a communication workshop.

W. L. Taylor



Finding out about yourself was a "mixer" during the retreat.

Young Women's Retreat Emphasizes Beauty Within

Georgia-Cumberland—"Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a (young) woman who honors the Lord is to be praised." Proverbs 31:30.

The Georgia-Cumberland Conference women's ministries department held a Young Women's Retreat October 7-9, with the aim of drawing more attention to this proverb of Solomon. Eighty-five young ladies from Collegedale Academy,

Georgia-Cumberland Academy, Heritage Academy, Laurelbrook Academy, and various high schools in the conference came to Cohutta Springs.

Sharon Leach, of Southwestern Adventist College, was the guest speaker with messages entitled "Beauty and the Best," "Beauty and the Boost," and "Beauty and the Pest."

The first Sabbath afternoon workshop was "Starting a Devotional Life," with former Southern College student Beth Corrigan. Beth's advice encouraged the girls to keep alive a daily living connection with Jesus



Partial group of those who attended the day's celebration.

Florida Holds 64th Constituency Meeting

Florida—More than 800 delegates convened at the 64th Regular Constituency Meeting (Triennial Session) on November 20. They represented the 35,394 members, 173 local congregations, and 46 schools across the conference. Florida Conference is

the fifth largest of 58 Adventist conferences in North America, and has the fourth largest Adventist school system in North America.

Delegates came to make business decisions pertaining to the work of the church in Florida for the next three years. Regional presession meetings were held in September, October, and November for delegates to meet with administrators and departmental directors to ask questions and get an overview. Then, after



CINDY KURTZHALS

Florida Conference officers were reelected at the Triennial Session. Pictured are: President Obed Graham and his wife, Coretta; Secretary Gloria Becker and her husband, Jim; and Valorie Wilson and her husband, Treasurer Stephan Wilson.

dialoguing with their membership, they came to Forest Lake Academy in Apopka to finalize the business of electing officers, and to conduct other business.

All three officers were reelected: Obed Graham, president; Gloria Becker, secretary; and Stephan Wilson, treasurer.

Graham is a "builder of leaders." His philosophy is to throw out the old-style management textbooks in favor of an open managerial style that encourages the free interchange of information at all levels. He is a catalyst for pastors to use their own creative abilities in ministry to the churches they serve and the communities in which they live. He also oversees departmental directors who serve as resource personnel to facilitate the needs of 157 local pastors and their congregations. Overall, he encourages a spirit of unity among Florida's many diverse cultures and the utilization of each person's

gifts, talents, and abilities.

As agenda items progressed, delegates lined up at microphones to make comments, motions, and amendments. Their statements reflected the spirit of unity prayed for at the beginning of the day.

Topics discussed included the importance of leadership and various committees at all levels being faithful in returning tithe; a change in the constitution so that departmental directors will now be appointed and evaluated by the Executive Committee; and a new formula for representation from churches and schools as delegates-at-large.

Conference departmental directors' goals and objectives were shared in 15 break-out groups in the afternoon with equal opportunities for delegate input. The focus of each department's work is evangelistic.

Cindy Kurtzhals

Titusville Sets Fire To Mortgage

Florida—"Fire is a wonderful thing, especially when it can turn this mortgage into dust," said Stephan Wilson, conference treasurer, as he lit a match and burned the Titusville church mortgage on September 17.

A sawdust path led people into evangelistic tent meetings during the

early days in Titusville. The first baptism was held in the fall of 1946 with 15 charter members organizing into a church that year. They began having services in people's homes, and then at the Titusville Women's Club until a permanent church was constructed in 1951. Member Woodrow Wilson Whidden is credited as the reason a church even exists in Titusville.

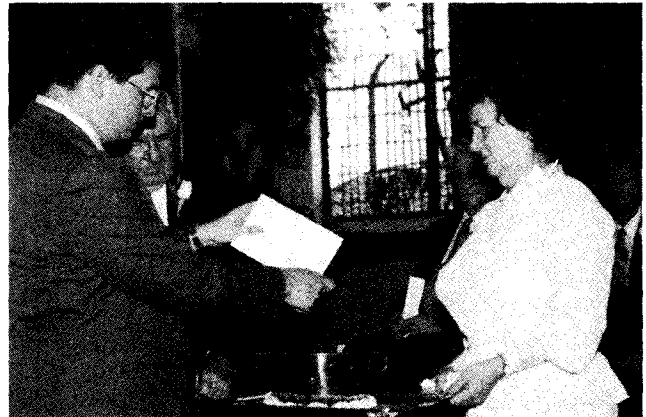
Over the years, members built upon the foundations of pioneers past and the church grew. For 17 years Titusville members considered building or buying a new church. In 1983, they finally decided to build. They located the current site, about three acres, at 5005 Barna Avenue, and construction began in early 1986. The first meeting was held in the sanctuary on December 13, 1986.

The Titusville church has had 20 pastors since its beginnings. If a pastor had two or three churches, services in Titusville would begin at 3 p.m. Until five

years ago, Titusville shared pastors with New Smyrna Beach, Melbourne, Cocoa, or Daytona Beach. Pastor Norman and Pat Bassett came to the district in 1987, and full-time to Titusville in 1989.

The 124-member church has come a long way from meeting in private homes as it enjoys a 200-seat sanctuary, four classrooms, a child worship training room, and a fellowship hall and kitchen. Members are very excited that their mortgage has been paid off and they could have this special ceremony.

Robert Matthews, Cindy Kurtzhals



SANDRA SCHWEIM

Conference Treasurer Stephan Wilson, left, gets a list every month from the Southern Union Conference Revolving Fund which shows outstanding mortgage amounts of Florida Conference churches—\$1 million. "This month we'll see God's blessing as that list gets shortened," says Wilson. Assisting with the mortgage burning are Paul and Louise Swope.

County Officials Approve Church Sign

Florida—The directional signs for the Deltona English and Spanish churches were given violations in September 1993, stating that the signs were in the right of way. In October, several county officials approved the signs.

Raul Ortiz, a member of the Deltona Spanish church, was the first to note the violation

attached to the sign at the corner of Lake Helen-Osteen Road and Catalina Blvd. Ortiz called the Deland Code Enforcement department. The inspector there could do nothing to waive the citation, and he referred Ortiz to the Volusia County manager, Tom Kelly.

Kelly suggested that Ortiz contact the Department of Engineering director, Malcolm Smith, and Deltona councilperson Patricia Northey. "I told Smith the signs are to inform the community and visiting members where a Seventh-



¿Dónde está la iglesia Adventista? God's intervention caused the citation against this important church directional sign to be waived. Pictured at the site are: Patricia Northey and Raul Ortiz.

day Adventist church is located," says Ortiz. "He was very sympathetic to our cause."

Three weeks later, Ortiz got approval for the signs from Northey, who helped to arrange the authorization. "She has a good concept of Seventh-day Adventists," says Ortiz. "It was recommended that we move the signs within our property line."

Highway directional signs are important evangelistic tools that help people find your church and Jesus.

The Southern Union Conference sign engineer will be in Florida January 3 to February 24 to install such signs. Call the conference communication department at (407) 644-5000 to arrange for him to visit your church.

Beatriz Torres

Adult Spanish Devotionals Released

PPPA—Written to meet the needs of a growing Hispanic market are two new powerful and inspiring devotionals from Pacific Press Publishing Association, *De Mujer a Mujer* (Woman to Woman, and *Bienvenido, Espiritu Santo* (Welcome, Holy Spirit).

The NAD office of women's ministries presents this first-ever devotional book, *De Mujer a Mujer*, written especially for and by Hispanic women. Thirty-seven writers, coordinated by Ramona Perez Greek, Ph.D., collaborated to provide read-

ings that convey personal insights on God's mercy, prayer, providence, comfort, and strength in facing trials.

The power of the Holy Spirit is introduced to the reader in *Bienvenido, Espiritu Santo* with daily readings in this adult devotional for 1995. Author Garrie Williams combines personal stories, historical sketches, and Spirit of Prophecy quotations to encourage a closer relationship with the Holy Spirit.

De Mujer a Mujer has 192 pages, has a hardcover binding, and retails for US\$9.95. *Bienvenido, Espiritu Santo* has 383 pages, has a hardcover binding, and retails for US\$9.95.

Teresa Pline

Youth

Teens Challenged at Campout

Georgia-Cumberland—"Are you on

the blue team or red team?"

"Ouch! I'm tangled up in briars."

"Something moved over there!"

These were some of the things that could be heard Saturday night, October 29, at the Georgia-Cumberland Pathfinder Teen Evasion held at Cohutta Springs.

Fourteen teens and staff from the Collegedale club were part of the 325 Pathfinders who participated. The theme for the weekend was "The Challenge."

Teens and staff were randomly divided into 16 groups to rotate through eight events. In these events they learned teamwork, and to work out challenges that were presented to them.

One event was the spider web. Each team was to get all their members to the other side of a rope web that hung between two trees. The catch was that you could not touch the web and you could not use one of the web holes more than once.

Saturday night reflected the weekend name "Teen Evasion." Participants were

divided into the red team and the blue team. The game was played in the woods between the ballfield and Mountain Lore. Many participants wore camouflage and painted their faces black to blend in with their surroundings. The object of the game was to get as many of a team's cards to the other end of the boundary without getting caught. The game ended up being a lesson in playing fair.

The weekend activities ended on Sunday with a canoe obstacle course race. This included launching and landing a canoe, carrying it across the road without it touching the ground, and checking in at several points throughout the course. Pathfinders of all ages and sizes participated in the event. Some of the shorter Pathfinders did better at carrying the canoe than the taller ones. Some had never been in a canoe before.

Sherrie Platt



Collegedale Pathfinders going through the spider web.

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RON QUICK

The Waynesville, N.C., church held a Natural Health Seminar recently. Dr. and Mrs. Dence (right), viewing the health books they authored, are from the Echo Valley Retreat in Clifton, Tenn. Dence and his wife Ursula presented the three-day seminar and shared their experiences as medical missionaries while serving the church on the Amazon River. Pictured are Dr. William L. Kyle (left), and his son Lucas. Kyle and his son were responsible for organizing the events.



ALBERT DITTES

Laura Morgan, a member of the Highland church in Portland, Tenn., was recently named Citizen of the Year at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet. She was honored because of her volunteer work in the community. Morgan is president of the local American Cancer Society Chapter, and has raised more than \$36,000 in jail-a-thons during the past two years.

Members of the Arden, N.C., church gathered after their church service commemorating the 150th anniversary of October 22, 1844. Members were given the opportunity to examine their heritage through the reenactment of the past.



ERNEST CLARK

Opening night found 60 persons in attendance at the evangelistic meetings conducted in the Henry Clay School in Shelbyville, Ky., by pastors Joe McCoy, Ernest Clarke, and Bob Wint. A total of six were baptized at the conclusion of the meetings. Shelbyville is presently a company, but plans are in place to organize into a full-fledged church early in 1995.



ALBERT DITTES

Highland church members organized and participated in an anti-drug parade in Portland, Tenn., October 30. There were ten floats in the parade and the event was featured on the Channel 5 evening news. Rita Taylor, a member of the Highland Adventist church, initiated the parade idea six years ago. This year, the parade featured Miss Tennessee. There were several prizes awarded to Adventists and two of the winners will go on to compete in a statewide contest.



GINGER HILL

Jeff Erhard (left), and Kris Hilkert (right), lend a hand as youth from the East Pasco, Fla., church load up food and clothing bound for Metropolitan Ministries in Tampa. Erhard and Hilkert are the youth Sabbath school directors. This monthly mission project has become a special inspiration to members of the youth Sabbath school as they get a chance to witness and share the love of Jesus to the homeless.



LUCILE MANN

Gary Johnson from Macon, Ga., leads a nature hike at the Georgia-Cumberland Pathfinder family/staff campout held at the Gee Campground along the Hiawasee River, November 27. Pathfinder staff campouts provide learning opportunities (like outdoor cooking), fellowship time, and inspiration for new and returning Pathfinder staff individuals.



Children from Carrollton, Ga., put a new twist on Halloween can collection by dressing as Bible characters and a nurse. In addition to food collection the children distributed 20 copies of the *Desire of Ages* and eight copies of the book *Steps to Christ*.



MARTIN LEE

The Charlotte, Greensboro, N.C., and Columbia, S.C., Korean churches each held evangelism meetings in late September and early October of 1994. The speaker at the Charlotte meeting was Se Bong Im and the speaker for the Greensboro and Columbia meetings was Chum Soo Ahm. At the conclusion of all the meetings several people decided to give their lives to Christ and were baptized.



RON QUICK

In preparation for NET '95, Columbia, S.C., church members are participating in a program called Soup, Sandwiches, and Salvation. Members meet for a Sabbath dinner potluck before distributing Bible study request cards in the community. The potluck lunches have developed into training sessions for those interested in giving Bible studies.



Stand and Deliver, a musical quintet, representing First Lithonia, Ga., church, performed at the African American Street Festival in Atlanta this summer. Group members are Olson Perry, Jr. (left), Kevin Carrington, Julian Brazier, Brian Perry, and Sam Ryce, Jr.

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TRANSITIONS

On the Move

Florida

Redistricting has taken place at the Normandy Spanish company. **Fernando Paulin** is the new pastor of that company and continues as pastor of the Homestead Spanish church. **Emilio Ruiz**, who pastored the Bradmore Spanish church/Normandy Spanish company district, will now carry the Bradmore Spanish church only. **Arthur Swinson** has come out of retirement to pastor the Fort Meade/Wauchula district on an interim basis. **Merlin and Juanita Kretchmar** are the new pastoral team at the Key West/Marathon district. Merlin has recently retired as president of the Greater New York Conference. Juanita was director for community/health services, health/temperance director, and Inner City director. The Kretchmars are widely known for founding Van Ministries in the Greater New York Conference.

Weddings

THOMPSON - BENTZINGER

Janie Lynn Bentzinger and **Michael John Thompson** were married November 6 at the Altamonte Springs church in Florida. The bride is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Ron Bentzinger of Longwood, Fla. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson of Altamonte Springs. The couple will reside in Altamonte Springs.

BARNES - NORRIS

Tracy Diane Norris and **Michael Gary Barnes** were married August 14 at the Tallahassee First church, Tallahassee, Fla. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Norris of Tallahassee. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Barnes of Moultrie, Ga. The couple will reside in Tallahassee.



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Christians (sometimes), paint pictures of God with brushes tainted by selfish agendas. They sometimes view God as "a television game show host" who dispenses and withholds life's prizes. Or as "a gigantic cosmic bellhop whose sole duty it is to indulge our desires, spare us inconveniences, and ensure our success in every venture."

Nothing, however, could be more antithetical, more diametrically opposed to the biblical portrayal of God and of the radically different life He calls His followers to pursue. The world even laughs at the seemingly outrageous call of God for Christians to live a life of giving.

Myron Widmer



Carolina

Stress Training Seminar—Jan. 8. Nosoca Pines Ranch. Speaker: Mike Ortel.

Freshman-Senior Bible Conference—Jan. 13-15. Nosoca Pines Ranch. Speaker: Gamon Carter.

Cambodia Mission Trip—Jan. 19-Feb. 19. **Elders' Meeting**—Jan. 20-22. Nosoca Pines Ranch. Speaker: Raoul Dederen.

Pathfinder Council—Jan. 20, 21. Nosoca Pines Ranch.

Adventurer Advisory—Jan. 22. Charlotte Conference Office.

Cooking and Nutrition Training—Feb. 4, 5. Nosoca Pines Ranch.

Couples' Retreat—Feb. 10-12. Nosoca Pines Ranch. Speakers: Kay and Jan Kuzma.

Chile Mission Trip—Feb. 13-27.

Adventurer Staff Retreat—Feb. 17-19. Nosoca Pines Ranch. Speaker: Mike Ortel.

Parenting Seminar—Feb. 20. Hendersonville church. Speakers: Raymond and Dorothy Moore. Details: (704) 684-8483.

Caring for Marriage—Feb. 24-26. Charlotte.

Family Enrichment Training—Mar. 4, 5. Nosoca Pines Ranch. Speaker: Al Matchim.

Divorce Recovery for Men—Mar. 10-12. Charlotte.

Youth Summit—Mar. 18. Charlotte.

Pathfinder Workbee—Mar. 24-26. Nosoca Pines Ranch.

Men's Retreat—Mar. 31-Apr. 2. Nosoca Pines Ranch. Speaker: Richard Neal.

Carolina Camp Meeting—May 28-Jun. 3. Lake Junaluska.

Family of God Festival—June 8-11. New Heritage U.S.A. Speaker: Florence Littauer.

Evangelistic Crusades

Jan. 6. Lincolnton, N.C. Dale Pollett.

Feb. 17-March 25. NET '95. Mark Finley and C. D. Brooks.

March 3. Winston-Salem. Dale Pollett.

April 21. Clinton, S.C. Dale Pollett.

Mid-Winter Bible Conferences

Jan. 7, 8. Fletcher. Martin Weber.

Jan. 13-15. Fletcher. Jack Sequeira.

Jan. 20-22. Fletcher. Morris Venden.

Jan. 27-29. Fletcher. Ivan Blazen.

Florida

Evangelistic Crusades—In Progress-Feb. 11.

Brandon. Don Johnson.

Carrollwood. Harmon Brownlow.

Clearwater. Bob and Joyce DuBoise.

Dade City/Zephyrhills. Gordon Henderson.

Homosassa/Hernando. Charles Gall.

New Port Richey. Doug Jacobs.

Palmetto/Bradenton. Ralph Ringer.

Plant City. Bill Bornstein.

St. Petersburg. Richard Pollard.

Spring Hill. Art and Margo Swaningson.

Tampa First. Lester and Zula Pratt and Roy and Amy Pauley.

Tampa Spanish. Eradio Alonso.

Revelation Seminar—In Progress-Feb. 11.

Lakeland. Haskell Williams.

Pathfinder Council—Jan. 14, 15. Conference Office.

Sarasota Church Dedication—Jan. 14.

Speaker: Charles Bradford.

Practical Wellness Retreat—Jan. 25-29.

Camp Kulaqua.

Pathfinder Winter Camping, Reveille—Feb.

2-5. North Carolina.

Women's Ministries Retreats (English)—

Feb. 3-5 and Feb. 10-12. Camp Kulaqua.

Speaker: Carla Gober.

Adventist Singles Ministries Fellowship

Dinners

Feb. 4. Florida Hospital.

Feb. 11. West Palm Beach First and Forest

Lake.

Feb. 18. University.

Feb. 25. Kress Memorial.

Pathfinder Staff Campout—Feb. 10-12.

Moss Park.

The Heralds Quartet Winter Tour

Feb. 11. Kress Memorial, Forest Lake.

Feb. 14. Mt. Dora.

Feb. 15. Walker Memorial.

Feb. 16. West Palm Beach.

Feb. 18. Miami Temple.

Feb. 19. Naples.

Feb. 20. Port Charlotte.

Feb. 21. Melbourne.

Feb. 22. Dade City.

Pathfinder CIT Lock-In—Feb. 25, 26. Tampa Jr. Academy.

Hispanic Women's Retreat—March 3-5.

Camp Kulaqua.

Georgia-Cumberland

Pathfinder Activities

Feb. 5. Directors' Council. Griffin, Ga.

Feb. 10-12. Teen Discovery Bible. Conference. Cohutta Springs.

Feb. 19. Directors' Council. Cleveland, Tenn.

March 3-5. Teen Discovery Honors Week-end. Cohutta Springs.

March 10-12. North Ga. Fellowship Campout. Cohutta Springs.

March 17-19. Orienteering. Cohutta Springs.

March 24-26. North Tennessee Fellowship Campout. Jellico, Tenn.

March 24-26. South Tennessee Fellowship Campout. Cohutta Springs.

April 20-23. Camporee. Cohutta Springs.

Youth Ministries

Feb. 4. South Georgia Youth Rally. Ashburn, Ga.

Feb. 15-18. Southern Union Youth-to-Youth. Camp Kulaqua.

March 18. Youth Baptismal Sabbath. Conference-wide.

April 15. Northeast Tennessee Youth Rally. Johnson City.

1995 Camp Meetings and Convocations

Feb. 4. South Georgia Convocation. Ashburn, Ga.

March 18. NE Tennessee Convocation. Greeneville, Tenn.

April 8. Area Church Fellowship. Brunswick, Ga.

April 29. Area Church Fellowship. Crossville, Tenn.

May 24-27. Annual Camp Meeting. Collegedale, Tenn.

Sept. 9. Area Church Fellowship. McMinnville, Tenn.

Education

Jan. 16. NO SCHOOL. Teacher Work Day.

Feb. 28. Elementary School Music Festival. GCA.

March 8-12. NO SCHOOL. Spring Break.

Workers' Meeting—Jan. 2-5. Cohutta Springs.

Area Ministerial Meeting—Feb. 7. Macon, Ga.

Elders', Deacons' and Deaconess' Retreat—Feb. 10-12. Cohutta Springs.

Area Ministerial Meeting—Feb. 14. Collegedale, Tenn.

Medical/Dental Meeting—Feb. 25. Augusta, Ga.

ABC Bookmobile Schedule

Feb. 4. Ashburn, Ga.

Feb. 5. Moultrie, Ga.

Feb. 5. Thomasville.

Feb. 5. Leesburg, Ga. School.

Feb. 11. Savannah, Ga.

Feb. 12. Baxley, Ga.

Feb. 12. Waycross, Ga.

Feb. 12. Lakeland, Ga.

Feb. 25. Augusta, Ga.

March 4. Jellico, Tenn.

March 11. Cumberland Heights.

March 12. McMinnville, Tenn. School.

March 12. Cookeville, Tenn. School.

March 12. Deer Lodge, Tenn.

March 12. Crossville, Tenn.

March 18. Greeneville, Tenn.

March 19. Bristol, Tenn.

March 19. Tri-City School.

March 19. Morristown, Tenn.

March 19. Knoxville, Tenn.

March 25. Macon, Ga.

March 26. Columbus, Ga.

March 26. Carrollton, Ga.

March 23. GCA.

March 29. Murphy, NC.

South Central

Church Officers Meeting

Jan. 8. Nashville.

Jan. 15. Jackson.

Jan. 22. Montgomery.

Literature Evangelist Rally Weekend

Jan. 27-29. Jackson.

CALENDAR

January

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Feb. 4. Birmingham.

Feb. 11. Memphis.

Feb. 18. Louisville.

Feb. 25. Knoxville.

Youth Federations

Jan. 28. Mississippi, Tennessee, Central Alabama.

Feb. 4. Tennessee River.

Feb. 11. Middle Tennessee, Kentucky.

Feb. 18. South Alabama, North West Florida.

Youth Day of Prayer

Jan. 28.

Feb. 25.

Basketball Tournaments

Jan. 28. Memphis/Birmingham.

Feb. 11. Kentucky/Middle Tennessee.

Feb. 18. Gulf Coast.

Communication Leaders' Workshop

Feb. 5. Huntsville, North Alabama.

Feb. 19. Columbia, Miss., South Mississippi.

Workers' Meetings—Jan. 8-11. Nashville.

SCC K-12 Board—Jan. 19.

Pastoral Fellowships—Feb. 5.

Ministers' Retreat on Preaching—Feb. 27-

March 2. Cohutta Springs.

Southern College

Academic Schedule

Jan. 8-9. Registration for preregistered students.

Jan. 9. General registration.

Jan. 10. Classes begin.

Vespers

Jan. 13. John Appel, Sr.

Jan. 20. Dwight Nelson.

Jan. 27. Southern Singers.

Concerts

Jan. 14. Symphony Concerto.

Jan. 27. Southern Singers hymnfest.

Special Events

Jan. 14. Warren Miller ski movie, "Vertical Reality."

Jan. 19. Health fair.

Jan. 20, 21. Religion renewal weekend.

Dwight Nelson.

Jan. 30-Feb. 4. Week of spiritual emphasis. College faculty.

Out of Union

Andrews University Homecoming—April

27-30.

Amarillo Adventist Academy Centennial

Celebration—May 27-28.

Announcement

White Sale—The Adventist Book Centers in the Southern Union are offering special discounts on Spirit of Prophecy books throughout the month of January. Contact your local ABC for special prices on *Conflict of the Ages* sets, the *Testimonies*, and all *Christian Home Library* volumes.

Sunset

	Jan. 6	Jan. 13	Jan. 20	Jan. 27	Feb. 3	Feb. 10
Atlanta, Ga.	5:44	5:50	5:57	6:03	6:10	6:17
Charleston, S.C.	5:28	5:34	5:40	5:47	5:53	6:00
Charlotte, N.C.	5:25	5:31	5:38	5:46	5:53	6:00
Collegedale, Tenn.	5:44	5:50	5:57	6:04	6:11	6:18
Huntsville, Ala.	4:49	4:55	5:01	5:08	5:16	5:23
Jackson, Miss.	5:10	5:16	5:22	5:28	5:35	5:41
Louisville, Ky.	5:37	5:44	5:51	5:59	6:07	6:15
Memphis, Tenn.	5:02	5:08	5:15	5:23	5:30	5:37
Miami, Fla.	5:44	5:49	5:55	6:00	6:05	6:13
Montgomery, Ala.	4:55	5:00	5:07	5:13	5:20	5:26
Nashville, Tenn.	4:47	4:53	5:00	5:07	5:15	5:22
Orlando, Fla.	5:42	5:47	5:53	6:00	6:05	6:11
Wilmington, N.C.	5:16	5:23	5:30	5:37	5:43	5:50

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Deland, Fla.
Deltona, Fla.
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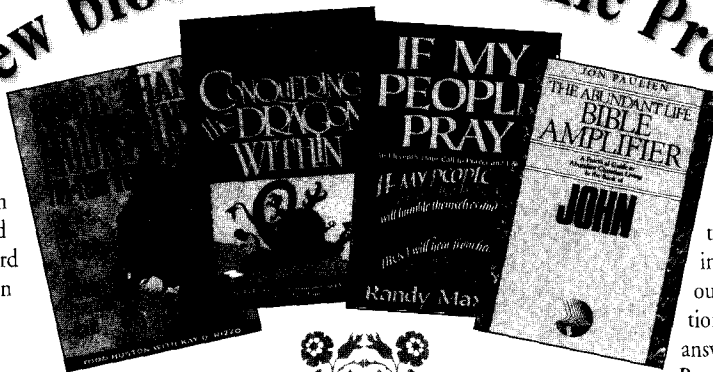
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Southern Links Classroom/Workplace



An example of hands-on learning is the experience Robyn Castleberg, a senior biology major at Southern College, gained last summer by participating in cancer research under the supervision of John Henson, M.D., a Southern College graduate, at Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital.

by Doris Burdick

Internships. Clinicals. Practicums. Research and field study. Student teaching. Language study abroad. Field work in local churches.

Smoothing the transition from school to work, and learning programs that link classroom instruction to hands-on experience are key elements of education at Southern College. The result? Graduates with practical skills and real know-how.

As an intern at the Pacific Desk of the U.S. State Department, Elizabeth Curran worked for two months in Washington, D.C. She was one

of three history majors who enjoyed the benefits of government internships this past year. Her routine tasks included responding to general public inquiries and sending communications to embassies.

"Some special assignments I worked on were coordinating the compilation of a briefing book for the 1994 Annual South Pacific Post-Forum Dialogue attended by EAP assistant secretary Winston Lord and his support staff, coordinating the arrival of the Fijian president for a private visit to the United States, and helping to finish a year-long interagency Pacific Island Economic Assistance study," recounts Beth. Free time sometimes found her sitting in on televised State Department press briefings or visiting an embassy.

She shook hands with President Clinton at the White House, celebrated the Fourth of July on the Mall, and attended the Smithsonian Folk Life Festival.

Most government agencies have internship programs for students interested in learning more about public service. "The application process can be laborious, and the competition is stiff, but I urge any student interested to take advantage of this opportunity of a lifetime," Beth says.

Meanwhile, Lisa Clark worked for about two months in the Washington office of a Maryland congressman. Sarah Huber spent all of spring semester in Nashville as a Tennessee legislative intern in a program that began just two years ago.

"Increasingly, internships are viewed as a critical part of college education in many fields," states Ben McArthur, major professor for all three of these history interns. "They are a means of first-hand experience that provide students a sense of career opportunities and interests. And the kind of networking that goes on there can be valuable for future employment."

"An experience of a lifetime" is

also how Robyn Castleberg describes her hands-on research that began last May. Now a biology senior, Robyn spent six weeks doing brain tumor research under the supervision of John Henson, M.D., (a Southern College graduate) at Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital.

"As a premedical student this opportunity was wonderful. I was not only able to experience the research side of the medical profession, but also to observe a neurologist and learn more about the nervous system." She describes the project briefly: "My goal was to see if the recently described protein bcl-2, which stops a cancerous cell from dying, is expressed in astrocytomas (cancerous brain cells). To begin, I cut paper-thin sections of astrocytoma tissue from paraffin-embedded tissue blocks and fixed the tissue to microscope slides. Then I performed immunohistochemistry (a way of detecting molecules of interest in tissues by using antibodies that will bind to the desired antigens) on these sections of brain tumor. After procedural glitches were worked out, reliable results showed bcl-2 to be present, although not in every cell, in all grades of astrocytomas." She also looked for the presence of protein p53, which in contrast to bcl-2 promotes death of the cell, and began SSCP testing to see if the p53 genes were mutant or wild-type. A paper containing all the results is now being submitted to Cancer Research.

"I hope that future science majors at Southern will be able to experience research in as exciting a way as I did," says Robyn.

Nursing students in a hospital setting, religion majors active in an area church, marketing or accounting or long-term health care students active in a business environment—each would also have a story to tell. Teachers at Southern believe it's just as true now as a century ago when Ellen White wrote that young people "need a training that will make them practical." (Education 215) ■

Ukraine's Doctors Learn About Health



Nikolaev women preparing for baptism.

by Danna R. Lott

A medical team of three left Uchee Pines Institute in Seale, Alabama, August 8th and arrived in Nikolaev, Ukraine, on August 10 to begin touching lives for the Lord. The three were Wynn Horsley, M.D., Raymond Dewar, and Danna Lott, R.N. None knew quite what to expect but were eager to begin sharing the "right arm of the gospel"—the health message.

Vladimir Krupski, president of the South Ukrainian Conference, and Anatoley Begas, literature evangelism leader for the conference, met the Americans at the Nikolaev train station and shared their plans.

Soon after they arrived, a week-long health seminar began. The response was overwhelming. The rented hall seated 1100 and was nearly full each night. In addition to a two-hour health program, private consultation was available before and after the meetings. Some mornings individuals were visited in hospitals as well as in their homes.

At the close of the seminar, the evangelist, Lowell Hargreaves, was introduced and began the campaign with two meetings a day. This was quite a lesson on faith. Why two meetings? Both meetings were full. Attendance didn't even dwindle when it rained.

Testimonies of life changes as a result of the work there were abundant. There's the mother who couldn't control her daughter, but who, after bringing her to the children's program every evening saw an improvement. There's the babushka (grandma) whose grandsons sang the children's songs learned from the children's stories, all the way home. When they were all ready for bed they asked

their babushka to pray with them. She came asking how to pray.

Towards the end of the crusade, a lady came and shared that her daughter is a physician at a local hospital. They both were so impressed with the principles of healthful cooking that they are brainstorming for ways to implement them in the hospital. This would be a tremendous benefit since the diet in Nikolaev is far less than desirable.

There was opportunity to share the eight principles of health (nutrition, exercise, water, sunshine, temperance, air, rest, and trust in divine power) with many of the leaders in the medical community of Nikolaev. Horsley and Lott went to the health center and spoke with a group of about 15 doctors. Later, the same returned to speak to regional pediatricians. One thing difficult for the doctors to accept was the recent research showing the use of milk and milk products as a strong risk factor in the development of juvenile diabetes. All in all, they were very open and even photocopied some of the information.

Horsley and Dewar lectured at a local school of health-related professions with more than 200 in attendance. They had an hour and

a half for their presentation. There was a sign of disappointment when the bell sounded for the next class.

A young pastor, Andrei, brought his father whose arm had been badly burned. It was cleaned and dressed with aloe vera leaves and then God's blessing was prayed upon this simple treatment. Many were amazed at the speed with which the Lord knit this man's tissues back together.

Toward the end of the crusade, cholera broke out in the city. It started out with just a few cases and quickly spread. The highest count was 600 people. There was a possibility of not being able to have the baptism, since all public pools, bath houses, and street markets were closed. The church members and crusade team prayed that the Lord would keep the public pool open for us. Slava Bogu! He heard the prayers and 363 individuals took their stand for Jesus.

Pray for our brethren and sisters in Nikolaev. The church membership doubled in less than two months, leaving the leaders with a big responsibility of nurturing these new believers in the Ukraine. ■

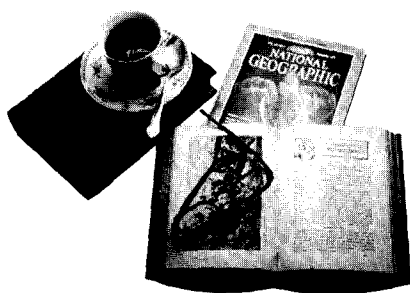
Danna R. Lott is an RN from Uchee Pines Institute.

A second baptism in the public pool.





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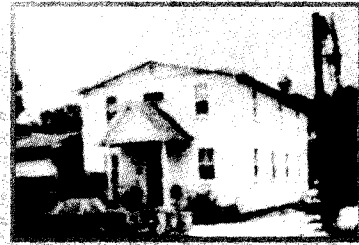


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100th Anniversary— First SDA Church of Tampa

by Ralph Tomkins, the late Ruth Hibbard Thirsk,
Monica NeSmith, and Cindy Kurtzhals



Many of Tampa First's former and current pastors are pictured, from left, James Cress, Douglas Jacobs, Richard Shepard, Stanley Dombrosky, Obed Graham, Robert Everett, Ken Burrill, Ed Santana, and Leslie Mansell.

Images of our Past . . . Visions for our Future" was the theme as the First Seventh-day Adventist church of Tampa celebrated its 100th anniversary on October 21-22. And there were several images of the past as members dressed in the traditional clothes of the early 1900s, toured a "museum" of historical pictures and artifacts relating to the formation of the church, and feasted on a meal inspired by recipes from earlier times.

In the 1880s, this west coast community boasted about 3,000 people. The streets were unpaved, and a plethora of bicycles and horse-drawn carriages were everywhere to be seen. The simplest home radios were 33 years away; television would make its humble entrance in 1940; and plastic charge cards . . . what were they?

In 1887, bull alligators and screaming panthers made their homes just a stone's throw from downtown Tampa. This data is cited to give the reader some mental image as to the type of geography and environment. Peninsular Florida was still very much a wilderness.

William and Ann Moulton and their two young daughters arrived in Tampa from Battle Creek, Michigan, just three years after Henry Bradley Plant drove the terminal spikes into his railroad from Kissimmee to Tampa. They pur-

chased property on Marion Street to make their home. Soon, Adventist pamphlets began to appear here and there. "The Moultons are nice people, but a bit confused," people were whispering, "they are keeping Saturday for Sunday."

After seven years of Christian witnessing, ten other Tampa residents had accepted the Third Angel's Message, so familiar to us today.

Tampa's first official place of worship was an old Presbyterian chapel. It was purchased in 1894 and moved to 1209 Marion Street, just yards away from where busy I-275 runs today. Now the Hillsborough County Central Jail parking lot occupies the site.

Twelve charter members, bringing to mind the 12 apostles of Christ, made up the roster of that tiny congregation. We were able to recall the Moultons, the grandmother of Aldine Vinson, Florence

Knight, and Mary McIntosh. These sisters' mother was Mrs. A. J. Knight, wife of wealthy A. J. Knight, realtor and property owner, born near Thonotosassa, re: today, "Knight's Station," in northeast Hillsborough County.

Other names appearing in that first First church are: Mrs. Fred Coyne, Mrs. F. T. Hill, Marvin and Ada Hibbard, and little daughter Ruth. (Ruth Hibbard Thirsk, more than 20 ago, furnished much of the material which you are reading.) Other members who joined in the early years of this century include Nell Hackett, Lilla Robles, Martha Robles, et al.

In 1907, Mr. Knight, presumably not of our faith, donated a lot at the corner of Florida Avenue and Gladys Street for the second First church of Tampa.

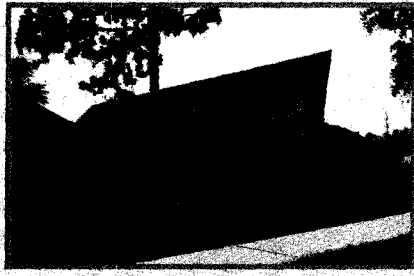
The first camp meeting for Florida's pioneer members was held in Tampa November 8-18, 1894,

It probably was the most unique site in Tampa on October 22, 1994, when residents could see two huge wagons with banners parked in the church's yard calling attention to its 100th anniversary. Member George Vandenberghe made two trips to Camp Kulaqua to haul the wagons. He added that the camp was able to obtain six wagons in 1963 for a total of \$125.





Tampa's third church on Nebraska Avenue.



Tampa's church today on Linebaugh Avenue.

with the *Florida Bulletin*, November 15, 1894, issue reporting 193 in attendance. This gathering was the ancestral forerunner of Tampa's first church, marking the incipient birth of today's Advent movement in Tampa.

In 1915 and 1920, respectively, Carlyle B. Haynes and W. H. Branson held successful tent efforts near downtown Tampa. From those and succeeding efforts, and laymen witnessing during the next several decades, we see the names of Ellis Howard, Dr. Arthur Coyne (who was still practicing in 1974 at the time of the Linebaugh Avenue church dedication), Florie Allen, Liddia Plyer, Alice Comer and children Iva and Virgil, A. D. Gilbert and wife Dr. Elsie Gilbert, Ben Wyles, Mae Pickron, Mrs. Case, the Kenneth McAuleys, Hargraves, Charles Swinson, Sr., and family, and Harvey Scott. Later appear the names of the Ed Gavers, Vandenberghe, Mrs. McFarley, Mrs. Crosby, Minnie Coleman and son Wendell, Vivian Poole, and others we were not able to ascertain.

In 1938, the Nebraska Avenue church facility was purchased for \$10,000. A destructive fire necessitated some repairs before the congregation could move in and then it served members for the next 31 years.

While Obed Graham was pastor (now Florida Conference president), he expressed the need for a larger place of worship and ample parking spaces as the area at Nebraska Avenue was becoming congested. Tampa was growing and gradually moving northward.

A building committee was formed of Archie Hamlin, chair; Dr. Maurice Guest; Jack NeSmith; Winifred Schwab; George Vandenberghe; and Homer Ward. Their task accomplished, the first worship ser-

vices were held Sabbath, August 7, 1971, in the 700-seat sanctuary of their current location at 822 W. Linebaugh Avenue.

Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Great Disappointment this October 22, and their 100th anniversary, members and guests made the most of the weekend by reminiscing with former members and pastors who had experienced the development of the church from the 1890s to the present. More than 800 were present for the Sabbath morning services.

The weekend began with a Friday evening service, conducted by Conference President Obed Graham, along with George Vandenberghe. They set the tone for the weekend as they discussed the humble beginnings of the church, and how it has grown to become one of the largest congregations in the Florida Conference.

Several former pastors and associate pastors participated in the special program, and Dr. Coyne Knight, another former member, shared the story of how his family became one of the earliest Adventist families to settle in Tampa, and the obstacles they overcame in helping to form the nucleus of the first Tampa Adventist congregation.

The celebration concluded with an afternoon program in which former pastors and members shared a microphone to reflect on memories of their time spent in Tampa. Then, Graham, and current pastor Ken Burrill, redirected the focus from the past to the future. They issued a challenge for the church family to continue its ministries and service, and emphasized the hope that our next centennial celebration is in heaven.

The Moulton family became Seventh-day Adventists in Minnesota and went to Battle Creek, Michigan, to learn more. They were encouraged to go out into new areas to share their faith. So, they took the train to the end of the line—Tampa, Florida, and, in time, established a group of 12 to charter the church. Pictured from left, Ann Vessey Moulton, Ida Moulton (Coyne), Addie Rebecca Moulton (Hill), and William Moulton.



Members, dressed as early church pioneers, get a peek into a replica Conestoga wagon of that day.



Former school principals also attended: Charles O'Dell, Orville Schneider, and James Shepard.



Members stoop over for a better look at the church's history depicted through photographs.

"Consider the Work of God" was the theme for the first Florida camp meeting which was held in Tampa. Records show that camp meeting agents would meet all trains of those coming to the area. "These agents will be selected from among our own brethren and will be known by a badge upon their coat with the words 'Camp Meeting Agent.' Arrangements have been made to transport all baggage from the depots to the ground at the rate of 15 cents for each piece. Do not give your (baggage claim) checks to parties unknown."



Centenarian Mary Gaver, 101, gets a kiss during the church's 100th anniversary from Karen Santa Rita.

Women's Retreat a Success

by Carmen Hope

The Southeastern Conference Women's Ministries department held its second retreat at the Daytona Beach Marriott Resort August 18-21. Although Daytona Beach was last year's location, the women's ministries director, Vanessa Melton of Fitzgerald, Georgia, felt that the site was perfect for this year's retreat.

The entire weekend was filled with activities designed to encourage and motivate women, not only in their spiritual lives, but to help them find ways to expand their ministries in their individual churches throughout the conference. The planners of the retreat left no stone unturned in providing helpful and informative seminars from "On Guard! Self Defense" to "Divorce and the Law." There were even programs designed for teens (over 50 in attendance) that covered topics on "Girls and Their Manners," "What Should I Know About STD's" and many more.

The weekend began on Thursday with "Pamper Me Night." The ladies enjoyed professional manicures, massages, and fashion consultation. They also learned new techniques for scarf tying and how to care for their skin. Later that evening there was a potpourri contest to top off an already perfect day.

Friday, the ladies met at Hontoon landing for a cruise along the St. Johns River. This activity allowed the women to get acquainted and to meet old friends. They then returned to the hotel to attend seminars and to participate in a wonderful communion service facilitated by Southeastern Conference President R. R. Brown. The attention was focused on the solemnity of the ordinance of humility by Dr. Ramona Perez Greek, North American Division associate director of the office of Women's Ministries. Consecration of the bread was offered by Rosetta Daughtery of Quincy, Florida, and the consecration of the wine by Alfridina Butler, Key West, Florida. Daughtery and Butler both serve as local elders in

their respective churches.

"Programs like this really help you feel so much better about yourself," commented Zai Nai Long, Miami/Bethany, "this can really lift your spirits." Each program seemed to be designed to help promote togetherness and the communion service was just a start. The Sabbath school program was like "icing on the cake" for what appeared to be an already perfect weekend, but the ladies had to hold on to their hats as Deborah Harris, Ph.D., raised the roof off the conference hall with the divine service message entitled, "What a Man! What a Man! What a Mighty Good Man!"

Harris, an emotional and powerful speaker, stood before an audience of 250 ladies with tears in her eyes as she told of her family's recent tragedies which set the tone for her dynamic message.

The keynote speaker for the girls and teens was Monica Reed, Ph.D. Her message was entitled "Getting the Best Out of Me."

Melton and her staff (especially Bettye Parham and Lawanna Williams) were applauded for topping off the weekend on Saturday night with the first annual "Miss/Ms./Mrs. Jerusalem Pageant." There were 16 contestants who displayed creativity, talent, and poise. Judging for the pageant was based upon interpretation of the retreat's theme, "His Pearls of Great Price, prayerful, practical ... precious" (for the adults), and "Getting the Best Out

of Me" (for the teens).

The winner of the Miss Jerusalem Pageant (ages 11-13) was Raxan Reid of Avon Park, Florida. The winner of the Jerusalem pageant (ages 14-17) was Marie Cherestal, Miami, Florida. The winner of the Mrs. Jerusalem Pageant was Kim Melton from Fitzgerald, Georgia.

The weekend concluded with a Sunday brunch where the ladies met their "Secret Sister" and exchanged addresses, phone numbers, and gifts with their new friends. Then there was a charge and challenge for the ladies given by Charlie Backie, Rosalyn Moncur, and Bettye Parham, which sent the ladies back home to share with excitement the things they had learned.

Carmen Hope was one of the organizers of the women's retreat.



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A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Philippians 4:8.

I can't think of a better text on which to base a New Year's resolution on than Paul's council to the Philippians regarding what we should think about and in turn speak about.

A number of Sabbaths ago Hazel and I had the opportunity to visit and share with the McDonald Road church in the Collegedale, Tennessee, area. We were favorably impressed with the warm welcome, highly spiritual atmosphere, and a strong emphasis in behalf of the youth and children of the church. In fact, the church has plans to build a family center on their church property. Elder and Mrs. Don Gettys and the dedicated lay leaders are giving dynamic leadership to this growing church.

During the service I noticed an individual taking copious notes while I spoke. After the service he handed me a tithe envelope and suggested I not open it until after sundown. I followed his instructions and found it was written criticism of Hazel and me, and some of the other activities that took place during the worship hour. Note just a few of his criticisms: Children collecting money in the sanctuary, Hazel's children's story was told too dramatically, Hazel pounding on the piano, having my hand in my coat pocket during the song, using too many gestures in my sermon, and he indicated how many pounds of weight I should lose. I am thankful to report this unsolicited critique of the service was given by an individual outside of our union.

As I thought about the day's activities I rejoiced in the fact that the great majority of the individuals came to church that day to receive a blessing and not to criticize. In the book by Ellen White, *Mind, Character, and Personality, Vol. II*, p. 789,

and quoted in a new book entitled, *The Shaking Among God's People*, written by a dedicated layman, we read these words, "If we would get the right hold on God, we must keep beholding the great precious things—the purity, the glory, the power, the kindness, the affection, the love, that God bestows upon us. And thus beholding, our minds will become so fixed upon these things of eternal interest that we shall have no desire to find the flaws in others."

She also says in the book, *In Heavenly Places*, p. 178, "Look to your own defects. You had better discover one of your own faults than ten of your brothers'."

As you know, 1994 has been a special year to Adventists in that we have been looking back 150 years to the time of the Great Disappointment of October 22, 1844. A lot of books have been written on the early days of God's last-day movement. One of the books that sheds a lot of light on our pioneers is a little book entitled, *Laughter and Tears of the Pioneers*, by Paul Gordon and James Nix. On page 39 of this book, William Miller gives some advice on what to do with complaining letters. "When we write to a brother to complain of some of his opinions, let us consider it three days before we write; pray God nine times to direct us before we take up the pen; read it in the room of our brother three times before we send it; seal it only when we love him for being God-like; send it when we would delight to be the bearer; while it is going, think with what tears of joy he will devour its contents; and remember to pay the postage."

By the grace of God let's make a New Year's resolution that we will think and speak as the apostle suggests—Whatsoever things are honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report, virtue, praise, think on these things. This year let's determine not to **prey** on each other, but to **pray** for each other!

May you and yours have a prosperous and spiritually fulfilling New Year.

Your brother In Christ,

M. D. Gordon

President, Southern Union Conference

(The books mentioned above are available at your friendly ABC.)

CBS MOVIE OF THE WEEK "A HEART FOR OLIVIA"

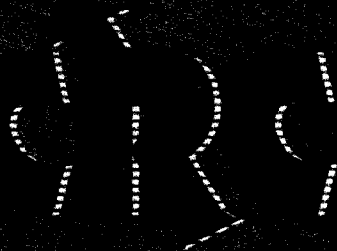
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