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Freedom Limited

by Lewis Stout

ver since Cain killed Abel it has been clear that humans cannot live without laws regulating behavior. There can be no safety in a sinful world without having some limits placed on freedom. So the real question has always been, How much freedom can a given society afford? In America the answer has been, A lot!

But that is changing fast. We are discovering all kinds of restrictions which an out of control society forces on us. We fear to walk our own streets because of crime. Many of us are imprisoned by debt which keeps our collective noses to the grindstone. Families are torn apart, not by harsh taskmasters, but by such things as divorce, sexual perversion, and the chasing of job opportunities." It is noteworthy that even secular commentators are becoming alarmed by the growing anger and frustration that distinguishes post-modern society.

As an Adventist, how do I relate to this changing world? I am a part of it; and it is a part of me. First off, I note that it is not all bad. As worldly institutions fail and economic insecurity occurs people are turning more and more to religionand often that means to the Bible or some other visionary source. That is where Adventism holds a decided advantage. Most religions fail to deliver on their promise of salvation. But not Adventism. Our Bible-based vision of the future is both realistic and appealing to many.

It was basic human freedom that was at stake when Jesus went to the cross. He paid dearly in order to liberate us. What a terrible price for the Son of God to pay. And freedom still costs blood and sweat and tears today. Many are unwilling to pay the price, or even appreciate what they have until they lose it. And lose it we will.

A long time ago Jesus pointed to a day when all human institutions would fail and the very elements of nature would ravage the globe. He talked about "men's hearts failing them for fear.... But His people were not to fear. They were not to be pessimistic about the future. He said, "When these things begin to come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh? (Luke 21:28). That is the message of Adventism, realistic yet hopeful. It is optimism, not fear, about the future that grips the human heart and results in a growing church.

Jesus said, "When ye see these things...." It is not through the eyes of another but through our own eyes that we are to see "these things." The signs He talked about have been dramatically placed where everyone can see them. And though we all see the same signs we react differently. Some try to explain them away. Others minimize their importance. Still others heed them as lovingly provided warnings and are preparing for the short time of trouble to come.

I doubt that anyone knows how soon our human structures and institutional devices will come crashing down. But it will happen because Jesus said it would, and he told His disciples what to do when it happened. They were not to fear, because immediately after a short but fierce time of trouble He would establish His own kingdom of love and justice and freedom. As calamities occurred they were to look up and rejoice.

Today, human leaders have a vested interest in not admitting how dangerously near the precipice we might be. Their positions demand that they exude confidence about the future whether or not the actual circumstance warrants. They may proclaim peace and safety even as they prepare for war. But problems persist and the crisis deepens and people are losing confidence in their leaders.

How far can you stretch a rubber band, or blow up a balloon, before it breaks? How much longer can the rights guaranteed by our Constitution be taken for granted? Should abortion be made a crime? Should gay marriages be recognized by the state? Should churches expect government to support their institutions? Is our criminal justice system skewed to favor the rich? How much free speech should be allowed? How can we win the war against crime? Should America use force to impose its brand of democracy on other nations? Outside of Jesus' promise to return and reign as our king is there any other hope in the world for the future?

Adventists radiate hope even as they continue to be harassed and mistreated because of their sabbatarian beliefs. Everyday in the Southern Union religious liberty office we interface with Adventists who are the focus of discrimination in the workplace.

Ilda Pierre was a Seventh-day Adventist working for a large resort hotel near Disney World in Florida. When new management took over, the executive housekeeper informed all housekeeping staff to be prepared to either follow the schedule or be fired from their job. Pierre had worked for the hotel for five years without religious discrimination, never working on Sabbath. Prompted by the termination of two other Seventhday Adventist housekeepers the week before, Pierre contacted the religious liberty department just four days before she was scheduled to work her first Sabbath.

Working on behalf of Pierre the office's paralegal, Amireh Al-Haddad, contacted hotel management and discussed ways the hotel could fulfill the request for religious accommodation. Though the response was mostly positive there was no

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commitment by management. Pierre stood by her convictions and did not go to work that Sabbath. After a brief waiting period, management decided to accommodate her. However, the story does not end there; a week and a half later it was revealed that not only had the hotel arranged to retain Pierre, but the other two Seventh-day Adventists were rehired and accommodated as well.

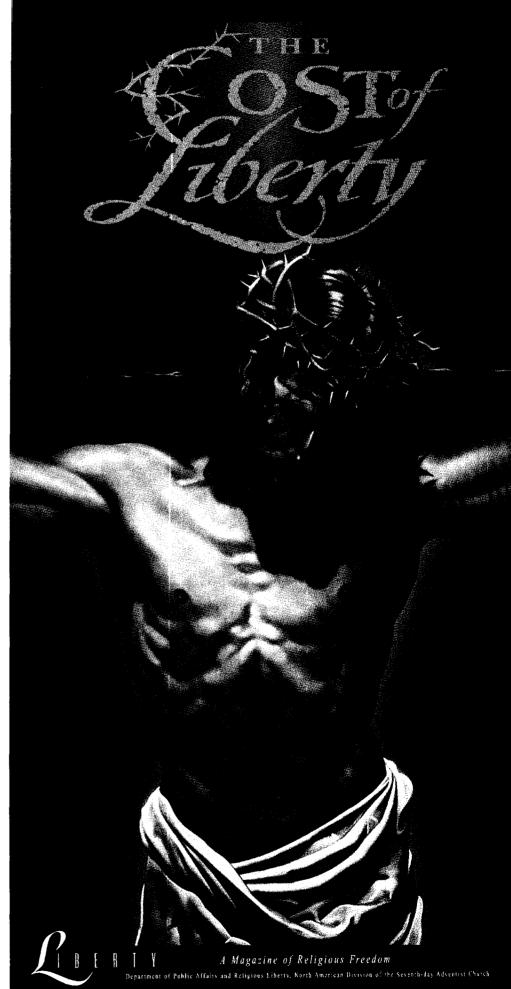
We rejoice over such victories and thank God for the faithful witness of our members. Nevertheless, there is today a national debate about freedom and just how it must be limited if the American way of life is to survive. The courts seem to be telling us that we have gone far enough in guaranteeing the rights of every class under every circumstance. Even some of our fellow Protestants are saying that when it comes to public religious expression the majority should rule. Many in the Congress even want to amend the Bill of Rights, giving some religions more public recognition than others.

We Adventists are a part of this debate. As freedom is gradually withdrawn Adventists will come more and more into focus because of our sabbatarian beliefs. Religious freedom will become a national issue. And because God Himself is the real author of freedom this is an issue which provides a good vehicle for propagating the everlasting gospel. With our unique world view we can provide a perspective that no one else can. It is not only a witnessing opportunity but also it is our responsibility because we are our brother's keeper.

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New Department Responds to Urban Areas' Urgent Needs



Eduardo Nino paints the face of a camper.

by Lynn Huff

remember two little brothers, aged about five and seven, whose mother was a prostitute and had just been murdered. They became very attached to me and the younger one began to call me 'Mommy.' "Two other boys, just a little older,

"Two other boys, just a little older, watched pornographic movies at home every night with their father. They acted inappropriately with one particular little girl, and had to have it explained that those behaviors were not acceptable. They literally had no idea."

This is the reality of how life can be in an urban setting. These stories were relayed by Orlando Lopez, Jr., a Southern College theology major who worked as a counselor at the summer day camp program sponsored by the newly established Florida Conference office of urban ministries for greater Miami. This office is an outreach of the adult ministries department.

'Making the Church Felt" is the theme behind this new emphasis. But what services does it actually offer? Richard O'Ffill, director of adult ministries, explained: "Traditionally, we've focused on making the church known in cities in which the church is located. In urban ministries, our goal is to make the church *felt* in the immediate surroundings of the church building. We must ask ourselves, if our church were to be taken off the block, would the neighbors miss us? This is the philosophical driving force-to create an environment where the church is felt and needed by surrounding neighbors.

Community services has traditionally emphasized the distribution of material resources (i.e. clothing, food, furniture, etc.). The office of urban ministries will emphasize people-to-people relationships which endeavor to change attitudes and behaviors in urban contexts. The emotional, spiritual, and social well-being of the community surrounding the church is the focus of this outreach.

According to O'Ffill, in Miami you can find any kind of social problem that you would find anywhere, such as homelessness, juvenile violence, drug addiction, high teen birth rates, illiteracy, racial and cultural tension, and more. He emphasized that the funds which support urban ministries are In-

gatheringdriven, an example of Ingathering dollars that are utilized in the state of Florida.

Campers work on their craft project with help from Orlando Lopez, Jr.

Sergio Torres, an associate youth director for Florida Conference, is also the associate director for adult ministries. He is the coordinator of this office located at Greater Miami Junior Academy. Torres emphasizes the important role of the pastor and the congregation in ministering to people in an urban setting. According to Torres, "Pastors must not only be a minister in the traditional sense to their congregations, but should also be spiritual leaders of the community surrounding the church. We want the pastor to be so well-known, that when the neighborhood kids see him pass by on the sidewalk they can say, "There goes Pastor Bob.' " This fall, the office of urban

This fall, the office of urban ministries began what will become a series of urban symposiums for the pastors of the area. The symposium for Spanish-speaking pastors was held at the Miami Central Spanish church October 30, and the English-speaking pastors attended a symposium October 31 at the Eden French church.

The Spanish symposium was led by Noel Castellanos, pastor of Lavivillata Community church in Chicago, who relayed his experience of ministering to the urban areas of Chicago. He said that beyond religious evangelism, Spanish-speaking ministers must understand the total needs of the community. They must adopt a "holistic approach" verses a churchcentered approach—and let the individual community dictate the type of program to offer.

Castellanos told how he physically moved into the urban community where he pastored, and encouraged others to do the same. He said it is difficult to impact a community when you are physically there for only a few hours a week.

The symposium for South Florida English-speaking pastors was led by Haskill Edwards, director of FASE 2 MINISTRIES, Family Achievement Seminars for Empowerment of Ontario, Canada. He dealt with ministering to immigrant families in urban settings and discussed



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Campers and staff mug for the camera.

the cultural, spiritual, and social needs of all families new to the United States. Specific needs of immigrant children were also addressed, such as the dynamics between the first generation (the parents) who arrive in the United States and the second generation (the children). Tension often develops between the two groups which affects the spiritual and emotional growth of the youth.

The office of urban ministries plans to conduct three or four symposiums a year to sensitize and train the local pastors in the meaning and possibilities for urban ministries. Torres explained that once the pastors and elders have been trained in urban ministry, lay people will have the opportunity to develop and carry out the programs. One such program already in progress is vacation Bible school. At the end of a successful week, a fair with little rides was brought to the neighborhood parking lot for all the nearby residents.

Lopez was one of several students who worked at the day camp. "I've had a fantastic experience working with Sergio and the kids. Many of the kids really needed a lot of help, and some had been abused. They were very "closed" emotionally at first, but as the summer went on, they really opened up to us. Some kids were nine and 10 years old and already wore gangstyle clothing. We saw a real change in their behavior by the end of the summer. Their foul language disappeared and often entire attitudes changed," said Lopez.

Another little boy no more than six years of age "ruled" the day camp and terrorized the other campers the minute he arrived. "He was like a little gangster," said Lopez. "Literally every sentence contained profanity. But again, after being exposed to the positive influences at the camp, his attitude changed 100 percent and he became a happy, normal little boy."

Two separate day camps were held, one at the Northwest Miami Spanish church, which averaged 25 kids for seven weeks, and one at the Miami Central Spanish church, which averaged 38 children for four weeks. Several joint activities were planned, such as skating and picnics. Many of the children had never heard of God, yet two of the campers now attend Greater Miami Academy, and others attend church.

Lopez said he and the other counselors became very attached to the children, and many of them still correspond with the children.

"On the last day of camp, the campers surrounded my car and would not let me drive away," he recounted warmly. "You know, the children were supposed to learn from us, and they did, but I know I learned so very much from them. It opened my eyes to see how kids are being raised in the world today. It made me realize how close the end of the world really is, and I understand through God's grace how much He can change someone."

Orlando Lopez, Sr., pastor of the Hialeah Spanish church, has been involved with urban ministries for some time in his own way by helping to settle refugees from Guantanamo Bay in Cuba. Members from Hialeah Spanish and Ebenezer Spanish have assisted dozens of families find housing, language training, and job training.

ing, and job training. In the near future, Torres envisions lay people involved in afterschool programs including homework assistance, leading citizenship classes, health screenings, vaccination drives, as well as continuing with vacation Bible schools, and summer day camps. Next summer, four day camp locations are planned.

Literature from the office of urban ministries contained this summary: "Jesus loved the cities. He was born, raised and worked in the city. He was an urban man and developed an urban ministry in a holistic way. He ministered to people by t e a c h in g, healing, and preaching.

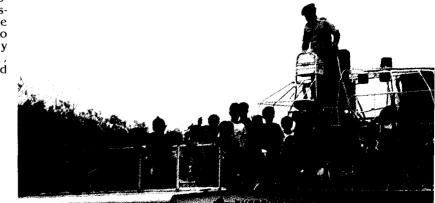
Pool time every day at the local YMCA.



Camp staff: Orlando Lopez, Jr., Southern College student (left); Jackie Rodriguez, Greater Miami Academy senior; Eduardo Nino, Southern College student; Elibeth Lopez, camp director, Kenia Morales, Southern College student; and Yomary Rivera, South ern College student.

Today, in a sophisticated world, filled with hurting people, the calling of God to go to the city needs to find a response in the Adventist church. We cannot turn away from the cry of the people who, in the midst of their plight, are searching for the ONE who gave Himself for their salvation. Urban Ministries of Greater Miami, in the final analysis, is a redemptive ministry."

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JB REAL

The Impossible Is God's Opportunity

by Sharryn Mahorney

he Gulfcoast church in Biloxi, Mississippi, is a testimony to the wonderful, extraordinary power of an all-powerful God who doesn't know the word "impossible." What do you have when you have committed members, a pastor and members with a vision, and the Holy Spirit? The impossible takes place.

The congregation was meeting in a much too small, older church building with no parking space. The school was also in this building and their "only playground was virtually a sandbox," as the educational superintendent, Barry Mahorney, describes it.

In July, 1994, the congregation made a step in faith to begin a building program for relocating even though their present facility had been on the market for many months. Jim Greek, Gulf States Conference president, spoke at the kickoff banquet and challenged the members to "put their feet in the Jordan and watch how the Lord would part the water." A six-month pledge campaign was begun that night with a goal of \$85,000. Twenty-one thousand dollars was pledged right there at the banquet.

On October 22, 1994, a tent meeting was held for the Sabbath services on the beautiful 11 acres in the country in anticipation there would soon be a church built on the spot to glorify God in the Biloxi community.

Just before Thanksgiving in 1994 a special banquet was held in conjunction with the ground breaking ceremony. This was only four months after the initial campaign began, but the remainder of the \$85,000 was pledged at this time.

Just prior to a January, 1995, building committee meeting to select someone to clear the land, a man in the community offered his help to do such. The pastor told him to contact the site supervisor, thinking a bid was being given. Mike Hickman, owner of a construction company, then interrupted the pastor by saying he wanted to do the work as a donation to the new church. About a year previously



Previous pastors, Dick Moseley and Jerry Rimer, assisting present pastor, Bill Peterson at ground breaking.

he had pulled a church member's tractor out of a stump hole and at that time had asked the member what was going to be built. Needless to say, he got the clearing job and did it as unto the Lord.

The building began in February of '95 with a goal to be worshiping in the new facility on August 5. Many thought this could not be done but an evangelistic series was beginning the evening of August 5, which then needed to transfer to the church on August 18 and school was also beginning in the new building on August 14. The impossibilities were great and were beginning to mount—but God can do anything if His people are willing.

Ron Little, an Adventist site supervisor from California, led the building process through many quandaries and difficulties but ending in miraculous Interventions, with the final result of a beautiful church built for only \$30 per square foot. The church members did most of the framing as they worked together to reach their cherished goal.

Bill Peterson, pastor, says, "The spirit was excellent and the church came even closer together during



Ron Little, site supervisor, at ground breaking.

the building process. There was not one disagreement that would amount to anything over any phase or item in the building process, and there have been no complaints since the congregation moved into the church."

The original plan was to build a single floor sanctuary but the congregation was growing. One week before it was too late to change, the pastor insisted that a balcony be built. This was done with very little extra expense but God was definitely leading in this insightful decision. The church is built to hold 375. On opening day, August 5, there were 220 people in attendance.

At the old church, attendance averaged 100–110. Since the move there have been 160–180 attending. Seventy-six individuals have been baptized in this church in the last 18 months. The spirit is electrifying. It is like being in the mission field where everything is full-force for the Lord.

Because so many church members were willing to lead out, especially building committee chairman Don Chamberlain and his wife, Karen, soul winning did not miss a beat. Thirty-two were baptized as a result of the evangelistic meetings. There is now a followup prophecy seminar being conducted by the pastor, assisted by some of the new members. The pastor says this is for a twofold purpose—"to root and ground the new members and to win souls." More individuals are soon to be baptized into this growing and vibrant congregation.

The man who installed the sewer plan said he had not known what Seventh-day Adventists were or what they believed but enjoyed having the opportunity of working with them. He always wondered why people worshiped on Sunday when the Bible indicated it should be on Saturday. He hopes to be able to join the congregation soon. An individual in the community

An individual in the community who had experience working with metal pre-engineered buildings asked to make a bid for the entire job, thinking he could better work with the local subcontractors and keep the price in line. His bid was a very discouraging \$800,000 more than twice what the congregation was prepared to spend. But the Lord was in control and wouldn't let this project get sidetracked.

The site supervisor began getting his own subcontractors bids and they began rolling in with plumbing at \$12,000 rather than \$70,000; electrical at \$15,000 rather than \$75,000; sound system at \$5,000 rather than \$20,000 and on and on the miracles go. Church members, non-church members, and members who were studying to be baptized all worked together to build God's house.

Ťwo weeks before opening date, completion seemed impossible. Carpet, pews, plumbing fixtures, painting, electrical fixtures, heating/air system, etc. were not yet installed. The sheetrock finishers completed their work in the sanctuary Friday noon, one week be-fore opening date. The furniture was to be installed the Monday before the opening Sabbath. A call was received saying they could not do it that day but would have it done by Friday. Impossible—but not for the Lord. Work crews were scheduled for all day and all night. Electricians dropped other work to help and brought their full crew in on Sunday. There was a problem with no power but just before sundown on Friday, the Lord had the problem solved. There had been thought given in discouragement that the opening date should be postponed but the Lord kept working Ĥis way and August 5 was a



God's house in Biloxi, Miss., is a witness to His intervening power.



Upper grades students in their new classroom in the church.



Bill Peterson and evangelist Steve DeLong with some of those baptized in evangelistic series.

joyful, jubilant day of praise to a God who is bigger than any "insurmountable problems."

But the first meeting in the new building was not August 5—it was August 4. A short while before sundown on Friday evening, building committee chairman Don Chamberlain called a halt to the work and suggested the first service in the new sanctuary be sundown worship with those approximately 20 individuals who had been feverishly working to have the "house in readiness." This was a service of thanksgiving and praise for all the Lord has done and is doing.



CAROLINA

Mario and Teresa Munoz have been appointed to work with the New Bern, N.C., Hispanic group. He's been working for ten years in the Carolina Conference. Currently, he is the pastor for the Jacksonville and New Bern churches as well as the New Bern Spanish group. His wife, Teresa, works with him in ministering to church members as well. The ministry efforts of Mario and



Teresa are deeply appreciated by Samuel Romero, Hispanic ministries director for the conference. Currently, there are 14 Hispanic church groups and five pastors.

Benny Moore, treasurer of the Carolina Conference, has accepted a call to be the treasurer of the North Pacific Union. Moore, who joined the administration staff of the conference in



1985, began his new assignment in Portland, Oregon, the first of the year. This new territory includes Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington.

FLORIDA

Gloria McLaren of the St. Petersburg church, was named for inclusion in the book, Notable Adventist Women of Today by the Association of Adventist Women. This is a



commemorative volume that celebrates 1995 as the year of the Adventist woman by profiling a crosssection of notable Adventist



A Budding Conductor

Two-year-old Jeffrey Kratzer stood on an overturned cooking pot in front of the tele-vision. Using a straw as a director's baton, he directed the on-screen orchestra. He asked his mother, "Boy do it?"

He calls himself Boy," his mother, Lou, explained. "He wanted to direct an orches-tra. I told him that he should pray about it." Several days later, Jeffrey asked his mother again, "Orchestra?" "Did you pray about it?" she asked, "Yes," he replied.

A couple of months later, the Kratzer family attended the Southern College annual Pops Concert. During the concert Jeffrey was with his parents and sister. He stood on a chair "directing" the orchestra.

The lady sitting behind the Kratzers be-gan to talk to Jeffrey. He told her his favorite instrument was the trombone and that his sister, Tammy, played the flute. He told her that he wanted to direct an orchestra.

The woman turned to Jeffrey's mother, Lou, and asked if it would be okay to take him on stage. The woman was Ellen Gilbert, wife of Orlo Gilbert, orchestra director. After intermission, Lou took Jeffrey to

director Gilbert. Jeffrey stood on a tall stool and Gilbert gave him the baton. Jeffrey began to direct the orchestra while they played the Overture to the opera Carmen by Bizet.

Gilbert did not hold Jeffrey's hands. Jef-frey knew what he was doing. "I just whis-pered encouragement in his ear," said Gilbert. "I helped him get started, and he did the rest. The boy really knew what he was doing. He wasn't goofing off. He was very involved with the music."

Jeffrey was thrilled with the opportunity "He was so excited when he came back to his seat," says Lou. "He just sighed and started sucking his thumb."

Since the concert, Jeffrey has begun vio-lin lessons with Gilbert. "He's a very un-usual child," says Gilbert. "He is certainly above average in his comprehension of music."

According to Gilbert, children should start developing their musical ability as early as possible. "This helps them to achieve mu-sical comprehension," he explains. "Ages two, three, and four are a critical time period to teach children about music.

Gilbert suggests that parents listen to a lot of music when their child is around. He says the more complicated the music, the more the brain has to work to sort out what it hears. It helps the brain to develop. "Classical music is complicated to listen to,"

he says. "It has different contrasts." While Jeffrey is ready for music lessons,

women who have made a difference in their world. McLaren is a chaplain at the Hospice of the Florida Sun Coast in Largo, the largest hospice in the world.



The artwork of Bradley Moore, an 8-year-old from Port Charlotte, was chosen from a field of 11,000 nationwide entries to be included in a 1996 national calendar produced

by The Associates, a financial lending company. Bradley, a third grader at Port Charlotte Adventist School, was featured in a newpaper article in the Charlotte Sun Herald, which mentioned the school. Bradley's drawing was one of 14 selected overall. He won a blue ribbon and check for \$1,000.



Don Bostian of Avon Park, Fla., has retired from the ministry after 40 years, many of which were spent leading churches with memberships of upwards of 1,000. He is

married to the former Dorothy Walker, who currently teaches the fifth grade at Walker Junior Academy.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Dan Bottomly, recently retired dentist and lifelong member of the Greeneville church in Tennessee became a fellow of the American College of Dentists. The induction ceremony took place as part of the annual American Dental Association meeting, this year held in Las Vegas.





Glenn Coon and his wife Ethel, recently celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary which was hosted by their daughter Nita Steffens and her husband Charles at their home in Ooltewah, Tenn. They have been living with their daughter since his stroke in February 1987. Glenn and Ethel were married on Ethel's birthday, October 16, 1928, in Takoma Park, Maryland. Ethel turned 88 and Glenn who is now 92, has been a minister of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination for the past 70 years.

SOUTH CENTRAL

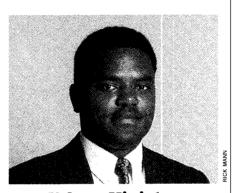
Willie M. Quarles,

resident of a Louisville, Ky., nursing home, brings to life a phrase "faith in action." Although she has been paralyzed from the waist down for 6 years, this physical besetment has not dampened Quarles' spirits. When church members visit her, they are uplifted. Each week Quarles holds a Wednesday morning Bible study for fellow residents of the nursing home. Often, as many as 40 Bible students gather around to hear the presentation of God's word by this remarkable lady.

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not all children may be ready at age two. "When children start music lessons, really depends on when they are ready for it," says Gilbert. "Jeffrey seems ready to absorb anything he's taught. He really loves music."

As Jeffrey starts violin lessons, he's going to be learning many important things. However, he's already learned something more important. He's learned that there is a God who does hear and answer prayers. Julie Tillman



Urban Minister

Miami Temple, Florida, associate pastor **Victor Maddox** didn't let crime stop him from witnessing. In fact, he used the situation to minister to his neighbors.

tion to minister to his neighbors. Maddox realized his Oakland Grove neighborhood was in decline, but when the city of Miami designated the area a red zone off limits to tourists, he decided to take action. When Maddox went house to house asking residents to join a neighborhood watchtype program, more than 60 percent responded.

The program includes National Night Out, a yearly event involving urban residents around the nation. Neighbors parade through the streets carrying anticrime posters, and keep their porch lights burning until dawn. Maddox was one of the residents selected to represent his neighborhood at the Orange Bowl, where law enforcement agents and city officials rallied on National Night Out. At Maddox's urging, the city invited the Seventh-day Adventist Miami Mass Youth Choir to perform during the event. As a result of his efforts, the New Florida

As a result of his efforts, the New Florida Show, which airs locally on PBS affiliate WBTS-TV Channel 2, included a 10-minute segment on his neighborhood. While actual records denote only a small reduction in crime, residents interviewed felt the neighborhood watch program was a moral victory.

Maddox's neighbors have become more receptive to his religious beliefs as they see his efforts to make the community a better place to live. "When you meet the needs of others, they learn to appreciate the things that motivate you to care about their wellbeing," says Maddox. His neighbors sense his caring attitude

His neighbors sense his caring attitude and trust him with their problems. They come to him for marriage counseling, help in getting a job, and for emotional support as well as guidance in spiritual matters. "Sometimes we tend to equate evangelism with passing out literature. However, other forms, such as friendship evangelism can be much more effective."

Arthur Chamberlain

SOUTHEASTERN

Mark Ferguson, 18, a member of Ridge Area church in Florida was featured on the cover of the August 26, 1995, issue of *Insight* magazine. He is a June graduate of Avon Park High



School. Once or twice a month he plans and presents the Sabbath school program for adults. He also prepares a short worship talk. Mark enjoys working with the youth, and participates in Wednesday night prayer service. In August, Mark was the youth day speaker, and spoke on the subject, "Why Young People Leave the Church, and Youth Under Construction."

REVIEW & HERALD





was appointed vice president for editorial at the Review and Herald Publishing Association year-end board meeting. An ordained minister and author of three books, Coffen first served the publishing work at Southern Publishing Association beginning in 1970. He then joined the Review and Herald in 1980, following the merger of SPA

Richard Coffen

and the Review. *Message* magazine has announced the appointment of **Lee Anna Jackson** as assistant editor. Having a broadcast media reporting, facilitating, and production, she has been employed both within and outside the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Most recently Jackson served the church as a reporter/producer covering the 1995 General Conference session in Utrecht.

DIRECTIONS

Carolina

Florida

The GOLDSBORO CHURCH recently held an EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA YOUTH SUMMIT. Dave Stunkard, youth pastor at Orlando Central church, presented the following topics: how to run a successful youth program, fornication, and the games Christians play. The WILSON CHURCH members joined with

members of the Forest Hills Presbyterian church for a **THANKSGIVING DINNER AND CELEBRA-TION.**

The ERWIN HILLS CHURCH RECENTLY FORMED A CHOIR and the first performance occurred in November.

Members of the FOSTER MEMORIAL CHURCH In Asheville, N.C., joined members of the Biltmore Methodist church located across the street for **A** JOINT THANKSGIVING DINNER on November 21. The Methodist church provided dinner for all who attended and Foster Memorial pastor, Greg Taylor, presented a serion. Members of the **COLUMBIA FIRST CHURCH** in

TWENTY-EIGHT PEOPLE WERE BAPTIZED into the Kendall Spanish company during 1995. The company was organized on November 12, 1994, as a result of the combined effort of pastors and laypeople from the Westchester Spanish and Miami

Central Spanish churches. Kendall's membership is now 100 and the company will be organized as a church in the first quarter of 1996. Fifty-four conference churches held **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS (VBS)** in 1995. Thirty-one of those churches reported a combined VBS attendance of 1,790 children, of which 767 were non-Adventists.

Twenty-seven Hispanic pastors registered for **PREPARE/ENRICH SEMINARS** held November 21 and December 5 at conference headquarters and the Hialeah Spanish church in Miami. *Prepare/ Enrich* is a program designed to help pastors sharpen their skills in the areas of premarriage and family counseling. Thirty-one of the confer-ence's 38 Hispanic pastors have completed the

program's curriculum. Helping others and having fun was the focus of a stateside **ADVENTURERS** FALL FUN DAY sponsored by the conference Pathfinder depart-ment. More than 350 Adventurers (children in grades 1-4) gathered at the conference's Pine Lakes Retreat Center in Groveland, Florida. The children broucht conference for dealers Children brought canned food, toys, and shoes for the needy. As a result, 200 pairs of shoes, 292 food items, and 200 toys were collected. NEW PORT RICHEY CHURCH'S DAY CARE CENTER RECENTLY CELEBRATED ITS 10TH AN-NUCEBEARY Shith circle abildren of a bildren.

NIVERSARY. Sixty-six children, of which 62 are nonAdventists, are currently enrolled. Twenty-five people attended a **FAMILY FINANCE**

SEMINAR at the Port Charlotte church, October 15. The three-hour seminar was sponsored by the conference stewardship department and focused on Christian principles of money man-agement. Topics included: how to get out of and stay out of debt; creating a budget and sticking it; saving for retirement; and how to buy a to home. Richard Shepard, stewardship director, was the featured speaker.

Columbia, S.C., are gearing up for a **SPRING EVANGELISM CRUSADE** with Southern Union evangelist Ron Halvorsen. Church members have been encouraged to form small groups to join in prayer

for the special crusade. Tony Cirigliano, pastor of the **MORGANTON**, N.C., CHURCH, recently rebaptized Chad Brackett. Chad is the son of the Morganton head elder, Ted Brackett. Also included in this special baptism was Jim Blackwell, a former Baptist minister of 25+ years. He had attended an evangelistic series conducted by Dale Pollett in the early 1980s. Elizabeth Fuloss and her two children, Leanna and Ryan were baptized at the conclusion of MARK FINLEY'S DISCOVERIES IN PROPHECY MEETINGS. Elizabeth's mother and brother were Seventh-day Adventists, however, Elizabeth went to live with her aunt and uncle when she was 1.3. She triad to plance her new formik and were bartized tried to please her new family, and was baptized at a Pentecostal church. Through a series of events, she has now returned to her spiritual family.

The East Pasco church has created three **PRO-GRAMS TO STRENGTHEN THE PRAYER LIFE OF ITS CONGREGATION.** Throughout 1996, members will be invited to join prayer groups, prayer partnerships, and a special prayer chain to bring requests before God.

The Brandon church held a **PASTOR APPRE-CIATION DAY**, October 28. Dennis Barthle, church elder, presented Brandon pastor Don Johnson with a plaque of appreciation for his leadership and guidance.

South Orlando church Pathfinders, Adventurers, and Counselors In Training (CIT's) collected more than 800 food items for the church's annual THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE. The cans and packages were organized into special baskets and given to needy families in the greater Orlando area

Thirty people, of whom 23 were nonAdventists, recently completed a **VEGETARIAN COOKING SCHOOL** conducted by the Vero Beach, Fla., church. Students celebrated the course's completion by preparing a special dinner using newly learned skills.

Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences (FHCHS) held its second annual **CELEBRITY COL-LEGE BOWL** at the Florida Hospital church in Orlando. More than 250 enjoyed the academic "face-off" between the teams of FHCHS students and a panel of eight celebrity/community leaders

and a panel of eight celebrity/community leaders from the greater Orlando area. Hector Alvarez, computer department chairman at Greater Miami Academy (GMA) in Miami, Florida, is committed to **COMPUTER EDUCATION** in every classroom-kindergarten through 12th grade. Alvarez's enthusiasm has resulted in 33 new Pentium computers

ENROLLMENT IS UP at Greater Miami Academy (GMA) in Miami. Christian education is a top priority in the Miami area, thanks to the tremendous support of pastors and parents. GMA currently has 236 in grades K-8, and 125 in grades 9-12. There are also 17 students in their pre-kindergaten program kindergarten program.

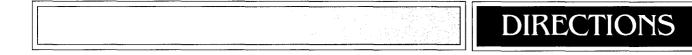
Georgia-Cumberland

Atlanta Adventist Academy recently held its annual LAWN CONCERT. Performances were given and the drama club. The Crossville church in Tennessee held a

MORTGAGE BURNING CEREMONY. They cel-ebrated the dedication of their church debt-free.

The speaker was Errol Eder, Georgia-Cumberland Conference treasurer.

Evangelist Leo Schreven from the Adventist **CRUSADE** at the Atlanta North church. The meetings were held Sept. 16–Oct. 21. Forty-three new members have been baptized or cleared for



baptism, and ten people were rebaptized as a result of the crusade. The Collegedale church held its **CELEBRATION**

OF THANKS on Sabbath, November 18. Banners, flowers, and special decorations added a visual message. There was choir, brass, and organ performances. The program included food baskets to be distributed to families in the community. The congregation took their donations to the front of the sanctuary in a Procession of Thanksgiving. The congregation was also provided with paper to write someone a note of appreciation. During the Rogersville, Tenn., church VACA-TION BIBLE SCHOOL the children saw snakes

Bill Hay, stewardship director, has recently conducted **STEWARDSHIP SEMINARS** in the six classrooms of the church schools in Birmingham First, Phenix City, and Pensacola.

The LITERATURE EVANGELISTS ARE EXPE-RIENCING A GAIN OF 9 PERCENT IN LITERA-TURE SALES OVER LAST YEAR FOR THE SAME PERIOD OF TIME. TWO NEW DISTRICTS WILL OPEN this month

TWO NEW DISTRICTS WILL OPEN this month in keeping with the commitment to lower the number of churches per pastor. **TITHE INCOME** for the first nine months of 1995 is showing a 7.3 percent gain over the same 39-week period in 1994. Plans for 1996 **LITERATURE EVANGELISM** in-

cludes a student program for academy and col-lege students selling on a scholarship program basis. They will be selling Megabooks. By the end of September, the conference had already experienced a **46 PERCENT GAIN** in bap-tisms, over the same period a year

Thirty churches have already turned in budget re-

quests for NET '96 evangelistic meetings next year. The small CHURCH REVIVAL in the Murfrees-

The small **CHURCH REVIVAL** in the Murtrees-boro church quickly turned into a full-fledged evangelistic meeting. Under the enthusiastic lead-ership of Eben Aguirre, Murfreesboro church members put their personal lives on hold, and dedicated two weeks of their life to serving oth-ers. Fifteen were baptized at the close of the meetings, conducted by John Fowler, secretary of the conformer. of the conference.

The following churches celebrated MORTGAGE BURNING during 1995: Fayetteville, N.C., McDonough, Ga., Blakely, Ga., Gastonia, N.C., and Athens, Ga.

The CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP officially passed

Nursing students in foundations and physical assessment classes conducted a **TEDDY BEAR CLINIC** for 4-, 5-, and 6-year-olds from four schools. Children brought their teddy bears or dolls to Memorial Hospital in Chattanooga and interacted with students from Southern. The four-day program helped the youngsters see health profes-Sionals as friends. Can I Get a Witness? was the theme of the annual

fall STUDENT WEEK OF SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS. Eleven students spoke to their peers and The Destiny Drama Company gave a presentation. The College Press is consolidating its art de-

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and alligators. Other activities included making tie-dyed t-shirts and being fingerprinted by a ser-geant from the local sheriff's department.

SEVEN JUNIORS WERE BAPTIZED at the Johnson City, Tenn., church after a three-month baptismal class held by Glen Gary. The weather was great for the 45 people who attended the 55+ PICNIC at Joe and Doris Hand's

house.

Workers knocked out walls and built NEW WALLS to improve the mother's nursing room in the Collegedale church. They enlarged the room and installed a one-way mirror so the sanctury service can be seen from the nursing room.

Gulf States

The Ft. Walton Beach church assisted HURRICANE OPAL VICTIMS with disaster kits. The Tuscaloosa, Ala., church members recent worked together to give their sanctuary a FACELIFT.

Kentucky-Tennessee

Forty-five local church WOMEN'S MINISTRIES COORDINATORS attended the first training work shop in the conference. Guest speakers were

shop in the conference. Guest speakers were Angel Bock and Nancy Buxton from the College View church in Lincoln, Nebraska. **THE 1995 YOUNG WOMEN'S AND WOMEN'S RETREAT** held at Indian Creek Camp is history, but the sweet memories linger. The decoration theme, "The Master's Garden," perfectly reflected the topic of speaker, Libby Roos. Annette Stanwick, from Calgary Canada, spoke to the women on, "Jesus, and Me, A Woman." Attendance for the young women's retreat was 105. The total atten-dance for the women's adult retreat was 270. Kenneth Tozer. II. a general and vascular sur-

Kenneth Tozer, II, a general and vascular sur-geon in Trenton, Tenn., has a UNIQUE MINISTRY. He collects exotic animals. Tozer has 400 acres and from 20 to 25 different kinds of exotic animals. Every summer, just before summer camp convenes at Indian Creek camp, Tozer loans various venes at Indian Creek camp, Tozer Joans various animals to ICC. The young people who attend have the unique experience of seeing, close-at-hand, animals they may never have seen before and may never see again. **EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS** in Lexington, Ky., with Gordon Paxton and Richard and Mary Halversen, evangelists with the Adventist Media Captar concluded with 44 heartism

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South Atlantic

the 25,000 mark. The membership is 25,122 as of mid 1995. THE TITHE REPORT of the SAC through mid

year was \$4,030,050.53. This is an increase of \$194,587.48 over June 30, 1994.

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partment and darkroom under the new title, ELECTRONIC PREPRESS. This move reflects chang-ing computer technology and a continuing desire to serve customers efficiently and well. THE VILLAGE MARKET DELI HAS A NEW SIT-DOWN EATERY at the far end of the shopping

area. It offers daily specials and a salad bar to complement the hot entrees and vegetables. Currently 109 named SCHOLARSHIP ENDOW

MENTS are established to help students who need a boost in order to attend Southern. Many of these are named by their donors in honor of a family member or teacher.

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College Honors Retirees

Oakwood College— During a recent ceremony Oakwood paid a special tribute to ten retirees.

Oakwood's special events committee planned an evening of speeches, music, and food at the Wade Hall multipurpose room.

Serving as mistress of ceremonies was the drama specialist Ramona Hyman. In her unique manner and style, Hyman held her audience spellbound as she painted a vivid picture she termed, "Why Are We Here?" The honorees included: Mary Connor, Rosa L. Hadley, Robert A. Hines, Rita Roberts Jones, David McRay, James H. Melancon, Delmar F. Lovejoy, Miriam Greaves McMillan, Joseph T. Powell, and Lovey D. Verdun,

Others not retiring were recognized for years of service. Twenty years: Sylvia Barnes, Lillian Green, Hattie Mims, Evelyn Tucker, Barbara Warren, and Juanita McClendon.

Twenty-five years: Minneola Dixon, Esther Gill, and Lucile Lacy. Thirty years: James Roddy. Thirty-five years: Charles Turner.

Roy E. Malcolm



Leo Schreven, It Is Written associate speaker (left front) and new members.

Atlanta North Series Results in Baptisms

Georgia-Cumberland —Atlanta North church recently finished a fourweek series of meetings with Leo Schreven, associate speaker for It Is Written. As a result, to date, there has been 44 baptisms with five additional scheduled within the next month.

A follow-up program has been implemented by the members in which each new mem-

ber is regularly visited, nurtured, and loved. The pastor teaches a Sabbath school class of 50-60 new members, and he is encouraging them to become productive workers through Mark Finley's videos "Fulfilling the Gospel Commission" and "Making Friends for God." A Friday night prophecy seminar is continuing with Ed Leath, a lay preacher. Also, on Wednesday evenings the church is showing Dr. Hans Diehl's videos. Debbie Shrock

Leesburg Church Baptizes Five

Florida—The Leesburg church has

baptized five people and brought in two others by profession of faith as a result of evangelistic efforts held at the church in 1995.



Amy Pauley (left), Kevin Burke, singing evangelist Roy Pauley, Lionel Best, Zula Pratt, evangelist Lester Pratt who is standing behind her, and Sally Brown. Seated: Myrta Torres and Eugene Torres, Leesburg/ Ladv Lake pastor.

A six-night *Discovering Jesus* series of evangelistic meetings were held prior to NET '95 Discoveries in Prophecy series hosted by It Is Written speaker/director Mark Finley. Five additional follow-up meetings were hosted by the conference evangelistic team of Lester and Zula Pratt and Roy and Amy Pauley.

Among those baptized were Sally Brown, who attended all but one of the meetings; Lionel Best, a native of Panama who attended a Seventh-day Adventist school as a child; and Kevin Burke with his 11-year old cousin, Lindsey McDole. Burke's aunt, Sandra McDole, and grandmother, Dorothy Burke, also joined by profession of faith.

An especially poignant baptism was that of David Wooten, observed Eugene

Families Receive Early Christmas

Florida—The Florida Conference social committee made the holiday season a little more special for five Orlando-area families four of whom were nonAdventist.

A basket was placed in the conference office lobby, near the Adventist Book Center Torres, Leesburg/Lady Lake district pastor. "David and his wife, Barbara, were attracted to our church through NET '95 and wanted to be baptized together," says Torres. "Unfortunately, Barbara was terminally ill and could not be physically immersed. She died this past August. Two weeks later, David was baptized."

forres said every new Leesburg church member is assimilated into the church family as soon as possible. "Kevin Burke and David Wooten are now deacons and Sally Brown is serving as a deacon-ess," says Torres. "Others are in the process of deciding where they best fit in. When new members get involved, they gain a sense of ownership in their church. That's good for them and for the church.'

Terry Hall

entrance, to collect food donations. Approximately 200 items were received. Joe Holloway, conference publishing director, distributed the donations and enclosed literature about the Seventh-day Adventist Church—Christ's Object Lessons, Happiness Digest, and A Quick Look at Seventh-day Adventists. Two of the families

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Naomi and Anita Perez, Conference workers, sort and organize donations before distribution.

had called the conference requesting help, and the others were referred by conference employees and friends. One of the families had no furniture, and another, where the husband had lost his job, had two infants to support. The social committee plans to support charitable functions in this manner every year. Two years ago, the conference donated to the Toys For Tots program, and last year to the Salvation Army. A. Lee Bennett, Jr.

two services stood out.

The November 4 service

emphasized creation and the November 18

church's annual Celebration of Thanks.

Church members were encouraged to

Members were also

encouraged to invite

invite friends to church.

friends home for lunch,

a bike ride, hike, or a Saturday night of pop-

corn and table tennis.

Friendship Month was

to tell members that

there are a thousand

ways to show interest

is the time to do

something.

and kindness, and now

The purpose of

service was the

Collegedale Celebrates Friendship Month

Georgia-Cumberland—November was designated as Friendship Month at the Collegedale church in Tennessee.

The church provided name tags and drinks to worshipers. It wanted to nudge its members toward more social interaction, not only among church members but toward guests, as well.

Even though every weekend was planned with guests in mind,

Lancaster Witnesses to Community

Kentucky-Tennessee —Newly organized on June 10, the Lancaster, Tenn., company is reaching out to its small, rural community. Jack Pefley, Amazing Facts evangelist, will be conducting an evangelistic meeting this and next month. In preparation for these meetings, church members surveyed Lancaster, Gordonsville, and Temperance Hall interviewing 41 persons. After only one hour, 20 people had asked for Bible studies, and one man asked for tapes or videos. This particular person is pastor of the local Church of God.

Literature evangelists from the South Central

Conference have helped by signing up people for the Amazing Facts Bible study program.

An ad in the local paper called the "Bible Information Line" has been running for a month with good response. Great things are expected as a result of the meetings in January and because of the labors of love performed by this small company in rural Tennessee.

Kay Fowler



Jerry Higgs, pastor (right), and the Lancaster company.

-Progress-

Overseas Directors Attend Estate Planning

Kentucky Tennessee -Trust services training reached around the globe Wednesday night, September 27, when Tom Carter, director of trust services for the General Conference, asked Lin Powell, director for the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference trust services department, to conduct a typical estate planning seminar for two trust services directors from other parts of the world to enable them to observe how sessions are conducted in America.

Priscilla Metonou, from the Africa Indian Ocean Division, and Peter Foo from the Asia Pacific Division were in Huntsville, Ala., participating in a Trust Services Certification Training program at Oakwood College when they were brought to the Nashville First church to attend and observe the seminar. Powell also invited Southern Union trust services director, Stewart Crook, and Barry Benton, an attorney who works with the conferences in the Southern Union.

The guests, Metonou and Foo, observed as Crook explained an estate planning pro-



Tom Carter, director of trust services for the General Conference (left); Peter Foo, Asia Pacific Division; Silke Albright, conference trust services secretary; Lin Powell, director of trust services for the conference; and Priscilla Metonou of the African Indian Ocean Division review estate documents.



gram using colorful and descriptive overheads. This was followed by

more information from Benton who gave

opportunity for questions. Carter, whose respon-

sibility is overseeing the trust services work around the world, commented that even though techniques vary from country to country, and between cultures, one part remains the same: high dedication to serving church members and helping them have a proper estate plan.

Lin Powei

—Update-

85 Women Attend Retreat

Georgia-Cumberland—Eighty-five women visited Jekyll Island for the South Georgia Women's Ministries Retreat October 13-15 where the theme was "A Personal Prayer Life and How God Answers."

One of the guest speakers was Sarah Luke, a member of the Marietta, Ga., church. Her topics included "We are Never Alone" and "God is Our Healer."

Luke is a counselor for alcohol and drug addiction. For alcoholics in Russia, she has helped set up Christian 12 step groups. Her testimony helped many of the women. "It's amazing how prayer can change a person's life," said Luke.

Evie VandeVere, women's ministries director for the Southern Union and Georgia-Cumberland Conference, spoke on "Women of the World" and the ways that women can discover their talents for God's service.

Doris Bailey, a member of the Brunswick church, spoke on dress and skin care.

A solo concert by Evelyn Nieves, a member of the Camden County church in Kingsland, Ga., brought many to tears, was held on Sabbath.

During Sabbath evening a banquet was held and was followed by a candlelight ceremony. The service closed as everyone sang "I Surrender All." Robert Hopwood

Students Attend Retreat

Georgia-Cumberland—Most of the student body attended Atlanta Adventist Academy's spiritual retreat at Camp Alamisco. Students arrived at the camp Friday morning and spent the afternoon playing water games and swimming in Lake Martin.

Verrett Opens OC's Centennial

Oakwood College— Shirley Verrett performed at the VBCC

Friday evening was a time for the students to share their talents and renew their relationships with God. Sunset worship, as usual, was very spiritual. On Sabbath, students formed small groups and journeyed through a survival course. They enjoyed more student talent and a pontoon cruise on the lake. Five students were baptized.

Robert Hopwood

Concert Hall to kick off the Oakwood College Centennial Saturday, November 11. In an evening of musical excellence, her vibrant personality, commanding stage presence, and unique voice quality conquered the hearts of her listeners. The first segment of

The first segment of the program included "Music for a While," "If Music be the Food of Love," and "Thy Hand Belinda..." by Purcell. After the intermis-

sion, the artist charmed the audience with the *Carousel* Medley by Rodgers and Hammerstein, and then created an atmosphere of worship with the singing of three spirituals—"Po' Mo'ner Got a Home at Last," "Ev'ry

Adventist Workers Aid Hurricane Victims

Gulf States—Wednesday evening, October 4, Hurricane Opal slashed into the panhandle of Florida near Ft. Walton Beach. Severe winds, downed trees, and massive power outages occurred as Opal moved rapidly northward through the state of Alabama.

Ray and Juanita Elsberry, Adventist disaster relief coordinators from Birmingham, spent the night maintaining an evacuation center for the Red Cross. When Opal's winds subsided the next morning, the couple did not go home for some much needed rest, but instead they headed south toward the Gulf Coast. The Elsberry's first stop was the Gulf States Conference office in Montgomery. After conferring with Bill Wood, conference disaster response coordinator, they drove to Fort Walton Beach to assess the needs and locate a place to set up a distribution center. The Elsberrys were part of the dozTime I Feel the Spirit," and "Fix Me."

The final section of the program featured scenes I and II from *Otello* by Verdi for which Verrett was given a standing ovation. She returned with an encore and was presented with a beautiful bouquet.

More than 160 guests attended the reception that followed where Verrett and her pianist of 35 years were presented gifts from the college and United Student Movement. Roy E. Malcolm

ens of Adventist disaster response volunteers who put their love for others in action and came to help in the stricken areas.

An operational center was opened in the Pensacola, Fla., church. The center was maintained by disaster response coordinator Tommy Poole, and David Hartman, pastor of the Pensacola church. Poole and Hartman were assisted by other volunteers from the area. A ham radio link from the conference office to Pensacola and Fort Walton Beach was set up.

The Kentucky-Tennessee Conference tractor trailer and a step van arrived in Crestview, Fla., Friday morning. Faye Campbell and other helpers set up operations in a Lutheran church. There they prepared food for that site and for mobile distribution to other areas. Work clothes, blankets, sheets, towels, and wash clothes were distributed. Another reception center to distribute donated goods was opened in Crestview and maintained by other volunteers Two hundred fifty



boxes containing 7,200 meals were sent to Panama City, Fla., from Chattanooga. Hew and Caroline Lipscomb drove a step van from south Georgia to Pensacola and then to Panama City to assist as needed.

Volunteers with chain saws, rakes and other cleanup equipment responded to an urgent call from the mayor of Enterprise, Ala. The area was hit hard with many fallen trees and debris littering residents' yards and blocking driveways. Donald Miller, disaster response coordinator from Uchee Pines, Ala., said, "I was proud of our team. This was truly mingling with the people as ones desiring their good. We watered their yards with our sweat. Becky Grice

Camp Meeting Features "Signs" Editor

Carolina—Spirits soared high "Above The Storm" at the Eastern Carolina camp meeting, October 27-29. The same camp meeting theme from the mountains at Junaluska, "Above The Storm," is carried over to this haven by the sea on Oak Island. Marvin Moore, editor of Signs of the Times, presented a four part series on the love of Christ. The weekend concluded Sunday morning as Moore held the crowd spellbound when he presented the final message in his series, "The Coming Great Calamity." Moore will be presenting this same series at Junaluska in 1996.

Susan and Steve Zork, musicians from Andrews University, were another hit at this energy-filled weekend. Each year this popular camp meeting by the sea continues to grow in number. Eastern Carolina camp meeting has

camp meeting has usually been held late in October; next year however, the date for the camp meeting is September 27-29, one month earlier. The reason for the date change is because the division-wide evangelistic event, Net '96 with Mark Finley, will be going on during the month of October. Ron Quick



Nearly 400 were present for Sabbath services.

Collegedale Conducts Celebration of Thanks

Georgia-Cumberland—The Collegedale church held its Celebration of Thanks on Sabbath, November 18. Banners, flowers, and special decorations added a visual message. There was choir, brass, and organ music.

The program included food baskets to be distributed to families in the community. The congregation took their donations to the front of the sanctuary in a Procession of Thanksgiving. The congregation was also provided with note paper to write someone a note of appreciation.

Festival Organ Event Comes to SC

Southern College— When eight stops across the nation were chosen for *Festival Organ - King of Instruments,* the pipe organ on the campus of

Southern College helped draw the festival to Chattanooga. The musical festival continues through January 21 and in-

Cludes the Organ and Orchestra Concert at Southern College on January 19 among its many events. Judy

Bible Conference Features Arrington

Georgia-Cumberland—Steve Arrington was the guest speaker at the 1995 Bible Glass, professor of music at Southern, will be performing organ concertos by Guilmant and Rheinberger with the Southern College Symphony.

The third of these Organ Evensongs in the Collegedale church is January 13. That same evening and place, a Discovery Concert moderated by Michael Barone of American Public Radio's Pipedreams will focus on the organ's vast repertoire. An interactive exhibition opened December

2 at the Hunter Museum of American Art

Conference at Cohutta Springs Camp September 13-16.

Arrington, who was in prison for his role in the Delorean drug case, and was the head diver for the Cousteau in Chattanooga in conjunction with Festival Organ. "Organ Conversations," concerts on other area organs, and school programs are also part of Festival Organ.

Festival Organ is a project of The Westfield Center in Massachusetts. The Eugene A. Anderson Organ Series at Southern College is among the local presenters.

Glass coordinated Southern's participation. She has taught and performed at Southern for 20 years, and this year has 16 organ students.

Doris Burdick

expedition, told his life story and his renewed dedication to Christ. The conference also featured sessions to help academy students develop leadership skills. Robert Hopwood

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SC Alumni to Meet in Colorado

Southern College— Southern College will present the vesper program at the close of Sabbath on March 2 at the 1996 Adventist Winter Festival in Colorado, then meet with alumni for a college update.

Winter Festival is a Rocky Mountain Conference event which combines skiing and Christian fellowship. Young adults of academy and college age (and in some cases, their teachers or parents) will gather in Glenwood Springs, Co., from across the country.

Southern College will have a display there for ten days. The event begins

Southeastern Organizes 104th Church

Southeastern— Sabbath afternoon, October 7, the 104th church in Southeastern Conference was organized in Hallandale Beach, Fla. Sychar was chosen as the name of the new congregation.

The 80 members of Sychar added to the conference family helped push Southeastern's total membership to more than 22,000. Proud pastor Moise Bertresse was understandably happy. Richard Mereus, first elder of Sinai, was present not only as translator for Roy Brown, conference president, who officiated, but as an official representative of Ft. Lauderdale/ Sinai. Sychar represents the fourth church to be organized out of

February 26 and runs to March 8. Gift certificates valued at \$1,075 toward three free semester hours of tuition and four weeks of dormitory rent will be available at the display. The certificate is valid for new students who attend the Smart Start program next July 29 to August 22, just prior to the fall semester. A Southern College t-shirt is another gift available to qualifying high school seniors who have not already received one. Other high school seniors wishing the t-shirt and certificate may call 1-800-SOUTH-

Doris Burdick



ERN during office

hours.

Roy Brown speaks at the Sychar organization of SEC's 104th church. Richard Mereus translates.

Sinai. Sinai French was organized at Ft. Lauderdale/Mt. Olivet 13 years ago. Gedeon Fontil, Haitian coordinator, gave encouraging remarks to the new congregation.

Though Sychar is currently the youngest of Southeastern's churches, the way the work is rapidly growing, it is felt it will not be the youngest for long. Willie Taylor

Youth Attend Retreat

Carolina—Captivating . . . Thrilling . . . Wouldn't have missed it for anything. These are a few of the comments heard from the young adults who attended the young adult retreat at Nosoca Pines Ranch

Youth

October 13-15. Even the titles of the messages were exciting, "The Bones of Jehofanan ben Hagquo," "Countdown to the Showdown," and "Who Pulled the Trigger?" Dwight Nelson, senior pastor of Pioneer Memorial church on the campus of Andrews University, was the guest speaker. The theme for the weekend was "The Cross." Ron Quick



Pictured around the cross are, Phil Rosburg (left), camp and young adult director for the Carolina Conference; Amanda Terpenning; Bill Young, who presented the music for the group; Allen and Jennifer Spears, Jay Cover, and Dwight Nelson.

Youth Rally Hits Home

Florida—The thoughtprovoking sermonettes "Your Prayer Life in the Bedroom," "Bathroom and Burger King, "What is the Gospel?" and "What To Do If I'm Sexually Starved," hit a responsive chord with Naples youth at the annual Area Wide Youth Rally held at the Naples United Methodist church, August 7 12. One nonAdventist participant thanked David Canther, pastor, and confided that he had been very depressed and had been contemplating suicide. Canther, pastor of

the Naples church, was selected from numerous Christian pastors in the area to be the keynote speaker at the rally. The rally hosted youth, ages 11-17, from the Naples Presbyterian, Baptist, Seventh-day Adventist, and two Methodist churches.

Assisting Canther was his wife, Sherri. Her goal as director of music for the event was to present a living God to the youth though music. She recruited several members from her church to share, including the singing group "Ministers of Light."

The Methodist youth



Naples youth at the interdenominational youth rally.

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pastor expressed her appreciation by saying they had never had such a clear presentation of the Gospel and practical topics which resulted in nightly commitments of rededication to the Lord. Joyce Middaugh



Marion Reaches Out to Youth

South Atlantic— Marion church is not the most economical advanced area, and most of the children are from single family homes. However, with God's help they started with a budget of \$2.47 in February and today have in excess of \$1,100 in the Pathfinder account and have bought uniforms for everyone. They have gone to the local hospital for an introduction to CPR, visited the police station and witnessed to the chief.

The honoral magistrate of Florence Municipal Court, Judge U. Frieson, was the presenter recently for an AYS program. Marion is now making plans for many more special things to do to keep its youth involved.

Betty Perry

and weeks of planning paid off with a total of 69 children enrolled for the week.

A young Estonian mother noticed the 1995 VBS sign as she passed the church. She had only been in the United States for three months while her husband works in an engineering corporate exchange program. Although her English is limited, she was interested in having her children attend. She brought them, and the family was graciously embraced with love and kindness.

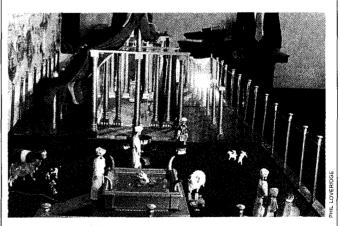
The concluding VBS program was held during the 11o'clock church service and many parents came to see their children's presentation, followed up with a fellowship lunch.

The Estonian couple has since enrolled their children in the church's kindergarten program, and they now attend church on a regular basis. Prior to the birth of their new baby girl, born in Alabama, the church feted them to a memorable shower.

Sharryn Mahorney



Orlando Central pastor Bob Folkenberg made the Sanctuary come alive in a decades-old model built and furnished by his missionary great-grandparents.



Close-up vlew of Sanctuary model.

Sanctuary Message Presented in Show and Tell

Florida—An air of excitement and awe permeated the Orlando

Central church as members/visitors and more than 400 church school students entered the church sanctuary. Immediately all eyes focused on the large painting of Mount Sinai

VBS Sparks Enthusiasm

Gulf States—The Birmingham First church had not had a vacation Bible school for more than 15 years. But, when Madeline Young and Tamie Fernandez were asked in 1994 to lead out, they rose to the task. For several months, they lived and breathed the forthcoming VBS program. Their enthusiasm was contagious they had the generous support of many church members, culminating in an attendance of 38 children.

Immediately they began planning for a VBS in 1995. Their hard work, advertising,



Children enjoyed a variety of activities.

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and the Israeli encampment, which stretched across the rostrum. This served as a background for one of the most impressive structures to ever appear in the church a live reproduction of the Old Testament Sanctuary built to a scale of five cubits to one foot.

There it was in its beauty—The Holy Place and the Holy of Holies with its golden walls, exquisite furnishings, curtains, and roof coverings/surrounded by the 15' x 7' court-yard. "For the next three Sabbaths we want to study this divine "Show and Tell", "indicated Pastor Tell", "indicated Pas Bob Folkenberg. To unfold the beautiful meaning of the Sanctuary, the pastor led the congregation through each of the apartments. "In the court-yard," he said, "we understand Christ's role while on earth. It was here on earth that He carried the cross to Calvary's Hill. It was here that Christ looked up to the Father and said, 'Why hast thou forsaken me?' It was

here on earth in the court that He shed his blood for the remission of sins."

The sweet fragrance of burning incense filled the church as the congregation moved to the Holy Place the second Sabbath. "The Holy place is a friendship place, always filled with friendship and communion," remarked Folkenberg. "This is the place where communion takes place between God and man."

Just as the service began the third Sabbath, the congregation heard an eerie sound and turned around in amazement. It was the pastor, blowing a ram's horn as he slowly walked down the long aisle. Dressed in the robe of the High Priest, he walked to the Most Holy Place. By sounding the ram's horn, he was notifying each one of the coming Day of Atonement.

He concluded by reminding the congregation how the Sanctuary spoke of God's great love and His infinite power to redeem humanity. Selma Bird



Central Florida Press Club President Greg Fox (right), presented the first place award for Best Newsletter to Denise Badger and Lee Bennett. Badger is editor of For The Cause and conference youth ministries field representative. The newsletter concept and publisher is Bill Crofton, youth ministries director. Bennett, communication department production assistant, did the desktop publishing layout and design.

list. In a spirit of volunteerism to the media community, the communication department produced the evening's two-part printed program and membership brochure, assisted with University of Central Florida journalism scholarships, and the door prizes. The communication department has also actively served on the Club's Board of Directors for the past five years. Cindy Kurtzhals

Children's Gospel Trio Gaining Exposure

Florida—The Santana family trio *Orion* is becoming a household name in the North Central Florida area, so much so that Walt Disney World has come calling. Comprised of siblings Mickey, 10, and Evi, 12, students at Ocala Junior Academy, and Jesse, 14, a sophomore at Forest Lake Academy in Forest City, the children have sung together since Mickey was four years old. For the past three years, they have sung at the Silver Springs Water Park Attraction Christmas program, and for the Marion County Fair as part of the Jerry Lewis Muscular



Mickey, Jesse and Evi Santana of Orion.

Conference Departments Earn Awards

Florida—The Florida Conference youth ministries and communication departments earned two first place standings in the annual Central Florida Press Club Awards. For The Cause—Youth Leadership, the youth ministries newsletter for local church youth leaders, earned Best Newsletter. The 101st Florida Conference camp meeting promotional and service materials-before, during, and after camp meeting, earned Best Public Relations Campaign.

The annual awards are sponsored by the Central Florida Press Club and judged by out-of-state judging organizations. Each year, journalists and public relations practitioners submit entries in a variety of categories of television, radio, newspaper news, sports, and public

relations. Awards were presented at the November 18 banquet at the Sheraton Orlando North Hotel in Maitland.

A Seventh-day Adventist presence was felt at the awards banquet. The Seventhday Adventist name was listed in three areas of the main printed program and twice in the winner's



Dystrophy fundraiser. They have performed at several Adventist churches in Florida, have appeared twice this school year at Forest Lake Academy, and recently have sung their Christian gospel music for churches of other denominations.

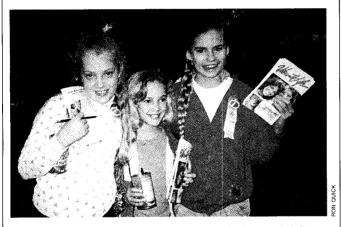
This wide exposure has led to an offer to sign with a talent scout, and an offer to sing at Walt Disney World, both of which the children turned down. They cited shyness as the reason not to pursue such public exposure at this time.

One unexpected benefit of the children's musical gifts is their ability to influence their peers to sing publically. "We've been told that other children have felt inspired to sing in public after hearing *Orion*. That makes Mickey, Evi, and Jesse feel good," their mother said.

The Santana children began their musical journey when someone gave them a sing-a-long tape, tape recorder, and cassette. They received such positive encouragement from family and friends, that they gradually began to sing more and more in public. They sang a cappella in the early days, and then switched to sound track accompaniment. For the past two years, Forest Lake Academy choral director Gail Murphy has provided the family much support and encouragement, according to their mother.

"Our latest project is a nursing home ministry," said Santana. "Every month, the children sing at a different nursing home and hand out evangelistic literature."I don't push them, I'm just doing everything I can to keep them singing for the Lord."

Lynn O. Huff



The Hinsley children beg to canvass the neighborhood daily.

Girls Pursue Ingathering Goal

Carolina—"Mom can we go Ingathering today after school" is a daily request at the Jim and Becky Jo Hinsley residence of Goldsboro, N.C., each fall. Their three girls Jennifer 13, Tennille 10, and Cassidy 8, love going house to house Ingathering while mother pushes the stroller as one-year-old brother, Bronson, gets fresh air and the inspiration to follow the example of his sisters once he gets older. These girls go

during the daylight

hours after homeschool, swimming, and music lessons beginning at 5:30 p.m. After the clock is turned back and at the end of October, they do their missionary work on Sunday afternoons.

They told me they only get, on an average, one refusal out of ten. Their solicitation goes like this: "My name is Cassidy and I'm from the Goldsboro church. I and my sisters are collecting donations for our community and communities around the world to help those in need. Here is a pamphlet that describes how your money is

Dalton Youth Sponsors Health Booth

Georgia-Cumber land—The youth of the Dalton, Ga., church sponsored a health booth at their county fair in October. Each day of the fair there was emphasis on a different health issue. The issues included heart disease, smoking, kids' health, lifestyle, and stress. Free blood pressure, blood sugar, and lung health testings were done. There was a drawing used." They then leaf through the pages. "I am also taking part in a walka-thon of five miles. Maybe you'd like to sponsor me. (They average from \$2 to \$5 for those who sponsor them in their walka-thon.)

They set for themselves a goal of \$135 individually so they can take advantage of the \$55 NOSOCA Pines Ranch summer camp scholarship. But their mother Becky Jo says that they daily beg her to take them out after their goal is reached. They love meeting people, sharing God's love, and the Adventist message.

Ron Quick

for a free child's helmet. Literature was given out and people were invited to sign up for the ensuing health classes.

Two weeks after the fair a five-day Breathe Free (stop smoking) series was conducted by Gordon County Hospital chaplain Dan Hogan. One woman who attended had been smoking three packs a day. She was excited to have conquered the habit. Other sessions conducted included Diabetes: Prevention and Cure; Bread Baking; and Lowfat Holiday Cooking.

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Pewee Valley, Ky., church paid special tribute to its veterans Sabbath, September 2, the 50th anniversary of the close of World War II and the signing of the peace terms on the U.S.S. Missouri in Tokyo Bay. Leading out in the program was retired pastor Harold Roy and Bob Wint. Certificates of appreciation from the Commonwealth of Kentucky and a commemorative lapel pin was presented to each World War II veteran. Veterans who have served in the armed forces since WW II were recognized.

Because of fund-raising by the Adventurer Club of the Huntsville Central church, Olga Black was given a new kitchen stove.



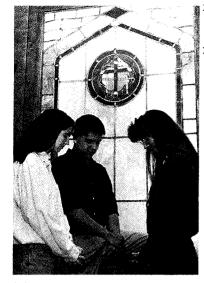
Susan and Steve Zork of Andrews University were the featured musicians at the Eastern Carolina camp meeting held at Oak Island.



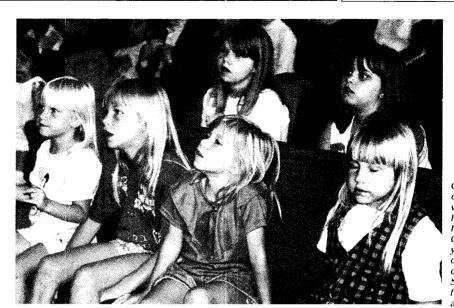
During the fall there were four campouts for the Pathfinders. The North Tennessee campout in Jellico speaker Greg Hudson had 145 in attendance. The South Tennessee campout at Cohutta Springs Camp with speaker Jelf Wood had 400 in attendance. The North Georgia campout on the new church property with speaker Marvin Hunt had 250 in attendance. The South Georgia campout at Jekyll Island with speaker John Swafford had 70 in attendance.



God has been very good to the Hispanic work taking place in the Carolinas. In the fall, a new church group was organized in New Bern, N.C. Already, there are 50 people attending the newly formed group.



It is not uncommon to see students at Southern College praying together. Nicole People, Samuel Reyes, and Elizabeth Ramsey are taking advantage of the prayer room in the Ulmer Student Center. Admissions information is available by calling 1-800-SOUTHERN.

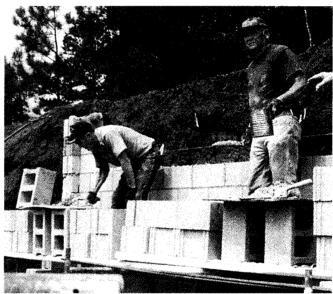


One hundred and two children signed up for vacation Bible school held at Cumberland Heights church, near Coalmont, Tenn., last year. This nearly doubled the attendance of some recent years. Sessions were held daily for five days from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

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The News Examiner presented its Citizen of the Year award to Rita Taylor, a member of the Highland church, at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet. Rita has been active in drug awareness programs in the Portland, Tenn., community for several years. Her most notable accomplishment has been starting an annual, Sunday afternoon, parade against drugs. Called the "Red Ribbon Parade," it is the only one of its kind in the state of Tennessee, and has grown into a major community event. Other anti-drug activities include puppet programs, poster, and rap contests in schools.



At Advent Home in Tennessee volunteers participated in developing the master plan for the building program. Brent Palmer, owner of Palmer-Handrails, served as a volunteer consultant to the proaram. Cautionina against building on the hills as originally planned, Brent's advice was to build on the lower lands closer to the present home. This suggestion brought the site closer to existing roads and utilities and saved thousands of dollars in building costs.



The Lexington church members, with Gordon Paxton, pastor, started planning for the evangelistic meetings/field school over a year and a half before Richard and Mary Halversen with the Adventist Media Center, began August 25. Opening night brought out 500 visitors. Double sessions were conducted the first two nights. The Lord rewarded Halversen and the faithful members of the church with 44 baptisms, and 10 rebaptisms.



Although a newly organized club, the Pulaski Panther Pathfinder club is actively involved in helping its community. Food items were collected during the holidays and delivered to the needy. Grocery bags were left in the homes on Saturday evening, and the Pathfinders went back on Sunday to collect the bags of food. A fruit sale for the community was held in November. The local newspaper printed a very positive article about the Panther club, identifying them as "a coed club much like boy and girl scouts, but religious in nature."

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Carolina

- LE Meeting—Jan. 5–7. Nosoca Pines Ranch. Bible Conference—Jan. 12–14. Nosoca Pines Ranch.
- Pathfinder Council—Jan. 19–21. Nosoca Pines Ranch.
- Caring For Marriage-Jan. 19-21. Charlotte, N.C.
- Men's Retreat—Jan. 26–28. Nosoca Pines Ranch.
- **It Is Written Rally—**Jan. 27. Asheville, N.C. Speaker: Mark Finley.
- Adventurer Staff Retreat—Feb. 2-4. Nosoca Pines Ranch.
- Romance at the Ranch—Feb. 16–18. Nosoca Pines Ranch.
- Prayer Conference—Feb. 23-25. Nosoca Pines Ranch. Speaker: Ruthie Jacobson.

Florida **•**

- Adventist Divorce/Grief Recovery Support Group—Every Thursday night. Altamonte Springs church, Fla. Details: (407) 291-8321.
- Academy Bible Conference—Jan. 12-14. Camp Kulagua.
- Hispanic Youth Leadership—Jan. 19-21. Camp Kulaqua.
- Convention—Jan. 19-21. Camp Kulaqua. Pathfinder Reveille-Ranger—Jan. 26-28.
- Camp Kulaqua. Small School Outdoor Education—Feb.
- 27-March 2. Camp Kulaqua. High School Adventist Youth Fellowship (AYF)—March 24-26. Camp Kulaqua.
- Communication Director Team Training Workshop—Jan. 21. Miami Springs church. Speakers: Olson Perry, editor, Southern Tid-INGS; Cindy Kurtzhals, Conference Communication director. Details: (407) 644-5000.
- Glad Concert—Jan. 27. Florida Hospital church.
- Adventist Singles Ministries Fellowship Dinners
- Feb. 3. Florida Hospital.
- Feb. 10. Forest Lake and West Palm Beach First.Feb. 17. University.
- Feb. 24. Kress Memorial.
- Rev It UpI Youth Rally—Feb. 3. Jacksonville.

Evangelistic Meetings

- In Progress-Feb. 9. Miami Temple. Lester and Zula Pratt and Roy and Amy Pauley. In Progress-Feb. 10. Ayon Park Spanish/
- Sebring Spanish. Jose and Ofelia Fuentes. In Progress-Feb. 17. Carrolwood. Harmon and Margaret Brownlow.
- In Progress-Feb. 24. DeLand. Rick Swaningson.
- In Progress-Feb. 24. Jensen Beach. Bill and Cora Waters.
- In Progress-March 2. Interlachen. Art and Margo Swaningson.
- In Progress-March 23. Casselberry Spanish. Jose and Ofelia Fuentes.

Women's Ministries Retreats

- Feb. 2-4. English. Camp Kulaqua.
- Feb. 9-11. English. Camp Kulaqua.
- Feb. 16-18. English. Camp Kulaqua. Feb. 23-25. Spanish. Camp Kulaqua.
- Adventist Youth Fellowship (AYF) West
- Coast Campout—Feb. 16–18. "Encuentro Juvenii" West Coast—Feb. 24. GOAL Volleyball Tournament—Feb. 24.
- Forest Lake Academy. **Singles Event**—Feb. 24. St. Petersburg church. Details: (813) 321–8443.

- Annual Michigan Academies Alumni-March 9. Forest Lake Academy. (813) 626-8760.
- Men's Ministries Conference-wide Convention—March 15–17. Camp Kulagua.
- Forest Lake Academy Alumni Weekend— March 22, 23.
- Marriage Commitment Seminar—May 3– 5. Daytona Beach Hilton Resort. Call Ken
- Bryant (407) 869-8106 or (407) 644-5000. Net '96-Oct. 5-Nov. 9. Forest Lake Academy. Apopka.

Georgia-Cumberland

- Atlanta Adventist Academy Alumni Day-Jan. 27.
- Pathfinder Director's Council Cohutta Springs—Jan. 28.
- Executive Committee-Jan. 31.
- GCA Home Leave—Feb. 1-4.
- **GA Pathfinder Director's Council**—Feb. 11.
- Pathfinder Teen Discovery Honors—Feb. 16–18. Cohutta Springs. South Georgia Convocation—Feb. 17.
- Ashburn. Christian Home and Marriage Week-Feb.
- 17-24.
- South Georgia Pathfinder Honors—Feb. 23–25.
- **Elementary School Music Festival**—Feb. 27. GCA.

Gulf States

- Youth Festival—Jan. 19, 20. Bass Memorial Academy.
- **Conference Executive Committee**—Jan. 23. Montgomery.
- Teachers' Inservice---Jan. 29-31. Pensacola, Birmingham, Meridian.
- **Church Ministries Convention**—Feb. 9–11. Camp Alamisco.
- Marriage Commitment Seminar—Feb. 16-17. Camp Alamisco.

Southern College

Vespers

- Jan. 12. Religion renewal weekend. Ron and Karen Flowers.
- Jan. 19. Organ/Orchestra concert.
- Jan. 26. CARE (Collegiate Adventists Reaching Everyone).
- Feb. 2. Thatcher Hall women. Church Pulpit Guest—Jan. 13. Victor Czerkasij.
- Special Events
- Jan. 13. Warren Miller ski movie "Endless Winter." 8:30 p.m.
- Jan. 18. Health fair.
- Jan. 21. Sigma Theta Chi mother/daughter brunch. Concerts
 - Jan. 19. Organ/SC Symphony Orchestra. 8:00 p.m.
 - Jan. 23. Leoniovych String Quartet. 8:00 p.m.
 - Jan. 30. David Burgess, guitar. 8:00 p.m. Cost.
- Feb. 3. SC Pops concert. 8:00 p.m. Feb. 4. SC Symphony Concerto. 8:00 p.m.

Southern Union

- Youth to Youth—Feb. 15-18. Camp Kulaqua.
- Hands Across the World Rally—March 23. Atlanta.
- Southern Union Camporee—Sept. 25–29. Cherokee, N.C.

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Out of Union

- Sunnydale Church 50th Anniversary-March 2. Details: (314) 682-5313.
- Plainview Academy Alumni Homecoming-June 28-30. Details: (402) 489-1702.
- Wisconsin Academy Class of 1976—Plans are being made for your 20-year reunion. If you were a member of this class or know the whereabouts of any members, please send current addresses to: Connie Nelson Serl, 21 SW 9th St., College Place, WA 99324 or Sandy Nelson, Box 67, Lewis, WI 54851.
- **Camp Blue Ridge Staff Alumni**—A reunion is planned for all former staff members of Camp Blue Ridge to be held the weekend of May 30 to June 2, 1996, at Camp Blue Ridge. If you previously worked at Camp Blue Ridge you, your spouse, and children are invited to participate! Space is limited so get your reservation in early. For details contact: Rick and Janet Blondo, 8148 Morning Breeze Drive, Elkridge, MD 21227, (301) 596-0759, or send fax to (301) 680-6464, Attention Morm Middag.
- Blue Mountain Academy—Hamburg, Pa. "BMA Turns 40" Alumni Weekend, March 29 and 30, 1996. Featured Guests: Elder and Mrs. Charles Dart and Dr. and Mrs. M. W. Shultz. Honor Classes: '56, '66, '71, '76, '86. Philadelphia Academy: '46. Lake Ariel Academy. For more information call (215) 562-2291.

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	Jan. 5	Jan. 12	Jan. 19	Jan. 26	Feb. 2	Feb. 9
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.	5:43	5:49	5:56	6:03	6:10	6:17
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	6:11
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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On the Move

Carolina

Ken Harding, Sr., retired officially from the associate pastor position at the Char-lotte Sharon church. Arthur Gibbs left the Sharon church this summer to attend Andrews. Joe Ottinger from Southern College stepped in to fill his position. Mike Kim will return from completing his

to fill the associate position at Arden. **David Borton** joined Spartanburg, S.C., as an associate and also coordinate the His-panic work. In the Fletcher area, **Domingo** panic work. In the Fletcher area, **Domingo Paulino** joined the pastoral ranks to work with the Hispanic church. **John Earnhardt**, who most recently was an evangelist with Amazing Facts, began serving in the Ander-son and Westminster, S.C., district. **David Prest**, Jr., took a call to Anchorage, Alaska. **David Barks**, who opened near doors for **Prest, Jr.,** took a call to Anchorage, Alaska. **David Banks,** who opened new doors for the young adult ministry in the Carolinas is pastoring the Mt. Pisgah Academy church. **Brian Dudar** from Thousand Oaks, Ca., will Brian Dudar from Thousand Oaks, Ca., will serve as the associate director responsible for Pathfinders and youth. **Phil Rosburg** will continue as director of youth ministries and will be responsible for the Nosoca Pines Ranch summer camp program and young adult ministries. **Roy Uffindell** joined the pastoral staff in the Camden/Sumter, S.C., district. The Thomasville/Lexington, N.C., dis-trict welcomed **Charles White**, who was trict welcomed **Charles White**, who was serving as interim pastor, to be their full-time pastor. **Simon Madrigal**, a recent gradu-ate from Southern College, began assisting Samuel Romero in the rapidly-growing Caro-lina Hispanic Ministries. **Paul Van Buren** left the Durham and Hillsborough, N.C., dis-trict to further his education in another career. trict to further his education in another career. Dexter Richardson from Southern Califor-nia, began as the interim pastor. Jim Davidson from the Madison Campus church in Madison, Tenn., began as the new Caro-lina ministerial director. Jerry Kenyon re-cently retired from the position of Carolina Conference association treasurer Bandee Conference association treasurer. **Randee Reynolds**, conference undertreasurer, will will carry his responsibilities. Lawanna Williams moved to Charlotte, N.C., from the Southmoved to Charlotte, N.C., from the South-eastern Conference to take on the respon-sibilities of employee benefits coordinator in the Carolina Conference. **Virgil Covel** completed seminary requirements and re-turned to the Carolinas to pastor the Elizabethtown and Whiteville churches re-placing Lawrence Walton who moved to the Lawndale and Lincolnton churches. Waldo Greene, former pastor of the Lawndale/ Lincolnton district has moved to the Salisbury/ Concord district where he will assist Glenn Holland. Don Kenyon was able to retire again once Sven Behn came to pastor the Myrtle Beach/Florence district. Jerry Justesen has taken on the pastoral duties in Greenville/ Kinston district.

Florida

Redistricting has taken place in several West Central Spanish churches. **Dan Amich** will continue as pastor for the Tampa Span-ish church only. **German Moreno** transferred from the Brandon Spanish/Pinellas Spanish district to serve as associate pastor of the Hialeah Spanish church. **Osvaldo Olivencia** is the pastor of the new district of Pinellas Spanish church/Spring Hill Spanish company district and Juan Sorte is now pastoring district, and **Juan Sorto** is now pastoring the Brandon Spanish church and continuing as pastor of the Wimauma Spanish church. **Edemilson Cardoso** tranferred from the South American Division and has officially pastored the new Ft. Lauderdale Portuguese company since November. **Tai-Jon Choi**, who was a lay pastor in California, is pastor of the new Miami Korean company. **Bolivar Bueno** now pastors the new Poinciana Spanish company and continues as pastor of the Kissimmee Spanish church. Jeff Gang joins the Forest Lake church as an associate pastor. Humberto Horruitiner, previously an elder and Bible Worker at the Miami Central Span-ish church, was appointed associate pastor. David Huber transferred from the Chesa-peake Conference to become the new pas-

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tor of the Kress Memorial church. Inter-American Division retiree Melvin Nembhard now serves as pastor of the Ft. Lauderdale church. Ron Patterson, who was an evangelist for the literature and media evange-listic ministry, Amazing Facts, Inc. in Fredrick, Maryland, now serves as pastor of the High Springs/Lake City district. **Rebeca de los Rios** now serves as a conference hispanic ministries assistant. **John**

conference hispanic ministries assistant. John Davis returns to a literature evangelist po-sition after having served as an associate publishing director. Rolando Baysa is a Bible worker in Miami Springs, who came from the Far Eastern Division. Robert Engstrom, from the St. Bernadine Medical Center in California, joined Florida Hospital Altamonte as a chaplain. Mark Laws joins Florida Hospital East as a chaplaln, transferring from the Sherwood Park Nursing Home in Alberta, Canada. Canada

Burnett Robinson was chosen to pastor the Norland church and Ronaldo DaCunha is pastor of the Miami Portuguese company. DaCunha will also teach social studies at Greater Miami Academy. John Thurber, who served as a conference evangelist, is the interim pastor of the Sarasota church. Wil liam Underwood transferred from the lowa Missouri Conference to become an associ-ate pastor at the Miami Temple church. Arcadia/Punta Gorda district pastor **Clyde Thomas** now pastors the Punta Gorda church rolly. The Arcadia church was added to the Ft. Myers Shores district with **Frank Walker**. **Robert Seal** transferred from the Perry/Madison district to become a conference estate services field representative. Wayne Nie-meyer transferred from the Silver Springs Shores/Belleview district and now pastors the Perry/Madison district. **Creaton Francis** will pastor the Silver Springs Shores church, leaving a vacancy at the Royal Falm church. **Gordon T. Blandford** transferred from the Florida Living church to the Belleview church. **Horace Walsh** transferred from DeLand to the Florida Living church Robert McMillan the Florida Living church. **Robert McMillan** transferred from the Okeechobee church to pastor the DeLand/New Smyrna Beach district. The Okeechobee church was added to Lake Placid pastored by Jack Long. Chester Jordan, who pastored the New Smyrna Beach church, returned to retirement.

James Hord came from the Lake Union Conference to join Florida as associate publishing director for North Florida. **Don Watson** accepted a call to become the new principal of Greater Miami Academy, com-ing from the Potomac Conference, Interim Ing from the Potomac Conference, interim principal **Otis Graves** returned to retirement, **Laura Rose**, served as a Sunbelt Health Care Center chaplain in Orlando, is now the director of chaplains at Florida Hospital Waterman. Lavoy Garner joined the chap-laincy at Florida Hospital Kissimmee and Laves Webb is a chaplain at Elorida Hospital Joyce Webb is a chaplain at Florida Hospi-tal-Orlando. Daniel Williams was appointed at the new Ft. Lauderdale pastor. Interim pastor Melvin Nembhard has returned to retirement. Evangelist **Gordon Henderson** is now the pastor of the Tallahassee/Craw-fordville district, filling the position left by **Gerald Fuences** who serves as associate pastor of the Port Charlotte church. **Don Bostian** has retired from serving as pastor of the Walker Memorial church Dong Jacobs of the Walker Memorial church. **Doug Jacobs** now serves as Walker Memorial pastor, moving from the New Port Richey church. A full-time pastor for New Port Richey has not been selected. **David Canther** has transferred from Naples to the Mt. Dora pastoral position left by **Bill and Cora Waters.** The Waters' now serve as conference evangelists and no re placement for Naples has been selected. **John McKinney** has moved from the Jack sonville First church to the Oregon Conference. **Carl Rodriguez** has moved from the Boynton Beach church to the New Jersey Conference, and Jacksonville Korean pasto Wha Soo Kim has retired. No replacement wha Soo Kim has retired. No replacement pastors have been appointed at this time. Brian Pleasants has completed his resi-dency at Florida Hospital Orlando and now serves as a chaplain at the Lake Placid Medical Context Medical Lake Placid Medical Center. Merlene Ising is now the Florida Conference assistant director of human

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resources. **Lincoln Llewllyn** now serves a: pastor of the Royal Palm church. David Moench serves as pastor to the Jackson-ville First church, transferring from the South Brevard/Vero Beach district, and Clyde Thomas is now pastor of the New Port Richey church, transferring from Punta Gorda. Paul Riley serves as assistant to the pastor at the Markham Woods church and Aimee Walsh is assistant to the pastor at the Florida Living church. **Arnt Krogstad**, who served as undertreasurer for Florida Conference, is now the church development, auditing, and con-ference property director. **Rhonda Harper**, coming from the General Conference Risk Management office in Athurta era o field confige Management office in Atlanta as a field service manager, is now assistant office manager and director of Risk Management for the conference. The Executive Committee voted to approve the following plan for personnel in the estate services department: **Robert** Seal to serve as secretary of the Florida Conference Association and to be responsible for the estate probating work; **Floyd Powell** to remain as director of the estate services department and become more in-volved with development work; **Eugene Torres** to serve as field representative, re-placing **Doris May**, who retired in December.

Georgia-Cumberland

Morristown, Tenn., pastor, Dale Tunnell is the new GCA chaplain. Trevor Hoover retired from his pastorate at the Apison church. Paul Eirich of the Thomasville/ Barwick district accepted a call to go to Halls Crossroads in north Knoxville and Oak Ridge district. Fred Fuller moved from the Ohio Conference to the Apison, Tenn., church. Martin Fancher to the Morristown, Tenn., church. church.

Gulf States

Neil Dye, from Amazing Facts, is pastoring the Decatur, Ala., district. He replaces **Mike Lombardo** who is pastoring in Tennessee. **Roger Burke** moved to the Jackson, Miss., district from the Meridian, Miss. district, replacing **Jud Lake** who moved to Broadview Academy in Illinois

Academy in Illinois. David Braun moved from the St. Elmo, Ala., district, now pastors the Anniston, Ala. district. He replaces **Dan Whitlow**, who is pastoring the Floral Crest district. **Dick Moseley**, of the Floral Crest district, moved to the Panama City district, replacing Terry Carmichael who moved to Enterprise Acad emy in Kansas. **Raban Kilgore** came from Southern College to intern in Panama City. Jack Milmine now pastors the Clanton, Ala., district from Ontario, Canada. **Harold Peggau** is at the Meridian, Miss., district, coming from the pastorate in Elkhart, Ind.

South Central

Charles Dudley was assigned to the Shelbyville-Decherd, Tenn., district. Willie Black's district of three churches was re-duced to Clarksville and Columbia, Tenn. Dwight Haynes' district was reduced to Fayetteville and Pulaski, Tenn. Vincent Perry was reassigned to the Jasper/Hartselle/ Valhermosa Springs, Ala., district. Joseph Jones will pastor the Greenville, Kingsport, district. John Brown has Greenville and district. John Brown has Greenville and Morristown, Tenn. Antoine Maycock's dis-Morristown, Tenn. Antoine Maycock's dis-trict of seven churches was reduced to Decatur-Florence-Courtland, Ala., and Tim Lewis will pastor the Louisville (New Life) and Radcliffe, Ky., churches. Eric C. Ward, former pastor of the Oakwood College church, was asked to assist James Norman at the church in Gadsden, Ala. The following con-ference departmental directors were asked to paster in addition to handling their deto pastor in addition to handling their de-partmental responsibilities: William Freeman will pastor the Bowling Green, Ky., church; George I. Pearson is assigned to Campbellsville, Ky.; and Edwin Brown to Franklin, Tenn. Two district lay assistant pastors were assigned to churches. Marshall Johnson will assume responsibility for the Springfield, Tenn., church and Luke Robinson will temporarily give oversight to the Clarksdale-Cleveland, Ms., district.

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BAKER, Timothy Ray, 42, was born in Ceres, Calif., and died Oct. 26, 1995. He was a member of the Do-than, Ala., church. He is survived by his wife, Sheryl; one daughter, Katherine; one son, Theodore; his par-ents; sister; and brother.

BARKER, Sue Ann (Susie), 45, died Sept. 22, 1995 in Mountain City, Tenn. She was a member of the Mountain City church and principal of the church school for nine years. She is survived by her husband, James; one daughter, Heather; her parents, Loga and Adelaine Goolsby; three brothers; and one sister.

BAYONET, Juanita, 93, died Oct. 6, 1995, in Or-lando, Fla. She was a member of the Orlando Spanish church. She is survived by two sons: Edward Sepulveda of Florida and David Sepulveda of North Carolina; two daughters: Norma Vogel of North Carolina and Louisa Salazar of Virginia; 16 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildrer

BERNARDINO, Abner, 13, died Aug. 17, 1995, in Avon Park, Fla. He was a member of the Avon Park church. He is survived by his parents, Abner and Margarita; and one brother, Romit,

BOWEN, Robert N., was born April 30, 1918, and died Oct. 7, 1995, at his home in Harrison, Tenn. He was a member of the Hixson church in Tenn. He served as treasurer for over 10 years and was employed in de-nominational work for almost 15 years. He worked as treasurer and auditor in Honduras Union Hospital and Honduras Mission and flew an airplane as a mission pilot in Honduras and Panama. He is survived by his wife, Dottie; one son, Ronnie of Prescott Valley, Ariz.; one daughter, Ginger Snyder of Hendersonville, Tenn.; one sister, Gladys Brawn; four grandchildren; four greatgrandchildren; and nieces and nephews

BROWN, Grace, 96, died Aug. 22, 1995, in Apopka, Fla. She was a member of the Florida Living church. She is survived by four sons: Clifford of Apopka, Fla., Raymond of Pascataway, N.J., John of Carson City, Nev., and Theodore of Mispomo, Calif.; three daughters: Shirley Vernal of Matthew, N.C., Louise Mullen of Green Brook, N.J., and Audrey Sypniewski of Hackettstown, N.J.; 21 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

BROWN, Laura, was born Jan. 19, 1917, in East Randolph, N.Y., and died Oct. 20, 1995. She was a member of the Pulaski church. She taught church school for 30 years in the Southern Union. She lived in Fayetteville, Tenn., since her retirement in 1973. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Joe Barnes. She married James H. Brown in 1989, and he survives her. CLARK, Dorothy, 87, died Oct. 24, 1995, in Leesburg.

Fla. She was a member of the Leesburg, church. CONRAD, Katherine, 94, died Nov. 13, 1995, in Leesburg, Fla. She was a member of the Leesburg church. She is survived by one son, Harry Harmond of St. Louis, Mo.; six grandchildren; six great-grandchil-dren; and one great-great-grandchild.

COTE, Mary, 70, died Oct. 10, 1995, in Tampa, Fla. She was a member of the Tampa First church. She is survived by one daughter, Gayle Cameron of Tampa; four grandchildren. and

CROSS, Marguerite Irene, 78, died Aug. 24, 1995, in Altamonte Springs, Fla. She was a member of the Marianna, Fla., church. She is survived by her daughter, Irene Kuist of Chattanooga, Tenn.; two sons: Hoyett Cross of Altamonte Springs, Fla., and Norman Cross of Alexandria, La.; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren

DAVIS, Donaid Eugene, 87, died in Fort Payne, Ala He was born in 1908 in Marshfield. Wis, He begar teaching at Maplewood Academy in 1942, followed by Cedar Lake Academy and Sandia View Academy before officially retiring in 1975. Following retirement he taught at Calimesa Academy and Oklahoma Academy until he was 80 and moved to Ider, Ala. He is survived by two sons: Forrest of Newbury Park, Calif., and Harold of Gay, W. Va.; two stepsons: Edwin Curran of Grayling, Mich., and Alfred Curran of Fort Payne, Ala.; three step daughters: Elaine Worden of Chattanooga, Tenn., Joan Curran of Collegedale, Tenn., and Jean Overmyer of McDonald, Tenn.; and one sister, Esther Branch of Tampa

DECAMP, Sylvia B., 95, died Sept. 26, 1995, in Or-lando, Fla. She was a member of the Orlando Central church. She is survived by two sisters; two half brothers; two step daughters; eight nieces; and five nephews

DEMSKY, Benjamin Luke, was born July 6, 1980, and died June 11, 1995. He was a member of the Upward church in Flat Rock, N.C. He is survived by his parents Herman and Ruthann Demsky; and one brother, Stephen

DUKE, Lilau, 98, died Aug. 20, 1995, in Tallahassee, Fla. She was a member of the Tallahassee church. She is survived by one brother, Charles Waters of Wichita Falls, Tex.; and one sister, Ruby Quick of Metairie, La.

ELWIN, Martha V., 97, died Oct. 24, 1995, in Snellville Ga. She was a member of the Kress Memorial church in Winter Park, Fla. She is survived by one son, T. W Elwin of Snellville, Ga.; and one grandchild

ERICSON, Elsie, 87, died Aug. 29, 1995, in Palm Harbor, Fla. She was a member of the Tampa First church. She is survived by one daughter, Ruth Deeds of Safety Harbor, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

GARNATHAN, Erma, 95, died June 14, 1995, in Inverness, Fla. She was a member of the Inverness

Inverses, Fia. She was a member of the inverses, church. She is survived by one son, James of Lake Panasoffkee, Fla.; and two grandchildren. GARRARD, Myrtie Mae, 95, was born April 17, 1900, and died Oct. 21, 1995. She was a member of the Hattlesburg, Miss., church since 1940. She is survived by two daughters: Alice Walker of Petal, Miss., and Mary Wacke of Wourgehore. Tamp: app. 300, Milton of Market Mourgehore. Tamp: app. 300, Milton of Weeks of Waynesboro, Tenn.; one son, Milton of Hattiesburg, Miss.; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grand-

children; and eight great-great-grandchildren. GATTIS, Lucy Brown, was born April 11, 1911, in Clyo, Ga., and died April 20, 1995, in Orlando, Fla. She was a Bible worker for 42 years. She worked in the Potomac, Florida, Georgia-Cumberland, and Gulf States conferences. She is survived by one daughter, Jean Kreuger of Reston, Va.; two sons: Pat and John of Orlando, Fla.; 14 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren

GERSHON, Louise, 65, died Aug. 27, 1995, in Pine Hills, Fla, He was a member of the Altamonte Springs church. He is survived by his wife, Prudence; one son, James of Orlando, Fla.; five daughters: Joyce Young of Calhoun, Ga., Jean Atkinson of Orlando, Fla., Judy Jones of Altamonte Springs, Fla., Janet Chace of Casselberry, Fla., and June Gershon of Union Park, Fla.; and five grandchildren

GOZA, John, 84, died Sept. 26, 1995, in Jonesboro, Ga. He was a member of the Tampa, Fla., First church. He is survived by one son, John of Valrico, Fla daughters: Christy Florence of Lovejoy, Ga., Fave Watson of Tampa, Fla., and Mary Booher of Tarpon Springs,

Fla.; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. **GRIMES, Leonard Daie**, was born Jan. 10, 1925, and died Oct. 6, 1995. He was a member of the Overbrook church in Adamsville, Tenn. He is survived by his wife, Virginia; one daughter, Janice Moore; three sons: Arthur, Kenneth, and Robert; one stepson, Paul Viar; and three sisters

GUZMAN, Miguel, 94, died Oct. 7, 1995, in Orlando, Fla. He was a member of the Orlando Spanish church.

HARNAGE, Ronald, 56, died Sept. 4, 1995, in Orlando, Fla. He was a member of the Florida Hospital church. He is survived by his wife, Maxine; four sons: R. Bruce, Terry L., Timothy A., and Robert L., all of Orlando, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

HARRINGTON, Dorothy, 80, died Sept. 9, 1995, in Potomac, Md. She was a member of the West Palm Beach, Fla., church. She is survived by two daughters: Amy Harrington of Biloxi, Mich., and Susan Carey of

Harmington of block, Mich, and Obsard of barry of Bethesda, Md.; and four grandchildren. HAWKINS, Claude H., 101, died July 30, 1995, in Bryant, Ala., where he was also a church member. He is survived by two daughters: Beth Gass of Bryant and Pauline Latham of Maplesville, Ala.; and one sister, Carrie McBryar of Tiftonia, Tenn.

HAYWARD, Thomas (Tom), was born Oct. 12, 1898, and died Sept. 7, 1995. He was a member of the Stone Mountain church in Stone Mountain, Ga. He is survived by two sons: James of Bryant, Ala., and Gerald of Hendersonville, N.C.; one daughter, Mina Ruth Timothy of Grass Valley, Calif.; 11 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. HELTSLEY, Donald, was born Nov. 27, 1945, in McClair

County, Ky., and died Oct. 17, 1995. He was a member of the Powderly church. He is survived by his wife, Martha; one brother; one sister; nieces and nephews. HOLLEY, Bernard C., 82, died Oct. 5, 1995. He was

a member of the Calhoun, Ga., church. He is survived a member of the Calhoun, Ga., church. He is survived by his wife, Martha; and three stepchildren: Danny McDonald of Collegedale, Tenn., Fred McDonald of Fletcher, N.C., and Susan Boggs of Calhoun, Ga. JAKOVLJEVIC, Frances, 21, died Oct. 10, 1995. in Orlando, Fla. She was a member of the Orlando Central burdh. Da is autional burbar mother. Fulling of Orlando.

church. She is survived by her mother, Elvira of Orlando; and one sister, Gordana of Germantown, Md. JOHNSON, Barbara W., 68, died June 6, 1995. She was a member of the Hendersonville church. She is

survived by two daughters: Debbie Russel of Belleview and Bobbi Blazy of Elkins, W. Va.; two sons: David and Chris of Hendersonville, N.C.; one brother, Jud Wilcox of Louisville, Ky.; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren

JONES, Esther Keith, 91, died Oct. 2, 1995. She was a member of the Erwin Hills church. She is survived by six children: Haskell of Leicester, N.C., Kenneth of Riv-erside, Calif., Theo A. of Dayton, Ohio, Vienna Stone of Thousand Oaks, Calif., Betty Klingenstein of Stow, Ohio, and Ava J. Blackburn of Port Deposit, Md.; 13 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren

OBITUARIES

KENNEY, Barbara Lee, 61, was born in Vicksburg Miss., and died in Muscle Shoals, Ala., where she was a church member. She is survived by her husband, Frank; mother, Pearlie Sweat of Florence, Ala.; two sons: Jackie Hodges of Killen, Ala., and David Mullin of Florence, Ala.; three daughters: Elizabeth Campbell of Flo-rence, Ala., Reginia Kelso of Muscle Shoals, Ala., and Rebecca Mars of New Orleans, La.; a stepdaughter, Linda Brooks of Florence, Ala.; 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren

LESTER, Vester, 80, died Aug. 14, 1995, in Rio Linda, Calif. She was a member of the Rio Linda Academy, Calif., church. She served the denomination 40 years as a church school teacher in the Florida Conference, Madison, Tenn., and Alabama-Mississippi Conference. She is survived by two brothers: Bud Lester and Elroy Lester, both of Apopko, Fla. LEWIS, Joseph (J.P.), 81, died Oct. 9, 1995, in Chat-

tanooga, Tenn. He was a member of the Dunlap, Tenn., church which he built 35 years ago. He is survived by his wife, Marie; one daughter, Kathy Spiva; five sisters; and one brother.

MARION, Dora, 93, died Oct. 24, 1995, in Apopka, Fla. She was a member of the Florida Living church. She served as a denominational teacher for 40 years in Africa, Hong Kong, and at Southern College in College-Tenn dale

MASSE, Rosa Lee Boyd, 82, was born in Pelham, Ga., and died Oct. 13, 1995, in Phenix City, Ala., where she was a church member. She is survived by one

MASSENGILL, Lacy, 101, died Oct. 3, 1995, in Bradenton, Fla. She was a member of the Palmetto church. She is survived by four sons: Robert, Billy, and Max of Palmetto, Fla., and Paul of Orlando, Fla.; 14 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; and eight greatreat-grandchildren

MATHEWS, Dorothy M., passed away Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1994, at Tennessee Christian Medical Center after a brief illness. Dorothy was born in 1914 in Portland, Tenn. She graduated from the Normal Course at Madison College in 1937. Most of her 41 years of teaching was on the campus of Madison, Tenn. She is survived by her brother, Elder Kenneth Mathews; two nephews: Dr. Kenneth Mathews and Elder John Mathews; their families, and all who cherish her memory

McCULLOUGH, Thelma J., 87, was born in Claremore, Okla., and died March 20, 1995, in Orlando, Fla. She was a member of the Winter Garden church. She is survived by one daughter, Nita Jean Pouncey of Orlando Fla

McDUFFIE, Nan, 62, of Salisbury, N.C., died July 5, 1995. She was a member of the Salisbury church. She by her husband, Frank; and two children.

McMURPHY, Margaret, was born Sept. 30, 1913, and died Sept. 25, 1995, in Biloxi, Miss., where she was a church member. She is survived by one son, A.J.; and grandsons: A.J. Bo, James, and David, all of Biloxi

MINNER, Fred, was born Dec. 3, 1919, in Topeka, Kan., and died Sept. 10, 1995, in Calhoun, Ga., where he was a member of the church there. He served many years as secretary-treasurer of the Greater New York Conference and treasurer of the conference association in Georgia-Cumberland. He is survived by his wife, Dor othy; two sons: Ray and Jay of Calhoun; and four grand-

MOORE, Rosa Mae, 100, died Nov. 11, 1995, in Leesburg, Fla. She was a member of the Leesburg church She is survived by one daughter, Gloria Anderson of Chesapeake, Va

NEWELL, Thomas W., 95, died Oct, 6, 1995, in Bradenton, Fla. He was a member of the Palmetto church. He is survived by one daughter, Margaret Wright of Bradenton; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. OLIPHANT, William W., 77, died Aug. 15, 1994, in

Inverness, Fla. He was a member of the Inverness church. He is survived by his spouse, Wilma; one son, James of Lady Lake, Fla.; two daughters: Carol Eddington of Charlotte, Mich., and Sue Barco of Palmetto, Fla.; six

grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. PARKER, Mary Lucille, 86, died July 4, 1995. She was a member of the Fletcher, N.C., church. She is survived by five daughters; 10 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. She was a registered nurse in the Adventist Hospital system in various states and Puerto

PREY, John, 90, died Nov. 3, 1995, in Apopka, Fla. He was a member of the Florida Living church. He is survived by his wife, Lucille; one son, Early Prey of Apopka, Fla.; two grandchildren; and two great-grai childrer

RANDOLPH, Robert E. (Gene), 76, died Oct. 8, 1995. He was a member of the Knoxville First church in Tenn. He is survived by his wife, Zenith; one son, Gary of Mich.; two daughters: Sharon Terrell of Ohio and Kathy Reid of Md.; one brother; two sisters; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. REVERE, Anne, was born in 1895 in Battles Wharf.

Ala., and died Nov. 10, 1995, in Mobile, Ala., where she was a member of the First church. She is survived by one son, Douglas Jr. of Mobile; two daughters: Geraldine Paul of Austin, Tex., and Anna Mary Fell of San Antonio, Tex.: and two sisters

RICE, Gary, 48, died Aug. 24, 1995, in Orlando, Fla. He was a member of the Tampa First church. He is survived by his wife, Debbie of Riverview, Fla.; one son, Jerry of Riverview, Fla.; one daughter, Niki Bowles of Sanford, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

RICHARDSON, Nancy Jane, 92, died Sept. 7, 1995, in Dade City, Fla. She was the last charter member of the Zephyrhills church now known as the East Pasco church. She is survived by two daughters: Delores Beaty

 of Zephyrhills, Fla., and Jane Horneker of Dade City,
 Fla.; 13 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.
 ROBSON, Georgia, 99, died Aug. 25, 1995, in Deltona,
 Fla. She was a member of the Sanford Meadows church. She is survived by a son, V. W. "Billy" Wright of North Hollywood, Fla.; three daughters: Lenora Ferres of Eustis, Fla., Madelaine Hope of Deltona, Fla., and Gladys "Shorty' Holzmann of Sanford, Fla.; 34 grandchildren; 56 greatgrandchildren; 60 great-great-grandchildren; and two great-great-great-grandchildren.

great-great-grandchildren.
SAMIS, Helen, 81, died July 11, 1995, in Clermont,
Fla. She was a member of the Florida Living church.
SAWYER, Edith Harness, 79, died Sept. 10, 1995.
She was a member of the Knoxville First church. She is survived by her husband, Allen; one son, John Har-ness; three daughters: Tanya Phillips, Bunny Herman,

and Le Anne Arnold; and six grandchildren. SAWYER, Allen Irving, 87, died Oct. 31, 1995, at home. He was a retired church school teacher in Cookville Tenn., and a member of the Knoxville First church. He was preceded in death by his wife, Edith. He is survived by his three daughters: Leanne, Tanya, and Bunny; one son, John; and six grandchildren. All memorials are to be given to ADRA.

STARBIRD, Dail, 56, died Sept. 15, 1995, in Miami, Fla. She was a member of the Miami Springs church. She is survived by her husband, Harry; and three sons: Wendel, Derick, and Allen, all of Miami, Fla.

WALKER, Gladys, 82, died Sept. 24, 1995, in Apopka, Fla. She was a member of the Florida Living church. She married Elder Allen W. Walker in 1934 and they pastored churches throughout Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Ten-nessee, and Kentucky. Elder Walker preceded Gladys in death in 1955. She continued to serve at Walker Memorial Hospital until her retirement. She is survived by one sister, Florence Downs of Clanton, Ala.; one

by one sister, Horence Downs of Clanton, Ala.; one stepdaughter, Ruthele Carson of Longwood, Fla.; two grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. WALTERS, Chester, was born in 1909 and died Oct. 20, 1995, in Collegedale, Tenn. He was a member of the Collegedale church. He is survived by two sons: James and Richard; one daughter, Marcia Lanphear; one brother; and two sisters: one brother; and two sisters.

WEAVER, Mabel, 95, died Sept. 2, 1995, in Deland, Fla. She was a member of the Sanford Meadows church. She is survived by two sons: Floyd Bynum of Orange City, Fla., and Warren Bynum of Sanford, Fla.; two

daughters: Louise Brown of Orange, Fla., and Shirley Dixon of Jackson, Tenn.; 11 grandchildren; 21 great

OBITUARIES

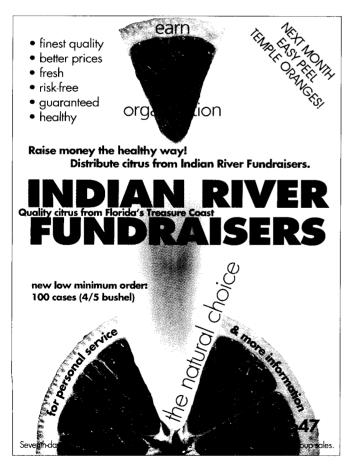
grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren, z/ great-WOOD, Mamie Lee, 71, died Sept. 22, 1995, in Guntersville, Ala., where she was also a church member. She is survived by her daughter, Wanda Jane Roe; and four sons: Gerald, Joe, Jimmy and Roger. WOODCOCK, Cecil, 79, died May 30, 1995, at Moss

Oaks Health Care Center in Pooler, Ga. He was a member of the First church in Savannah, Ga. He is survived by his wife, Sue; one son, David of Chattanooga, Tenn.; two daughters: Marie Kelly of Bellair, Ga., and Mary Lou Wolfe of Gainsville, Ga; four sisters; five grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

ZIMMERMAN, Amelia, 90, died July 16, 1995, in Apopka, Fla. She was a member of the Florida Living church. She is survived by one sister, Martha Schcaren of New Berlin, Wis.

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CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Academies

Fletcher Academy, Fletcher, N.C. Mount Pisgah Academy, Candler, N.C.

Elementary Schools Albemarle School, S.C.

Asheville-Pisgah School, Candler, N.C. Asheville-Pisgah School, Candler, N.C. Beaufort School, S.C. Brookhaven School, Greenville, N.C. Camden School, Camden, S.C. Captain Gimer School, Fletcher, N.C. Charleston Jr. Academy, Charleston, S.C. Christian Academy, Charlotte, N.C. Christian School, Haw River, N.C. Clarkton School, Clarkton, N.C. Columbia Lt Academy Levinaton, S.C. Columbia Jr. Academy, Lexington, S.C. Day Star Christian Academy, Anderson, S.C. Eddlemon School, Spartanburg, S.C. Fayetteville Christian, Fayetteville, N.C. Florence School, Florence, S.C Franklin School, Franklin, N.C. Greenville School, Greenville, S.C Greenwood School, Greenwood, S.C. High Country Christian School, Elk, N.C. Johnston, William School, Hickory, N.C. Myrtle Beach School, Myrtle Beach, S.C. Poplar Springs School, Westminster, S.C Raleigh School, Raleigh, N.C Rocky Mount School, Rocky Mount, N.C. Salem School, Salem, S.C. Salisbury School, Rockwell, N.C. Silver Creek Jr. Academy, Morganton, N.C. Tri-City Jr. Academy, High Point, N.C. Tryon School, Lynn, N.C. Upward School, Flat Rock, N.C. Waynesville School, Waynesville, N.C. Wilmington School, Wilmington, N.C.

FLORIDA CONFERENCE Academies

Forest Lake Academy, Apopka, Fla. Greater Miami Academy, Miami, Fla.

Elementary Schools

Clearwater School, Clearwater, Fla. Cocoa Jr. Academy, Cocoa, Fla. Daytona School, Daytona Beach, Fla. Detana School, Detand, Fla. Detona School, Detona, Fla. E. Pasco Educ. Center, Dade City, Fla. Forest City School, Attamonte Springs, Fla. Forest Lake Elem. Educ. Center, Longwood, Fla

Ft. Myers Jr. Academy, Ft. Myers, Fla. Gateway Jr. Academy, Leesburg, Fla. Gold Coast Jr. Academy, Boynton Beach,

Greater Miami Academy, Miami, Fla. Jacksonville Jr. Academy, Jacksonville, Fla James E. Sampson School, Ft. Pierce, Fla. Lakeland Jr. Academy, Lakeland, Fla. Maranatha Prep. School, Opa Locka, Fla. Melbourne-Palm Bay Chr. School, Melbourne, Fla

Miami Springs School, Miami Springs, Fla. Naples School, Naples, Fla. New Port Richey School, New Port Richey, Fla.

Pioneer School, New Smyra Beach, Fla. North Florida Elem., High Springs, Fla. Thomas E. Pavey School, Arcadia, Fla. Walker Memorial Jr. Academy, Avon Park,

Z.L. Sung School, Gainesville, Fla.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE

Academies

Atlanta Academy, Atlanta, Ga. Collegedale Academy, Collegedale, Tenn. Georgia-Cumberland Academy, Calhoun, Ga

Heritage Academy, Monterey, Tenn. Laurelbrook Academy, Dayton, Tenn.

Elementary Schools Apison School, Apison, Tenn.

Abison School, Apison, Teim. Athens Ga. School, Athens, Ga. Athens Tenn. School, Athens, Tenn. Atlanta Cascade Elem., Atlanta, Ga. Atlanta North School, Atlanta, Ga. Augusta School, Augusta, Ga. Calhoun, John Coble Elem., Calhoun, Ga. Chattanooga School, Chattanooga, Tenn. Chatta./Standifer Gap School, Chatta., Tenn. Cleveland, Bowman Hills School, Cleveland, Tenn.

Coalmont/Cumb. Hgts. School, Coalmont, Tenn.

Collegedale/A.W. Spalding Elem., Collegedale, Tenn. Columbus, School, Columbus, Ga.

Columbus, School, Columbus, Ga. Cookeville/Gerhart Mem. School, Algood. Tenn

Crossville/Inez Wrenn School, Crossville, Tenn.

Dalton/The Learning Tree School, Dalton, Ga.

Dayton/Laurelbrook Elem., Dayton, Tenn. Decatur/Becker School, Decatur, Ga. Deer Lodge/Meister Mem. School, Deer Lodge, Tenn. Douglasville Edu. Center, Douglasville, Ga. Duluth Jr. Academy, Duluth, Ga. Dunlap School, Dunlap, Tenn. Ellijay School, Ellijay, Ga.

Ellijay School, Ellijay, Ga. Gainesville School, Gainesville, Ga. Georgetown/Cedar Ridge School, Georgetown, Tenn.

Gray/Tri-City School, Gray, Tenn. Graysville School, Graysville, Tenn. Greeneville Academy, Greeneville, Tenn. Hartwell School, Westminster, S.C. Hixson School, Hixson, Tenn Jasper, Tenn, School, Jasper, Tenn Jellico School, Jellico, Tenn. Knoxville School, Knoxville, Tenn Knoxville Grace School, Knoxville, Tenn. LaGrange School, LaGrange, Ga. Lakeland School, Lakeland, Ga Macon/Wimbish School, Macon, Ga Marietta/Carman School, Marietta, Ga Maryville School, Maryville, Tenn. McMinnville School, McMinnville, Tenn. Morristown School, Morristown, Tenn. Mountain City School, Mountain City, Tenn Murphy, N.C. School, Murphy, N.C. Oglethorpe School, Oglethorpe, Ga Ooltewah Kindergarten and School, Onlitewah Tenn

Peachtree City School, Peachtree City, Ga. Roan Mountain School, Roan Mountain, Tenn. Rock Spring/Aice M. Daley School, Rock Spr., Ga. Rogersville School, Rogersville, Tenn.

Savannah First School, Savannah, Ga. Spring City/King Mem. School, Spr. City, Tenn

Wildwood Rural Scool, Wildwood, Ga. Zebulon/Griffin-Thomaston School, Zebulon, Ga.

GULF STATES

Academy

Bass Memorial Academy, Lumberton, Miss Elementary Schools

Bass Elem. School, Lumberton, Miss. Big Cove Chr. Academy, Owens Cross Roads, Ala.

Nodos, Ada. Brakeworth School, Birmingham, Ala. Clanton School, Clanton, Ala. Corinth School, Glen, Miss. Floral Crest School, Bryant, Ala. Gulf Coast School, Biloxi, Miss. Jackson School, Jackson, Miss. Junior Academy, Pell City, Ala. Mobile School, Mobile, Ala. Montgomery School, Montgomery, Ala. North Hills Chr. School, Meridian, Miss. Panama City School, Panama City, Fla. Phenix City School, Penix City, Ala. Water Valley School, Mater Valley, Miss.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

Academies Highland Academy, Portland, Tenn. Madison Academy, Madison, Tenn.

Elementary Schools Ashland School, Ashland, Ky. Bill Egley School, Lawrenceburg, Tenn. Bowling Green School, Bowling Green, Ky. Centerville School, Centerville, Tenn. Columbia School, Campbellsville, Ky. Covington School, Covington, Ky. Dyersburg School, Dyersburg, Tenn. Greater Nashville, J. Academy, Nashville, Tenn.

Highland School, Portland, Tenn. Hines Memorial School, Jackson, Tenn. Lela Whorton School, Ridgetop, Tenn. Lexington Jr. Academy, Lexington, Ky. Louisville Jr. Academy, Louisville, Ky. Madison Campus Elem, Madison, Tenn. Manchester School, Manchester, Ky. Memphis Jr. Academy, Memphis, Tenn. Murfreesboro School, Murfreesboro, Tenn. Paducah School, Paducah, Ky. Pewee Valley Jr. School, Pewee Valley, Ky. Woodbury School, Woodbury, Tenn.

SOUTH ATLANTIC

Academy

Greater Atlanta Academy, East Point, Ga.

Elementary Schools

Abney Chapel Chr. School, Fayetteville, N.C. Baldwin's Chapel School, High Point, N.C. Berean Jr. Academy, Sumter, S.C. Berean Jr. Academy, Charlotte, N.C. Bethany Jr. Academy, Macon, Ga. East Market Street School, Greensboro, N.C. Ebenezer School, Augusta, Ga. Emanuel Jr. Academy, Wilmington, N.C. Ephesus Jr. Academy, Wilmington, N.C. Ephesus Jr. Academy, Wilmington, N.C. Gethsemane School, Raleigh, N.C. J.W. Jackson Academy, LaGrange, N.C. Lithonia Elem. School, Lithonia, Ga. Dakland Avenue School, Florence, S.C. Pecan Grove School, Drangeburg, S.C. Ramah Jr. Academy, Savannah, Ga. Shepherd Drive School, Columbus, Ga. Zion Temple School, Greenwood, S.C.

SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE Academy

Oakwood Academy, Huntsville, Ala

Elementary Schools

Alcy Jr. Academy, Memphis, Tenn. Avondale School, Chattanooga, Tenn. Bethany Academy, Montgomery, Ala. E.E. Rogers School, Jackson, Miss. Emmanuel School, Mobile, Ala. Ephesus Jr. Academy, Birmingham, Ala. F.H. Jenkins Elem., Nashville, Tenn. Oakwood Elem., Selma, Ala. University School, Knoxville, Tenn.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

Academy

Miami Union Academy, Hialeah Garden, Fla.

Elementary Schools

Berea School, Augustine, Fla. Bethel School, Gainesville, Fla. Daughter of Zion School, Delray Beach, Fla. Elim Jr. Academy, St. Petersburg, Fla. Ephesus Jr. Academy, Jacksonville, Fla. Ephesus Jr. Academy, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Ft. Lauderdale School, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Mt. Calvary Jr. Academy, Tampa, Fla. Mt. Sinai School, Orlando, Fla. Shiloh School, Ocala, Fla.

COLLEGES

Oakwood College, Huntsville, Ala. Southern College, Collegedale, Tenn.

Self-supporting and home-operated Seventhday Adventist schools, although presumable conforming to the same guideline, are not included in the above list.



by Mort Juberg

ore than 120 conference and union presidents, departmental directors, and local church pastors and leaders attended a NET '96 Coordinators' Council meeting November 29 through December 1. Delegates and visitors to the four-day session came from as far away as Australia, Germany, and the Inter-American Division to learn more about plans for NET '96 and do some planning together.

In his keynote address to the delegates, Alfred McClure, president of the North America Division and general chairman of this evangelism initiative, said that in 1995 North America saw its greatest number of baptisms to date.

"Of all the years I have been a member of this movement, I can't remember when there was greater interest among our people in telling the world what they need to know about the good news," McClure said.

5 Ways to Get Ready for Net '96

I. Register—Contact your confer-ence coordinator to let him or her know that your church is participat-ing in the NET '96 evangelism initiative.

2. Tune in January 20—Invite member to the NET '96 kickoff event to be uplinked live on the Adventist Communication Network (ACN) on Galaxy 4 Channel 5.

3. Purchase Discover Bible Lessons —Order the new Bible study course manual from your NET '96 confer-ence coordinator. These lessons, published by the Voice of Prophecy, are designed to appeal to users and, therefore, follow a personal approach to Bible study.

4. Organize Your Church-To implement a successful campaign, choose a campaign coordinator and establish committees that will carry out your plans. 5. Pray—Set goals and pray for the

success of the meetings in your church.

-Celeste Ryan

He attributed the growth of the church in large part to NET '95, the satellite evangelism initiative uplinked from Tennessee last February. Some 676 churches across North America participated in that campaign resulting in more than 5,000 baptisms.

McClure announced that \$1.2 million has been raised for Net '96 and that many agencies of the church, from our broadcast media centers to our publishing houses, are working together to make it happen.

During the meetings, attendants learned as much as they could about plans already in place for NET '96.

Don Gray, a veteran evangelist and the NET '96 coordinator, shared that the telecast, which will originate from Orlando, Florida, from October 5 through November 9, 1996, will be dubbed in four languages-English, French, Spanish, and Portuguese. In addition, the uplink will be closed-captioned to enable hearing-impaired people to participate.

"We are doing everything we can to appeal to everyone that we can possibly reach so as to minister to their needs," Gray says.

Mark Finley, speaker and director for NET '96, spent a large portion of the conference outlining the details of the 18-month campaign that includes preparation for the series and follow-up methods. Delegates received a planning manual with the full NET '96 schedule, a public relations kit, a guide to witnessing, and other needed materials.

"NET '96 is not an evangelistic meeting. It is a systematic approach to evangelizing North America for Christ," Finley told delegates. "When people walk into these meetings, we want them to meet Jesus Christ.

McClure, Rimer, and other attendants to the Coordinators' Council want this to happen more than anything.

Mort Juberg is the public relations coordinator for NET '96.

Resources

Count on the following resources during the NET '96 evangelism initiative:

NetNews is a monthly publication that will be mailed to those churches registered as NET '96 participants. It will be published through December 1996. To get NetNews, call (360) 835-3019.

Discoveries in Prophecy Pastor's Evangelistic Planning Manual was written by Mark and Ernestine Finley and contains useful material and ideas such as "Five Keys to Successful Evan-gelism," "Organizing the Church," "Evangelistic Advertising," and much more. Each church that re NET '96 will receive one. Each church that registers for

Adventist Communication Network (ACN) offers a wide variety of sup-port for NET '96 participants. To order satellite equipment, get technical sup-port, news, information, schedules, and videotapes of events, call (800) ACN-1119.

Voice of Prophecy has the Discover Bible lessons available. Call (805) 373-7611.

Adventist Media Center is organiz-

ing the production team for NET '96. Hart Research Center has videos and participant materials that will help

organize churches and prepare them for an evangelistic campaign. Call (800) 487-4278.

Adventist Information Ministry (AIM) sponsors His Word, a communications system to identify and refer individuals who demonstrate an interest in the Bible to trained follow-up special-

ists. Call (800) 253-3002. Signs of the Times magazlne is providing advertising and an enroll-ment card for the Discover Bible Course in the March 1996 issue as well as future advertising. Order copies

of Signs to send to Bible study inter-ests. Call (800) 545-2449 to order. Seminars Unlimited is printing at-tractive handbills and many other important accessories for NET '96. Call (800) 982-3344.

AdventSource offers resource materials for a variety of ministries within the Church as well as videotapes of ACN events. For catalogs, call (800) 328-0525.

-Mort Juberg

Jim Epperson

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y children don't need to attend the Seventh-day Adventist school. We have morning and evening worship every day

evening worship every day, and are very active in the church on weekends. Our children are well founded in the faith, and we have prepared them for the problems they will face in the public school. Church schools are okay for those that can afford the exorbitant tuition or who are afraid that their children aren't strong enough to make it in the public schools, but we don't feel it's necessary for our kids." Those were the confident words of

Those were the confident words of a father who confronted me on the steps of the church one Sabbath morning. His air of confidence, determination and certainty was ratified with the knowledge that his son had just graduated from the local high school and was regularly attending church. "We train our kids to live their faith, and to witness to their friends and teachers at public school," he said.

I knew his son was indeed an exceptional young man who had graduated with honors, so could understand this father's pride and assurance. However, I had to resist my instinctive response to his certainty. I wanted to warn him that external appearances weren't always accurate, and that just because his son had succeeded in coping with the temptations in high school did not mean he would continue to resist them in college.

I wanted to tell him of the many horror stories I had heard about kids turning their backs on God, becoming involved with drugs, alcohol, and sex.

involved with drugs, alcohol, and sex. I wanted to tell him how my own brother, an exceptional young person, had resisted the public school's influ-ence of competitive sports and friends for years, but had eventually succumbed to the brilliant professors and free living of the public university. I wanted to tell him that everyone thinks his child is an exception, but that the term exception doesn't allow everyone to fit into that category. As a matter of fact, when the term exception is translated into numerical values, it should be equated to one out of a thousand or one in a million. But I realized that my biased opinions would only lead to a negative confrontation and stronger determination that his child was an exception. So I opted to restrain my instincts and defer my comments to some deep contemplative thoughts, reexamining whether Seventh-day Adventist education was only for those that feared their children were too weak to handle public schooling, and whether Seventh-day Adventist schooling was really unnecessary for the exception.

I confronted myself with the question,—what is the purpose of Seventhday Adventist education anyway? Why do we spend so much money and exert so much effort to maintain this exorbitant and overwhelming program?

Recently, I completed some research that answered these questions and crystallized in my mind the basic purpose for education. Tracing the beginnings of American education reveals that private and public education had the same origins and purpose. The reason for all education was religious. The support, control, and administration of all schools in America was dominated by religious bodies with the specific purpose of training clergy to perpetuate the doctrines of the church.

Every strong parochial education program that has existed in the United States has survived because of the deep conviction by those that were supporting that organization; that it was essential for them to teach the traditions, the doctrines, and values of their particular denomination to their youth in order to perpetuate those beliefs.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church administers its schools for the same purpose. In the North American Division Code Book, item #1020 states, "Seventh-day Adventists conduct their own schools, elementary through university, for the purpose of transmitting to their children their own ideals, beliefs, attitudes, values, habits, and customs." In other words, Seventh-day Adventists have a Seventh-day Adventist school system so their children will not only receive a Christian education, but a uniquely Seventh-day Adventist Christian education. Its primary reason for existence is to perpetuate those unique Seventh-day Adventist philosophies and values to their children. Value transmission (the pressures of transferring values from one individual to another) then becomes the primary purpose for sending our children to Seventh-day Adventist schools.

Current research on value transmission emphasizes the critical nature of the value transmission process. Two studies indicated that values can be transmitted by those in an instructive mode, even though they are not directly communicated or advocated by the instructor. In 1965 a psychotherapist named Rosenberg found that when a therapist established a good relationship with a client and treatment progresses well, the client's values and beliefs shifted towards that of the therapist, even though they were never discussed or even voiced by the therapist. In 1989, Merton Strommen, president of Search Institute, reported that research conducted for the National Institute of Mental Health revealed that high school youth in a public school environment shifted their values to reflect their teachers' values. Even though this project was funded by the government, and no religious values or beliefs were to be discussed, it was determined that the religious values and beliefs of the students had shifted toward the religious values of their instructors

A study by David Gilbride in 1985 also determined that successful student's core values were changed during the semester and that those values tended toward their instructor's values. Gilbride concluded that individuals in a supervisory capacity have a direct influence over trainees' acceptance and development of values.

The consistent trend that evolved from the research on value transmission pointed to one significant factor that enhances value transmission. That factor is relationship. All studies indicated that if the relationship between individuals is positive, value transmission is conducive to occur. And as Strommen and Rosenburg discovered, values can be transferred even though they are not formally taught or discussed.

This has special significance as we consider the school environment for our children. Those children who admire their teachers, or their athletic coach, are vulnerable to accepting the value system of those people in leadership positions. In a trainee-instructor mode, the values of the instructor or superior would be directly or indirectly transferred to the student or trainee.

Perhaps the most startling research that indicated the importance of value transmission in a Christian environment was completed by Swann, Pelham, and Chidester in 1988. These individuals devised a paradoxical strategy of value transmission to change the beliefs of people that were rated high in certainty of beliefs. Their research revealed that the paradoxical strategy was effective in changing the beliefs of those who were high in belief certainty. In other words, individuals who supposedly have a strong belief base, individuals with strong wills, and who possess solid building blocks for values, are vulnerable to value transmission through the paradoxical strategy method. Even the exceptional child, the exception to the rule so to speak, is susceptible to value transmission.

After examining these research projects, I would respond quite differently to that father who met me on the front steps that Sabbath morning. I would explain to him that the exception to the rule does not safeguard a child from being susceptible to the value transmission, nor from learning philosophical undergirding that could turn him against God or against his church. I would explain that children who admire their teacher, coach or supervisor and have good relationships with those superiors, are most susceptible to value transmissions. Those outstanding or exceptional students are just as vulnerable as average students. To base a child's spiritual security on the assumption that he or she is exceptional and not subject to value transmission, is a false security and places that child in jeopardy. Being the exception to the rule just isn't enough.

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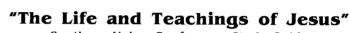
A number of years ago during a time of theological controversy in the church, one of our leading pastors/writers said he was becoming a bit confused. He decided along with some friends to go back to basics and spend some quality time studying the four gospels and the three books Ellen White has written on the gospels. As a result of focusing on Christ and His teachings his theological outlook turned from confusion to becoming crystal clear.

I have asked one of our outstanding theologians/pastor to prepare a yearlong devotional study guide based on the four gospels and the three books written by Ellen White on the subject. written by Ellen White on the subject. I am sharing this devotional guide with each of you by way of my "Vantage Point" article. Will you join with me in making a determined effort to make this a yearlong study that will result in a better understanding of our Savior and His teachings and most important of all, a closer relationship with Him?

Your brother in Christ,

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