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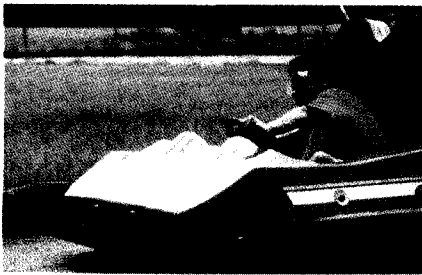
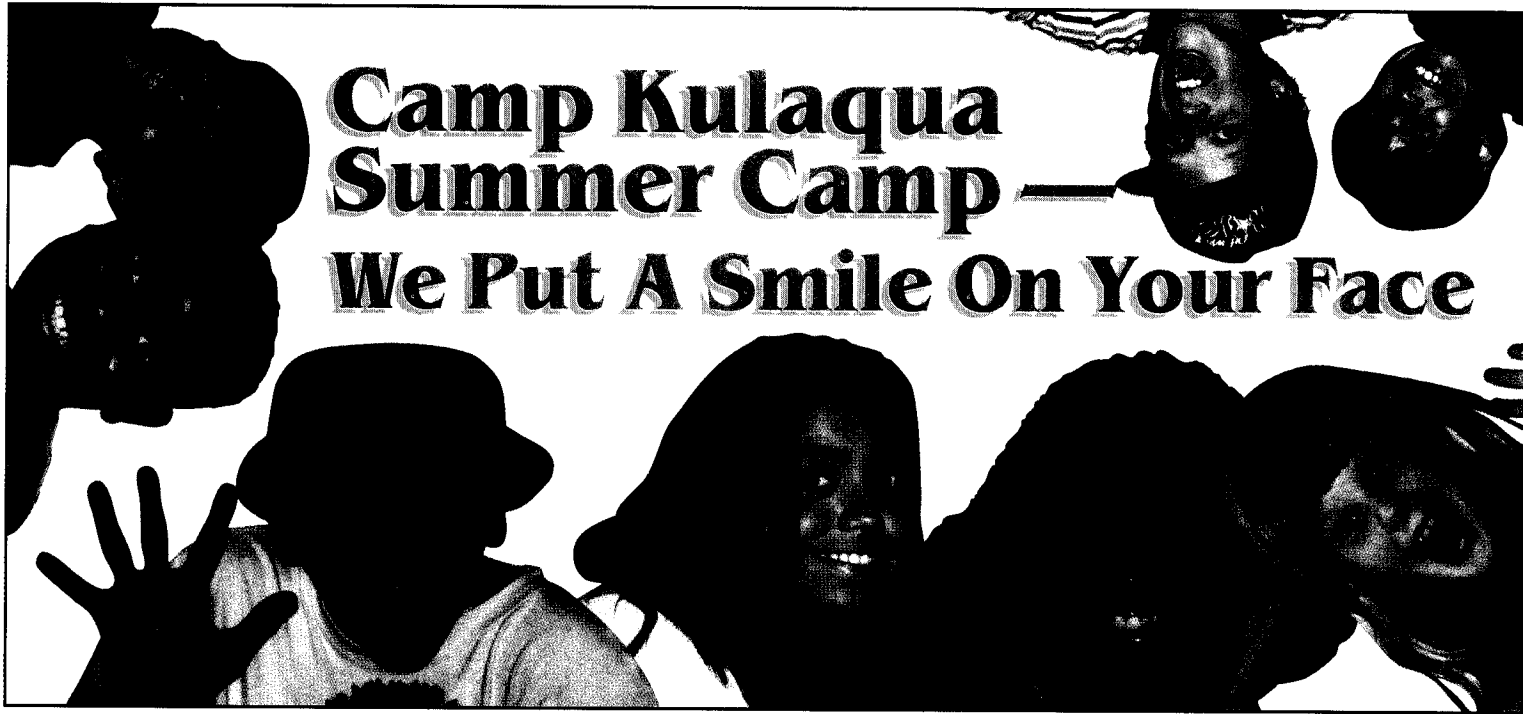
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Camp Kulaqua Summer Camp — We Put A Smile On Your Face



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Summer Camp activities include go-carting, canoeing, swimming, a ropes course, zoo management classes at the zoo and nature center, hiking trails, hay rides, and recreational ball games. Go-carts and small engine repair are even part of the Pathfinder Honors Camp.



Besides getting to canoe . . . children have other firsts. Some children have never been away from home. An "only" child learns what it's like to live with other people. Some have never had to share a shower, sleep with somebody in the bunk above or a bunk below. Others may never have had to wait in line to get into the bathroom or eat lunch. Summer Camp adds these life experiences to a child.

by Cindy Kurtzhals

Six hundred acres of beautiful wilderness and water. A natural environment for children to learn about the outdoors—at Summer Camp at Camp Kulaqua. After being in school all year, young people can get outside, kick up their heels, and have fun. And, most of all, God is able to use this camping experience to encourage and draw all children into a closer relationship with Him.

Camp Kulaqua is owned and operated by the Florida Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and is located in High Springs, northwest of Gainesville. Its mission is "to serve the constituents of Florida Conference of Seventh-day Adventists with a friendly and quality camping and retreat facility that sets an atmosphere allowing for the Holy Spirit to touch as many lives as possible. Secondly, to use Camp Kulaqua as an outreach to nonmembers who can abide by the policies of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and the principles of Christianity. May all be to the honor and glory of God."

This mission is fulfilled over and over. Camp Kulaqua came into being as a result of seeing, and acting on, the need of a summer camp for constituent children, and answered prayer. "The Florida Conference Executive Committee sat on the banks of the spring and prayed about the decision whether they should buy this land or not," reflects Phil

Younts, camp administrator.

They went forward and Camp Kulaqua was started in 1953. Today, 42 years later, 40,000 people a year come through the camp. Its tremendous growth and broadened base of service to the Church offers year-round service to meet the needs of women's retreats, men's conventions, teachers' conventions, local church retreats, conference departmental training workshops, family camps, and senior citizens camps. Yet, with all the masses of people and large groups who use it, underneath all of that at its very basic roots, is a youth camp.

"God's hand was moving for this place to be purchased," says Younts. "Those same praying people in the 1950s, who came to use the camp when the only place you had to sleep was a tent, have been an influence. Their lives have molded and shaped this camp. Their children have come to camp and now we have some of their children's children. Summer Camp is Camp Kulaqua's heritage and roots." And, its purpose has not changed. It was established to provide a facility in which the youth of Florida Conference could get out into nature, involve themselves in nature activities, and learn about God as they enjoyed the outdoors.

Summer Camp hosts 1100-1200 youth during June and July. Each seven-day long camp is designed for specific age groups between 8 and 16 years. And they return year after year. Beyond age 16, they

want a job, so they return again.

Teens do find a closer relationship with Christ at Summer Camp through the association of Christian counselors and programming. They enjoy outdoor recreational sports such as swimming and horseback riding. They also make friends they keep for life.

They stay in rustic cabins—nine kids plus a counselor. "The counselors are the most treasured staff members," smiles Younts. Qualified and carefully screened college students, "they are the house parents of these children. They spend the most time with them and they have the most influence on their lives." The counselors come from a variety of backgrounds. Some desire to be teachers, or work in the areas of psychology, sociology, or theology, but their interest is in the spirituality of children and reaching children for Jesus.

There's also a team of graduate students from Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists in Collegedale Tennessee, which formulates the spiritual programming. This Christian programming is intertwined throughout the day and evening, climaxing with Sabbath services on the weekend. Each day includes the counselor's morning devotional, the camp pastor's presentation, and object lessons in the activity areas. It culminates in the camp fire program and reflections during devotions in cabin at night.



Awesome natural springs.



Children get a load of Monte Python in Kulaqua's ecology course which includes reptiles and amphibians. The Burmese Python was 4-5 feet long when it was purchased for the zoo and nature center several years ago. Pythons can grow to 20 feet long and weigh 200 pounds.

Florida Conference pastors come to Summer Camp on a weekly rotational basis and speak throughout the week. On Sabbath there is an altar call. The call is offered in different ways, making a decision for Christ, or a response from children who want to make a decision for baptism. This information is then referred to the child's local pastor.

Camp Kulaqua wants to continue to meet the needs of Florida Conference youth. New activities continue to be added and good staff hired. Summer Camp benefits to the child, family, and Church are rich and many. Summer Camp is a reinforcement of parental, school, and church principles of life; it is a true-life experience of living, eating, sleeping, and having activities with other young people their age.

"Single parents, particularly single mothers, tell me how much of a difference and change it has made

in their (male) child's life," shares Younts. "If the grandfathers or male relatives live out-of-state, it's hard to have a male influence in the son's life. By coming to camp, boys are able to associate with a male camp counselor, and have someone to look up to."

"Years ago, one boy—a misfit who was always causing trouble—was making a bolo tie in lapidary class. He said he was making it for his Dad, but when all the kids were leaving camp he came back and gave it to me. 'I don't have a father,' he said. 'You are the closest thing I have to a Dad.'"

This summer, let Camp Kulaqua put a smile on your face. ■

Cover: In the new Pathfinder Honor Camp, the Horsemanship program fills up fast. Kids learn to take care of horses, feed them, bathe them, ride them, and camp with them. Photo Credit: Eric Tanner.



Chow and camp fires at Indian Camp or Wagon Camp also focus on a daily theme—brotherly love, relationships with parents, relationships with God, responding to society, the second coming of Christ, and the assurance of salvation.



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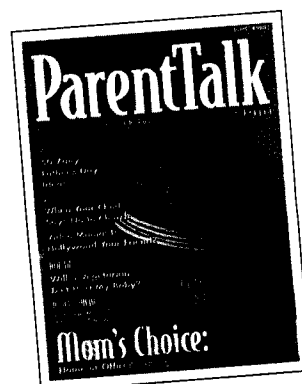
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A Day in the Life of a Literature Evangelist (L.E.)

by Eva M. Wheeler

I'd like to introduce our LE, Carolyn Shepherd. Carolyn is a native of Inkster, Michigan. She grew up in the Sharon church and graduated from Peterson-Warren Academy. As a girl she went out with her mother, an LE, and sold magazines.

After a brief time away from the church, an LE visited her home with a lead card. She couldn't remember sending in a card. She, however, remembered the books her mother used to sell. As he showed her the books, she began to cry. He sold her the books, and told her where a Seventh-day Adventist church was in her area. She and her family, (husband Keith, and three daughters, Brandy, Ashley, and Christina), began attending church, and were soon baptized.

Carolyn kept having a recurring dream. She'd see herself dressed up passing out books with someone. She could never see who the other person was, but she knew the Lord was calling her into the literature ministry. She called the conference and told them her desire to sell books. They gave her the number of the leader in her area, Edward Wheeler, and the rest is history.

Carolyn is determined to do this work, regardless of the hindrances that the devil puts in her way. At the time she got the call she was finishing her Bachelor's Degree. For the time being she has put her earthly education on hold, so she can get a heavenly one.

Carolyn says, "Every Seventh-day Adventist should be doing this work: spreading the gospel of the Three Angels. I feel like a queen when I do this work. . . ."

Carolyn begins her day:

5:00-6:30 a.m.—She gets up to have her quiet time with God. She loves to read the books she sells. While she is studying, she begins her supper for the evening. (Keith has to report early to the base, he takes lead cards to work with him to pass out.)

6:30-7:30 a.m.—She gets her girls up and helps them prepare for school. They have morning devotion, and breakfast, while she makes phone calls for the day's appointments.

8:00 a.m.—She drops off her two older daughters, Brandy and Ashley, at school. Christina stays with her mom. Carolyn makes more calls, to be sure her appointments will be home.

9:00 a.m.—She meets with her district leader, Edward Wheeler. She needs to buy books for the people she will see today. He tells her he will give her a Family Bible if she turns in \$500 by the end of the week. He then prays for her and she is off to her first appointment.

10:00 a.m.—She has an appointment to meet with an area pastor to see if she can come to his church on Sunday and show the books. He is late and she has to wait. While she waits she talks to his secretary and shows her the books. She says she is interested. Carolyn takes her name and address, and sets up an appointment with her and her husband. Finally the pastor comes, and she shows him the books. He is impressed, and says she can visit Sunday.

11:00 a.m.—She sees a woman who is interested in the Bible Stories for her children. Carolyn allows Christina, who is four,

to make demonstration. Christina's favorite book is the *Desire of Ages*. She shows the woman her favorite story, "The Woman with the Issue of Blood." Christina tells how she loves that story, and how everyone needs to read it. The woman is quite impressed and asks how such a young child knows so much about the Bible. Carolyn then tells her about the Bible Story books, and how she reads them to her girls every day. The woman quickly orders the *Bible Story* set for her children and the *Desire of Ages* for herself.

11:30 a.m.—She hurries to her next appointment. As Carolyn begins to canvas the mother, she starts to pour out her heart about how she doesn't have food for her children when they get home from school. Carolyn offers to take her to the store and buy groceries. The woman accepts her offer with tears of joy. Carolyn plans to keep in touch.

1:00 p.m.—Carolyn and Christina have lunch and head toward their next appointment. No one is home. Carolyn takes this opportunity to call some of her other appointments.

1:30 p.m.—She has a Bible study with a customer. Carolyn has two Bible studies a week. Every person who gets a demo gets signed up for a Bible correspondence course. If someone wants a person to come to his home, Carolyn gives their names to the church Bible worker.

2:30 p.m.—The woman here is alone, she has no children or husband. She is interested in prophesy. Carolyn shows her the God Cares Set (Daniel and the Revelation). She really loves the easy way prophesy is explained. Carolyn also shows her the Family Life set: books about courtship, marriage, and parenting. Although she has no family now she hopes to have one someday. She orders both sets of books.

3:00 p.m.—Carolyn and Christina head to the school to pick up the other girls and then home for dinner and homework. While the girls are eating and doing their homework, Carolyn is on the phone calling her evening appointments. Most evenings she goes out with her partner, Sallie Leake. Sallie is a full-time teacher, and works in the evening as an LE with Carolyn. While Carolyn and Sallie are out, Keith takes the girls out to sell magazines.

4:30 p.m.—Carolyn and Sallie go out two by two when they have to meet with men. Their first appointment of the evening is a single man they met at church. When they arrive they showed him the *Heritage Bible* they displayed in church. The Bible contains the history of black people in the Bible. He is so excited. They show him some books written by E. E. Cleveland: *Free at Last*, and the *Cleveland Set*, a three volume set. He is enthralled with the books, stating he didn't know, blacks were so prominent in the Bible. He ordered the Bible and the *Free at Last*.

5:00 p.m.—Their next home was a family with young children and teenagers. They showed the *Bible Story*, *My Bible Friends*, the *Heritage Bible*, the *Family Life* set, the *Bible Reference Library*, and *God Cares* set. The husband stated he was really interested in Bible study and the reference set was of interest to him. His wife was interested in the children's books, and the Family Life set. So they had to compromise.

6:00 p.m.—Two appointments weren't

home, and the next was a single mother. As they showed her the books she told them about her problems and asked for prayer. She was a military bride and they were waiting for their pay. Something had delayed their check and her baby needed diapers. She ordered the *Family Life* set, *My Bible Friends*, and the *Desire of Ages*. She said she would put a down payment down when she got her money. After they prayed, Carolyn and Sallie decided to purchase diapers.

6:45 p.m.—Two more families were given demos. They weren't interested in buying now, but said to come back at the end of the month. Carolyn and Sallie are not discouraged. They go to a local mall and place advertisements in different stores. One of their favorite places is the laundromat. People always need something to read while they wait.

7:30 p.m.—When they arrive there is a lot of noise coming from the house—yelling, screaming, and cursing. They are apprehensive about going to the door, but they know they are expected, so they ring the bell. They are greeted with a loud, "What do you want?" They explain they have an appointment. Soon a woman appears and invites them in. She explains her husband has been drinking and he is really harmless. They send up a quick prayer for the Holy Spirit to take control and begin to tell the wife about the love of God in the *Desire of Ages*. As they recount His love for fallen man, evidenced by the death of His Son on the cross the husband comes into the room, sits down and listens. He seems to be calmed by the talk of God's love. He begins to ask questions. He wants to see and hear more of God's love. They spend over an hour talking to the couple about God's love for them. The husband's heart is softened by the Holy Spirit, he orders books for himself and his wife and asks for prayer and Bible study.

8:00 p.m.—Their last demo of the evening was with the school board of a local church. They were interested in getting books for their church school library. They ordered the Bible Story and the *Cleveland* set.

9:00 p.m.—As Carolyn and Sallie head home they rejoice over the activities of the day. They are excited about the way the Lord has blessed them that day, not only with sales, but with souls. Carolyn drops Sallie off, and heads home.

9:30 p.m.—When she arrives home, Keith has already gotten the girls ready and put to bed. He is waiting up to see how her evening went. She tells him of her exciting experiences, and he tells her of the blessings they had as he and the girls sold magazines.

10:00 p.m.—It's getting late, but she wants to call her leader and tell him about the wonderful experiences she has had that day and to order books she needs for tomorrow. She is on her way to getting that free Bible.

11:00 p.m.—After devotion and prayer, Carolyn's head finally hits her pillow. What a wonderful day, working in the Army of the Lord. She falls asleep dreaming of the wonderful things the Lord will do through her tomorrow. □

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Carolina

Jerry Mobley of the **BURNSVILLE, N.C., SDA CHURCH** has been conducting a daily three-minute radio spot entitled **HEALTHWISE** on the local WKYK-AM radio station. In the radio spot, he offered a whole-wheat bread recipe to the first seven listeners to call in. As a result, the church gave out several loaves of bread accompanied with some "bread" from heaven. The program was so popular, they ran it again a second time and are following up with a bread-making class around the time of NET '96.

The women's ministries team of the **CONCORD, N.C., CHURCH** hosted a **PRAYER BREAKFAST** March 10 for ladies of the Concord, Albemarle, and Salisbury churches. Approximately 35 ladies attended and participated in a breakfast and a worship service featuring Ann Pendleton.

Nine members of the junior and earliteen Sabbath school classes of the **UPWARD, N.C., CHURCH** participated in a **WORLD-WIDE EFFORT TO RAISE MONEY** to help some of the 35,000 children who die each

day from starvation, malnutrition, and disease. The children fasted from solid foods for a duration of 30 hours. The nine children raised close to \$1000 to donate to children less fortunate.

Members of the **RUTHERFORDTON CHURCH** participated in a special church dinner March 17. At the **FOUR SEASONS DINNER**, members who were born in a particular season sat together. After the meal, there was a talent show where poems, songs, and skits were performed about each season.

Members of the **ELIZABETH CITY CHURCH** voted to **SELL THEIR CURRENT PROPERTY** and find a new location to construct a new building.

In February, the **WESTMINSTER CHURCH** hosted a **PROPHECY CRUSADE** with church pastor John Earnhardt as the featured speaker. On the opening night, 128 people attended the series held at the Westminster Middle School gym. Of the 128 in attendance, 64 were visitors.



Florida

The St. Petersburg church has formed small groups of members called **TLC (TEN-DEER LOVING CARE) GROUPS**. Currently, there are nine groups which meet in various parts of the city. The purpose is to increase fellowship between one another, study the Bible, and grow to appreciate the value of prayer.

The internationally acclaimed gospel music group, **THE HERALDS**, shared their unique music at the Melbourne church on February 6. Melbourne was one of 27 churches and schools the group visited in their national winter tour from January 20-February 17. They sang in 14 Florida churches.



Georgia-Cumberland

March 9 was the first **ATLANTA AREA MEETING OF CAMPUS ADVENT**, an organization that provides fellowship for Seventh-day Adventist college students attending nonAdventist colleges. Amy Beckworth, youth pastor for Duluth, Ga., church and the Greater Atlanta Area Campus Advent coordinator, planned and organized the activities.

Johnson City and Ooltewah youth groups participated in the **WORLD VISION 30-HOUR FAMINE**. The youth put on a program at a local nursing home and prepared and served supper at the homeless shelter. Through videos, games, special events and involvement in local community service projects, they learned about hunger and what they can do to help others. The annual 30-hour famine is an international effort sponsored by World Vision, a Christian relief and development organization with over 5,200 projects in 100 nations. More than \$1500 was raised by these two youth groups.

A SOUTHERN UNION LAY PASTORAL ASSISTANCE TRAINING SEMINAR, under

the direction of Ron Halvorsen, was held at Cohutta Springs March 21-26. Twenty-four lay people from Georgia-Cumberland participated.

PROPERTY WAS PURCHASED FOR THE HISPANIC GROUP IN CHATTANOOGA March 12. The commercial building on Market Street will serve the rapidly growing Spanish-speaking membership until other facilities can be secured. The site, which belonged to the county due to unpaid taxes, was purchased at auction for \$14,000.

The Atlanta Adventist Academy had 138 graduates visit for **ALUMNI DAY** January 27. Alumni president Brian Bergherm encourages alumni to get involved in the school's fund raising campaign.

Emily McCarthur, Joel Willis and Cody Chastain finished in the top 100 on the written test in the **GEOGRAPHY BEE**. Representing Spalding Elementary, Coble Elementary, and Bowman Hill Elementary schools the students participated in the State Competition held in Nashville March 29.

Atlanta Adventist Academy offers eight different **CAMPUS MINISTRIES** for students ranging from spending quiet time with God to filming AAA events. A few include Guardian Angels, a secret pal inreach program that gives encouragement to other students through notes and gifts; The Dirty Dozen,

a disaster relief team; Prayer Chain, a telephone ministry of the student body when there is a special prayer request; Impact, a small Bible study group; and Gideon's Army, students who use their musical and speaking talents to bring glory to Jesus in chapel and at target churches.

Gulf States



The Pathfinders of the Ft. Walton Beach church sponsored a **SWEETHEART BANQUET** of spaghetti served by candlelight to benefit the club and the church building fund. Former Fort Walton Beach pastor, Roger Burke, was the master of ceremonies. \$200 was raised.

Sabbath, March 16, the Floral Crest youth hosted a **NORTH ALABAMA YOUTH SUM-**

MIT. The four groups rotated to varying seminars such as prayer, solving youth problems, and friendship. Young people came from Anniston, Gadsden, Fort Payne, Huntsville, and Decatur.

Twenty Pathfinders and eight adults from the Floral Crest district had a **BACKPACKING TRIP** the weekend of March 22 to Savage Gulch State Park.

Kentucky-Tennessee



Members of the of the Lexington, Ky., church conducted a **HEALTH LECTURE SERIES** each Monday evening between January 22 and March 11. The lectures were open to the community.

Layman Vernon Young conducted a five-week **PROPHECY CRUSADE** at the Richmond SDA church beginning March 1. Vernon is a member of the Lexington church.

Jack and Jan Nash, pastor at the St. Matthews church in Louisville, Ky., just returned from Hungary where they conducted an **EVANGELISTIC SERIES**. Nine souls were baptized and many more are studying for a future baptism. The St. Matthews church

purchased a communion service for Jack and Jan to present to the church in Hungary.

A special rally in preparation for a **FIELD SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM** to be conducted in Murfreesboro during July and August, was conducted in the Rockland High School March 23. Nine Southern College students, along with Dr. Doug Bennett, were in attendance. A 2:30 p.m. musical concert was presented by Herman and Sonnie Harp. John Fowler was the worship hour speaker, and will be the evangelist/field school director during the evangelistic meetings.

Southern College



Students in the **PERSONAL EVANGELISM** class mailed 5,000 Bible study request cards to the communities of Ooltewah and Collegedale in early January. They received more than 110 responses, twice as many as anticipated. About 20 students and some 30 church members have been following up close to 80 requests. The others are from college students who have been studying the Bible each Tuesday with the class teacher, Ron Clouzet.

New decor is part of a **COMPLETE RENOVATION OF THE CAMPUS KITCHEN**, Southern's "fast-food cafe." Located in Fleming Plaza and originally built in 1964, the CK has also been enlarged. Structural improvements include a walk-in cooler and handicap-accessible rest rooms.

No one was injured in a March accident that caused **MAJOR DAMAGE TO ONE OF SOUTHERN'S BUSES**. After a transmission-related breakdown on I-40, the empty German-made Neoplan bus was being towed by a Knoxville wrecking service when it began to sway. After colliding with the guardrail, both bus and wrecker slid to a

stop midway across a bridge.

Reservations are coming in for rooms on campus during the 1996 **CENTENNIAL OLYMPIC GAMES** in Atlanta, a 120-mile drive from the Collegedale campus. A toll-free number, 1-800-277-7273, is making it easy for visitors to make summer reservations when residence halls, as well as the Conference Center itself, have space available.

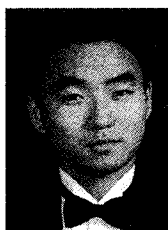
In March, 18 guests participated in **ELDER-HOSTEL**. Classes related to the church's organ, personal nutrition, and the Civil War.

A large enrollment of freshmen and transfer students is anticipated for **SMARTSTART**, four weeks in August just prior to the regular fall semester, when free tuition and room are offered to new students. Many make their initial contact by calling 1-800-SOUTHERN.

Besides helping plan graduation weekend activities, the 1996 **SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS** at Southern College raised money for a paving brick for the new science center under construction for classes following them.

CAROLINA

The Fletcher church choir and chamber orchestra, under the direction of **Joseph Eunkwan Choi**, performed Handel's "Messiah" to a packed church in December. On the same weekend the First Baptist church of Hendersonville, presented three performances of "The Messiah." There were some who attended both performances who commented to Choi that they preferred the Fletcher performance. This was encouraging to the new music director at Fletcher Academy. In addition to teaching choir and band, the recent graduate of Southern College also directs the Fletcher church choir. Also, when Choi isn't helping band students at the elementary school, you will find him in Asheville where he is the assistant conductor of the Asheville Symphony Orchestra.



Carolina Conference recording artist **Joseph Backer** played two selections at the recent Hands Across the World Rally held in Atlanta. The event was broadcast via satellite across the United States.



Backer has also been accepted as an artist on the Pacific Press's Chapel label. His two previously released albums, *Ivory Praise* and *Eternal Adoration*, will be distributed with the Chapel label to Adventist Book Centers and other Christian music stores across the United States.

Backer began a full-time music ministry approximately one year ago at the ripe old age of 14. He has received several musical awards including one at the recent Southern College Concierto. He will be attending Brevard this summer and has also been asked to play at the Southern Baptist Convention called "The Gathering" in Greenville, S.C.



WOLF JEDAMSKI

What an Investment

The Collegedale church maintains a fund to help support student missionaries who are members of the church. Last year this fund helped send **Chris Swafford** to Cambodia. Chris, a graduate of Collegedale Academy, decided to make a one-year commitment with Adventist Frontier Missions before beginning his freshman year in college.

As we made our way to the home of a local family that has been studying for several months, Chris warned me that we were going into the slums. The "home" was one of hundreds of shacks next to the railroad station. Bombed and burned out rail cars lay along side of the tracks. I noticed that squatters were living in these rusted hulks, and the thought occurred to me that these shacks wouldn't be appropriate for us to house our dogs. Imagine my surprise when we didn't go into the shack but went underneath it to a mud cave.

The grandmother of this dwelling was so touched that a foreigner would honor her home with a visit that she went to get food—a few dirty turnips, which she insisted we take with us after we declined to eat.

It touched my heart to see the concentration and interest on the faces around me as Chris and a lay pastor friend shared the Bible story.

I looked around the "room" which contained a few rags, a few belongings behind a filthy curtain, a pot or two, several skinny cats, dogs, children, and lots of dirt. Christ's words "blessed are the poor" came to mind. As I realized that the shack above us didn't have any drinking water nor bathroom facilities, the words changed to "blessed are the desperate for they shall inherit the Kingdom of God." With smiles on their faces, these desperate children of God were drinking in His word.

I saw a Chris that has grown tremendously. A young person who has become focused on his spiritual life and God's purpose for his life. In the process, the Lord is using him to reach Buddhist Cambodians for the Kingdom. I saw the results of one of the best investments the Collegedale church has ever made.

Wolf Jedamski

FLORIDA



Panagiota "Pam" Regas, 84, of the New Port Richey church, was prominently featured in a *St. Petersburg Times* article upon her retirement from the Westminster Presbyterian

church. What makes her story unique is that she was born a Greek Orthodox, married a Catholic, converted to Seventh-day Adventism, and for the past 30 years has been employed as a nursery worker each Sunday morning at the Presbyterian church.

Regas rarely missed a Sunday tending to "her kids." She'd read Bible stories to them and teach them to share. She often brought snacks and Bible coloring books and toys for the children which were paid from her own pocket. This love and attention endeared her to her charges, many of whom have since grown up and moved away, but often stopped by the nursery to see her when home for a visit. She witnessed about her Sabbath beliefs to families with whom she became close. Regas finally needed to retire when she began to have difficulty picking up the babies. In more recent years, Regas has been busy giving Bible studies to others of Greek heritage. She prayed God would send her someone from her homeland to share His message with, and now studies with two women, conversing in Greek.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

The Executive Committee elected **Stan Patterson** and **Walt Williams** to serve as associate ministerial directors for south Georgia and northeast Tennessee, respectively. They will be working

with vice president of pastoral ministries Roy Caughron to nurture pastors, to conduct strategic planning for church growth, to connect churches with available resources, and to assist in evangelism planning within their specified geographical areas. Patterson, former ministerial director of the Greater New York Conference, will also coordinate the adult Sabbath school program for the conference. Prior to coming to northeast Tennessee, Williams was ministerial and stewardship director of the Rocky Mountain Conference. In addition to his ministerial duties, he will direct the personal ministries program for the Conference.



GULF STATES

Retired couple **Bob and Joyce Grundy** were recently featured in the *Huntsville Times* for their work in community service. Bob tutors fifth grade students at a local school and Joyce has been actively helping to fingerprint children, besides their involvement with Disaster Response following a recent tornado.



SOUTHERN COLLEGE

Allison R. Titus, 20, a junior public relations and print journalism major at Southern College in



MARGARET TAYLOR FISHER

God Still Performs Miracles

The experience of **Kimberly Day**, of the South Orlando church, is nothing less than proof-positive that God still performs miracles. Last year, Day underwent chemotherapy for bowel cancer and her condition improved, but that would not be the end of her trials.

In July, Day began experiencing pain in her chest. A lump was discovered. Not only was it malignant, but cancer had spread throughout her body. Within 10 weeks, the cancer was causing immense pain and internal bleeding. Day was told that surgery was useless and that she had about two months to live.

In accordance with James 5:14-16, Day requested her pastor, Harry Robinson, and the church elders to anoint her. On November 4, in a rapidly worsening condition, Day was helped to the front of her church as the congregation gathered for a special prayer. During the fellowship luncheon, she slept in the pastor's study until he and the elders were ready for her anointing later that afternoon. The only thing Day remembers is a burning sensation in her chest as she was anointed. The next time she woke up, it was sundown and she was at home. She remembers asking her husband what time it was before she drifted back to sleep—only now, completely pain free.

The next morning, Day felt weak, but wanted to be up. Her pain had practically disappeared. She rescheduled her doctor's appointment from Thursday to Monday. As repeated tests came up negative, her doctor, who was not a religious person, was astonished. She informed Day that there was no evidence of cancer anywhere in her body. "Kim, you must serve a powerful, almighty God," her doctor exclaimed.

Today, Kimberly Day is doing fine and continuously praises God for her regained health.

Largely inspired by Day's miraculous healing, **Abner Johnson**, a former Adventist, was impressed to rejoin the church. He was rebaptized by Robinson November 18 at the end of South Orlando's four-week evangelistic crusade presented by the Conference evangelist team Bob and Joyce DuBose.

Kim Day, Harry Robinson,
A. Lee Bennett, Jr.

Collegedale, died Saturday, January 27, 1996, in a hiking accident in the Gee Creek Wilderness area of Cherokee National Forest. She was from Bolingbrook, Ill., a suburb of Chicago. While at Southern, Titus was actively involved as the sports editor for the *Southern Accent*, Student Association public relations director, Collegedale news coordinator for the *Hamilton County News-Leader*, and as vice president of the Communications Club. She also worked on publicity for the Gym-Masters.

Before coming to Southern, Titus attended Illinois State University from 1993-94. She received her high school diploma from Broadview Academy in Illinois. At Broadview she was editor of the student newspaper, *Exponent*, and public relations secretary for the academy.

Survivors include her parents, Alan and Jane Titus, and her brother, Brett Titus, of Bolingbrook, Ill., as well as both sets of grandparents.

An Allison Titus Memorial Scholarship fund is being set up for those wishing to remember Allison in this way.



The Scripps Howard Foundation awarded journalism scholarships to 137 students this school year. Southern College senior **Stacy DeLay** was the only recipient

from colleges and universities in Tennessee.

Scripps Howard selected DeLay and the other recipients from more than 700 applicants who maintained a good scholastic average and demonstrated an interest and aptitude for a career in journalism through work on newspapers, magazines, radio, television or cable stations, or in private industry.

Education



Kenneth Coonley, Carolina Conference president (left), Rita Roark, associate superintendent for education with teachers Carole Audain, Cleobelle Benedict, Pamela Forbes, Betty Morrison, Debrah Eszler, Eileen Diede, Heather Gutman, Sherry Daily, Judy Cambique, and Gorden Klocko, superintendent of education. Glenda Ashlock, who was also commissioned, was not available for the picture.

Teachers Commissioned at Sharon Church

Carolina—Ten Carolina teachers were recently commissioned at the Sharon church in Charlotte, N.C. You could say that commissioning a teacher is counterpart to ordain-

ing a minister.

The criteria for "Commissioned Ministry of Teaching Credentials" are teachers with a life-long commitment to, and significant experience in the Seventh-day Adventist system of education, usually not fewer than six years, with demonstrated proficiency in assigned responsibilities.

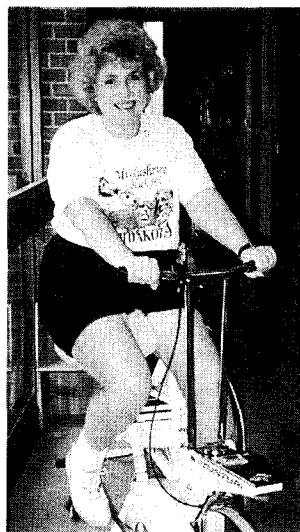
Ron Quick

Outreach

Pastor Uses Fitness to Witness

Carolina—The Conference's Fitness for Witness program not only encourages all the employees to stay fit, but by following the program, Stella Young, assistant pastor of the Greenville, S.C., church, found a unique benefit.

Stella enrolled in the Senior Actions Center in Greenville and began an exercise program. She hadn't been in her program long when God revealed another program. Several people in the exercise room were talking about their desire to stop smoking; however, they felt they just couldn't master the problem. Stella quickly joined in the conversation and soon found out there were others at the Senior Action Center who also had



Stella Young grabbed the opportunity to witness.

expressed a desire to quit smoking. Before Stella left that day, a Breathe Free program was on the calendar. Stella and her husband, Gene, presented the program in November.

As an added bonus, one of the ladies who

exercises with Stella, decided to attend Stella's Monday morning ladies' Bible study group in addition to

the Breathe Free program. Stella is an example of using fitness to witness.

Teri Fowle

Progress

Rock Hill Breaks Ground

Carolina—Ken Coonley, Carolina Conference president, assisted Rock Hill church members as they broke ground for a new church building. The new building, located on a major highway south-east of the city, will

seat 160 people. The new church is being built by the church members. Rock Hill pastor Ron Davis has his general contracting license and will be the general contractor for the project. Davis stated that the church will be complete by October, 1996—just in time for NET '96.

Ron Quick



Rock Hill members participated in breaking the ground for their new church.

New Christian Radio Launched in Louisville

Kentucky-Tennessee—A new Christian radio station, Life Talk Radio, is on the air in the Louisville area (104.7 FM), and in southern Indiana (88.3 FM). Life Talk Radio, a branch of the Adventist Media Center, is a satellite radio network supported by the area's Adventist churches and broadcasts seven days a week from its southern Indiana station.

Life Talk Radio features interactive talk radio programming, Christian music, Adventist programming such as the Voice of Prophecy, It Is Written, Quiet Hour, and Your Story Hour.

Paul Moore, president, and his associate Rudy Dolinsky, came from Yakima Washing-



Paul Moore, president of Life Talk Radio.

ton, to attend the kickoff rally, January 27, and to get the station "on the air." A capacity-plus crowd, representing 13 area churches, attended the rally which was in the St. Matthews church. Enough funds were raised and pledged to cover the down payment and initial operating costs for the radio station. The representatives attending selected the local radio station's operating board, which includes pastors and

members from area churches.

Chapel recording artist Steve Darmody presented a live concert which was recorded and became one of the first musical programs to be aired

on the new station.

Although Life Talk Radio begins with total programming from the satellite, the station will also feature local programming as it becomes available.

Jack Nash



Mortgage shot in rocket over church.

Collegedale Church Celebrates Debt-Free

Georgia-Cumberland—The Collegedale church was born through the visionary minds of faculty of what was then Southern Junior College, now Southern College. At the close of a spring Week of Prayer in 1917 an invitation was extended to all who wished to become charter members of the Collegedale church. Fifty students and faculty responded.

Over the years, the congregation outgrew various locations including dormitory parlors and chapels and a camp meeting pavilion. Finally in 1965 they moved to the present church facility. It, too, was eventually outgrown as children were required to attend Sabbath schools in various buildings across campus.

Through the years, adding on to the church was occasionally mentioned, but it was not until 1988 that it moved beyond talk. In that year the Arise & Build Campaign was started. Forty-five thousand square feet were added to the present church location to bring all the children's Sabbath schools under one roof,

to include a full-service fellowship hall, and to provide office space. It was completed late in 1991 at the cost of—\$3.7 million.

Paying off a debt is never as exciting as building. Giving to Arise & Build gradually declined. In 1994 several concerned members decided something should be done. The result was the Arise & Build Payoff Campaign. The goal was to pay off the remaining \$550,000 of the church debt by December 31, 1995. Just over a year after beginning the campaign, that goal became a reality.

As most churches do, the Collegedale church had a note burning, but this one was a little different. The weekend began with a praise service on Friday night. The church was decorated with green banners and gold balloons and streamers. Posters by young church artists depicting what church means to them were hung on the wall.

Former pastor Gordon Bietz, president of Georgia-Cumberland Conference, preached at both the 9:00 and 11:30 a.m. worship services. The Sabbath school program was

presented by the children's divisions. Sabbath evening, the mortgage was placed in a rocket and shot over the church in a red chrysanthemum of fireworks.

From 50 members to more than 2,500 members; from a small

parlor to a 75,800 square-foot church; from a distant church vision to a blaze of fireworks; "when we remember how the Lord has brought us to this point of victory, we cannot help but praise His name," said one member.

Sherrie Platt

Update



Joel McConnel (left), Kellie Van Eyk, John Van Eyk, Joseph Ninein, Rhoda Gottfried, Donna Gottfried, and Gene Gottfried enjoy the great outdoors at a backpacking trip sponsored by the young adult ministries of the Durham church.

Campus Ministry Reaches Out to Collegians

Carolina—Young adults and collegians are once again enjoying a young adult ministry in Durham, N.C. John and Kellie Van Eyk have been working with the collegians and young adults in the area since the beginning of the school year.

John and Kellie have recently moved to Durham and have already started an incredible work for the collegians in the area. Kellie is an occupational therapist, and John is currently in school working on a degree in physical therapy. They feel there are easily 100 Adventist students in the Research-Triangle area.

Each week, both Adventist and non-Adventist young people get together for food, group games, worship,

and discussion in area homes. There are several students who come to the Friday evening worship, who don't feel comfortable attending a church service. In addition to the Friday evening meetings, the group has been back-packing, held Saturday evening get-togethers in stu-

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dents' homes, and other special dinners and events.

Although the majority of the advertising for this group has been by word-of-mouth, the Van Eyks will also be advertising in college school papers and the school radio stations. They feel it is important to make their presence known on campus. However, they have already had an incredible response with students attending activities from Chapel Hill, Duke, UNC Raleigh, UNC Greensboro,

and some students from High Point. The overwhelming response shows the intense need for collegiate ministries in the Conference.

This collegiate ministry of the Five Oaks church in Durham is supported by the Conference. This is the first official campus ministry. If you know of Adventist students attending public colleges, please send their names, addresses, and phone numbers to Phil Rosburg at the Carolina Conference so they can be contacted.

Teri Fowle



Food and clothing were distributed to the community.

Asheville Gets a Head Start

Carolina—The Asheville Foster Memorial church community services Head Start program is thriving. The program assistance is available all through the year.

Vans and cars lined up beside the church with teachers loading all the gifts which had been readied. There were packages of new jeans and shirts and

gaily-wrapped toys for each of 65 children aged three and four. There was also two or three boxes of groceries for each of 20 families, ranging from three to nine members per family. Basic foods were topped with bags of chocolate kisses and home-made cookies. On top of all of that, there was a Christmas stocking of goodies for each person in the family donated by Barbara Botsford.

Teri Fowle

New Member With AIDS Nets National Exposure

Florida—Jupiter pastor Ed Stokeley has

baptized dozens of new believers the past several years, but until recently never baptized a "celebrity." Twelve-year-old Angelie Diya is a national celebrity for the simple reason that

she has AIDS and has told her story on television.

"I've been telling all my friends at school about my baptism and what it means, and they think it's really neat," said Angelie. "So far, one of them is coming to church with me."

Angelie was born HIV-positive. When she was six months old, she and her brother, Jose, now 14 and disease-free, became foster children of Jupiter members Rick and Rita Diya. One year later, little brother Julio joined the family, but died of AIDS in 1987 at the age of two. A few years later, after their biological mother lost her parental rights, the Diya family adopted Angelie and Jose. It was from their late biological mother that Angelie and Julio contracted the disease, but it wasn't until Angelie was two-and-a-half years old that physicians discovered that she actually had AIDS. According to Rita, Angelie has enjoyed fairly good health all of her short life.

While at a camp for children with AIDS, camp officials were contacted by CBS-TV, asking which campers had gone public about the disease. Angelie's name was at the top of the list, thus she was contacted by the network to appear in a documentary called "Before Your Eyes" which aired in June of 1995. Following that program, she appeared on *The Oprah Winfrey Show*. Angelie has since appeared on several broadcasts and featured in magazines.

The most difficult part of dealing with the disease was telling the students at her school. Angelie appeared on the school's closed circuit TV when she made the announcement. She took the negative comments from school-



LYNN STOKLEY

Ed Stokeley, pastor, hugs Angelie following her baptism January 21.

mates and their parents in stride, true to her indomitable spirit. Following her announcement, response from the Jupiter church members was "just beautiful," according to her mother. "Angelie has received so many hugs from her church family, at a time when some are afraid to hug."

Angelie undergoes treatment monthly at the National Institute of Health in Maryland. Wherever she goes, she wants people to know that she is living with AIDS, not dying from it.

Lynn Huff

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Carolina

Women's Ministry Day—May 11. Mount Pisgah Academy. Speakers: Carl and Glenda Ashlock.

Eastern Carolina Women's Retreat—May 18. Jacksonville church. Speaker: Teri Fowle. Theme: Becoming a Woman of Excellence.

Mt. Pisgah/Fletcher Graduation—May 26.

Charlotte/Triad-Area Women's Retreat—June 8. Charlotte, N.C. Speaker: Carol Zarska. Theme: The Woman God Created You to Be.

Western North Carolina Women's Retreat—July 13. Fletcher, N.C. Speakers: Joyce Lornitz, Jan Young, Carl and Glenda Ashlock. Theme: Journeying Within God's Heart.

Family of God Festival—July 4-7, Radisson Grand Resort, Fort Mill, S.C. Featured Speakers: Dick Duerksen, Lynn Ortel, John and Joyce Lornitz, Jan and Kay Kuzma, and Len McMillan.

Evangelistic Meetings

March 23. Charlotte. Eli Rojas.
April 6. Table Rock. Ivan Christen.
April 12. Goldsboro. Dale Pollett.
May. Columbia. Ron Halvorsen.

Florida

Adventist Divorce/Grief Recovery Support Group—Every Thursday night. Altamonte Springs Church, Fla. Details: (407) 291-8321.

Hispanic Youth Retreat—May 24-27. Camp Kulaqua.

Youth/Young Adult Summerfest '96—May 24-26 and May 31-Jun. 1. Forest Lake Academy.

Wet'N Wild Private Party for Youth/Young Adults & Families—May 26. Tickets must be purchased in advance from Adventist Book Center or youth department.

Adventist Singles Ministries Fellowship Dinners

June 1. Florida Hospital.
June 8. Forest Lake and West Palm Beach First.
June 15. Deltona English.
June 22. Kress Memorial and University.

Pathfinder Honor Camp—June 2-9. Camp Kulaqua.

Evangelistic Meetings

June 8-July 20. Cocoa. Bill and Cora Waters.
June 8-Aug. 3. Shuler Memorial. Art and Margo Swanson.
June 29-Aug. 10. Interlachen. Bob and Mary Goransson.

"Encuentro Juvenil"—June 29. Avon Park.

NET '96. Discoveries in Prophecy: Beyond 2000—How to Thrive in Difficult Times—Oct. 5-Nov. 9. Forest Lake Academy. Apopka.

Georgia-Cumberland

Evangelistic Meetings

May 31. Sevierville. Rob Clayton.
June 7. Atlanta Southside. Kent Crutcher.

ABC Bookmobile Schedule

June 8. Augusta.
June 9. Savannah.
June 9. Waycross.
June 9. Lakeland.
June 9. Thomasville.
June 10. Albany Lee Acres.
June 10. Columbus.
June 10. Pine Mountain Valley.
June 10. Macon.
June 11. Carrollton.
June 15. Greeneville.
June 16. Johnson City.
June 16. Kingsport.
June 16. Knoxville.
June 16. Jellico.
June 17. Deer Lodge.
June 17. Crossville.
June 17. Cookeville.
June 17. McMinnville.
June 17. Cumberland Heights.
June 19. Murphy.

Graduation

May 18. Georgia-Cumberland.
May 19. Collegedale.
May 19. Heritage.
May 26. Atlanta Adventist.

Gulf States

Conference Executive Committee—May 24. Bass Memorial Academy.

Kentucky-Tennessee

"For H.I.M. Golf Tournament"—April 26.

Singles Retreat—May 17, 18. Indian Creek Camp.

Graduations

May 25. Madison.
May 26. Highland.

South Atlantic

Bud's Day—May 11. Winston-Salem (Ephesus).

Mother's Day Celebration—May 11. Winston-Salem (Ephesus).

Georgia State Youth Federation—May 18. Atlanta (Berean). Walter Pearson, speaker.

Communications Day—May 25. Winston-Salem (Ephesus). Olson Perry, speaker. Evening Workshop.

Southern College

Vespers

May 3. Senior Consecration, Kendra Haloviak.
May 24. Camp Meeting.

Church Pulpit Guests

May 4. Senior Baccalaureate, Reo Ganson.

May 18. Collegedale Baccalaureate.

Special Events

May 3. Senior consecration.
May 4. Senior baccalaureate (church service).
Nurses' pinning.
May 5. Commencement, R. Lynn Sauls.

Southern Union

National Singles Adult Conference—July 17-24. Southern College. Details: (770) 434-5111.

Out of Union

Waynesboro Pennsylvania Church Anniversary—May 25. Details: (717) 262-9018.

Campion Academy Homecoming—Oct. 18, 19. Details: (970) 667-5592.

125th Anniversary Commemoration Services Dodge Center, Minnesota Seventh-Day Adventist Church—Aug. 30, 31. Details: (507) 374-2433.

Announcement

All Middle East Division Union Members and Workers (past and present) in North America, please arrange your schedules to attend the "Middle East Fellowship" to convene April 4-6, 1997, at Pine Springs Ranch, California. Details for reservations and costs will be sent in a master mailing list. For further information, kindly contact Thomas S. Geraty at Linda Valley Villa, 11075 Benton Street, Loma Linda, CA 92354. All are cordially invited. T.S. Geraty, former president Middle East College.

Forest Lake Academy Alumni—The class of 1947 is planning its 50th reunion in 1997. We need current addresses and/or telephone numbers of our classmates. Please send information to: Alumni Office, Forest Lake Academy, 3909 East Semoran Blvd., Apopka, FL 32703.

Sunset

	May 3	May 10	May 17	May 24	May 31	June 7
Atlanta, Ga.	8:23	8:28	8:34	8:39	8:43	8:47
Charleston, S.C.	8:04	8:09	8:14	8:19	8:23	8:27
Charlotte, N.C.	8:11	8:16	8:22	8:27	8:32	8:36
Collegedale, Tenn.	8:28	8:33	8:39	8:44	8:49	8:53
Huntsville, Ala.	7:33	7:39	7:45	7:50	7:54	7:58
Jackson, Miss.	7:44	7:49	7:54	7:58	8:03	8:06
Louisville, Ky.	8:36	8:43	8:49	8:55	9:00	9:05
Memphis, Tenn.	7:48	7:53	7:59	8:04	8:09	8:13
Miami, Fla.	7:53	7:57	8:01	8:04	8:08	8:11
Montgomery, Ala.	7:28	7:33	7:38	7:43	7:47	7:51
Nashville, Tenn.	7:36	7:42	7:48	7:53	7:58	8:02
Orlando, Fla.	8:01	8:05	8:09	8:13	8:17	8:20
Wilmington, N.C.	7:58	8:03	8:09	8:14	8:18	8:22

1996 Camp Meeting Schedule

CAROLINA

May 26 – June 1 Lake Junaluska, North Carolina
Ben Maxson, Philip Samaan,
Tony Cirigliano, Richard Neal,
and Clifford Goldstein

FLORIDA

May 24 – June 1 Forest Lake Academy
Richard Barron, Jack Blanco,
Virginia Cason, Mark Finley, Robert Folkenberg,
Dan Matthews, Robert Spangler,
and Mario Veloso

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

May 22–25 Southern College
Gordon Bietz, Larry Buckner,
Elden Chalmers, Glenn Coon, Chet Dameron,
Steve Darmody, Atilio Dupertuis, Ron Halvorsen,
Marvin Hunt, John McLarty, Lonnie Melashenko, John McVay,
Wayne Owen, and June Scobee Rodgers

Korean Camp Meeting — May 17–19 Cohutta Springs

GULF STATES

May 24 – June 1 Bass Memorial Academy
Dick Duerkson, Erwin Gane, Sang Lee,
Marvin Moore, Jose Rojas, and Joel Tompkins

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

May 31 – June 8 Highland Academy
Floyd Bresee, E. E. Cleveland,
Terry McComb, and Robert Spangler

SOUTH ATLANTIC

June 9–15 River Oaks, Orangeburg, South Carolina
Robert Connor and Ezra Mendinghall

SOUTH CENTRAL

June 21–29 Oakwood College

SOUTHEASTERN

June 13–22 Hawthorne, Florida
Richard Barron, E. E. Cleveland, Jerry Lee,
Willie and Wilma Lee, and Willie Oliver

1996 Summer Camp Schedule

CAROLINA

Nosoca Pines Ranch Liberty Hill, South Carolina
Junior Camp I (ages 10–12) June 9–16
Junior Camp II (ages 10–12) June 16–23
Adventure Camp (ages 7–9) June 23–30
Teen Camp I (ages 13–16) June 30 – July 7
Teen Camp II (ages 13–16) July 7–14

FLORIDA

Camp Kulaqua High Springs, Florida
Pathfinder Honor Camp (ages 10–15) June 2–9
Junior Camp I (ages 10–12) June 9–16
Cub Camp (ages 8, 9) June 16–23
Junior Camp II (ages 10–12) June 23–30
Teen Camp (ages 13–16) June 30 – July 7
Extreme Adventure Camps
Grand Canyon Excursion (ages 18–30) June 30 – July 7
Water-skiing (ages 16–25) July 7–12
Boundary Water Canoeing (ages 16–25) July 14 – 21
Family Camp August 30 – September 2

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Cohutta Springs Campground Crandall, Georgia
Junior Camp I (ages 10–12) June 9–16
Junior Camp II (ages 10–12) June 16–23
Cub Camp (ages 8, 9) June 23–30
Family Camp (all ages) July 2–7
Tween Camp (ages 12, 13) July 7–14
Teen High Adventure Camp (ages 14–17) July 14–21
Teen Camp I (ages 13–16) July 14–21
Teen Camp II (ages 13–16) July 21–28

GULF STATES

Camp Alamisco Dadeville, Alabama
Blind Camp June 9–16
Adventure Camp June 16–23

Junior Camp June 23–30
Teen Camp June 30 – July 7
Family Camp I July 9–14
Family Camp II July 11–14

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

Indian Creek Camp Liberty, Tennessee
Blind Camp June 16–23
Cub Camp June 23–30
Junior Camp I June 30 – July 7
Junior Camp II July 7–14
Teen Camp I July 14–21
Option: White Water Rafting Outing
Teen Camp II July 21–28
Option: White Water Rafting Outing
Family Camp July 30 – August 4
Specialty Camp August 4–8
50+ Camp August 20–25

SOUTH ATLANTIC

River Oaks Campground Orangeburg, South Carolina
Junior Camp June 23–30

SOUTH CENTRAL

Booker T. Washington Park Chattanooga, Tennessee
Orientation July 1–6
Friendship Camp July 14–20
Junior Camp July 7–13
Teen Camp July 21–27

SOUTHEASTERN

Southeastern Conference Campground Hawthorne, Florida
Haitian Youth Retreat June 26–30
Junior/Teen Camp July 7 – August 4

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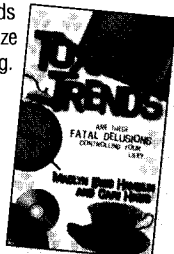
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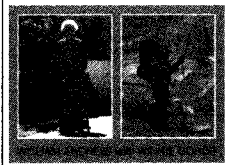
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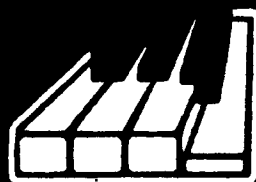
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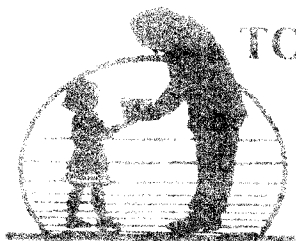
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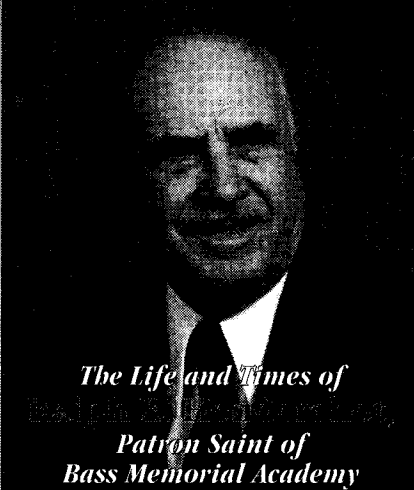
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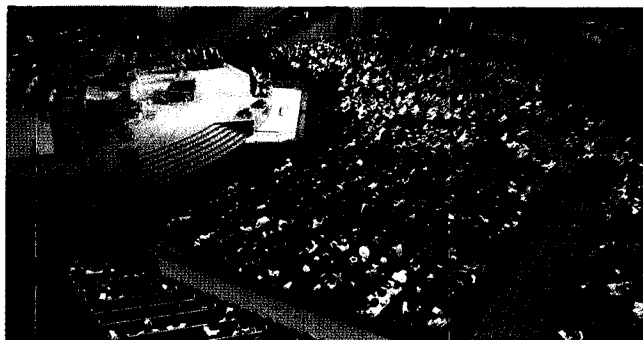
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A High Sabbath Celebration

by Olson Perry

It was a high Sabbath celebration," according to Malcolm Gordon, president of the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. "The Hands Across the World Rally was truly a mini-General Conference Session as some 4,000 members representing our eight conferences listened in words and music to how God is dramatically blessing His work."

The Rally was broadcast live over the Adventist Communication Network satellite, March 23 from the Cathedral at Chapel Hill, near the

Southern Union headquarters. Thousands of members across North America watched in their homes and churches. Several unions have sponsored rallies; however, the Southern Union's was the first to be televised. The responses to the evangelistic information and offering appeals have been positive. Although donation totals to the toll-free number have not been released as yet, approximately \$83,000 was collected or pledged at the Cathedral during the program.

Each conference shared its plans for using its funds from the Hands Across the World offering. Plans



Shakelta and Christopher Key look back at the photographer as they go to the Cradle Roll Sabbath school at "Hands Across the World."

include evangelizing new areas, targeting Hispanic communities, reaching out to the Olympic community, and establishing a church in Disney's new model city, Celebration.

The Rally "launched the Southern Union into its plans for the new quinquennial's theme 'From Vision to Victory,'" said Gordon. It is a step forward in reaching the Union's objective of 200,000 members in 1,000 churches by the year 2000.

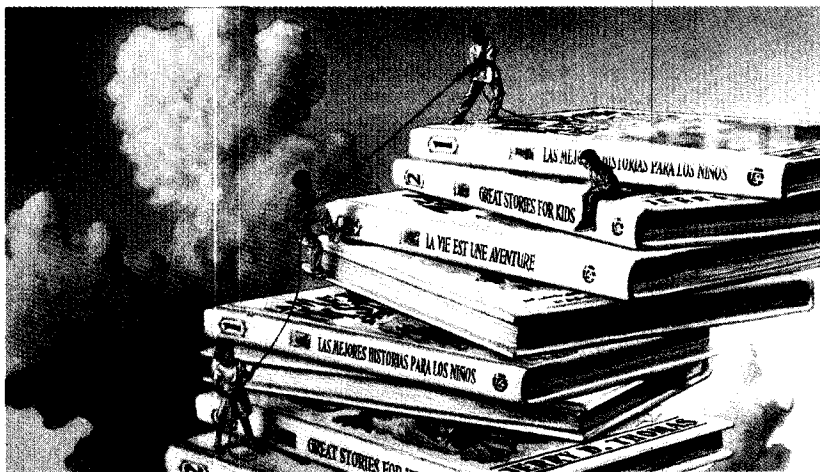
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by Brett Hadley

And I, if I be lifted up will draw all men unto Me," John 12:32. This is the theme text for Adventist Christian Theater, the Christian drama troupe at Madison Academy in Nashville, Tennessee. A.C.T. is a group of 18 students who have given themselves to the ministry of Christian drama. Each school year A.C.T. tours the Southern Union visiting different academies, retreats, and Bible conferences. The breadth of their tours has taken them from Orlando, Florida, to Washington, D.C., and most recently to Glacier View Ranch in Colorado.

The troupe was invited to be participants in the Rocky Mountain Bible Conference this past January. Their involvement culminated with their drama performance Friday evening. Doug Tallman, coordinator for the conference, is quoted as saying: "Theirs was a powerful and moving presentation. It drew our eyes to Christ. . . ." After their performance a unique altar call was made. Instead of asking people to come forward, the invitation was for people to stand. A troupe member went to them and the two walked together to the front. I think God wants us to be His tools to bring people to the cross. That's the whole purpose to Christian drama.


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As for future plans, God is in control. He has opened up so many opportunities since the beginning.

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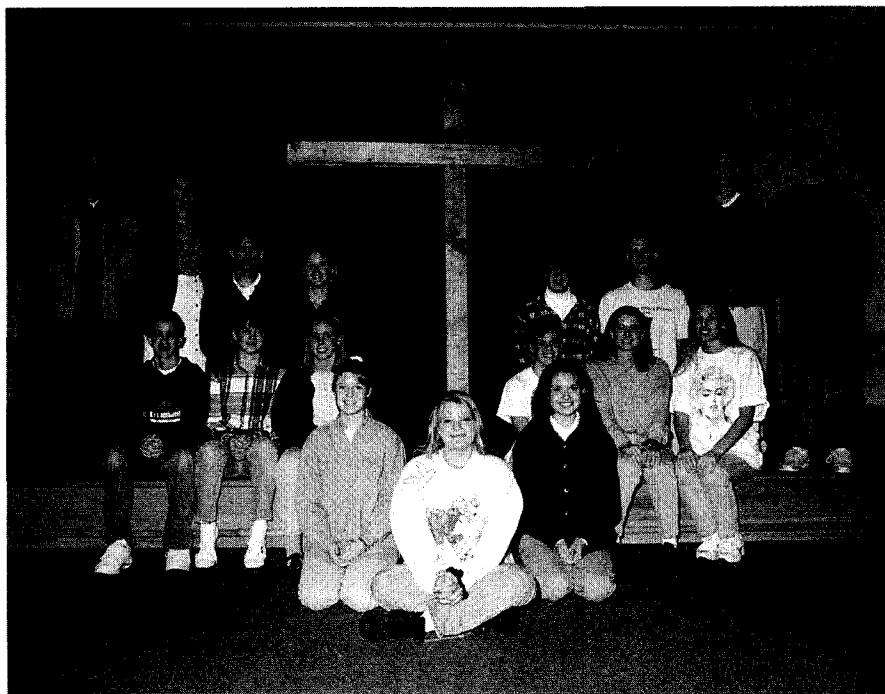
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D. J. McKenzie leading a peer group.

Scene from A.C.T. "Light of a Clear Blue Morning."



The A.C.T. troupe from Madison Academy.



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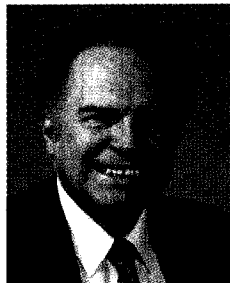
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NET '96 Goes International

Five divisions on three continents are planning to be a part of Mark Finley's NET '96 Evangelistic Crusade scheduled October 5 - November 9 in Orlando, Florida, with simultaneous telecasting to approximately 3,500 churches and auditoriums.

Originally, 2000 churches in the United States and Canada were encouraged to participate in NET '96 by the North American Division, but now 1,000 additional churches speaking English, Spanish, and French will join in the Caribbean and Central American countries of the Inter-American Division.

NET '96 will also be scheduled in 200 Spanish and Portuguese speaking churches in the South American Division, and at least 300 more congregations of the Euro-Africa and Trans-European Divisions in countries speaking German and Romanian, in addition to the four languages previously mentioned for a total of six different NET '96 languages in Europe.

What was originally planned to be the largest evangelistic endeavor in the North American Division is rapidly developing into what may become the largest multi-church and multilingual evangelistic crusade in the history of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

An estimated 350,000 people will view Mark Finley on the "Big Screen" nightly during the televised Crusade if the 3,500 locations average only 100 people each evening. Based on these figures, there would be an accumulated total of 9.1 million NET '96 audience.

According to Don Gray, NET '96 coordinator, "the purpose of NET '96 is to rekindle the flame of evangelism as a process rather than simply a one-time event." He emphasized that NET '96 is like an hour glass with the top 40 percent of time, funds and effort spent in preparation, the middle 20 percent during the crusade meetings and the bottom 40 percent of the hour glass for follow-up.

The NET '96 Bible school objective is to have one million people enrolled across North America by early summer. Plans also



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call for a massive graduation to be conducted on the opening night of NET '96 crusades in all 2,000 locations. These local church Bible schools will produce thousands of baptisms, if our congregations plan ahead and become involved now.

Milton Peverini, director/speaker of La Voz Esperanza, and Louis Torres, Amazing Facts field representative and Hispanic coordinator for NET '96, report participation of Hispanic churches with satellite downlink equipment is running about 50 percent. However, some conferences indicate 100 percent of their Spanish churches will be involved in NET '96 crusades.

Also, "Our regional conferences are responding with enthusiasm to NET '96 preparation and one regional conference plans for 100 percent involvement of its churches," reports Ralph Peay, leader of the NAD Black Caucus. Regional churches that participated in last year's NET '95 experienced an excellent response. Peay continued, "The primacy of evangelism is a long tradition among the Regional Conferences."

Kermit Netteburg says "All editors of the *Adventist Review*, *Ministry*, *NET '96 News* and nine union papers, along with the Adventist Communications Network are cooperating to keep our 838,868 NAD members informed about NET '96 Evangelism."

In other news, Benjamin Reaves, president of Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama, was invited during Spring Meeting of the General Conference Executive Committee, to be a General Field secretary of the General Conference and direct the world leadership training program. Dr. Reaves will continue to reside in Huntsville, and carry these responsibilities after the close of the current school year. He will manage the world leadership training program currently directed by Philip Follett, who as general vice president was assigned responsibilities in the area of communication.



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