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Ignite the Flame Within

"For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God." 2 Tim. 1:6 NIV

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COVER

This month's issue is celebrating and encouraging ministry to children and youth. Pathfinders is the strongest, congregation-based youth ministry in the Adventist Church. The 5th international North American Division camporee is its largest event. The camporee's theme is Faith on Fire and is based on the life of Joseph. Once again the Lake Union is hosting the event at Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Pathfinders and its camporee are examples of what can happen when God's people aren't afraid to embrace His big ideas for children and youth.

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EDITORIAL



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Let the Little Children Come

She was a most beautiful woman—kind and considerate, sensitive and compassionate. Her smile was infectious, and she had my full attention whenever she came into the room. I was so smitten that it was my serious intention to marry her as soon as possible. The fact that she already had a husband was not a problem for me. She would have to take care of that somehow.

You see, I was five years old, and she was my Sabbath school teacher! I was horrified to overhear some adults talking, and they said that she was homely! Surely they did not see the same beautiful lady that was beckoning me closer to Jesus each Sabbath. They couldn't possibly be talking about the sweet person who recognized my shyness and helped me utter my first public prayer. Could they be confusing this Bible tour guide, who led us children around the sandbox desert and the model of Abraham's tent, with someone else?

Maybe they were mixing her up with some disreputable character in our church. Or maybe they just hadn't gotten to know her like I and the other children in kindergarten had. Or maybe adults should be careful about what they say in earshot of children. Or just maybe they should stop gossiping altogether!

Whatever the case, Sabbath school is still remembered as the most enjoyable part of church while growing up. What are you doing for the children in your church? Oh, I know you have 5–10 minutes of children's church at the 11:00 a.m. service on Sabbath, but is there someone really dedicated to the welfare of the little guys and girls in your church? Jesus said in Matthew 18:3, "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven." That means that we can even take children as OUR example!

A few years ago Jackie and I conducted a couples' seminar in Phoenix, Arizona. After I preached that morning, a little lady introduced herself to me. It was my long lost childhood love! My kindergarten teacher was standing in front of me, and suddenly I realized that I had carried no physical remembrance of her. But to me she was still beautiful because of the positive spiritual effect she had on my young life. She is still married, praise the Lord, and I'm OK with that!



YOUTH IN ACTION



WESTMONT YOUTH HELP CHURCH IN MEXICO

BY JENNY AN

Nine members of the Westmont (Illinois) Korean Church youth group drove in the church van to Mexico to participate in a mission project from August 9–16, 2003. The goal was to help the Adventist church at Nuevo Laredo.

Since most of us had not traveled to Mexico before, we anticipated, as we neared the Mexican border, that it wouldn't be much different from what was on the American side. After all, even on the American side of the border, everything was in Spanish. However, as soon as we crossed the border, the differences were very real. Everyone became quiet as they looked out the windows at a landscape very different from what we were used to seeing in Illinois.

As our week began, we met with Cynthia, Guatemo, Carlos, Queztecotale, Fernando, and Esperanza, plus their parents who were to be our Mexican host family and with whom we would be working. Even though we arrived at the work site each morning at about five o'clock, they came earlier to greet us and show us what the day's jobs would be. Usually,

our job was to clear the church area and to help mix and pour concrete.

Each day they also brought us a delicious lunch which we greatly enjoyed and then worked a bit longer before "siesta time." During siesta time, we prepared the materials for our evening Vacation Bible School (VBS) and tried to rest a bit. At 5:30 in the evening, we drove back to the "templo" to greet our VBS kids and conduct the programs.

The kids were so special. They were growing up in Nuevo Laredo, one of the most dangerous cities in Mexico, worse than we could ever imagine. They lived in small, one-

room shacks on dirt streets, had few clothes and toys, and did not have shoes. In Nuevo Laredo, the wealthy live in concrete homes, but the not-so-fortunate have homes made from scraps of wood, bricks, or corrugated metal. Stray dogs wander the streets.

In spite of the poverty in which they live, the boys and girls were full of smiles and always greeted us warmly. They would wait for our arrival and then run out to greet us, in the sunshine or the rain. They gave of their love so freely that it amazed us.

Our one week in Mexico passed by so quickly, but it was enough time for us to learn a lot about God's grace. He provides His grace so wonderfully, and sometimes we forget how His eye watches over the sparrows. Our Westmont youth group learned a lot about the beauty of people's hearts and souls, and we look forward to going to Mexico again next year to serve God by helping people.



These Westmont (Illinois) Korean Church youth went to Mexico to help an Adventist church in Nuevo Laredo.

Jenny An is a Westmont Adventist Youth member.

WELCOME

NEW MEMBERS

Illinois

By her own admission, **Milanka Friedman** is a prodigal child who has returned home. Born in Botos, Yugoslavia, she grew up in an Orthodox Serbian family where religion was very important. Her father observed the religious traditions of his faith, including an annual visit by the priest to bless their home. As a good daughter, Milanka dutifully attended the Orthodox Church on Sundays.

Her mother, who was raised as a Seventh-day Adventist, wanted Milanka to experience the Adventist faith as well. However, with no Adventist church in town, Milanka and her mother had to ride a bicycle over five miles to her grandparents' village to worship with the small Adventist congregation there. It was worth the sacrifice. Milanka recalls how refreshing it was to be able to sing, pray, and listen to stories about God in her own language, something she missed in the Orthodox tradition.

When she was 14 years old, Milanka's family moved to Vienna, Austria, where they obtained immigration visas to the United States through the help of an Adventist pastor. While in Austria, they also attended the Adventist Church on a regular basis, and when her mother decided to be baptized in 1972, Milanka followed her example.

Upon arriving in America, they settled in Chicago, Illinois. Milanka's father drove his family to church on Sabbath, but when he began attending another church on Sundays, that stopped. Because they were unable to drive, Milanka and her mother lost contact with Adventism.

Milanka continued in the Orthodox tradition when she

married and began raising her own children. But a sad divorce and other unfortunate circumstances eventually overwhelmed her, and she stopped attending church altogether. However, God never left her and continued to draw her back to Himself.



Milanka Friedman is a new member of the Hinsdale (Illinois) Church.

Eventually, she remarried. Then, just as things were starting to look up again, Milanka came down with an extended illness and was admitted to Hinsdale Adventist Hospital. One day in her hospital bed, she flipped on the television and saw the worship service by John Rapp, Hinsdale Adventist Church pastor. Suddenly, the memories of her childhood faith began to flicker to life once again. She inquired from a chaplain whether an Adventist pastor could visit her, and Ramon Ulangca, Hinsdale associate pastor for discipleship, came to visit.

Milanka's cousin Gloria Celeketic, who has been a Hinsdale Church member for over 20 years, visited Milanka and witnessed to her through prayer and kindness. Today Milanka believes that three

people, influenced by the Holy Spirit, led her back to God—Pastor Rapp by his divine worship sermons, Gloria by her constant kindness, and Pastor Ulangca through Bible study and prayer.

On January 4, 2003, Milanka was baptized and began her new life in Christ. "The first time I was baptized, I followed my mother into the water," Milanka confesses, "but now I am truly following my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ."

Today, Milanka (Melanie) is the cheerful face and voice at the Hinsdale Church that greets everyone who visits or phones the church office. She will be the first to tell you that she is finally home—again.

Milanka Friedman with Bruce Babienco, Lake Union Herald correspondent

Wisconsin

Jaclyn Joliff was born in Ontonago, Michigan, and moved to Watertown, Wisconsin, with her parents when she was two years old. She attended the local public schools and achieved a well-rounded education despite her personal challenges caused by a mild cognitive delay disability. Now as a young adult, she lives with her sister Janice and is locally employed. Her dream is to someday share her inspirations and imagination by writing children's books.

All of her life, Jaclyn has had a sincere love for God and an eager desire to learn more about Jesus from her Bible. This is why when she saw the sign "Adventures in Prophecy" on a neighbor's lawn, she was excited about attending the lecture series. While attending the first few meetings, she became fascinated with what she was hearing about God's Word.

As the series continued, Jaclyn became aware of the seventh-day Sabbath and desired to keep it, but



Jaclyn Jolliff is a new member of the Watertown (Wisconsin) Church.

she had to work on Saturday. Her employer refused to give her the day off. Every time she came to the meetings, her prayer request was to be able to keep the Sabbath. She

even composed a song to express her desire to keep the Sabbath.

By the time Jaclyn had attended only half of the lectures, she knew she wanted to become a Seventh-day Adventist and made a commitment to be baptized and join the Watertown Adventist Church. Her employer changed his mind and gave her permission to have her Sabbaths off. She praises God for this answer to her prayers.

Jaclyn Jolliff as told to Joan Johnson and written by Bruce Babienco, volunteer Lake Union Herald correspondent

Wisconsin

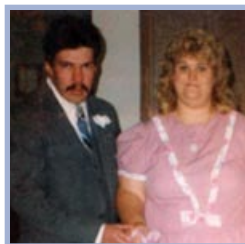
In late August 2003, the Menomonie Church received a telephone call from three families who needed assistance from their Community Services center. The telephone calls came because the center is linked with the city's social services organization to give aid to needy families.

David Guerrero, Menomonie Church pastor, received this information and informed the church family of the needs. Generous church members donated enough items to more than meet the families' needs.

When one of the ladies who had called arrived at the church to pick up the donated items, she also asked if she could speak privately with Pastor Guerrero. He had to ask her to wait a few moments until he completed

helping the other families. When they finally sat down to talk, **Susan Place** asked, "Does your church give Bible studies to people in the community?" Pastor Guerrero responded by telling her about the weekly Tuesday night community Bible study at their church. She responded by telling him she thought this was a wonderful plan, but proceeded to say, "My family and I were looking for someone who would be willing to give us personal Bible studies in our home. We want to know what the Seventh-day Adventist Church teaches and believes."

Pastor Guerrero arranged for Bible studies with Susan and her family. Susan was received by profession of faith into the Menomonie Church membership on October 11, 2003.



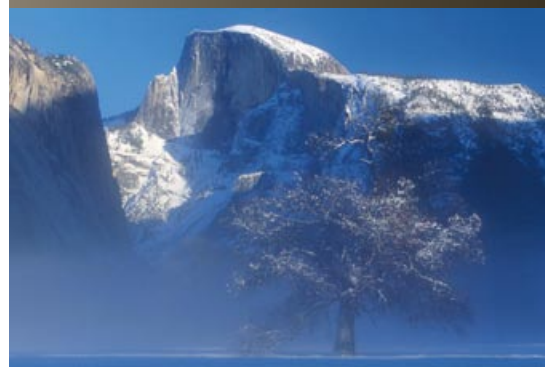
Tony and Susan Place are new members at the Menomonie (Wisconsin) Church.

On the same Sabbath Susan became a member of the church, her husband **Tony** asked to speak

privately with Pastor Guerrero. As they entered the pastor's study, Tony joyfully exclaimed, "Pastor, I'm ready, I'm ready, and I want to be a member, too! I have sat through most of the Bible studies, and I also want to be a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church!" Pastor Guerrero kindly affirmed Tony's decision, prayed with him, and then arranged for Tony to be baptized a month later.

We praise God for bringing Tony and Susan Place into our church fellowship through our Community Services ministry.

David Guerrero, Menomonie Church pastor, with Bruce Babienco, Lake Union Herald correspondent



How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

—Isaiah 52:7



Talking the Talk

BY ANN FISHER

Let's take an imaginary trip to Hometown Church. It's early Sabbath morning. Song service has just ended, and the Sabbath school superintendent has stepped up to the pulpit.

"Happy Sabbath," she says. "During the next few Sabbaths we will have some reports about Investment and Ingathering. The Lord has blessed our church; we have just met our school subsidy. Sabbath school offerings, tithe, and special offerings are increasing. The yearly offerings for the VOP and Breath of Life are coming up, so we will want to prepare ahead for them. We have a very busy Sabbath today. Not only do we have Mission Spotlight, but our church ministries director will tell us about the G.C. report in the last week's *Review*. Don't miss the announcement about the communion service on 13th Sabbath, and remember to set something aside for the 13th Sabbath offering."

By now you are completely nonplused. But the morning is still young. The worship service is preceded by the missionary period, and a man in a uniform talks about Pathfinders and camporees. You

hear about a constituency meeting and the need to choose delegates.

In the worship service itself, you notice people are singing the Doxology, but you can't seem to find it in the hymnal. Then there is the responsive reading to locate. You turn in your Bible to page 699, but you are in 1 Samuel, and everyone else is reading from Matthew. You notice that some people are reading from the back pages of the hymnal for scripture readings. You hear about missionary bands and wonder if this is a kind of musical group of returned missionaries. Then there are quotations from the "red books" and you hear about the Spirit of Prophecy—finally a phrase you recognize from the pastor's class.

As you leave the sanctuary, you overhear conversations going on in the foyer. "My daughter enjoys Walla Walla, but my son wants to go to Andrews." "I cleaned out my attic last week and gave over 20 items to Dorcas ... " "I heard that Worthington has just come out with a new product." So many new words are ringing in your head as you leave church wondering if you will ever understand them all.

Building your new Adventist vocabulary will take some time. To help you, we have prepared a New Believer's Guide to Adventist English for you. You will find it in the March issue at our new *Lake Union Herald* Web site: www.LakeUnionHerald.org. It can be printed out for your reference and/or e-mailed to a friend.

Then, just for fun, we have also posted an article that first appeared in *Focus* magazine, Andrews University's alumni journal, back in 1989 entitled "Adventese Spoken Here" which includes The Seventh-day Adventist Subcultural Literacy List, compiled by a group of Andrews University faculty members. All of us—old-time Adventists and new believers—will enjoy reading the list and seeing just how literate we actually are.

Adventist terminology, like all language, is dynamic—ever changing. As our culture changes, words are replaced by new terms that speak to a younger generation of Adventists. This should not concern us, because we Adventists expect to be continually learning throughout eternity anyway.

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Bicycles for the Third World

BY EVELYN J. LUTZ

Although officially retired, Robert Dunn, of Holly, Michigan, continues to teach at Oakland Community and Schoolcraft colleges. But in his spare time, he repairs bicycles to be sent to third-world countries for orphanages and pastors that otherwise would have to walk.

The bicycles are shipped by the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA). When Robert has about 40 bicycles ready, he calls Jim Lanning, ADRA director of acquisitions at the headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland. Jim then schedules Joe Gilbert, an ADRA volunteer, to pick them up.

"This is my sixth trip to Holly to pick up bicycles from Robert," said Joe Gilbert on his recent visit to Holly. "This load makes 240 bicycles that he has put into good use that otherwise would have been discarded." Joe explained where some of the bicycles are sent. One orphanage with 144 children might have 10 to 15 bicycles. That means each child waits a long time for a turn. But then 40 more bicycles arrive, and they don't have to wait nearly so long for a ride.

"The children often have swollen stomachs from malnutrition, and muscles that have

begun to atrophy," Joe said. "Riding bicycles is excellent therapy for all their muscles, but especially for their stomach muscles."

ADRA recently shipped 80 bicycles to Ghana, Africa, for young pastors leaving the seminary. They sometimes have as many as 10 churches, walking long distances on dirt paths or jeep trails. Fuel there is very expensive, so they can't



Robert Dunn (right), who repairs bicycles for third-world countries, and Joe Gilbert (left), a volunteer for Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA), stand beside the custom-built trailer in which Joe transports the bicycles. In the background is a stack of bicycles awaiting Robert's repairs.

afford Land Rovers or Jeeps. In fact, most could not even afford to buy a bicycle, so they are very happy when these donated bicycles make it easier for them to travel from parish to parish.

Robert's bicycle repairing began when he got a call from Kenny Cole, another member of the Holly Church. Kenny's wife, Dorothy, and

some other ladies had an annual fund-raising garage sale, but bicycles didn't sell very well. The two men came up with the idea that these bicycles could be refurbished and sent to people in less fortunate countries, especially to orphanages and pastors that must travel on foot.

"I get the bicycles from various sources," Robert explains. "Darrell Burget heads a similar project for the Baptist Church, and he's been most helpful. They recently sent a shipment to Haiti. We share parts and ideas. Cycle Fit in Fenton also helps. They call me when they get bicycles dropped off that they can't use, and I pick them up. Members of the community also donate bicycles in need of various repairs."

Sometimes one bicycle may be a combination of parts from several others. Robert purchases new parts when needed. Joe can put 32 boxed bicycles in his trailer and a few more in his pickup truck, usually totaling 40. He transports them to an East Coast port for shipping.

"God had a plan," says Joe. "Bicycles are an important part of the plan to restore health in countries that have been devastated by war or natural disasters. This is a way to bring them a little bit of God's love."

"We're working in the Master's vineyard," Robert adds, "and we work together to improve life situations in other places."

Evelyn Lutz is the Holly (Michigan) Church communication leader.

Family Ties



Being in Debt Is Cool? No Way!

BY SUSAN E. MURRAY

The modern American is a person who drives a bank-financed car over a bond-financed highway on credit-card gas to open a charge account at a department store so he can fill his savings-and-loan financed home with installment-purchased furniture.” This quote from Howard L. Dayton Jr.’s book, *Your Money Counts*, will sound familiar to most readers.

Obviously, borrowing has become a way of life for most Americans. It has moved from a position of disrespect in the community to a position of respectability—even status. Over the last thirty years or so, a subtle “brainwashing” has taken place, convincing many that debt is “cool,” according to Don Tauscher, a Christian speaker and money management educator. Financial consultants suggest there are two circumstances when borrowing can be appropriate: 1) for the purchase of a home, and 2) for your business or vocation. Even then, debt can create a bondage that seems unsurmountable and unbearable.

Society says, “Buy now and pay later with those easy monthly payments.” God’s Word says, “Stay out of debt.” Many ask themselves, How in the world did we get into such a mess? The average debt for families in the U.S. is \$15,000 and growing daily, excluding a home mortgage. The worst part is that very few credit cards are ever paid off completely.

If debt is a problem in your life, admit it.

Take the responsibility, realizing that it will take discipline, prayer, sacrifice, the complete cooperation of the entire family, and even courage! Getting into debt doesn’t happen overnight. It won’t be solved overnight.

Consider this.
The more television you watch, the more you look at catalogues and magazines, and the more you shop, the more you spend!

Decide to be absolutely honest with yourself. Why are you in debt? Is it unplanned medical expenses? Are you buying more house than you can really afford? Was there an emergency over which you had no direct control?

What are your sources of income? Do you need more? Are there things you can sell or do without? This process can be painful, but no solution will be disastrous. The longer you wait to get started, the more painful it will be before you find some relief.

Consider this. The more television you watch, the more you look at catalogues and magazines, and the more you shop, the more you spend!

Most marriages ending in divorce have “perceived” financial problems. By that I mean that most

couples in divorce believe money is a major factor contributing to their breakup. While money is a factor, it isn’t actually the cause. It’s the attitude about money.

It’s important to recognize and accept that ignorance and/or disobedience to Scriptural principles frequently cause money problems. When we are in debt, we lose a degree of freedom. The deeper the debt, the greater the loss of freedom and contentment. Proverbs 22:7 says, “The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is slave to the lender.”

If you are finding yourself with more month at the end of your money, if your financial burdens are devastating, consuming all your energy, reducing your giving, negatively affecting your family relationships, marriage, or your health, consider the fact that you are likely in financial bondage. You can find financial contentment! This is not a time to remain discouraged and fight feelings of failure and guilt, it is time to give your financial priorities to God and find real financial freedom.

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EXTREME GRACE

One Leg, Coming Right Up

BY DICK DUERKSEN

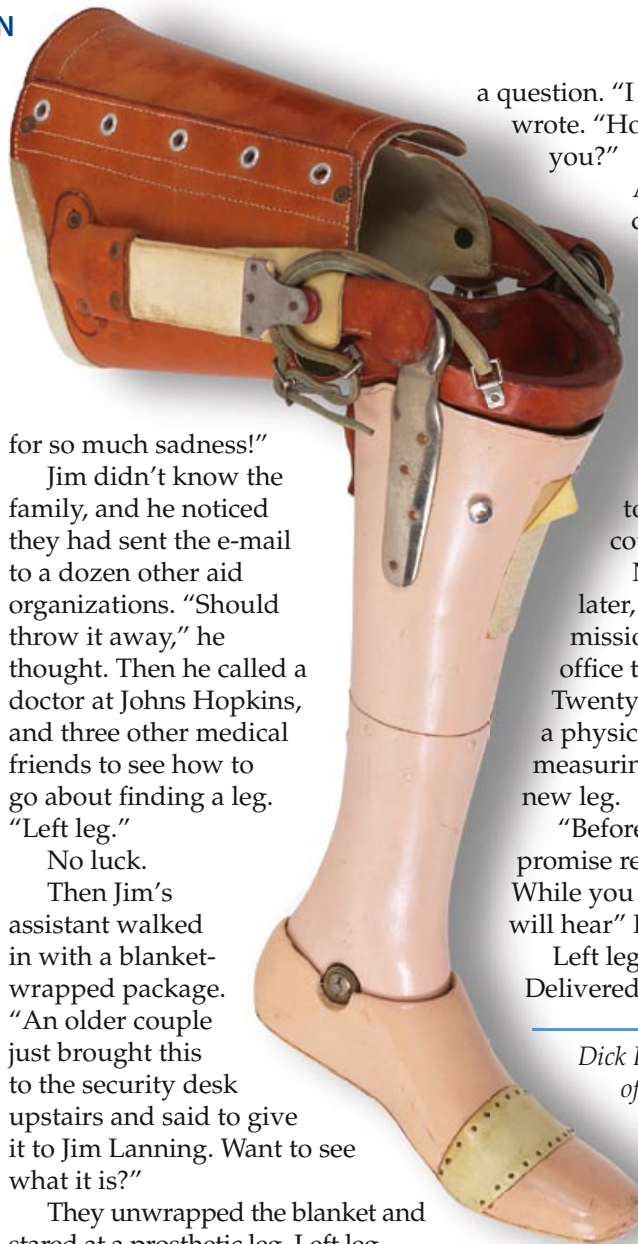
Prayer is often better than a fast food restaurant. Especially when you live in rural Mexico and need a new prosthetic leg.

I'm sure he has a real official-sounding title, but Jim Lanning will always be known to me as the "Miracle Guy" for ADRA, the international Adventist Development and Relief Agency. If you need 20 tons of milk, call Jim. If your x-ray machine blows a fuzola, call Jim. If you'd like to donate 10,000 pairs of eyeglasses, call Jim and he'll get them to 10,000 pairs of eyes that need to see. Jim's e-mail address should be changed to impossibilitiesfulfilled@prayerneverstops.com.

"My e-mail is an adventure every day," says Jim, "So I read it first thing every morning. I never know what I'll find."

Like the morning he opened the mail from an unknown address. The message said something like, "Needed: one left leg."

The note was from a missionary family in Mexico, in a village far from medical care and, especially, far from a source of prosthetic limbs. It told the story of a young woman who had been in an accident and lost her left leg. It was a long story, filled with details that called forth the Kleenex from Jim's top drawer. "It's hard to believe that some lives can even find room



for so much sadness!"

Jim didn't know the family, and he noticed they had sent the e-mail to a dozen other aid organizations. "Should throw it away," he thought. Then he called a doctor at Johns Hopkins, and three other medical friends to see how to go about finding a leg. "Left leg."

No luck.

Then Jim's assistant walked in with a blanket-wrapped package. "An older couple just brought this to the security desk upstairs and said to give it to Jim Lanning. Want to see what it is?"

They unwrapped the blanket and stared at a prosthetic leg. Left leg.

Jim sent the e-mail back with

a question. "I have your leg," he wrote. "How can I best get it to you?"

A message quickly came back. "I see you are in Maryland.

Are you anywhere near Gaithersburg, Maryland? We

have a missionary friend who lives

there and who is coming to Mexico

tomorrow. Maybe he could bring the leg."

Ninety minutes later, the Gaithersburg missionary was in Jim's office to collect the leg.

Twenty-four hours later, a physician in Mexico was measuring the woman for her new leg.

"Before you call," God's promise reads, "I will answer. While you are still speaking, I will hear" Isaiah 65:24.

Left leg. God's leg.

Delivered by Jim.

Dick Duerksen is the director of mission development for Florida Hospital in Orlando.

The Carb Debate

Are Carbohydrates Good for You or Not?

BY EVELYN KISSINGER

The answer is simple ... and complex—carbs that is. Complex carbohydrates provide energy, especially for the brain. Complex carbohydrates also provide essential fiber and life-giving nutrients like vitamins, minerals, and plant proteins while enhancing your immune system. They provide phytochemicals that not only protect cells from damage, but also help to heal damaged cells.

Complex carbohydrates control your appetite. They help you reach and maintain your healthy weight while reducing risk of heart disease, cancer, and diabetes. Soluble fiber found in oatmeal, barley, beans, apples, and oranges, help reduce cholesterol and balance blood sugar levels.

So, what about the popular high-protein/low carb weight-loss diets everyone is talking about? Do they work? Yes, you will probably lose weight, but you may be losing more than that. Here's the scoop.

1. Your body needs glucose to function.

The best way to get it is from carbohydrates. If you use up your reserves, your body will get the needed glucose from protein. It will actually break down muscles to make glucose. You don't want to lose muscle weight to glucose because the more muscle you have, the more calories you burn, and the better you look and feel. Another reason is that when protein is

made into glucose, the extra urea and nitrogenous wastes overtax your kidneys.

2. Protein is high in phosphoric acid.

Excess protein can make the blood too acidic. Your body will need higher levels of calcium to balance the blood and will actually rob needed calcium from your bones, compromising bone health.

3. The high protein diets are high in saturated fats

which are hard on arteries, raise blood cholesterol, and compromise vascular and brain health. These fats are prone to oxidation and the formation of free radicals which can destroy cells, damage DNA, increase risk of cancer, and accelerate the disease process and aging.

So, if these fad diets are so unhealthy, why are so many people on them, and why are people saying carbohydrates are bad? The bad rap comes from *simple* carbohydrates. People may benefit on the low carbohydrate diets because they stop eating sugar and refined white flour products.

Our bodies and brains were designed to get energy from *complex* carbohydrates like beans, whole grains, fruits, and vegetables. Does it really make sense to quit eating the very foods the Creator designed for our health?

You can go on a low *simple* carbohydrate diet and enjoy weight loss *and* good health. Simply

avoid foods that are packaged with refined and processed sugars and flours. Replace them with the complex, high-fiber carbohydrates. Choose healthy fats like nuts, seeds, olives, and avocados.

With this combination, you'll get energizing health-promoting vitamins, minerals, phytochemicals, and antioxidants that will keep you healthy, trim, and jazzed—just like your Creator designed.

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The attractive Lifestyle Matters kits include books, audio CD's, and videos designed to help you incorporate God's principles into your life. These principles deal with issues such as stress sensitivity, immune function, memory, learning, behavior and mood. They are simply presented and easy to share with others. You are also encouraged to include the Lifestyle Matters ministry modules in your church's comprehensive evangelistic plan for 2004. Visit www.lifestylematters.com or call 866-624-LIFE (5433).

Sharing our HOPE



Church Provides Shelter for the Homeless

BY NANCY LARSON

"I'm not in favor of this project, but the church decided to do it, so I am here to do my part," commented a Warren Church volunteer helping in the Macomb County Rotating Emergency Shelter Team (MCREST) program that the church participated in this past July.

MCREST is a group of participating congregations that have agreed to open their facilities and their hearts to the homeless community. MCREST seeks to provide temporary emergency shelter for homeless people, while helping them find permanent solutions to their situations.



Rudy Gomez, a Warren Church member, places a sign on the Warren Church door welcoming those who need shelter.

The church board discussed many concerns—insurance, criminal activity, safety of the Warren Church children, supervision, etc. But with guidance from the MCREST staff, and after looking at the history of other churches in the area that have been a part of the program since 1985, it was voted to move ahead in faith.

Mattresses, linens, towels, and a portable shower were made available by MCREST. It

was our responsibility to pick up the persons from the previous church site and set up our shelter in the gymnasium of the Warren Adventist Junior Academy.

By Sunday evening, everything was in place for the arrival of 25 guests. Each evening during the check-in procedure, guests were screened for alcohol, illegal drugs, and medications. This was done by church volunteers, under the supervision of a MCREST staff member. The guests would then sign up for showers, transportation needs, and sack lunches for the next day.

Each church provided three meals a day (one being a sack lunch), laundry service twice a week for the guests' personal items, and washed the linens and towels for the next church. Medications were dispensed each evening and morning as needed. Transportation was provided by the church in the form of bus tickets, gas vouchers, and volunteer drivers who drove guests to jobs not on the bus route.

During the evening, guests were able to take advantage of a game room where they could relax, play games, watch TV, or just visit with each other or the church volunteers. Free hair cuts, dental hygiene, and consultations with visiting nurses and a counselor were made available.

Bible study classes were offered, and about a half dozen participated each evening. The guests were invited to attend Sabbath school and church, and we had several

join us for worship and fellowship dinner at the park following services. It was encouraging to see some of the guests taking an interest in the spiritual life of the church family and expressing a desire to learn more of God's will for their lives.



For one week, the Warren Church invited the homeless to sleep in their gym as a part of the Macomb County Rotating Emergency Shelter Team. Here Doris Schmid (left) and Elaine Erwin bag up the linens in preparation for another day.

At the end of the week, we lost contact with most of the men as they moved on to the next location. One gentleman now has a job and an apartment of his own. He has been attending church every Sabbath.

This was no small undertaking for the Warren Church, but with the support of about 75 volunteers throughout the week it was a blessing to the guests and to the church family.

At the end of the week the member who had reservations about the program could be heard saying, "I would do it again."

We are on the schedule for another week in July 2004.

Nancy Larsen is the Warren Church Bible worker.

Hospice Care: Ministering for Eternity

Pat Jurinek is a businesswoman, a member of many organizations, a volunteer, and a goal-setter. One of this Hinsdale resident's long-time goals—to become involved in hospice work—was inspired by her father, who at 88 has been a hospice volunteer for 14 years in Florida.



Pat Jurinek enjoys helping others physically and spiritually during their final transition of life.

"My father likes to garden and brought roses from his garden to a hospice facility to share with patients. The facility had space available and asked my father to coordinate on-site plantings, which he did, using much of his own stock. Now flowers grow outside each window and can be picked and brought into patients' rooms regularly," explains Jurinek. "He also has a computer program that makes cards, which he sends to patients on their birthdays.

"Lack of knowledge initially made me fearful of hospice," says Jurinek, "but my father's experience changed my perspective. I started writing 'hospice training' on my goals list."

Last year when a weekend training opportunity allowed her to fit the 20-hour training into her busy schedule, she finally reached her goal. "Hospice had brought me to a position where I thought I could help patients, but I was surprised that it brought me an opportunity to share my faith as well."

Her second hospice assignment with St. Thomas Hospice, a member of Adventist Health System Midwest Region, was with a couple who lived in Darien. The wife had Alzheimer's disease, and

Jurinek's role was to provide care for her during needed respite for the husband. She worked with this family about two to three times a week for six weeks.

"The woman was fretful, and I often massaged her hand or head to keep her relaxed. I would sing, read, or pray with her and always chatted with the husband for a while before and after he did his errands.

"One day the husband asked me to come back on Saturday morning, but I told him I couldn't come because it was my Sabbath."

Another time, Jurinek suggested she could visit on Saturday afternoon, but the husband said he had researched Sabbath-observing churches and didn't think she should come to work that day.

"I told him 'work' was something that profited self, and a hospice visit would be OK."

After his wife passed away, Jurinek learned the man had taken an Adventist Bible correspondence course and went to hear a speaker at an Adventist church.

"He got back into the spiritual realm because I was in a position to share my faith," Jurinek said. He also is following her footsteps as a hospice volunteer.

"Hospice is just the most normal transition before we meet our Creator," says Jurinek, who works with her husband in the home-building field. Three years ago, Jurinek became a member of the Downers Grove Adventist Church.



Barbara Zerby (left), hospice volunteer coordinator, discusses a patient with Pat Jurinek, a St. Thomas Hospice volunteer.

"I had attended a Sunday-keeping church for many years while my husband was a Sabbath-keeper. Our son attended an Adventist school, and during that time, I started going to Sabbath church." And now, through St. Thomas Hospice, she is helping others physically and spiritually in their final transition of life.

*Lynn Larson, Adventist Health System Midwest Region
Lake Union Herald correspondent*

A New Tradition

During the 2003–2004 school year, Andrews University began a new tradition on campus. After months of preparation, memorizing lines, garnering support from businesses in the surrounding communities, and getting more and more excited about the potential for witnessing, the first annual Easter Passion Play debuted on Sabbath, Apr. 19.

The play's participants were amazed by the community's response to the event. Over 2,500 tickets had been reserved ahead of time, and nearly 700 VIP tickets had been distributed, but the university did not expect the crowd of about 1,800 that showed up for the last performance, open to those without tickets. In all, an estimated 5,000 people showed up to experience this interactive, real-life version of the Passion Week events.

Planning for this year's play has been under way for several months, and because of the large volume of attendees that Andrews expects this year, the play has been adapted to run for two days instead of one. Individuals, families, and church and school groups are encouraged to reserve tickets early and plan to attend this free event.

Ron Whitehead, director of the seminary's Center for Youth Evangelism and the Easter Passion Play faculty sponsor, is excited about the second year of this endeavor. "We see this as our Easter gift to the community," he said. As head of Pathfinder camporees, Whitehead has facilitated several passion plays in the past. "We seek to make this experience as real as it can be."

Nearly 450 youth are currently preparing and practicing to be guides, beggars, angry mobs, disciples, and government officials. The outdoor scenes will include an authentic Middle Eastern marketplace, the betrayal in Gethsemane, Pilate's judgment, and the crucifixion. A sound-and-light show in the Johnson Gymnasium will end the play with Jesus' resurrection. Six students and one staff member have been cast in the role of Jesus. Kareem Shaw of Florida and David Oakley of Berrien Springs were both cast in this role



David Oakley portrays Jesus during the crucifixion.

last year and will return this year along with John Hood and Jason Calvert of Berrien Springs; Jay Oetman of Michigan; Rodrigo Correa of New York; and Tarun Kapoor of New Delhi, India. "Because we are fortunate enough to be blessed with an international student body, we are able to present a diverse representation of Christ," Whitehead said.



He is risen!

Performances on Sabbath, Apr. 10, will begin at 3:00 p.m. and continue every 30 minutes until 7:00 p.m. Sunday, Apr. 11, performances will begin at 10:30 a.m. and continue every 30 minutes until 6:00 p.m. Free tickets can be obtained now by calling (800) YOUTH2U or (269) 471-8380; faxing (269) 471-8355; or e-mailing passionplay@andrews.edu. Include your name and the number of tickets you will need. The play will only be cancelled due to weather if

there is lightening; otherwise, bring your umbrella, just in case, and enjoy the performance.

The Easter Passion Play is sponsored by the Center for Youth Evangelism, the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, Andrews University, Pioneer Memorial Church, the Lake Union Conference, the Adventist Book Center, WAUS 90.7-FM, and WFRN 104.7-FM.

For information about and pictures of last year's play, log on to <http://passionplay.andrews.edu>.

Katie Shaw, news writer

WHERE JESUS WALKED

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING
13TH

BY CHARLOTTE ISHKANIAN

If Jesus were to return to the places He knew as a child and as an adult, what would He do and say? Would He tear down the concrete and wire fortifications that separate communities, just as He chased the sellers and money changers from the temple? Would He walk along the shores of Galilee, talking to the people who dared to follow Him? Would anyone dare follow Him today, in the face of car bombs and suicide bombers?

Among the Lowly

Jesus sought out the lowly, the meek, the searching. He healed the sick, the blind, the hurting. If Jesus walked in His homeland today, He would seek out those who need His love, His tender touch, His encouragement.

Perhaps He would climb the stairs of a clean white building, knock on the door, and be ushered into a crowded hall where Romanian believers would welcome Him. Perhaps He would walk down the street to a storefront, where Filipino believers gather to worship. Or perhaps He would slip into the West Bank or Gaza, walk up a hill, and

knock on the door of a simple stone house. He would find just a handful of believers worshipping in a simple living room.

If Jesus were to return to Israel, He would find believers. But He would not find Adventist churches. He would find congregations dotting the cities, towns, and villages, but He would not find signs to direct Him to their places of worship.

There are no church buildings. Congregations meet in halls, in storefronts, in homes. But in spite of their humble meeting places, Adventist believers do not go unnoticed in Israel. Recently a full-page article appeared in the weekend edition of the largest newspaper in Israel, featuring Adventist believers and their faith.

Most of the Adventists in Israel are immigrants who have come to work and earn money for their families in poor countries around the world. Many are Romanians, Filipinos, and Africans. These people work hard and send their earnings back home to their families, keeping only enough to survive on. They cannot afford to build a church for themselves or those who follow them.

Growing Rapidly

After decades of near-stagnant numbers, the Adventist Church in Israel is growing rapidly today.

Most of the growth is among the immigrants who share



This Ethiopian Jewish-Adventist congregation meets just outside Tel Aviv. They fear that if the Jewish authorities ever learn they've become Christians, it will jeopardize their citizenship. Their Jewishness had to be established through DNA testing before they were allowed to emigrate from Ethiopia.

their faith with fellow workers and with their Jewish employers.

As part of a strategic plan to enable the Adventist Church in Israel to grow, leaders have set out to establish new congregations throughout the country, in both Jewish and Arabic regions. In addition, two young congregations that have just been established will be strengthened through the funds given on Thirteenth Sabbath.

If we help, many dreams will become reality. East Jerusalem and Nazareth will have Palestinian congregations, and the Ethiopian Jews of Rehovot will have a place to meet. Jews of Nazareth, Tiberias, and Tel Aviv will have churches. Several ethnic and multi-national congregations will at last have places to meet.

If Jesus were to return to His birthplace, would He find faith? That answer depends, at least in part, on you and on me. Do we care enough to support the work in Jesus' homeland? Do we care enough to give generously this Thirteenth Sabbath—March 27—to make thousands of people's dreams for a church in which to worship a reality?

Charlotte Ishkanian is editor of Mission.

Members of this Romanian congregation in Tel Aviv literally have to sit wall-to-wall in their cramped meeting quarters. The Thirteenth Sabbath offering will enable congregations like this to have their own church buildings.



Fundraiser Provides Bibles for the Blind

BY EVELYN J. LUTZ

What if you couldn't see to read this magazine? In Michigan, there are more than 116,032 people 18 years and older with vision impairment that prevents them from reading newspapers, books, or magazines. Some of them live in your hometown.

This group includes people with 20/40 (or worse) vision in their best eye even with eyeglasses. Among this group are an estimated 35,552 who are totally blind. And each year, thousands of people lose their sight because of accident, disease, or genetic factors.

"Since 1899, Christian Record Services (CRS) has been providing free library and magazine materials for the sight-impaired public," says Larry Hubbell, CRS director for the Lake Union territories of Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin. "We have discovered that thousands of blind people are eager to understand the Bible but do not have one in a format they can read. In an effort to remedy this, we have started a six-month 'Bibles for the Blind' fundraising campaign."

Some legally blind can read large print, some can read Braille, and some prefer to listen to audio tapes. These materials are costly. As funds have been available, CRS has supplied Bibles for some blind folks, but since CRS is totally dependent on donations from businesses and individuals, the money always runs out before they can even come close to filling the need. That is why it was decided to run a fundraiser to provide Bibles for the blind and visually impaired.

CRS also sponsors summer and

winter National Camps for Blind Children/Adults (NCBC). When campers hear Bible stories, they often express their desire to have Bibles of their own. One 15-year-old recently pleaded, "I need a Bible so badly!"



Christian Record Services (CRS) is conducting a fundraising campaign to provide Bibles for the blind and visually impaired. Some will be in Braille like this girl is using, and others will be in large print or on audio tapes.

Currently, CRS is serving 762 blind and visually impaired people in Michigan with Bible services—Bibles, Bible guides, and periodicals with Bible themes for adults and children in Braille, large print, or on tape. However, this leaves 35,790 without such services, plus hundreds of others under the age of 18.

"We believe the Bible is God's Word, and that through it the blind can come to know Jesus Christ and find the hope they

need," Larry says. "Bibles for the Blind' is so big that it is more than CRS representatives can handle. We're appealing to the Christian community for help with this campaign—churches, Sunday school classes, youth groups, school classes, Boy and Girl Scout troops, and service organizations."

Anyone involved with a group willing to assist with this campaign should call Larry Hubbell at (248) 634-4379 or write him at 812 Academy Rd., Holly, MI 48442. He will arrange to meet with your group to present a short history of CRS, explain details of the campaign, and pass out "Bibles for the Blind" kits. They will include a coin collection device, a brochure explaining the campaign, a leaflet describing how to be at ease with the blind, a large Braille card, and a script with a sample appeal.

If you prefer to contact the CRS headquarters directly, phone (402) 488-0981; e-mail info@christianrecord.org; visit the Web site at www.christianrecord.com/bftb; or write P.O. Box 6097, Lincoln NE 68506-0097. And don't forget to give generously to the Christian Record Services special offering that will be collected in your church on April 10.

"Think how you treasure your own Bible," Larry suggests, "and it will help you realize what a joy it will be for a blind person to have one of her own, too."

Evelyn Lutz is the Holly (Michigan) Church communication leader.

The Knock That Changed My Life

BY SONIA EIYATEEM

I'll never forget the day during the summer of 2002 that forever changed my life. It was a sunny summer day in my hometown of Fenton, Michigan, when I heard a knock on the door. As I opened the door, an animated young man named Dana greeted me. He explained that he was distributing books and asking for donations to help him pay for his college education.

I decided that I would help the young man and take one of his books. I was interested in healthy cooking, and he had just the book for me! As we continued to converse, I saw that many of his books were religious in nature. After his presentation, I asked quizzically, "What church are you from?" Without hesitation he replied, "I am a Seventh-day Adventist Christian!"

Immediately, memories began to swirl through my head. I had been baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church many years ago in my home country of Columbia. The Lord had been prompting me to return to Him and His church, but I hadn't found the time to do so. I knew for sure that God sent that young man to my door.

I asked, "Is there an Adventist church close by?" Dana replied, "I'm sure there must be, and I'll find out where it is. In the meantime, would you be interested in studying the Bible with our Bible worker?" I quickly agreed.

It was then that I met "my little angel," Christie Allen, the Bible

worker. She was a wonderful young woman with a very sweet disposition. She was also a very good listener. I was able to share freely with her many things about my life and really felt that she was my friend. We were only in our



second meeting when I realized that I must give my life back to God. I was in tears as we prayed. God had begun to turn my heart back toward Him.

Before we knew it, the summer was nearly over and Christie would soon be leaving. It was time for her to connect me with someone at the local church. In our third meeting, she brought the pastor's wife, Olga Benardo, with her. Olga, too, was



Students knocked on Sonia Eiyateem's door last summer and changed her life forever.

very caring and friendly. For the next eight months, the pastor and his wife continued to study with me.

I can't express the joy I felt when last July I was baptized into my local Adventist church! I know that God is now with me, and I look forward to giving everything I have to Him! I feel sure that none of this would have happened if that young man hadn't cared enough to come and knock on my door. I don't know how much money he made that summer, but he helped me have something that all the money in the world could not buy—peace with God.

For young people considering participating in literature ministry during the summer, I would say this, "By all means, do it!" I'm sure there are other people like me who just need that little spark of encouragement that only you can give. Some of them might never be in heaven if someone doesn't care enough to knock on their door.

If the Lord is impressing your heart with the desire to join the summer Michigan magabook ministry, please contact Kamil Metz at (517) 316-1515 or e-mail kmetz@misda.org.

Sonia Eiyateem is a new member living in the Fenton, Michigan, area.



Young Adults Reach Out to Public University Students

Campus Ministries in Indiana

BY THROSTUR THORDARSON

As a kid, I would often spend Sabbath afternoons playing missionary games with my siblings. We would pull out all our toys and transform the living room into continents where we would explore imaginary new areas and pretend to be missionaries on exciting ventures.

In reality, I have not felt the call to go to distant lands where dangers lurk and new territories need to be explored. But I have discovered a vast mission territory that has hardly been touched, right in my back yard here in the United States. This field is the campuses of public universities, where bright young minds are brushing shoulders with a wide array of fringe and not-so-fringe cultures. A place where everything goes and all is acceptable, but few missionaries venture to share the three angels' messages.

Why is it that we spend large amounts of resources trying to enter countries within the so-called 10/40 window, but hardly think of entering our public universities, where the only cost is time and interest? Yet the best and brightest from the 10/40 window nations are sent to American public universities where we can reach them with the good news of Jesus Christ, before they go back to their home countries.

The good news is that across this nation, young people are right now answering the call and

holding up the banner of Jesus Christ on public campuses. One young man is praying that he may lead between 50 and 100 to Christ at a public university this school year. At another university, a group of Adventist young people began Bible studies, and 52 came the first night.

Here in Indiana, young people are also getting involved. Both at Indiana University in Bloomington and at Purdue University in Lafayette, our young people are forming student associations with the full intention of presenting Jesus Christ to their fellow students and faculty.

At Purdue University, about 20 young people come together on campus each Friday evening to fellowship, sing, and study the Bible. Because they have formed a student association that has been accepted by the university, they have full access to campus facilities to carry out their mission.

The Indiana Conference sponsored a seminar on public campus ministry. Two young men who have been involved in campus ministry at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, told of their experiences and shared ideas of what can be done to reach young people. The students then spent time exploring how they could apply these ideas on their particular campuses.

To begin a ministry at your local public campus, start praying

to God for guidance and that He will send workers to help. Seek out Adventist students on the campus and form a student association that is registered with the university authorities. Expect God to lead you to the right people, those whose hearts the Spirit is already working on, and trust that God will give a bountiful harvest.

Elizabeth is an 18-year-old student at a public university. She isn't a Christian and is interested in sorcery. One Friday night when Adventist Students for Christ met, she took the initiative to pray. In her prayer she voiced, "Thank you God that we can believe in You."

Is it possible that God might call you to minister at a public university mission right in your back yard? This is no kid's Sabbath afternoon game. It's the real thing.

Throstur Thordarson is the Lafayette (Indiana) Church pastor.



Are We Missing the Ocean?

BY NOELENE

JOHNSON

“I didn’t just miss the boat,” says researcher George Barna, referring to his long-held views of ministry to children. “I missed the ocean!”

In his new book, *Transforming Children Into Spiritual Champions* (Regal Books, 2003), Barna admits, “The wisdom and necessity of seeing children as the primary focus of ministry never occurred to me.” Wishing to earn God’s approval for his ministry, Barna, like so many other pastors, focused his ministry almost entirely “upon the moral development and spiritual transformation of adults.” Children were just along for the ride.

And why would a pastor doubt for a moment the wisdom of this focus? After all, adults call the shots in the world. Don’t adults lead the family? It’s the adults who understand and grasp theology and doctrine, isn’t it? And didn’t God gift adults to advance the kingdom? “No, no, no, and no!” Barna exclaims in answer.

Over the past two years, George Barna has re-examined



his assumptions—rethinking “the foundations of church-based activity and how to revolutionize faith in America.” And out of much prayer and research he has “redrawn ministry priorities and perceptions.” Ministry will continue a difficult journey, he believes, but “putting children in a more appropriate place in the landscape makes the journey more comprehensible and hopeful.”

Barna’s hope for the future is that church leadership will recognize that, in order to have the greatest possible impact in ministry, churches’ resources must be redirected into ministry to “young people.” The book focuses on “understanding and affecting the lives of children in the heart of the youth cohort”—children ages 5–12—because during these formative years, individuals solidify their

lifestyle habits, values, beliefs, and attitudes.

In his review of *Spiritual Champions*, Bill Hybels says, “With surgical precision, George Barna has cut through the veil of denial that most church leaders have lived in for far too long—the belief that we are doing enough in our churches to transform the average kid in our congregations into a spiritual champion. Painfully few churches have paid the price to break out of decades of status-quo ministry to children. Those that do break out soon discover a kind of anointing from God that suggests He might just favor churches that focus on and build up little ones.”

Transforming Children Into Spiritual Champions has the potential to change the life of your church. Order an extra copy for your pastor. Call AdventSource (800) 328-0525 and ask for catalog #10450.

Noelene Johnson is the North American Division (NAD) children’s ministries director. Reprinted with permission from the Children’s Leader.



Hello, Lake Union Members!

Once again, the Lake Union Conference has been chosen to host the 5th international North American Division "Faith on Fire" camporee August 10-14, 2004, at Oshkosh, Wisconsin. As Lake Union constituents, you are especially invited to participate in this historic event. Join hundreds of other day-pass visitors to witness the largest assembly of Pathfinders in the world. International guests are coming from more than 70 countries to join Pathfinders from every conference in America.

Young people will have an opportunity to see that they are a part of a huge movement—bigger than their imagination. They will see that there are other young people who want to share Jesus and serve their communities. With 20,000 Pathfinders in dress uniform, they will feel like they are the "army of youth" that will finish the work. Pathfinders is the strongest congregation-based youth ministry program in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

The "Faith on Fire" camporee will use the life of Joseph to teach biblical principles to equip young people to deal with issues common to the last generation—issues of jealousy and sibling rivalry, sexual temptation, forgiveness, being falsely accused, and more, to create a spiritual memory that they will take with them to eternity.

As Joseph collected grain to prepare for the famine, each night Pathfinders will bring one Bible and one dollar, collected from people like you, to the meeting to counter the spiritual famine today. Bibles will be shipped to children in Africa, Belize, and the Philippines with the funds collected.

Each day 4,000 Pathfinders will be deployed to community projects in the greater Oshkosh/Fox Valley area. Civic leaders have been amazed at Adventist young people and what they contribute to the community.

If you do not have a Pathfinder club, you can organize one for the camporee if you have two or more young people. We've had one-family clubs and two-family clubs. You can link up with another club to help share resources.

We also need 1,000 volunteers to help manage this city of 20,000. And we'll need just about every kind of public service volunteer: security, medical, water and waste management, ushers, photographers, writers, activity managers, etc. Volunteers must be 18 or older and must pay a registration fee like every other Pathfinder leader or sponsor. All volunteers must be free of any club responsibilities.

If you can't attend, you can help by donating camping equipment to your local club, collecting Bibles, contributing funds, or sponsoring or hosting an international quest. Above all, you can pray.

This may be the last time the camporee is hosted in the Lake Union for decades. Thank you for doing what you can to make our guests feel welcome and helping this to be the best camporee ever.

Yours and His,

Ron Whitehead
FOF Executive Director



James Black
NAD Youth Director





by Gary Burns

Stanley's Holey Rug

How to Start a Successful

Children's Ministry



Excited children from around the neighborhood filed up the narrow firehouse staircase. Seeing the bright red fire engines and friendly firemen is exciting enough, but that's not why they had come. They had come to see and hear two young men portray the most exciting stories ever told—stories from the Bible.

For the next year, Stanley Hill and Jay Clymer continued their programs above the firehouse. It was the height of the Golden Age of Radio, and radio drama and stories were among the most popular programs.



Stanley Hill and Jay Clymer began their Bible story ministry for neighborhood children in a room above this Eau Claire, Michigan, fire station.

Stanley was telling Jay of an opportunity he had to meet a radio host when he noticed that far-away look in Jay's eyes. "You know," Jay said, "I think we ought to adapt what we have for radio."

"You can't be serious," Stanley replied. "How do you think we could continue our jobs, working 50–55 hours a week, support a family, educate our children, and have time to produce a weekly half-hour radio program? Besides, where would the money come from?" Stanley protested. "I think it can be done," Jay said simply.

After more discussion, some time to think, some counsel from others, and lots of prayer, the story team believed that they should not look to their own capabilities or resources, but rather to what God could do in response to their reach of faith. They began to imagine the possibilities.

With encouragement and support from their friends, Jay, accompanied by his wife Genevieve, presented the program idea to the manager of the new FM radio station in Benton Harbor, WHFB. To their surprise, he quickly offered them 30 minutes of free air time each week.

Now what? They had never done a radio program before and weren't sure how to go about it. In answer to their prayers and reach of faith, God began to put the resources together. Virgil Iles, a student who was interested in writing scripts, came up with a concept. "How about a format that would have children pay visits to an aunt and uncle who told stories?" And that's how the personalities of Aunt Sue and Uncle Dan were born.



The original cast of the live WHFB broadcasts included from left: Stanley Hill (Uncle Dan), Donna and Betty Edsel, Evan Ferris, Donn Lee Hill, James Hannum, and the first Aunt Sue, Irene Lovell.

Stanley played the part of Uncle Dan, and Irene Lovell played the part of Aunt Sue on the first live broadcast of *Your Story Hour*, March 27, 1949. Each week the team returned to the studio to read another script.



Stanley Hill and Betty Ahnberg were "Uncle Dan" and "Aunt Sue" to an entire generation of baby boomers whose grandchildren now enjoy some of the original programs on tape, CD, and the Web.



Spanish hosts, "Tio Daniel," Thony Escotto, and "Tia Elena," Ileana Freeman-Gutierrez, reach millions of children in the Latin world with "Tu Historia Preferida," which began in 1985 and is aired on over 600 radio stations.



Russian Hosts, Richard Bayley, and Tanya Belov, began broadcasting to Russia in 1992. They quickly received over 75,000 Bible lesson requests.



Chet Damron and Carole Pezet are "Uncle Dan" and "Aunt Carole" to English-speaking children all over the world. *Your Story Hour* has continuously aired since 1949 and is heard on over 3,000 radio stations.

Most radio was live at that time. Tape technology was still in its infancy. There were other stations in Southwestern Michigan that wanted the program as well, but the cast couldn't repeat the program at each station. So they made five records of the live broadcast and distributed them to the stations.

Soon it became evident that the ministry team needed the ability to go into production so they could distribute recordings to stations across the country. To do that they needed a Magnacorder, a newly developed tape machine. They were expensive and scarce. So the team prayed.

Virgil, who was also interested in electronics, found a dealer in Chicago and ordered a machine. When he went to get it, he was told, "I'm sorry, it's not available." Virgil began a search of every dealer in Chicago, but no Magnacorder could be found.

Knowing that God didn't make mistakes, he didn't give up. He returned to the first dealer and asked if they could search the warehouse again. After a fruitless search, they returned to the office to find the very machine Virgil had ordered. "You should have seen the surprise on that man's face," Virgil said. "He had no idea where

it came from, but I knew. God had answered our prayers."

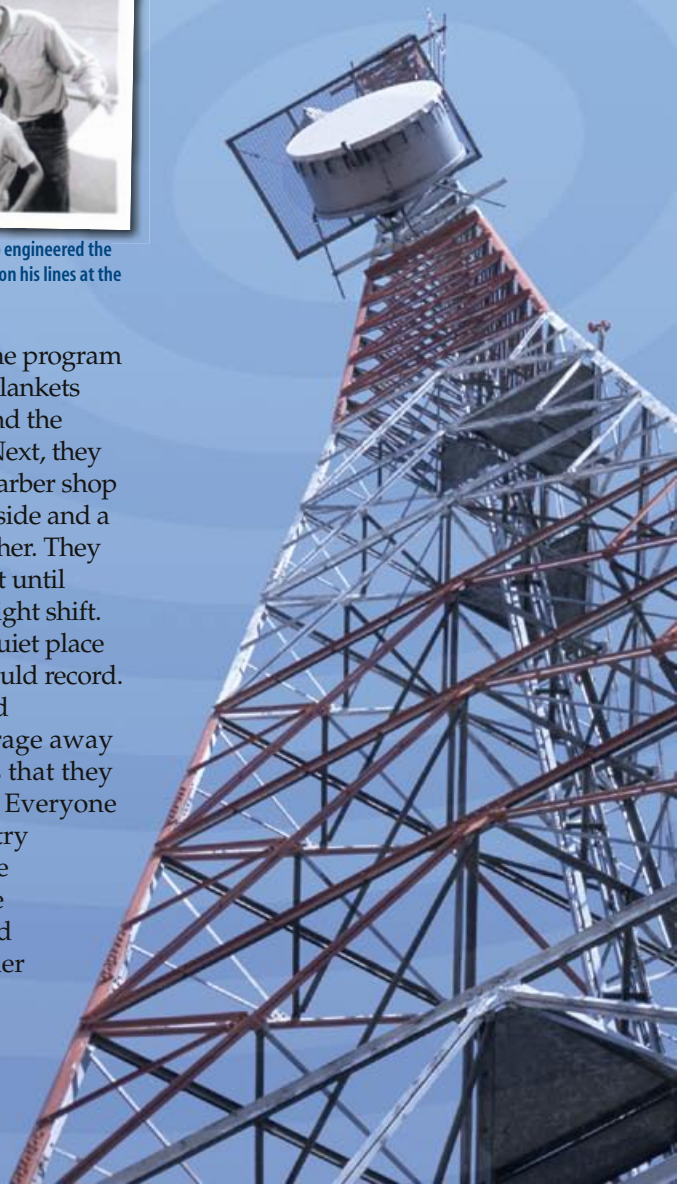


David Applegate, son of Stan Applegate who engineered the broadcasts for many years, is being coached on his lines at the studio in Medina, Ohio.

They began to record the program in Virgil's basement with blankets and mattresses hung around the room for soundproofing. Next, they moved to the back of the barber shop with a drycleaners on one side and a newspaper office on the other. They were able to record at night until the drycleaners started a night shift. What they needed was a quiet place of their own where they could record.

Again they prayed and discovered an unused garage away from the traffic and stores that they could convert to a studio. Everyone connected with the ministry went to work. Some wrote letters to friends. Marjorie Hamp, office manager and secretary-treasurer, sold her

collection of *Life* magazines for \$50. Others contributed, too, until the little group could make the first payment of \$350. They now had a studio of their own.





Your Story Hour will be making history on March 20 with a 24-hour birthday Internet broadcast beginning at 8:00 p.m. EST. Utilizing audio streaming technology, you will hear Uncle Dan and Aunt Carole, and Tio Daniel and Tia Elena live from the studios of *Your Story Hour*.

Hear a different story, every hour on the hour. Enjoy features, interviews, and stories in English, Spanish, and Russian.

Anyone connected to the Internet with Windows Media Player can listen to this live Webcast.

Here's how to tune in:

- 1 Open your Internet browser.
- 2 Go to www.yourstoryhour.org.
- 3 Click on "Your Story Hour Web site."
- 4 Click on "Studio Live."
- 5 A schedule will appear, and you will hear the exciting stories from *Your Story Hour*.

Soon an entire library of stories on demand will be available at the Web site as part of *Your Story Hour's* continued commitment to MAKING BOYS AND GIRLS OF TODAY BETTER MEN AND WOMEN TOMORROW.®

For more articles and information about *Your Story Hour* and the birthday celebration, visit www.yourstoryhour.org.

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That was the humble beginning of a ministry that is now on 3,000 radio stations world-wide. To understand the success of this program, you have to know something about the man behind "Uncle Dan"—Stanley Hill. Those who knew Stanley knew him to be a man who loved children, a man who could tell stories and make them come to life with his special sound effects, but most importantly, they knew him to be a man of prayer.

Stanley wouldn't make a move, begin a broadcast, develop an idea, or even make a phone call without prayer. It was not uncommon for Stanley to ask assistant Richard Rideout to pray while he went into the control room to make a phone call. But Richard quickly learned not to expect the phone to be used any time soon. No phone call was made until Stanley had spent a significant and sufficient time alone in prayer before dialing. Finally, after some time, Stanley would emerge with a smile on his face and the answer they needed.



A converted garage in Berrien Springs, Michigan, provided the young ministry with its own studio and the ability to record and distribute the programs on tape.

At home Stanley spent many hours praying for direction and guidance for the ministry and praying for the people the ministry touched. Recently, Stanley's widow gave the rug Stanley used to kneel on to Richard. Stanley's knees had worn holes right through it.



"Hey Sis, Mom, Dad, *Your Story Hour's* on!" was the sound that brought kids running to the radio. All too soon we heard, "This is Linda, Annabelle, Farrell, Aunt Sue, and Uncle Dan saying, 'Goodbye everyone; see you again next week.'" Pictured is a recording session in 1954.

The first broadcast of *Your Story Hour* was 55 years ago this month. And God has continued to answer prayers for this ministry ever since. What started as a story time above the firehouse has grown to be a highly respected world-wide, inter-faith, non-denominational, multi-lingual broadcast ministry, and the longest-running, most-listened-to children's radio program in the world.

Maybe not every idea for children's or youth ministry will end up like *Your Story Hour*. But if it is God's idea and you are willing to follow Him as Stanley did, it is certain to accomplish God's purpose.

Ask God what His purpose is for you. Ask Him to help you develop the talents that He has given you. Don't be afraid to try new things. Look for opportunities to use your resources to serve the young people of this generation who so desperately need the hope that you know and love. Invite others to pray and work with you. Then watch for God to do great things to advance His kingdom.

Gary Burns is the Lake Union communication director. Portions of this article were adapted from an article in The Good Deeder, Vol. 23, No. 1, by Doris Burdick.

The Science Zone at BCA

Michigan—Ben Roy’s mobile “Science Zone” came to Battle Creek Academy (BCA), enabling students and teachers to witness spectacular demonstrations of physical and chemical science. Dazzled by the “magic” of science that Roy reveals during the show, students were amazed as they watched a hydrogen gas rocket lift off before their eyes, a liquid nitrogen cannon, and much more.

BCA senior Tana VanderWaal commenting on the show said, “I have never seen anyone blow anything up before, so it was really interesting for me. It was a lot of fun to see chemistry in action.”

Ben Roy came to the Battle Creek area from Calhoun, Ga. He has been a grades 1–8 classroom teacher for 28 years. Roy teaches science methods for the University of Tennessee and is also an adjunct professor at Southern Adventist University. He is the regional coordinator for the Tennessee Environmental Education Association, and is a teacher resource agent for the American Astronomical Society. For more information, visit his Web site at www.gosciencezone.com.

Michelle Cain, Battle Creek Academy marketing director



Jamie Mattson volunteered to assist Ben Roy with one of his experiments.

Michigan Conference Schools Score High on National Tests

Michigan—For the first time in well over a decade, and perhaps ever, students in Michigan Conference Adventist schools scored at least 20 points higher than the national average at each grade level on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, the most widely used achievement test in the U.S. The test is given yearly at grade levels three through nine in our conference. Each grade scored from 20–22 percentile points higher than the national average.

During the first week in November, students take a battery of tests covering all the core subjects—reading, language skills, math, science, social studies, and study skills. The testing company then grades the tests, and the results are compared with both public and private school students who have taken the same tests

throughout the country. Our students averaged better than seven out of every 10 students who took the test. Another statistic shows that when compared to entire schools across the country, our system would rank in the top 14%. That is great news for parents and church members who are sacrificing so much to have their children in Adventist schools!

It is interesting to note that while our schools are exempt from the *No Child Left Behind Act*, the Iowa Tests meet the testing requirements outlined in the law. These scores verify that students in Michigan Conference schools are receiving top-quality education as measured by secular standards. However, we have an even higher calling. We not only want to educate our students to be successful in this life, but even more importantly, to know Jesus and prepare for eternity with Him.

Bill Reinke, Michigan Conference associate superintendent of education



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BCA Campus Ministries Hosts Prayer Breakfast

Michigan—The Battle Creek Academy (BCA) campus ministries team, under the direction of their sponsors Ronie Fogg and Ken Wilson, hosted the annual “See You at the Pole” breakfast. Breakfast was served early so that the 24 high school students and staff could meet around the flagpole at 7:00 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2003.

Students all across the nation met around their flagpoles to participate in this annual national event and pray for their country, their schools, and their fellow students.

Michelle Cain, Battle Creek Academy marketing director



BCA students met and prayed around the academy flagpole just as the sun was coming up.

Students Write Christmas Play

Illinois—The small two-teacher school in Downers Grove, Ill., has had a tradition of providing excellent Christmas programs to the community. This year presented a challenge because of fewer students, several of whom felt less musically talented than dramatically inclined.

One student suggested using the short story by Leo Tolstoy, "Where Love Is, God Is." The upper-grade students accepted the challenge of cooperatively rewriting the story



Downers Grove students perform their Christmas play for church and family members.

into a six-scene drama. Numerous revisions made this an excellent writing experience for the students.

A committee of parents and volunteers spent many hours designing and building an inexpensive, yet effective, set for the play.

The play developed into a wonderful demonstration that peace is possible on a personal level, if not on the world community level. It taught that peace can be experienced when people practice the principles that Jesus taught by doing what they can, one-on-one, to make the lives of others better.

The December 13 performance continued the tradition of a quality Christmas program at Downers Grove.

Dorothy Landfare, Downers Grove Adventist School principal

Battle Creek Academy Saves "Pennies for Pets"

Michigan—Battle Creek Academy students in Phyllis Essex's first- and second-grade class and Nicole Mattson's fifth- and sixth-grade class have adopted the Humane Society: Calhoun Area Animal Sanctuary as one of their Bible Labs/Community Service projects this year.

Every year the Humane Society-Animal Sanctuary hosts a variety of activities that rely on the support of the greater community. With the support of youth, such as those at the academy, they will remain southwestern Michigan's number one no-kill animal facility.

Over the past four weeks, these two classrooms

raised more than \$475 that they have designated for the Tyson Fund, which helps nurse sick and injured animals back to health.

Bobbie Bosch, Humane Society public relations director, and Bower, a two-year-old Beagle sanctuary resident, visited the academy in October to share the mission and purpose of the sanctuary with our students. "All of us here at the sanctuary are excited when we have the opportunity to show youth that they can make a difference in the lives of so many animals and this community," said Bosch. "The benefits of youth volunteering and learning are priceless."

Michelle Cain, Battle Creek Academy marketing director



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Greater Lansing Adventist School's bell choir performed at the State Capitol building.

Michigan Bell Choir Performs at State Capitol

Michigan—The Greater Lansing Adventist School's bell choir, *Spirit of Praise*, gave an hour-long Christmas concert inside the Michigan State Capitol building on Dec. 9, 2003. The students were formally dressed, and their bells were shined to a brilliant luster. When the students played, the sound echoed up through the dome and into the surrounding hallways. The *Spirit of Praise* bell choir consists of 15 students in grades eight through 10 selected from the school's Ring Fest Bell Choir. They are directed by music teacher Coni Stephenson.

Cindy Stephan, Michigan Conference correspondent

All-youth Baptism at South Haven Church

Michigan —Pastor Darren Greenfield baptized Emily DeKam (12), John LaVanture (12), and Nathan Edison (17) from the Pullman Church; and Arlana Miller (13) and Titus Miller (10) from the South Haven Church. Arlana and Titus are students at Gobles Junior Academy. Emily, John, Arlana, and Titus are all active in the district Pathfinder club.



A picture taken following the service shows the families of the baptized youth along with Pastor Darren and Ireneia Greenfield and the church elders during a dedication prayer.

June Mitchell, South Haven Church communication leader

Eight-year-old Joins Prison Ministry Team

Lake Region —Romero Griffin, from Chicago's Beacon of Joy Church, can't remember how old he was when he first heard the words "prison ministry." He started attending prison ministry meetings with me, his mother, before he was weaned. I remember him playfully running with the other children while I packed prison ministry bags. Occasionally, he helped put the literature in the bags.

So it should have come as no surprise when he asked if he could be a prison ministry member. I didn't know what to say. I checked with Dorothy White, Beacon's prison ministry leader and the I.A.P.M.O. area leader to see if he could join. They said, "Sure, I don't see why not."

So eight-year-old Romero Griffin completed his



Romero Griffin is the youngest member of the Beacon of Joy prison ministry team. He is pictured here at a prison ministry banquet with his father Michael Griffin.

application and joined prison ministry. For him, it's a family affair. His father, Michael Griffin, is also a member. He is quite possibly the youngest member of the organization. He plans to write letters and would like to visit the prisons. It is never too early to expose our children to Christian service.

Tanya Williams, Beacon of Joy communication leader

Children's Sabbath

Michigan —Childhood is the time to develop children's talent and prepare them for leadership and service. The training they receive now will help them become active church members.

Last December, the Grand Blanc Adventist Company celebrated its first children's Sabbath. Every child in this company of only 30 members participated, praising the Lord through music, recitation of scripture, story time, prayer, and preaching. Stephen Visser, a 15-year-old freshman at Grand Blanc High School, preached the sermon on the assurance of salvation.



Our Lord delights when young ones praise His name. One never knows if there will be another "lost sheep" in heaven because of a little one's persuasion to seek salvation today.

Liesbeth Fernandez, Grand Blanc Company children's ministries director

Michigan Kids Visit Capernaum Via VBS

Michigan—The West Branch Church took a bold leap into the past and presented its annual Vacation Bible School (VBS) in the setting of Capernaum, a village representative of what it might have been like in Jesus' time. The village consisted of tents, a well, a marketplace, and a shop keeper. The children were divided into tribes—Issachar, Zebulun, Asher, and Benjamin—and assigned to their tribe's tent.



The tribe of Asher eats Middle Eastern style in their tent.

Before entering their tents, the children were required to touch the Mezuzah, a little box containing a small scroll called the Shema—the first great law of the Hebrews, Deut. 6:4–5—that was placed on the door post of every Jewish home and touched each time someone went in or out of the house to remind them of God and His law.

Children gathered at the village well to learn songs and dances that were used in biblical times of celebration. At the shopkeeper's tent, the children learned how to make braided pads, woven mats, tin carvings, and decorative artwork.



Apprentices are busy making crafts at the shopkeeper's tent.

The marketplace was where the children came for their daily nourishment. In keeping with the theme, the tribes were served many different kinds of foods similar to what Jesus might have eaten. After gathering their meals, the tribes headed back to their tents where they learned more about the people's food and culture.

Each day two different disciples gathered the tribes. Garbed in robes and carrying various props, the men captivated the children's attention with their stories.

Organized by Marlane Searfoss and Cheryl Dean, VBS came alive for the children. It was an experience they won't ever forget.

Erin Maul, West Branch Church communication leader

Youth Minister to Homeless Children

Lake Region—Last December the City Temple (Detroit) Church Adventist Youth (AY) department began collecting new toys and clothing to give to children living in homeless shelters in the Metro Detroit area for Christmas. Generous donations came in from church members, Peterson-Warren Academy students, and community members.

The AY members boxed and wrapped the gifts so that the children would have the added joy of ripping off the Christmas wrappings on Christmas morning. Over 200 gifts were distributed to three homeless shelters from their Adventist friends.

Juanita Martin, City Temple AY leader



Pamela Betram packs gifts for homeless children.

Kindergarteners Experience South American Rain Forest

Indiana—Cicero (Ind.) members Christina and Beverly VanMeter used their artistic abilities to enable kindergarten Sabbath schoolers to visualize and experience what the people in South American rain forests experience.

A rain forest was created in the Sabbath school room, utilizing shaggy bark, insects, reptiles, and hanging moss in the trees. One branch housed a six-foot boa, leering at anyone standing near.

Under the tree, a stream contained a half-submerged alligator, frogs, lizards, and other critters.

The sound of dripping rain and forest noises from the tape recorder made the scene more life-like. A thatched hut with tropical birds singing nearby helped to create the feeling of jungle living. The children enjoyed this environment for three months and learned to better understand the experiences shared in mission stories from this area of the world.

Ramona Trubey, Cicero Church communication leader



Teachers' creativity helps Sabbath school kindergarten class visualize the mission story told by Kathy Griffin.

MILEPOSTS

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ANNIVERSARIES

BILL AND JEANETTE GRIFFITH celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 4, 2004, at an elegant afternoon dinner given by their children, followed by cake, a toast, and video memories, at Fox Island Nature Center in Fort Wayne, Ind. They have been members of the Fort Wayne Church for 48 years.

Bill Griffith and Jeanette Case were married Jan. 3, 1954, in Battle Creek, Mich., by Elder A.H. Johns. Bill was a member of the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955. He was employed by Dana Corp. for 34 years, retiring in 1995. Jeanette has been an active member of the church, particularly in community service. She was an assistant treasurer for Essec Credit Union for several years.

The Griffith family includes Cheryl and Mike Hoover of Berrien Springs, Mich.; Jennie and Brett McAllister of Fort Wayne; and five grandchildren.

BILL AND CATHRYN KUSZMAUL celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 25, 2003, by a family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Willis in Smyrna, Tenn. They have been members of the Spencer (Ind.) Church for eight years.

Bill Kuszmaul and Cathryn Deitz were married Dec. 26, 1953, in Logansport, Ind., by Rev. William Stahl. Bill has been a building contractor for the past 25 years. Cathryn has been a homemaker and part-time worker for the Indiana Conference for several years.

The Kuszmaul family includes Melissa and Rodney

Dick of Hillsboro, Ore.; Judith and Chuck Willis of Smyrna, Tenn.; and four grandchildren.



AURELIO AND REMEDIOS OLIVERIO celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 7, 2003, by a reception at the Northbrook (Ill.) Church. They have been members of the Northbrook Church for three years.

Aurelio Oliverio and Remedios Bangcoyan were married Aug. 23, 1953, in Kauswagan, Lanao, North P.I., by Mayor Joseph Sanguila. Aurelio has been a tailor and photographer. Remedios has been a housewife.

The Oliverio family includes Sylvia and Vincencio Misiona of Davao, Philippines; Susan and Robert Arrogante of Northbrook; Jennifer and Ramer Campugan of Dunnellon, Fla.; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

EUGENE AND ELOISE WINELAND celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 6, 2003, by a dinner with family and friends at Teibel's Restaurant in Valparaiso, Ind. They have been members of the Northwest (Ind.) Church for 50 years.

Eugene Wineland and Eloise V. Dye were married Sept. 6, 1953, in Crown Point,



Ind., by Pastor Wayne Byers. Eugene has owned and operated Gene's Excavating for 42 years, retiring in 2001. Eloise has been a homemaker and bookkeeper.

The Wineland family includes Larry and Beth Wineland of Georgetown, Tenn.; Daryl and Wendy Wineland of Dowagiac, Mich.; and seven grandchildren.

WEDDINGS

LISA C. BUELL AND DELWIN D. GARCIA were married Dec. 14, 2003, in Holland, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Pastor David Garcia.

Lisa is the daughter of Harold and Anita Buell of Holland, and Delwin is the son of David and Giannina Garcia of Holland, and Blanca and Jim Telman of Grand Rapids, Mich.

The Garcias are making their home in Berrien Springs, Mich.

OBITUARIES

ABBOTT, WALTER M., age 88; born Apr. 5, 1915, in Beloit, Wis.; died Dec. 10, 2003, in Beloit. He was a member of the Beloit Church.

Survivors include his wife, Betty J. (Hutchison); sons, Walter, Roger, Peter, and Robin; daughters, Sarah Bernstein, Karen Anderson, Beth Summers, Rebecca Souther, Catherine Numata, Polly Brooks, Peggy Empereur, and Priscilla Abbott; 24 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Mick Burrington, and interment was in East Lawn Cemetery, Beloit.

BLOCK, DIANE J. (LANGE), age 75; born Apr. 30, 1928, in Manistee, Mich.; died May 10, 2003, in Manistee. She was a member of the Manistee Church.

Survivors include her husband, John (Jack) B.; sons, Steve and Scott; daughter, Lori Magee; sister, Jackie Kadzban; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Jeff Bergquist, and interment was in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Manistee.

BOGDON, MABEL C. (MUNSON), age 99; born Mar. 28, 1903, in Jamestown, N.Y.; died Nov. 5, 2002, in Terre Haute, Ind. She was a member of the Terre Haute Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Evelyn M. Rost and Jean E. Fitch; sister, Gladys Hartley; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Manuel Ojeda and David Lincoln, Elder William Fitch, and Preston Fletcher, and interment was in Parkholm Cemetery, La Grange, Ill.

BURNETT, RONALD R., age 64; born June 3, 1939, in Petoskey, Mich.; died Nov. 24, 2003, in Petoskey. He was a member of the Petoskey Church.

Survivors include his sons, Ronald R. Jr. and Richard L.; daughter, Laurie A. Wolfer; brother, (Leo) Gordon Jr.; and six grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Greg Timmins, with private interment.

DANFORTH, CLARA A. (BLOSSER), age 72; born Feb. 12, 1931, in Page Cty., Va.; died Dec. 26, 2003, in Pontiac, Mich. She was a member of the Waterford/Riverside Church, Waterford, Mich.

Survivors include her sisters, Betty Lou Burner and Sally L. Cain.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Lyle Davis, and interment was in Oxford (Mich.) Cemetery.

EVANS, "PAULENE" M.E. (HUDGINS), age 86; born Feb. 2, 1917, in Decatur, Ill.; died Jan. 2, 2004, in Decatur. She was a member of the Decatur Church.

Survivors include her husband, George M.; daughter, Florence R. Shipowick; sister, Ruth Stockslager; and three grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor William Davis, and interment was in Graceland Fairlawn Cemetery, Decatur.

EWALD, VERNON C., age 76; born Mar. 22, 1927, in Detroit, Mich.; died Dec. 19, 2003, in Chelsea, Mich. He was a member of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his stepsons, Steven Thran and Michael Penn; stepdaughters, Bethany Rogers and Mary Ellen West; brothers, Dan and Roland; and sister, Gene Van Orman.

Memorial services were conducted by Rev. Joseph O'Neill, and interment was in Oak Grove Cemetery, Chelsea.

FISHER, CLAUDENE (PASSOW), age 50; born June 30, 1953, in Wausau, Wis.; died Dec. 30, 2003, in Wausau. She was a member of the Wausau Church.

Survivors include her husband, Francis; sons, James and Justin; father, Gilbert Passow; mother, Goldie (Laabs) Passow; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors William S. Bossert, Robert Mills, and Larry Pitcher, and interment was in Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Kronewetter, Wis.

JOHNSON, ERNEST A., age 86; born Aug. 27, 1917, in Howard City, Mich.; died Nov. 11, 2003, in Algoma Twp., Mich. He was a member of the

Sparta (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Beulah H. (Benton); son, Gary; daughter, Sheila Antor; brother, Charles; sister, Ruth Kellogg; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Ron Mills, and interment was in North Ensley Cemetery, Ensley Twp., Mich.

KAVANAUGH, ROY H., age 79; born Jan. 27, 1924, in Jamaica; died Oct. 28, 2003, in Howell, Mich. He was a member of the Livingston Church, Howell.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth (Henriques); and sons, Art and Brian.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastors Sheldon D.H. Seltzer and Chris Small, with private interment.

LITTLE, WILLIAM B., age 77; born May 29, 1926, in Indianapolis, Ind.; died Dec. 8, 2003, in Jeffersonville, Ind. He was a member of the New Albany (Ind.) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Doris E. (Jones); son, William B. II; daughters, Cynthia Ann

Wolff, Deborah J. Howard, and Mary Jane Lawson; brother, Robert M.; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Jerry Higgs, and interment was in Mt. Zion Cemetery, Henryville, Ind.

MABRY, DOROTHY L. (BETTS), age 64; born June 29, 1939, in Tupelo, Miss.; died Nov. 22, 2003, in Sparta, Mich. She was a member of the Sparta Church.

Survivors include her son, Derrick; daughters, Donna Brown, Gloria Hunnicutt, Kerry Carew, Ivy Betts, Tracy Mabry, Kimberly Duncan, Jodi Mabry, and Crystal Mabry; stepfather, Jessie G. Spencer Jr.; brother, Roger L. Spencer; sisters, Katherine Clanton, Patricia Spencer, Mary Davis, and Diana Archie; 19 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Ron Mills, and interment was in Garfield Memorial Park Cemetery, Grand Rapids, Mich.

NEEDHAM, ALBERT R., age 96; born June 7, 1907, in Flint, Mich.; died Dec. 21, 2003, in Flint. He was a member of the First Flint Church.

Survivors include his sister, Flora Roth.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Bruce Babienko and Barry DeWitt, and interment was in Bristol Cemetery, Flint.

OETMAN, ALBERTUS J., age 85; born Feb. 12, 1918, in Hamilton, Mich.; died Dec. 18, 2003, in Holland, Mich. He was a member of the Holland Church.

Survivors include his sons, Albert and Stanley; daughters, Carol Moffitt, Gladys Robinson, and Janice La Fave; brothers, Gordon and Wallace; sister, Geneva Lawson; 20 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Grams, and interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Hamilton.

PARKER, THERON L., age 67; born May 3, 1936, in Lake City, Mich.; died Nov. 17,

Lake Union Conference Tithe Comparison Year-to-date

52 Sabbaths ending December 31, 2003, compared to 52 Sabbaths ending December 31, 2002

Number of Members:		Conference	2003		2002		% Inc. -Decr.	Average Tithe Per Member	
09/30/03	09/30/02		2003	2002	-Decrease	2003		2002	
12,449	12,101	Illinois	10,038,502	9,738,869	299,634	3.08%	806.37	804.80	
6,673	6,540	Indiana	6,469,661	6,471,253	-1,592	-0.02%	969.53	989.49	
26,574	25,903	Lake Region	11,278,665	10,641,012	637,653	5.99%	424.42	410.80	
24,552	24,362	Michigan	27,946,609	27,453,875	492,734	1.79%	1138.26	1126.91	
6,644	6,494	Wisconsin	5,843,344	5,731,727	111,616	1.95%	879.49	882.62	
76,892	75,400	Totals	\$61,576,781	\$60,036,736	\$1,540,045	2.57%	\$800.82	\$796.24	
Average Weekly Tithe:			\$1,184,169	\$1,154,553	\$29,616	2.57%			

Sunset Calendar

	Mar 5	Mar 12	Mar 19	Mar 26	Apr 2	Apr 9
Berrien Springs, Mich.	6:41	6:49	6:57	7:05	7:12	8:20
Chicago	5:46	5:54	6:02	6:10	6:17	7:25
Detroit	6:27	6:35	6:44	6:52	6:59	8:07
Indianapolis	6:41	6:49	6:56	7:03	7:10	7:16
La Crosse, Wis.	5:59	6:08	6:16	6:25	6:32	7:41
Lansing, Mich.	6:32	6:41	6:50	6:58	7:06	8:14
Madison, Wis.	5:52	6:01	6:09	6:17	6:25	7:33
Springfield, Ill.	5:55	6:02	6:10	6:17	6:23	7:31

2003, in Cadillac, Mich. He was a member of the Cadillac Church.

Survivors include his sons, Theron (Tim), Thomas, and Pernell; daughters, Mary Jaroche and Tracey Williams; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Joel Nephew and Craig Harris, and Elder Don Siewert, and interment was in Haring Twp. Cemetery, Wexford Cty., Mich.

PROSHWITZ, GOLDIE A. (UNDERWOOD), age 90; born May 6, 1913, in Glenwood, Mich.; died Dec. 13, 2003, in Dowagiac, Mich. She was a member of the Dowagiac Church.

Survivors include her sons, Jerry and Steve; daughter, Sally Bergman; brother, Leroy Underwood; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were

conducted by Pastor William Dudgeon, and interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Dowagiac.

ROGERS, LINDSAY L. (BORTLE), age 24; born Feb. 7, 1979, in Flint, Mich.; died Dec. 23, 2003, in Flint. She was a member of the First Flint Church.

Survivors include her husband, Matthew; father, David Bortle; mother, Linda (Rogers) Price; brother, Bryce Bortle; stepbrother, Daniel Thorpe; sister, Katina Opra; stepsister, Dana Humphries.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Ed Komorowski, and interment was in Crestwood Cemetery, Flint.

SHARON, GERSHON E., age 67; born June 1, 1936, in Karanchi, Pakistan; died Dec. 13, 2003, in Petoskey, Mich. He was a member of the Petoskey Church.

Survivors include his wife, Irene D. (Rawat); son (Ashish)

Samuel; daughter, Deepika A. Zednicek; brothers, Herman E. and Gibeon E.; sisters, Jamimah E. Basil, Leah E. Bolts, and Lydia E. Ohol; and one grandchild.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastors Greg Timmins and George Dronen, with private inurnment.

SMELTZER, LILA M. (GRAY), age 85; born Sept. 21, 1918, in Benzonia, Mich.; died Nov. 15, 2003, in Frankfort, Mich. She was a member of the Frankfort Church.

Survivors include her sons, Thomas and Glen (Fred); sisters, Frances Tarwell, Elizabeth Blood, Gertrude Burley, and Ruby Rohn; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Jeff Bergquist and Arthur Covell, and interment was in Gilmore Twp. Cemetery, Frankfort.

SMITH, MARVEL M. (BAKER), age 76; born Jan. 16, 1927, in Saranac, Mich.; died Dec. 21, 2003, in Ionia, Mich. She was a member of the Ionia Church.

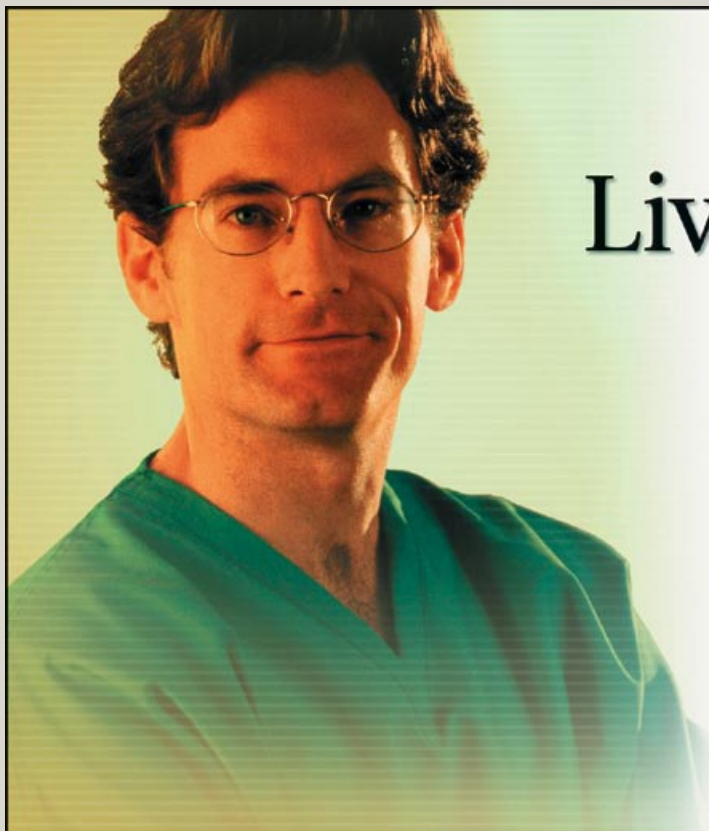
Survivors include her son, Robert; stepson, Jason Baker; daughters, Brenda Scheidt, Lorraine Youngren, and Linda Rowley; brothers, Claude, Cleo, and Dale Baker; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Gerald Baker, and interment was in Saranac Cemetery.

THATCHER, DONALD, age 88; born Feb. 3, 1915, in Marion, Minn.; died June 22, 2003, in Eugene, Ore. He was a member of the Shawano (Wis.) Church.

Survivors include his stepsons, David Chamberlin and Darrell Batchelder; and two step-grandchildren.

There will be a private inurnment in South Dakota in the spring.



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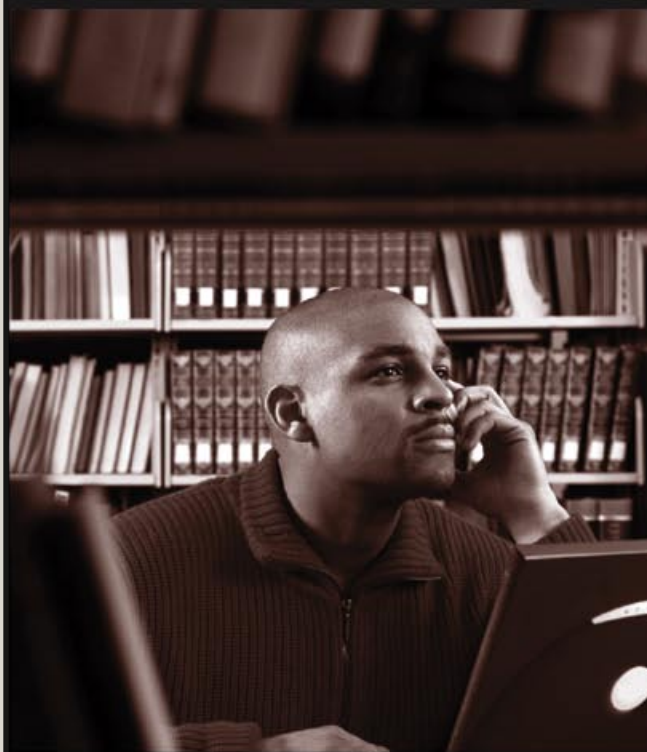
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ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

THE CENTER FOR YOUTH EVANGELISM will celebrate its 25th anniversary on Monday, **Mar. 8**. Everyone is invited to the AU seminary chapel at 6:00 p.m. for a special anniversary presentation with Don Schneider, NAD president, and former center directors. An open house tour will follow, and light refreshments will be served. More info: drane@andrews.edu or (800) YOUTH.2.U.

MAR. 12–21—spring break; **24–27**—McElmurry Ethics and Society Lectureship. Call (269) 471-3322 for more information; **28–29**—university preview weekend for academy juniors. Call (800) 253-2874 for more information; **31**—spring Red Cross blood drive.

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Ken Denslow, president
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INDIANA

LEGAL NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that the 38th Triennial Session of the Indiana Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the chapel building at Indiana Academy, Route 19, Cicero, Ind., on Sunday, **Apr. 25, 2004**, at 10:00 a.m. Duly accredited delegates and delegates-at-large will be authorized to receive reports and elect a conference president, secretary, treasurer, departmental directors, a Conference Executive Committee, a K–12 Board of Education, a Standing Nominating Committee, and a Standing Constitution and Bylaws Committee, to consider recommended changes in the conference and Indiana Academy Constitution and Bylaws, and to issue credentials and licenses for the ensuing three years. Delegates will transact such other business as may properly come before the delegation. Each church will be entitled to one delegate for the church organization and one additional delegate for each 25 members or major fraction thereof. The organizing committee will meet the same day, Sunday, Apr. 25, 2004, at 9:00 a.m. at Indiana Academy. The first meeting of the Standing Nominating Committee is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 22, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. at the Indiana Conference office. Walter Wright, Lake Union Conference president, will serve as chair of the nominating committee.

Gary Thurber, president
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LEGAL NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that a regular Triennial Session of the members of the Indiana Association of

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Gary Thurber, president
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LAKE REGION

LEGAL NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that the regular Triennial Session of the Lake Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held on Sunday, **Apr. 18, 2004**, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the South Bend Century Center Convention Hall, located at 120 South Saint Joseph Street, South Bend, Ind. The purpose of the session is to elect

officers and departmental directors for the ensuing term, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the delegates. Delegates to this session are duly appointed representatives of the various churches of the conference. Each church is entitled to one delegate for each 35 members or major fraction thereof. The organizing committee, made up of duly appointed members from the churches, will meet on Saturday night, **Apr. 17, 2004**, at 7:30 p.m., at the Grand Ballroom of the South Bend Marriott, located at 123 North Saint Joseph Street, South Bend, Ind.

Norman K. Miles, president
George C. Bryant, secretary

LEGAL NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that the regular Triennial Session of the members of the Lake Region Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, Inc., a corporation, will be held on Sunday, **Apr. 18, 2004**, in connection with the 24th session of the Lake Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists at the South Bend Century Center Convention Hall, located at 120 South Saint Joseph Street, South Bend, Ind. The first meeting of the association will be called to order at approximately 2:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to restate and amend the articles of incorporation and bylaws, to elect trustees for the ensuing term, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates. Delegates from the churches in attendance at the 24th Triennial Session of the Lake Region Conference comprise the constituency of the association.

Norman K. Miles, president
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Mar. 6 Local church budget
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Mar. 20 Disabilities Awareness Sabbath

FLORIDA'S THIRTEENTH ANNUAL LAKE UNION ACADEMIES ALUMNI REUNION will be held on **Mar. 6**, beginning at 9:30 a.m., at Forest Lake Academy. Alumni and friends of all Lake Union academies are invited to attend. Bring your own picnic lunch to be eaten in the cafeteria. Dessert and drink are provided. For more information, please contact the alumni directors at any of the Lake Union academies.

CALLING ALL MONTEREY BAY ACADEMY ALUMNI! There will be a potluck at 1:30 p.m. on **Mar. 27** in the Whirlpool Room of Chan Shun Hall at Andrews University. Come and fellowship with fellow MBA alumni. For questions, please contact Candice at hollingsc@andrews.edu.

CAROLINA CHAPTER OF LAKE UNION ACADEMIES ALUMNI GET-TOGETHER, Sabbath, **Mar. 27**, at 4:00 p.m. Graduates, attendees, faculty, and friends from all Lake Union academies are invited to gather at the Family Life Center of the Hendersonville (N.C.) Church. Representatives from the schools will give updates followed by a short vespers and a sandwich/salad potluck supper with time for fellowship and memories. Call Sandra Hoover (828)697-5649 for more information.

MICHIGAN

HIGHLY EFFECTIVE MARRIAGE, a marriage retreat with Nancy Van Pelt, is scheduled for **Apr. 2–4**, at the Battle Creek Tabernacle. To register or for more details, call Karen Penrod at (269) 721-3690 or the Battle Creek Tabernacle church office at (269) 968-8101.

ADELPHIAN ACADEMY CLASS OF 1974 will be meeting in Holly, Mich., **June 11–13**, for their 30th-year class reunion. We'd also love to see our friends from other classes and faculty from those years. For information, contact Mitzi Lipscomb, 4324 Springdale Dr., Timberville, VA 22853; (540) 896-3207; Ibkkoolmom@aol.com.

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

FIRST ADVENTIST SINGLE ADULT MINISTRIES (ASAM) LEADERSHIP TRAINING: Are you a pastor who wants to minister to single adults or a volunteer single adult ministries leader or helper? Do you want to learn how to launch or expand single adult ministries in your church, home area, or conference? Then attend the first annual, NAD-sponsored ASAM Leadership Training Conference in Phoenix, Ariz., on **Mar. 25–26**, following the SAM convention taking place on Mar. 22–25. Contact BBabcockASAM@aol.com or LThomasASAM@aol.com, or phone (909) 929-4178 for a brochure or more information on ASAM. Register now for early-bird discounts. www.nadasam.org.

ATTENTION SPRING VALLEY ACADEMY ALUMNI: Homecoming weekend will be **Apr. 16–18**. Jeff Brown, class of '74, is the featured speaker. Honor classes are '74, '79, '84, '89, '94, and '99. For more information, check our Web site at www.springvalleyacademy.org; call (937) 433-0790; or e-mail: dahill@sva.pvt.k12.oh.us. Your friends are coming, you should too!



Freedom Is Coming!

BY SUSIE CHRISTENSON

The anniversary of the attack on the World Trade Center caused me to do some reflecting. Like when JFK was assassinated, people remember where they were when it happened. For me it was B2, middle of the period. Paul came bursting through the door, "A plane has hit one of the twin towers." At first, I didn't believe it. I thought it was a hoax. But when I realized that it was true, I wasn't really sure how to react. I knew I felt bad for the families who had lost loved ones, but I felt that as long as my family was safe, that was all that really mattered.

September 11 brought out many different emotions. As a nation we had become so immune to the violence from the media and movies, that we weren't sure how to react. It's almost like our country was numb to the suicide bombings and all the killing going on in other countries, but as soon as it happened to us, we all went into utter shock. We couldn't believe how anyone could do such an awful thing to us wonderful Americans.

Usually after a tragic event everyone feels bad at first and claims that things are going to be different; but after a while, all those claims seem to just fade away. But for me, this one took a little too long to fade away. Security went up everywhere. Instead of it taking an hour at the

airport, it took four. Everyone had their American flags out rain or shine, all trying to show how "patriotic" they could be. All the flags and the slogans became very cliché.

Chambers and Orchestra had been planning to go on tour in the Czech Republic, but because of September 11, we stayed in the United States. After lots of prayer and planning, we decided to go to the East Coast, stopping in New York City along the way.

I was excited about that because I'd never been there before, and I wanted to see Time Square, Broadway, Central Park, the Empire

State Building, When I found out we would be visiting Ground Zero I wasn't all that excited. It had been broadcast so many times that I felt pretty much numb to the whole thing.

While we were there, it really hit me hard. On the fence by a church there were pictures, flowers, candles, and possessions of those who had died. We talked to a police officer there and asked if we could sing a song. Her reply was, "I don't have a problem with it, but if my boss comes out you'll have to stop." So we sang "Freedom Is Coming." People stopped in the streets to hear us sing. I saw a couple of people crying, and I realized that not only did it affect those who had lost loved ones, but me also.

Freedom is coming not only for those who are angry about what happened or for those who mourn the loss of a loved one, but also for the person who wasn't directly affected, like me. With that freedom, everyone can have assurance that one day soon our Lord Jesus Christ will come and take us all home. On that one and only day we will truly know that freedom has come.



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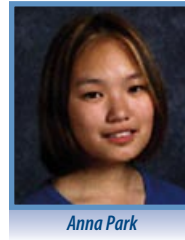
Anna Park, 17, is a junior at Hinsdale Adventist Academy (HAA) in Hinsdale, Ill. Anna and her parents, Young Hyun and Sung Hee Park, are members of the Schaumburg Korean Church in Schaumburg, Ill.

Anna has been described as brilliant, energetic, and sociable. Her vast interests and talents enable her to be a member of HAA's yearbook staff, HAA's Lady Hurricanes basketball and volleyball teams, and HAA's National Honor Society. She sings in the academy choir and plays the piano, flute, and percussion. Anna also enjoys writing poetry and reading literature.

Anna says she has learned that perseverance is the key to one's success. She also believes that staying focused is all you need to do to accomplish your goals—no matter what anyone else says.

Richard Garey, Anna's English teacher, states, "She is very conscientious, regularly goes beyond expectations, and is a positive influence in the school."

It is Anna's desire to go to college, major in history, and pursue a career in law. "I want to ultimately be happy and at peace with God," she says.



Anna Park



Joshua Alabata

Joshua Royce Alabata, 17, is a junior at Hinsdale Adventist Academy (HAA). Joshua and his parents, Bing and Eden Alabata, attend the Hinsdale Fil-Am Church.

When asked what the most important thing he has learned from his academy experience is, Joshua replied, "The only way to get through life is by keeping God first and putting Christ in the center, then life will have true meaning."

It's no surprise that Joshua's favorite class is Bible. His teacher, Danaran Frederick, says, "It is Joshua's desire to do the right thing always. He is humble, patient, and a student of the Word. He understands the meaning of service and is not ashamed or afraid to serve."

Joshua says his future ambition is "to serve God with the talents He gave me."

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