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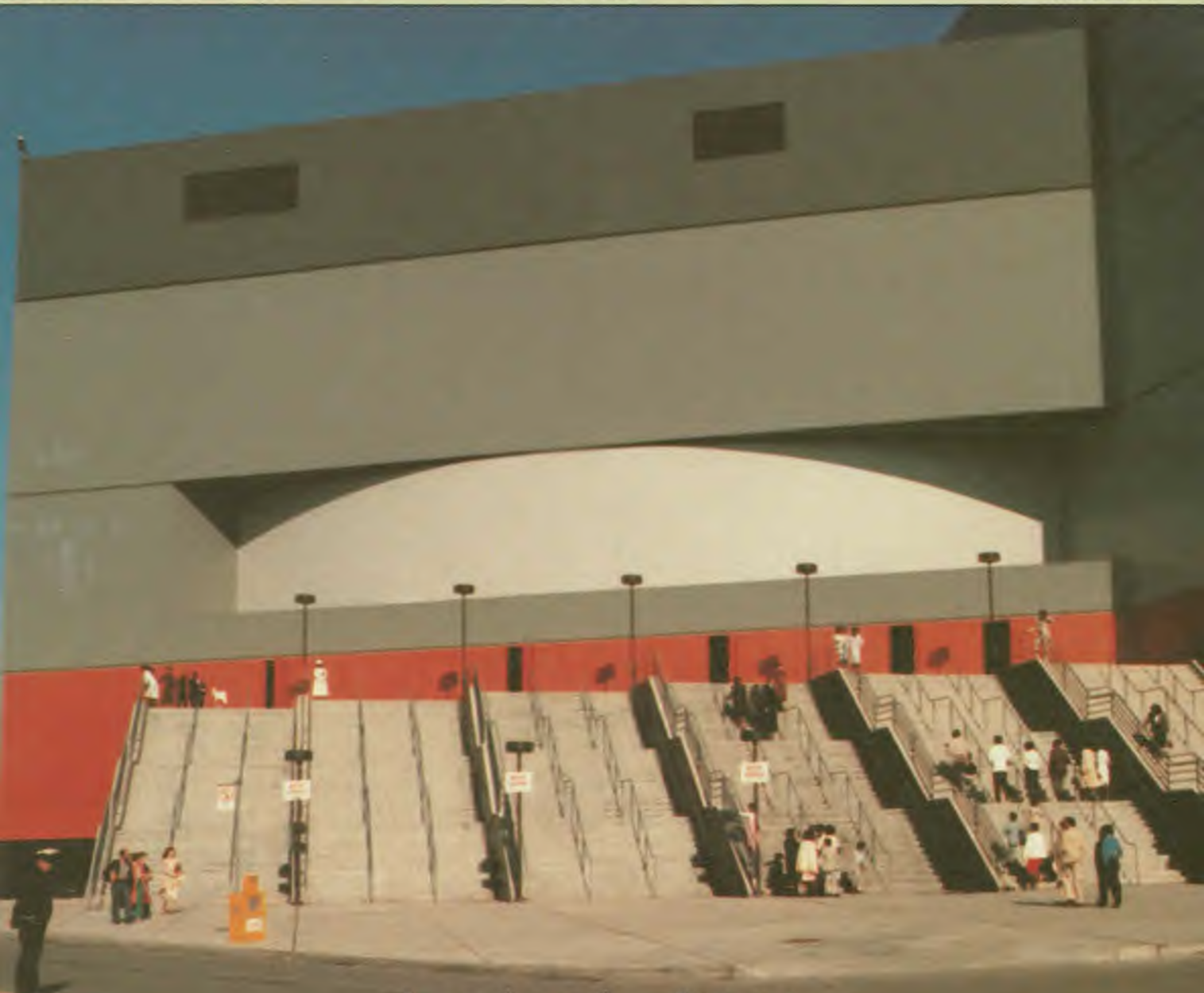


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Joe Louis Arena
United Youth Congress

“IN HIS HANDS”

COVER STORY

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE UNITED YOUTH CONGRESS

Stephanie D. Johnson

In October, 1979, men with vision assembled at Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama, for "Youth Weekend," an annual event where all the youth directors of the regional conferences and the Pacific Union met.

During this time they not only ministered to the students but they gathered to formulate plans and ideas that would make their work more effective. It was during this time that the idea of a United Youth Congress was born.

For the next two years and three months these youth directors worked hard to make their dream of a United Youth Congress a reality.

During that time they were faced with many obstacles but through faith, prayer and perseverance their dream was realized.

On May 3-6 youths from all over the United States and Canada met in Detroit, Michigan, for the United Youth Congress.

Who were these men of vision who nurtured a dream of uniting all black SDA youths in a spiritual and intellectual celebration? What was their purpose?

Men of Vision

The men responsible for the United Youth Congress:

*Allegheny East	Samuel Boynton
Allegheny West	Carl Rogers
Central California	Richard Hamilton
*Central States	William Wright
*Lake Region	Conrad Gill
*Northeastern	Trevor Baker
South Atlantic	Fred Parker
*South Central	Joseph McCoy
Southeastern	George Timpson
Southeastern	
California	Brian Neal
*Southwest Region	Bill Wright
Southern Union	Ralph Peay

*Denotes financially supporting conferences.

The Youth Congress focused on "contemporary relevancy" and addressed issues SDA youth are having to face today. In light of these problems and the youths' special need, the regional youth directors aptly stated their purpose: "Today's generation of young people are more torn apart by internal and external conflict than generations from the past.

They tend to become outraged with the world and upset with themselves, frustrated by their parents and angered by their teachers or just plain embittered by life.

In our church young and old should be molded together in the Lord. Just as Paul, the aged, and Timothy, the youngster, got along fine, our church should be a mixture of all ages joined in unity, yet strengthened by adversity. There is a place for everyone who is "In His Hands," and it is our responsibility to be representatives of Christ in this generation, helping others to "Try God."



Joe Louis Arena, where Sabbath services were held for the United Youth Congress.

"In His Hands"

Although the Youth Congress was officially slated to begin Wednesday evening, May 13, it really had its beginning on Sabbath, May 9, when the Michiana Youth Federation met. From the following day until the Congress convened, the youths of Detroit under the direction of Henry S. Holt and his Youth for Better Living (YBL) went into the city's toughest housing project to witness. Thus, the foundation was laid for the Congress which convened with more than 700 delegates and friends in attendance at Detroit's Cobo Hall.

The theme of the Congress was "In His Hands." It was a most appropriate choice in light of the times in which we live. The theme song, "In His Hands" was written by Eleanor Crews Wright who is a gifted composer and recording artist. Wright has written and recorded for more than two and half decades. She has written such songs as: *Jacob's Ladder*, *The Greatest Gift*, *This Is Our Day*, *Raining Joy*, and many others. She is a former member of the Blendwrights, a gospel trio from Ohio.

The guest speaker for the opening session was Dr. Samuel Betances, Harvard graduate and professor of sociology at Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago, Illinois. Dr. Betances held the audience spellbound as he spoke on the

concept that there is unity in diversity. He said that not only the world but the SDA church is challenged by the issue of racism. He also told the youth and all present that "we are too beautiful for God to make a mistake!" He pointed our attention to the flower gardens and their multi-colored beauty. We are not to take on the ideas of the world because we have a higher responsibility.

On Thursday, the day began at 7:30, after an hour for breakfast. The speaker was Ivan Warden, assistant professor of urban ministry at Andrews University and doctoral candidate at Princeton Theological Seminary. Following the devotional message, "Something for the Journey," the workshops convened at 9:30 to 12:15.

Workshops: Spiritual and Practical Awakening

The workshops that were offered were right on target. They dealt with the problems of the '80's that black SDA youth are experiencing. The facilitators of the workshops were competent Christians who stirred the youth spiritually and intellectually yet at the same time were practical. The workshops dealt with a wide range of topics: Relationship Enhancement—Joel L. Butler; Youth and Future in Church Structure—Caleb Rosado/Samuel Betances; Youth and Career Opportunities—Joyce McGlory; Youth and Career Interviews—Judith McCoy; Youth and the Military—J. Paul Monk; Communication with the Deaf—Thompson Kay; Music Workshop—Benjamin Reaves, Shelton Kilby, Joan Laskey, Eurydice Osterman, Edna Taylor, David Peay and the Richard Smallwood Singers; Youth and the Urban Society/Racism—Norman Miles; Youth and Substance Abuse; Youth and Leadership Potential—Ralph Peay; Youth and the Urban Society/Sexuality—Carol Cantu.

The program was so arranged that each delegate could attend one to three workshops.

On Thursday night, Henry S. Holt and his YBL team presented "Alcohol on Trial," an original drama conceived by Holt and Greg Germany.

The YBL presents the gospel through drama. It seeks to reach those people who are locked in urban blight and despair. As a result of this ministry 375 people have been baptized. Two young men who were won by YBL, Greg Jenkins and Leon Jones, gave their testimony.

Friday morning's devotional speaker was Tyrone Boyd of the Lake Region Conference, who spoke on the subject, "Malchus, Servant of the High Priest." Devotional was again followed by workshops and a crime prevention luncheon coordinated by Berenice Moseley. Many of the city leaders were present at the luncheon. Among the special guests were: City Councilmen Nicholas Hood, Clyde Cleveland, Henry McFadden and Erma Henderson, president of the city council and guest speaker.



Pastor Henry Wright, United Youth Congress guest speaker.

Friday night, Henry Wright, assistant professor of religion at Oakwood College and doctoral candidate at Vanderbilt University, was the speaker. His subject was, "It's All Happened Before," and within its framework he drew profound parallels from the times before the flood and our days. Afterwards, the Bible Bowl was hosted by Trevor Baker, youth director of Northeastern Conference. The competing conferences were Northeastern and South Central. The questions asked of the contestants were thought-provoking.

Thousands convened at the Joe Louis Arena. The presence of the Lord was felt as Henry Wright brought the message of the divine worship hour. The title of his sermon was taken from the theme of the Youth Congress, "In His Hands." The music was a high point of the service as the mass choir under the direction of Shelton Kilby and E. Osterman filled the arena with music.

In the afternoon there was witnessing through music at the Washington Boulevard Mall coordinated by Bill Wright. The

Larkettes of New York City were the featured guests.

Following the musical program the Bible Bowl finals were held. Central States and South Central were the finalists. Central States was the winning conference, after a close game.

The evening featured the temperance oratorical contest. The four finalists dealt with two important aspects: vegetarianism and tobacco. The winners were Clifford Hazel-Lake Region; Rachel Paris-Central States, 2nd place; Cenceria McCoy-Southwest, 3rd place; and Steward Jenkins-Allegheny East, 4th place.



Visiting choir rendering music during the Congress.



President C. E. Dudley of the South Central Conference welcomes delegates to the Congress.



Eleanor Wright, composer of the Congress theme song, "In His Hands!"

Musical Extravaganza

The grand finale of the United Youth Congress was the benefit concert featuring musicians from across the United States. Among those who performed were Edwina Humphrey, Tracy and Eleanor Wright, the Breath of Life Quartet, Leroy and Cloie Logan, the Magazine Street Youth Choir, Soul Seekers, with special guests, the Richard Smallwood Singers of Washington, D.C.

The United Youth Congress began and ended on a note of triumph! Youth congresses will never be the same. There has been a triumphant meeting of the mind and heart, a spiritual celebration and an intellectual experience for all in attendance!

This Congress was so designed that blacks, hispanics, French and white youth were able to grow together in unity and harmony for a finished work. It signaled a new era of committed youth leadership.

One of the delegates, Cynthia Miller of Jamiaca, New York, expressed the sentiments of everyone present when she said, "The Congress had a touch of class. It shows what can be done when we come together with singleness of purpose in our hearts to share our time, talents, abilities, agilities for His service to mankind."



LeRoy Logan, one of the Congress organists.



Special music during the Congress was presented by Cloie Logan of Chicago, Illinois.

PUBLISHER'S PAGE



Photographer Barbara Loudis' impression of the magnificent "corridor through the sky."

CORRIDOR THROUGH THE SKY

On an American Airlines flight to the Midwest recently, leaving at 6:45 p.m., window seat 15E was my assigned seat. Little did I know what would give meaning to that seat number for the rest of my life. My friend, Caroline, and I stepped aboard the plane enroute to an important seminar.

Departure time passed—we were still on the ground. What was the delay? Finally an announcement came from the stewardess. "We are expecting stormy weather ahead. There is severe turbulence; we are carrying an extra fuel supply. The extra weight requires that ten persons volunteer to deplane, with three guaranteed immediate passage and the others wait-listed." There was subdued whispering and much hesitation among the passengers. Gradually, however, ten passengers volunteered.

Still the plane remained on the runway. Many minutes passed. Eventually, to everyone's surprise, at the stewardess' direction, ten other passengers boarded the plane and filled the seats of the volunteers! Why? Had the plane been overbooked? Had these latest passengers voiced displeasure? (In reflection, Caroline and I discussed a parallel in life when it is important to remember to stay on course with God and allow nothing to interrupt that relationship. Someone else can fill the spot. With God, however, there is room enough for all.)

Soon the engines were purring and we were in motion. We were gaining altitude. Up, up, up. We were aloft! For a long while there were no further announcements. The steady drone of the whirring motors continued. The air was filled with apprehension . . . "storm ahead, severe turbulence, extra fuel, heavy load" . . . such words call for much fervent prayer for God's protecting care.

It was twilight—then came darkness, deep darkness. Far below were lights, countless lights, interspersed in sharp contrast with the darkness, appearing as so many gleaming, amber necklaces. Soon the scene gave way to dense, possibly impenetrable billows of clouds. Outside window seat 15E—gray, dark, increasingly turbulent nothingness was everywhere. How vast, how wide the universe!

Then the voice of the pilot: "Attention, passengers, we've reached our desired altitude and are now cruising along much higher than usual. We've chosen an alternate route to bypass the storm. We're traveling steadily north. Next we'll travel west, and eventually south to our destination."

The awesome scene outside window seat 15E . . . Storm clouds were thick, murky, ominous, like millions of tons of cotton, first immersed in huge vats of India ink or soot, then flung across the expanse of the heavens as far as the eye can see. Cloud formations developed—larger, broader, greater. Cloud formations multiplied.

"Oh, Caroline, look. A startling sight: a tremendous formation is appearing thousands of feet in height and width. We're heading straight toward it." It resembled a fierce, gigantic robot defying accurate description, suspended in space with an immeasurable head and great arms outstretched—dense, with a billowy rim of dark gray. We stared speechlessly when the immense cloud standing upright was exactly parallel our window. It was so lifelike that it was difficult to resist the temptation to peer at it to see its other side. (Were we searching for a face?) Gradually it disappeared.

Then ahead! What was ahead? Seemingly, a huge, threatening precipice loomed large with thousands of footlights, floodlights, or neon signs flashing at the base. A closer look revealed another cloud formation and sightings of

lightning piercing the darkness to the right of the plane. We were bypassing the storm!

Beyond, the view was unexpected, positively exciting, heartwarming. Long coral pink, rich flamingo and deep orange sunrays brightened the horizon, interlaced with the persistent blackness. Storm clouds gradually began to decrease in one narrow, straight stretch of sky directly before us. "Caroline," I gasped, "it's beautiful, it's breathtaking. God Himself has cut a corridor right through the sky! We're headed straight into it! A corridor through the sky! It's amazing! It's a miracle!"

Then we noticed the sound of the public address system being activated. On came the pilot's voice using the same terminology: "Attention, passengers. We have been traveling over the storm at increased altitude. We have found a *corridor* through which we shall be traveling. We have changed our course and are now headed directly toward our destination. We should be arriving at the airport shortly."

The sky became calmer. We began to lose altitude and speed. Soon we landed safely. We were radiant with gratitude for an unforgettable experience. God does still protect. He does still care. It is easy to visualize an expression of these scenes on canvass in a beautiful painting as a lasting tribute to the Creator.

The airlift was a dramatic prelude to an outstanding seminar brimming with useful information, a side trip afterward to historical spots, and then a most impressive worship service as a climax. The return flight west was beautiful through a bright blue, sunny sky, in sharp contrast to the outbound flight when God cut a "corridor through the sky."

Muriel R. Hutchins



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The Editor's Desk

ACCREDITATION?? MARCH 15-17, 1981

Did we make it?

Northeastern Academy was visited March 15-17 by an accreditation evaluation team from the office of education of the General Conference of S.D.A.'s. Dr. Charles Taylor served as chairman of the team. Other members of the committee included:

Dr. Adrian Westney, Columbia Union
Dr. Rothacher Smith, Pine Forge
Institute

Mr. Sudds, Pioneer Valley Academy
Joe Hamilton, Union Springs
Academy

Cillon McKenley, Greater New York
Academy

Dr. Paul Kilgore, Atlantic Union Conference director of education, Professor Emerton C. Whidbee, Northeastern Conference educational superintendent, and the Northeastern Academy board members served as official hosts to the evaluation team.

With the N.A.D. K-12 Educational Code #5050 as a guide, the administra-

tion, staff, board, and parent committees prepared a 231-page self-study of the academy. This document was circulated and studied by the evaluation team prior to its visit to Northeastern. Comments were made by the team members concerning the thoroughness of the study as well as the assertion that it was one of the "best ever produced and would serve as a pattern for academy self-studies in the future."

While at Northeastern Academy, the team was involved in an examination of every aspect of the academy operation including:

1. General information
2. Philosophy
3. Administration
4. Instructional staff
5. Students—former students—graduates
6. Instructional media
7. Extra-curricular activities
8. School plant
9. Finance
10. Interviews with board administration, staff, students and parents.

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SUNSET CALENDAR

	July 31	Aug. 7	14	21
Boston, Mass	8:05	7:57	7:47	7:37
New York City	8:15	8:06	7:57	7:46
Buffalo, N.Y.	8:37	8:29	8:19	8:08
Atlanta, Ga.	8:39	8:33	8:25	8:17
Miami, Fla.	8:07	8:03	7:57	7:51
Charlotte, N.C.	8:28	8:21	8:14	8:05
Birmingham, Ala.	7:48	7:42	7:35	7:27
Jackson, Miss.	7:59	7:53	7:47	7:39
Memphis, Tenn.	8:04	7:58	7:50	7:42
Louisville, Ky.	8:54	8:46	8:38	8:29
Detroit, Mich.	8:54	8:46	8:36	8:26
Chicago, Ill.	8:10	8:02	7:52	7:42
South Bend, Indiana	8:05	7:56	7:47	7:37
Minneapolis, Minn.	8:41	8:32	8:22	8:10
St. Louis, Mo.	8:13	8:05	7:57	7:47
Kansas City, Mo.	8:31	8:24	8:16	8:07
Denver, Co.	8:14	8:07	7:58	7:48
Little Rock, Ark.	8:12	8:06	7:58	7:50
Dallas, Texas	8:27	8:21	8:14	8:06
New Orleans, La.	7:54	7:49	7:43	7:35
Albuquerque, N.M.	8:10	8:04	7:56	7:48
Oklahoma City, Okla.	8:35	8:29	8:21	8:12

Add one minute for each 13 miles west; subtract one minute for each 13 miles east.

THE CONFERENCES IN ACTION

ALLEGHENY WEST



Pastor and Mrs. D. W. Baker of Dayton, Ohio, in the Allegheny West Conference.

OAKWOOD HONORS ALLEGHENY WEST

President Calvin B. Rock of Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama, in conjunction with the pastor of the Oakwood church, E. C. Ward, felt that the original plan of spreading conference weekend days throughout the entire school year curtailed the college and church programs too much. Consequently, a plan was devised to have one weekend for all conferences during the course of the school year and the conference with the largest percentage of enrollment increase for that year in charge of the 11 o'clock service.

When the figures were tallied Allegheny West Conference had the highest increase for 1981 with an enrollment of approximately 200 students.

The president, H. L. Cleveland, sent Youth Director C. R. Rogers to represent the conference as coordinator of the day's activities and Pastor D. W. Baker as speaker for the 11:00 o'clock service.

Rock expressed appreciation to our president for the spirit-filled weekend and especially the way Baker and Rogers so ably represented the conference. Baker's subject was the "Story of the Street Walker Who Came to Christ." The audience was spellbound as he unfolded the story of Mary Magdalene and her remarkable conversion.

We say thank you to Pastor Delbert W. Baker of Ethan Temple in Dayton, Ohio, for letting the Lord use him in such a dynamic way.



Speakers for the opening: the assistant to Youngtown's mayor, President Cleveland, Pastor Edgar Williamson.

LAY WITNESSING PAYS

Edgar Williamson, a layman and presently a lay pastor for the Youngstown area, has always had a fervor for souls. It was because of this zeal that the conference invited him to become a lay pastor as a part-time conference worker. Many souls have come.

Williamson picks out people he feels will be an asset to the Lord's work and goes after them with a zeal.

In 1979, Florine Watkins, her granddaughter and husband were baptized as a result of Bible studies given by Pastor Williamson. At that time Watkins was operating a prominent, federally-funded, well-staffed, well-equipped nursery in Youngstown. When she came into the Youngstown church, she wanted to expand her operation to include a day academy for the church and community at large.

Consequently, the Watkins Christian Academy idea was born and she acquired a public school building. In the 1981-82 school year she plans to carry grades from pre-school through the ninth grade. Eventually, she plans to have twelve grades in the academy where hundreds of children will be exposed to Adventism in the classroom.

Thank you, Edgar Williamson, for your dedication, zeal and commitment to lay witnessing.

E. M. Cleveland
Conference Reporter

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Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

Colossians 2:8



Mrs. Watkins, director, and the assistant director, Mrs. Jennings.



Pastor C. R. Rogers, Adventist youth director of the Allegheny West Conference.



Watkins Christian Academy of Youngstown, Ohio, Allegheny West Conference.



Left to right: Otha Jennings, daughter, assistant director Florine Watkins, mother and director, another daughter.



Nursery equipment at Watkins Christian Academy.

“JOY OVER ONE SOUL”

“God, give me more souls” is the earnest plea of literature evangelist Percy Wellington. He has been a literature evangelist for almost nine years and loves the ministry of carrying God’s truth-filled literature to many homes in the St. Louis area.

He and his co-worker, Magnolia Harris, had often visited the home of Loretha Plair. On one occasion when Wellington visited her home, she began asking many questions about the Bible. He answered all her questions from the Bible he carried with him. When the session concluded, Percy invited Loretha to take part in a weekly Bible study series. The efforts of the weekly studies brought Loretha closer to God’s Word than she had ever been before. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, joy and thanksgiving were expressed as Loretha was baptized in the Kirkwood, Missouri, SDA Church.



Loretha Plair stands with Percy Wellington just after her baptism.

COOKING CLASS A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS

The Northside SDA Church in St. Louis, Missouri, conducted one of the largest cooking classes in its history. The program was directed by Mamie Penny and Linda Bandy, R.D., of Northside and Darlene Turner, R.D., of Kinloch.

Sessions convened for a five-week period with classes taught four nights a week and two hours each night. Each class began with a lecture, followed by demonstration and ended with a question and answer period. Door prizes of canned vegetarian foods or meat substitutes were given.

Class attendance averaged 40 to 50 participants, including men, women and children ranging in age from 8 to 89. Six area Seventh-day Adventist churches participated. There were approximately five non-church members who came regularly.



Members of cooking class who received certificates for their completion of the class, from left to right, are Darlene Turner, Linda Bandy and Mamie Penny.

Guest speakers were Mamie Penny; Joyce Thomas, RN; Michael Cook, Loma Linda representative and Joseph Shidiel, MD, of Denver, Colorado.

The five-week program concluded with a Saturday night “taste fair.” Foods were prepared by the students, tasted and then sold to those in attendance. A cookbook by Penny, Turner and Bandy was sold also. The compilation listed healthful recipes, facts and fads about foods, shoppers time-savers, information on label reading and the pros and cons of vegetarianism.

Much of the success of this cooking class is owed to B. T. Rice, pastor of the Northside church. The church is making plans for another class in the near future.

Jayne Byrd
Communication Secretary



Contestants in the Youth Rally Vegetarian Speech Contest are, left to right, R. Paris (winner), M. Hannon, T. Petty (microphone), A. Wyatt, B. Mann and D. Hinton.



Emmanuel Bullock, left, and Otto Kirkland during the recent workers' meeting. Bullock introduced Kirkland, who is the new associate in the publishing work for Central States Conference. Kirkland came to the midwest from the southwest territory with headquarters in Dallas.



New pastors introduced at workers meeting, left to right, are Mack Woods, Coffeyville district; Emmitt Slocumb, Pueblo-Colorado Springs; G. H. Jones, Lincoln-Omaha; and Paul Turner, Charleston-Sikeston.



Platform guests at the conference youth rally are, from left to right, S. Haywood Cox, Richard Barron, J. E. White and V. Lindsay.

Whoever fears to submit any question to the test of free discussion, values his own opinion more than the truth.

FUN FAIR AT BEACON

Roberta McCluskey, Adventist youth leader at the Chicago Beacon of Joy Church, recently supervised a night of fun and excitement.

A fun fair was held with booths set up with games, prizes and refreshments. Activities included a cake walk, apple dunking and a ball toss. The young peoples' faces showed their excitement as they received their dolls and stuffed animals from the various booths.

The fair netted \$165 which will be placed in the building fund.

Roberta McCluskey
Communication Secretary



Kenneth Peters dunking for apples at the fun fair.

PASTOR RECEIVES HERITAGE AWARD



J. David Parker, pastor of the Burns Avenue Church in Detroit, Michigan, is the recent recipient of the Black Heritage Award, which was presented through the office of State Senator Ethel Terrell.

Senator Terrell stated that "the Black Heritage Award given to several black ministers in the Detroit area was long overdue for the contributions that the black clergy have given to the struggle for freedom." The award ceremony was held at the St. Regis Hotel in Detroit.

Dexter Pierce
Communication Secretary

SENIOR CITIZENS DAY

The annual Senior Citizens Day was commemorated on Sabbath, May 9, 1981. The thought for the Sabbath school hour was "Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is" (Jer. 17:7).

Sabbath school was opened by singing "My Hope is Built," and prayer was offered by Elijah Baker. The acting superintendent, Christine Baskerville, welcomed all present and continued with the progress report by the acting secretary, Mattie Johnson, a clavietta solo by Bert Benning, a special feature by Eva Reed, 83 years of age, who recited poetry, Investment by Saleeka Harrison, musical meditation by Walter Baskerville, and world mission emphasis from Naomi Watson. Class study was "The Hope of the Race." Acknowledgement of visitors came from Dorothy Barnes.

Seniors had the whole day. We moved into the lay activities hour, with Alby Boon, acting lay activities leader, and her co-worker, Eugenia Hicks, as lay activities secretary. The divine worship hour was ushered in with adoration and praise. Exhortations were by Roy Bell and Baldwin Harrison. Invocation was given by Pastor A. T. Humphrey, after which Melnod Grant enthusiastically told a story to the children.

Pastoral welcome and fellowship followed. Visitors came from as far as Alaska, California, New York, Indiana, and Chicago, Illinois, as well as visitors from Milwaukee sister churches, and other visitors from the city of Milwaukee.

The "spotlight" was the presentation of a corsage by President Watson to charter member Eva Reed, 83 years of age. Announcements were read by Thelma Bell, remarks made by Dr. Debora McGregor, also a visitor. The service continued with antiphonal scripture reading by Zenobia Little and Allena Mitchell. Pastoral prayer circle came

from Pastor A. T. Humphrey. Solo—"In Times Like These"—Adele Humphrey. Ministry of Stewardship from Walter Baskerville. Solo—"Thru It All."—Michael Tompkins. Pianists, Allena Mitchell and Velma Folden, organist, Michael Tompkins.

A. T. Humphrey, our church pastor, introduced the guest speaker for the occasion, Executive Secretary R. C. Brown of the Lake Region Conference, who gave a timely message built around iniquity, sin and transgression. Each phase was defined, woven in was Exodus 20:1-11, and beautifully highlighted were verses 12-17 of Exodus 20.

Truly it was a high day in "Zion," a day that will long be remembered by the special guest, visitors, senior citizens and church members alike.

Christine Baskerville
Program Chairman

CITY TEMPLE MEMBER RECEIVES AWARD

Maurice Berry, a member of the Detroit City Temple SDA Church, received a trophy at the annual literature evangelist's institute in Orlando, Florida, for having delivered \$24,659.59 worth of literature, the fourth highest amount delivered in the Lake Region Conference in 1980.



Maurice and Carol Berry

Maurice, age 23, is married to the former Carol Lynn Bailey. Baptized in October, 1978, Maurice had a strong desire to prepare others for the kingdom of God. He and Carol felt the Holy Spirit was leading them to the literature ministry and accepted the challenge.

In a meek and humble manner, Maurice states that "success as a literature evangelist is the union of Divine Power and human effort." He quotes further from *Colporteur Ministry*, page 106, "Those who achieve the greatest results are those who rely most implicitly upon the Almighty Arm." He adds to those statements, "to God to be the glory for great things He has done."

Elsie R. Knox
Communication Secretary

BETTER LIVING CRUSADE HELD AT BROOKLYN TEMPLE

A better living crusade was conducted at the Brooklyn Temple Seventh-day Adventist Church, Brooklyn, New York, by Pastor Raymond Saunders, conference evangelist, for four weeks during April.

H. R. McFarlane
Communication Secretary



David R. Willis, associate evangelist and a melodious tenor or high baritone, reminded everyone nightly, "There's no place like this place, so this must be the place."



In one of his heart-touching sermons he admonished that the devil is saying to eat the pig; "eat anything you want, it's good for ya!"



The eloquent Bible instructor, Patricia Langley, was present every night with a smile and embrace waiting to share with everyone that came through the doors of the church. Here she is on the first Sabbath teaching the Sabbath school lesson.



Inspirational organist Raymond White from Chicago filled the chapel air with music from the keyboards praising our Savior and King.

ELLA RIVERS—A MOM AGAIN AT AGE 90

Ella Rivers, a faithful member of the Faith Seventh-day Adventist Church in Hartford, Connecticut, and the oldest resident of the elderly housing complex in which she resides, has been officially named the mother of the village. She now carries the title, "Mother of Mahoney Village."



Courtesy: The Hartford Courant.

For six years she served as treasurer for the tenants' association. She retired from that position in January, 1981, citing health reasons. The tenants have been overwhelmingly inspired by her good works, high standards of Christianity and radiant personality. The tenants' association voted to recognize her publicly.

Neighbors, family, friends, city and state officials honored her at a gala reception recently. The mayor of Hartford was the guest speaker for the occasion. He personally presented her with a proclamation from the city of Hartford. The tenants' association gave her a plaque. Many cards and speeches described her as being lively, sincere and exuberant.

Ella Rivers, a widow, has two daughters, four grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and a host of relatives.

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And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent.

Acts 17:30

YOUTH DAY HELD AT CORONA

Youth Day was celebrated at the Corona, New York, Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sabbath, April 11.

The Sabbath school program was directed by Norma Reid, with all ten classes taught by youth. Sabbath school participants said afterwards that it was a challenging experience.

Colonel Leonard Johnson of the U. S. Air Force was guest speaker for divine worship. Johnson spoke on homecoming, drawing lessons on our preparation for heaven from the preparations made for the return of prisoners from Vietnam a few years ago. The speaker gave us the assurance that Jesus is taking care of every detail of our coming trip through outer space to the dwelling place of the Father.



The Corona youth choir.

At 4 p.m. Colonel Johnson conducted a question-and-answer session, during which he challenged the youth to have themselves fully grounded in truth before trying to work out problems in their lives.

To climax the day's activities, a cantata was presented by the youth choir of the church. A large congregation made up of church members and visitors was inspired and enthralled as the choir presented John Peterson's "No Greater Love." Soloists were: Mario Cameron, tenor; Hayden Blake, tenor; Denton Lewis, tenor; Norma Reid, soprano; Andy Toppin, bass; and Wanda Wheeler, contralto. Narrators were Jackie Wheeler and Gerald Lester. At the end of the program the choir director, Evelyn Guy, was presented with a plaque in rec-



Evelyn Guy received a plaque from Hayden Black, choir member.

ognition of her untiring efforts on behalf of our young people.

In his charge to the young people during the day's closing exercises, Johnson advised the youth to stand by their church and their faith regardless of what problems and conflicts they may encounter.

Corona is proud of its youth and we continually pray that their witness and influence will serve to uplift the Master's cause in our community.

LeRoy O. Thomas
Communication Secretary

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OAKWOOD ALUMNI HOLD TESTIMONIAL

Sunday, April 5, was a memorable day for all in attendance at the testimonial luncheon sponsored by the New York chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni Association, honoring Edna Lett Williamson and Pastor Lee A. Paschal.

The gala affair was held at Chateau Pelham, Inc., Bronx, New York. Williamson and Paschal were honored for their years of dedicated service to the youth of the Adventist church and for their faithful support of the New York chapter and Oakwood College. They are both members of the board of trustees of Oakwood. Guests attended from Detroit, Atlanta, Huntsville, Washington, D.C. and Nashville, as well as the metropolitan area.

The keynote address was given by Pastor Charles Dudley, president of South Central Conference. Nostalgia flourished and unstinting praise resounded from former students, fellow alumni, organizational leaders and administrative colleagues concerning the labors of the honorees.

Special music was provided by the Harmonic Sounds, a girls' quartet from Northeastern Academy, Annette Wilson and Lynda Elliott.

The honorees were recipients of tokens of appreciation from several groups. Evelyn Lowe Mitchell, membership chairman for the New York chapter, received the Distinguished Service Award for 1981.



C. E. Dudley, president of the South Central Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, was the guest speaker for the testimonial.



R. C. Brown, secretary of the Lake Region Conference and managing editor for the Regional Voice, attended the testimonial.



L. A. Paschal gave the "thank-you" speech for all honorees. Evelyn Mitchell (r.) received a certificate of merit from the New York Chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni Association, (l. to r.) Edna Lett Williamson, L. A. Paschal, Evelyn Mitchell.



L. A. Paschal, editor of the Regional Voice, president of the National Chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni, communications director for the Northeastern Conference of SDA—Honoree.



A. S. Rashford, president of the local chapter of New York, presenting plaque to Williamson.



G. R. Earle, president of the Northeastern Conference, introduced the speaker and gave remarks.



Stennett Brooks, treasurer of Northeastern Conference, presents a plaque to L. A. Paschal.

WEEK OF PRAYER HELD AT DUBLIN

"The New Jerusalem Limited" was the theme of the week of spiritual emphasis conducted by Ted Ellerbe, district pastor. The week came to a dramatic close on April 4 with a baptism of seven souls, which brings Pastor Ellerbe's total for 1981 so far to about 50 baptisms.

Among the activities of the week was a Weight Watchers Program, which was given by Cecelia Watkins, health director of the church. A participant from the community testified that she had lost 35 pounds as a result of the program.

The Golden Bells of Augusta, Howard Moore of Milledgeville and Priscilla Kyles and her Trebelairs brought a musical in the evening to bring the week to a successful end.

The week of prayer started on March 28, when the young people of the Dublin church gathered at Stubbs Park for a rendezvous with nature and the Bible to gain needed inspiration for the week ahead. Quite a bit of study and preparation went into that evening's activities at the park by Glinder Pittman, Ponder Pittman and Grady Johnson.

Pastor Mitchell Tyner, religious liberty director of Kentucky-Tennessee Conference and conference lawyer; Dr. James Westbury, executive secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of America; Pastor John Morgan, associate director of religious liberty of the General Conference, in charge of North American Division; Oliver Whitaker, assistant to Harold Alexander; Pastor Fernon Retzer, religious liberty director of Southern Union Conference; R. E. Totteress, radio evangelist and associate pastor of Berean church; and Harold Alexander, religious liberty director of Berean church.



A portion of the group which participated in the workshop for minority writers. Standing behind the contributors, seated left to right, are: Attorney Charles Price, Richard E. Totteress, Georgianne Thomas, Linda Page, Ann Matthewson and Nathaniel Miller.

MINORITY WRITERS WORKSHOP HELD

The Atlanta chapter of the Minority Writers Guild had its first meeting on Sunday, May 3, in Atlanta, Georgia. Director of the workshop was Linda Page, who is also the treasurer of the National Minority Writers Guild. The South Atlantic Conference was quite cooperative in turning over the conference office facilities to the guild for the day.

There were 33 participants in the workshop, which started at 8:30 in the morning and closed at 5:30 p.m. Pearl Strozier, acting president of the guild, welcomed the many contributors to the activities of the day. One of these was Nathaniel Miller, principal of Berean Jr. Academy, who brought the devotion and a presentation on the writing and understanding of poetry. He has written over 300 poems. Another was S. E. Gooden, communication director of South Atlantic Conference, who gave a presentation on "Communication Begins With Attitudes," Elexis Scott-Reeves, editor of

the *Intown Extra Magazine* of the *Atlanta Constitution*. She spoke on the necessary tools for writing.

Pastor R. E. Totteress, radio evangelist and associate pastor of the Berean SDA Church, spoke on "The Power of the Public Media in Communication." Charles Bowie, a commercial artist and writer, spoke on "Photography in Communication." C. A. Scott, publisher of the *Atlanta Daily World* was represented by Attorney Charles Price, who spoke on "The Need for Black Publications in Today's World." Ann Matthewson of Vanitage Press spoke on "How to Submit Manuscripts to Publishers." Georgianne Thomas, public relations director of Delta Airlines, electrified the workshop with her presentation on "Public Relations."



Elexis Scott Reeves, center, with Irene Bowden, left, and Linda Page, right, presenting a copy of the book, "Counsels to Writers and Editors," by Ellen G. White.



RELIGIOUS LIBERTY RALLY HELD

The first religious liberty rally of South Atlantic Conference was held at the Atlanta-Berean church and covered two weekends.

On April 4 the film on John Huss was shown. On April 11, a three-hour rally portrayed the constitutional rights of freedom of worship. The film, "Deceived," was shown and more than 50 percent of the full house remained for that also.

Pictured in the foreground is S. E. Gooden, religious liberty director of South Atlantic Conference, who coordinated the program and chaired the panel discussion. Left to right are: Ralph Franklin, pastor of Berean church;



Among approximately 200 young people who were invested in the various categories of the AYS classes at Berean church on May 2 were eight Master Guides. Standing with them on the front row left to right are: Ralph Franklin, pastor of the church; Joyce Scurry, AYS leader; Henry Barbour, III, youth ministries sponsor and coordinator; Principal Miller of Berean school; Samuel Cort, Pathfinder director of the church; Master Guides Earnest Braithwaite, Vivian Harding, Carol Bailey, Lillian Coleman, Cephia Percy, Felecia Harrison (James Bussey and David Long are not in the picture); Joseph Johnson, instructor for the Master Guides; and Pastor F. W. Parker, youth director for South Atlantic Conference.



Pastor J. E. Merideth, administrator, honors Grace McDonald with a plaque for 37 years of continuous service at Riverside Hospital. McDonald came to Riverside when Nellie Druillard first established the institution in 1927.

GRACE McDONALD SERVES 53 YEARS AT RIVERSIDE HOSPITAL

I. J. Johnson, communication director, interviews Grace McDonald:

Johnson: Grace McDonald, I understand that you have been employed at Riverside Hospital for more than 50 years.

McDonald: Yes, it's been 53 years. Mrs. Druillard bought some 47 acres of land on Youngs Lane and started to build Riverside in 1927. I came in 1928. So Riverside has been here one year longer than I have.

Johnson: Was your birthplace near here?

McDonald: My father was John Henry Morrison from Scotland. My mother was part Indian. I was born in Piedmont, Alabama, in 1909, the ninth of eleven children. I had six brothers and four sisters. What was a little unusual in the family was the fact that my father and mother and nine of the eleven children were white, but one brother and I were black. My father's brother also had two children who were black. It seems that there was some colored blood in my father's family way back in Scotland.

Johnson: So you came from Alabama. Was that where you went to school?

McDonald: When I was seven years old my white brothers and sisters went to school near the house, but I did not go. My colored brother, who was older than I was, left home. But I learned to read looking at my father's record books in

which he charged the customers for their goods. (You see, he operated a store.) No one taught me to read, I just picked up the books and the Lord showed me how to pronounce words and figures.

Johnson: That was not all of your schooling, was it?

McDonald: My cousin, Mamie Woodard, did a lot of traveling and met a Mrs. Steele on the train one day. In the conversation my cousin learned that Mrs. Steele operated a home for girls in Chattanooga. She told my mother of this home and the next week my mother, my sister and I were on our way to Chattanooga.

This Mrs. Steele was a white Seventh-day Adventist who loved and helped more than 1,600 such girls. In two weeks she had me going to Hylandale Academy in Wisconsin. After placing me in the school and giving me a Bible, she visited me from year to year. I was older than anyone in the first grade, but when I finished, I was the youngest one. I made two grades in one year. We went to school in the morning and went to work in the afternoon. We had two hours to study after supper, then went to bed.

About that time they had a General Conference session in Milwaukee. A Mrs. Scott from an Adventist school in Madison, Tennessee, came over to Hylandale Academy. She talked with the principal and the next thing I knew, I was on my way to Nashville, Tennessee. I didn't know a soul in Nashville. I was going to work at the new hospital, Riverside.

Johnson: So that's how you got to Riverside in 1928. You had a high school education, so what were your assignments?

McDonald: I arrived when they were building two of the last of the eight cottages. I helped to put on shingles and siding. I was 19 years old and was assigned duties as nurse's aid, housekeeping, kitchen helper, farm helper and everything else. I milked the cows, picked tomatoes and helped can foods. But I enjoyed myself working there with Nurse Druillard.

Johnson: Tied down to so much work, how did you get married?

McDonald: In a few years I went to school at the state college. There I met Mike McDonald—I was Grace Morrison. Pastor Keitts was holding a tent meeting in Nashville. I invited Mike to the meetings. He kept coming. He accepted the Adventist message and I accepted

him. We have two children, one boy and one girl. They are married now and we have two grandchildren.

Johnson: There must be a difference in the big brick building now and the eight little white buildings that were here.

McDonald: Yes, I helped to build and paint those first buildings. During the first twenty years, the nurses would take meals to the patients from the dining building to the medical and patient buildings. It was interesting to see the helpers in white with umbrellas over their heads and trays in their hands going building to building. In the late night and early morning you could see the dedicated helpers in white going from building to building attending their patients.

The patients were free to walk out-of-doors in the natural setting. Mrs. Druillard was here until 1935. She loved the natural surroundings and natural treatments to help patients get well. People from all over the United States would come to Riverside. In 1947 an 84-bed, three-story brick building was erected and left the cottages. Later, other brick buildings were put up and Riverside was considered to be one of the finest hospitals in Tennessee. I lived on Riverside for nearly 50 years.

Johnson: When and where did you learn to play the piano and organ?

McDonald: I was taught piano lessons at Hylandale Academy. I learned to play the organ like I learned to read. The Lord helped me. I have worked in almost all departments of the hospital—food service, operating, physical therapy, constant supply, housekeeping, and all. I really enjoyed it. I now work only two days per week.

C. E. DUDLEY RE-ELECTED

Dr. C. E. Dudley was re-elected as president at the May 3 constituency meeting. He has served as president for nearly nineteen years and has watched the membership grow from 4,000 to more than 14,000, and the churches climb from 54 to 98. Membership has doubled in the last ten years. Dudley says that if members would work with the pastors, he feels that the membership would double in the next five years. "It's some members working with the pastors that caused the membership to double in ten years. If all members would work with the pastors, membership would double in the next five years."

MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

On Friday, April 24, eighteen couples from the Bessemer area converged on Camp Alamisco in Dadeville, Alabama. The couples included those who had been married from fifteen weeks to fifteen years.

This was the second annual married couples' retreat sponsored by the Married Ladies Club of the First church of Bessemer, Alabama.

The Friday night program included an analysis of the mate's concepts of love as compared with I Corinthians 13:4-7.

Sabbath services included the study of a Sabbath school lesson specially prepared by Pastor R. L. James and taught by local elder John Smith. Both Adventists and non-Adventists were present and participated in the lesson entitled, "In Love Eternally." The sermon was entitled, "Together With Jesus" and was delivered by the pastor as the audience smiled, held hands and rededicated themselves to God and each other.

The Married Ladies Club had a complete program planned for the evening. After the Adventist Youth Society (AYS) period, which included a play about marriage, the ladies gave a candlelight Italian dinner.

Since some of the couples had recently exchanged marriage vows, the marriage game planned and conducted by the ladies of the club was exciting, to say the least.

Points of discussion included four of the ten major causes of depression as brought out in the book, *What Wives Wish Their Husbands Knew About Women*, by James Dobson.

The married couples had a great time Sunday morning boating, playing basketball, ping pong, Uno and other games.

Club President Lottie Wrencher and Vice President Lynda Smith planned with the members to continue this annual retreat which includes religious leaders, counselors, psychologists and friends for problem solving. The retreat also includes planned recreation.

NEWS BITS

● Laurell, Mississippi, one of the smaller churches in the South Central Conference, paid off the mortgage of their new

building a few weeks ago. They are now planning for a mortgage burning ceremony, when they can get the president to plan to be with them for that big event.

● J. H. Wagner, pastor of the Magazine Street church in Louisville, Kentucky, has been sick for a few weeks. He has been in the hospital but the work of the church has moved right along. He has fallen in love with the church and, having pastored it for seven years, asked to be left there for a while longer. The church purchased a school building from the city, and Wagner wants to stay there until the school and its operation are "tip-top."

● Pastor F. N. Crowe, who was re-elected as secretary/treasurer at the May constituency meeting, reported that the tithe had increased \$120,000 during the first quarter of 1981. He says that "if everyone would be faithful in tithing, we would have a \$500,000 increase by the end of December."

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SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE AT UNITED YOUTH CONGRESS

Armed with 70 delegates and several hundred of its members, the youth of the South Central Conference journeyed to the "Motor City" to participate in the historic United Youth Congress. The delegates were pleasantly surprised to find that this big northern city wasn't so bad after all. They found that the trolley cars were interesting, the Renaissance Center was beautiful, the nearness of Canada fascinating, the hotels comfortable and the weather chilly.

South Central distinguished itself with its Bible Bowl team from the Berean church in Jackson, Charles Lindsay, Debbie Ward, Ruth Patrick, Alvin Conway and Florine Taylor, members of the team, will go down as the most determined and exciting second-place finishers in history.

In addition to the Magazine Street Youth Choir from Louisville, Kentucky, and the rich sounds of Dwayne Hamilton's voice, the Youth For Better Living Team, under the direction of Pastor Henry Holt of Nashville, Tennessee, was the pivotal force in the Crime Prevention Week declared by the city of Detroit and Mayor Coleman Young. One of the high points of the congress was the Thursday night drama performed by the team in the convention center, climaxed by a standing ovation at its conclusion. The testimonies of the young people from the street who had found Christ and had been impressed by the team's ministry were thrilling.

The single most impressive feature at the congress, according to our delegates, were the seminars. Most of the delegates couldn't wait to return home to tell how richly they had been blessed.



South Central "Youth for Better Living" group presents a program on crime prevention to the congress.

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PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1980

On May 19, 1980, I assumed the responsibility for the operation of the Physical Therapy Department. Re-evaluations were done on all patients on the program. Revisions and additions to their respective prescriptions were made on the majority of them to update the quality of care being given. Many patients were added to the program. Much of the equipment that had not been used was made available. Wheelchairs were ordered and received by many patients with specific needs. Hand splints were constructed by the therapist to reduce and prevent further contractures.

In-service programs were conducted on "Biomechanics and Techniques of Lifting" to reduce the number of injuries especially in the Dietary Department. Frequent in-service sessions are conducted on a departmental level to give the staff a greater understanding and appreciation of the kind of service we offer.

As the patient load increased, it began to make strict demands on the nursing staff as well as our department. Many problems developed. After several conferences with the nursing staff, we were able to overcome these obstacles. Only those patients whose therapy necessitated the use of the modalities would be sent to Physical Therapy Department for treatment. The remainder of the patients on the program would be treated on their respective units by the Physical Therapy staff. We have adopted this policy and it is working out quite well. This move has greatly reduced the stress involved in the tight scheduling that resulted in foot races with patients in wheelchairs to Physical Therapy.

Also, it was necessary to add another physical therapy aide to the staff to handle the large volume of patients that we now treat.

A comparative report for 1979 and 1980 for the months from May to December shows that there was a 30 percent increase in the average number of patients seen in the Physical Therapy Department. Also, the number of treatments given for that period doubled. I would like to add that we do more treatments in four hours than most of the hospitals in the area perform in one day.

In order to enhance the work of this department, several goals have been projected:

1. More professional conferences as it pertains to patient planning in prescribing and re-evaluating physical therapy programs for the patients. Also, revisions of any existing program should be discussed with the physical therapist.
2. In-service programs including range of motion exercises should be given to the nursing staff on a periodic basis so that there can be a greater continuity of therapy in the afternoons and on weekends.
3. Assisting in the completion of the development of the Rehabilitation Unit on Unit 200.
4. Obtaining several items of equipment which have already been requested to upgrade the quality of patient care.

In 1981, I expect a continual increase in the number of patients on the program. More part-time staff may have to be added as the need arises. More time must be given in our patient care meetings, dealing with the functional needs of the patients.

Arthur Bolling, R. P. T.
Physical Therapy Department

SOCIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1980

Accomplishments—1980

Throughout 1980 the Social Services Department realized the level of efficient organization seen in 1979 and prior years.

At the forefront of its myriad accomplishments was the development of the "Victory Lake Nursing Center Information Guide" for residents, families, sponsors and community-based health care organizations. Its enthusiastic acceptance is an indication of how terribly long it has been overdue. Really, the reality of this guide is unequivocally more beautiful than the dream.

Then, there was the development of Social Work Intervention Referral Forms—so the nursing units can request involvement of the social worker in areas where his expertise is warranted.

The weekly interdisciplinary patient care conferences (inaugurated to provide a larger base for the various disciplines to meticulously analyze and solve these problems which cannot be effectively dealt with in the individual setting), which have been tremendously successful, were continued.

Lastly, the Social Service Department continued to provide the staff with in-services on how to meet the socio-emotional needs of the residents. Further, psychosocial histories and systematic progress notes regarding the social, emotional and behavioral aspects of the patients' lives were provided in medical records. Monthly reports on the performance of the department were submitted to the administrator.

The New York State Department of Health social worker, Mrs. Wright, and the Victory Lake Nursing Center social

worker consultant, Cathy Williams, found the department to be operating excellently in all areas throughout 1980.

Projections/Goals—1980

1. Review and update the Social Service Procedure Manual for the state survey/efficient functioning of the department.

2. Offer continued support to the Welcoming Committee of the Resident Council as this is one way of promoting the satisfactory adjustment of new residents to institutionalization.

3. Continue to work closely with the R. T. Department in regard to patient groups, e.g. discussion group.

4. Continue weekly patient care conferences with other members of the team in an effort to foster appropriate goal setting and upgrade the delivery of care.

5. Review our admission/discharge process with the admission coordinator and update it where appropriate.

6. Review and revise if necessary the procedures for the Patient's Bill of Rights.

7. Continue to provide the administration and staff with pertinent information regarding patients and significant others by means of psychosocial summaries, systematic progress assessments in the medical records and monthly reports.

8. Lastly, continue to represent the interest of superb social work standards within/without Victory Lake Nursing Center.

It must be unequivocally stated that, in general, efforts will be directed toward prevention of problems and upgrading patient care in an efficient, cost effective manner. Despite the fact that this would possibly involve new routines/procedures, the rationale is that the more problems prevented, the less time spent in their resolution.

Goals will be added as circumstances dictate, but, as in the past, the social work program will continue to build on those goals achieved and efficaciously demonstrated.

Errol Reid
Director, Social Services

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EDITOR'S DESK

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Northeastern Conference hosted a delightful dinner for all involved on Monday evening, March 16th, at the conference office.

Chairman Charles Taylor returned to the academy and rendered a report of the committee findings to the academy board and staff. Things look very favorable, but final action will be taken by the Office of Education on May 28th when the recommendations from all the evaluation teams will be reviewed. We feel confident that Northeastern made the grade and an official announcement will be published in June.

Edna Lett-Williamson
Principal

(Editor's note: On June 3rd Northwestern Academy was voted full accreditation for five years.)



Janice Johnson of the Miles College psychology department.

MILES INSTRUCTOR RECEIVES GRANT MONIES

Janice Johnson, instructor of psychology at Miles College, has received a grant totaling \$2,800 for six weeks of travel and research in Lagos, Nigeria, this summer.

She was selected by the International Programs Committee of the Alabama Consortium for the Development of Higher Education as a recipient of the Study Abroad Scholarship made available through funds from the U. S. Department of State's International Communications Agency, Program for Minorities and Women.

Johnson received a bachelor of science degree from Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama, and a master's degree from Alabama A & M University. She holds membership in the American Psychological Association, American Association of Women Deans and Counselors, the American Personnel and Guidance Association and the Women's Seminar of Miles College. She is also the director of the International Student Center and faculty advisor for international students at Miles. She is a member of the ACDHE International Programs Committee.

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