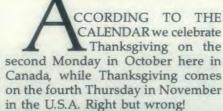


by Len Leatherdale

"yearning desire to hear some words of comfort."

# IS THE SEASON TO BE

# THANKFUL



There isn't a day that passes but we have many blessings for which to praise our heavenly Father, physical, temporal and spiritual. Even on the days that seem to fall apart and everything turns upside down, you will still find small blessings that have come your way, and which we are inclined to overlook at such times.

"We need to praise God more 'for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men'. Our devotional exercises should not consist wholly in asking and receiving. Let us not be always thinking of our wants, and never of the benefits we receive. We do not pray any too much, but we are too sparing of giving thanks. We are the constant recipients of God's mercies, and yet how little gratitude we express, how little we praise Him for what He has done for us," SC 103

"When you open your eyes in the morning, thank God that He has kept you through the night. Thank Him for His peace in your heart. Morning, noon and night, let gratitude as a sweet perfume ascend to heaven." MH 253

Perhaps you remember the experience of the ten lepers, after Jesus had responded to their request.

"Every earthly wish may be gratified, and yet men pass on as did the ungrateful lepers who had been cleansed and healed of their obnoxious disease. Those lepers had been restored to health by Christ, and the parts that had been destroyed by the disease were re-created, but only one, on finding himself made whole, returned to give God glory. And Jesus said, "Where are the nine?" The lesson which is recorded concerning the ten lepers should awaken in every heart a most earnest desire to change the existing order of ingratitude into one of praise and thanksgiving." ML 170

A grateful spirit is one of the fundamental elements of a happy life. Like every good characteristic, it



should be cultivated until it becomes a fixed habit. We begin to live only when we cease to think continuously of ourselves and begin to place our thoughts on the welfare and happiness of others.

A man picked up a paper lying on the floor of a building in New York and found it to be a certificate of deposit in one of the city banks for more than \$8,000.00. He advertised his find, and soon a man came rushing into his office, half out of breath. "I hear you found my certificate of deposit and I want it," he said quickly.

The finder passed it over to the man with a smile, naturally expecting an expression of gratitude. Instead to his astonishment, he received this rebuke: "Why didn't you take this to my bank? You've made me spend all this time hunting through papers and asking about it from everyone I knew.'

Then there was the little girl whose elderly aunt gave her a beautiful pincushion. She wrote her thanks in this way: "Dear Auntie, Thank you so much for your nice present. I have always wanted a pincushion, but not

very much."

"Rejoice in the Lord always," said Paul in his letter in the Philippian church; and he showed that church how to rejoice even when in trouble. It was there in Phillipi that he and Silas sang praises when they were in stocks in the inner dungeon after having been beaten. Likewise David, when pursued by Saul's army, stopped by the way long enough to write a song beginning with "I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth." No matter how severe the troubles, there will always be a great host of things for which we can be grateful, and for which we should express thanks by word and deed.

The following little story is probably so oft retold because the ungratefulness which created it is so oft repeated.

A rather queenly young woman boarded a crowded city bus. A tired little man got up and gave her his seat. There was a moment of silence.

"I beg you pardon?" said the tired little man.

"I didn't say anything," rejoined the young woman.

"I'm sorry," said the little man, "I thought you said 'Thank you!' "

Are we, who are old enough to

know better, still like the little child who so often has to be reminded by mother, "Say thank you"?

Though we do not do our good deeds for love of praise, even the saintly Joseph found ingratitude hard to bear. The king's cupbearer professed deep gratitude for the interpretation of his dream; but when he was released from prison, he forgot about Joseph's kindness to him. For two years longer Joseph remained a prisoner. The hope that had been kindled in his heart gradually died out, and to all other trials was added the bitter sting of ingratitude.

"If you have enough food to eat and all of the fresh water you want to drink, you ought never to complain about anything."

"The angels of God, thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand, are commissioned to minister to those who shall be heirs of salvation. They guard us against evil, and press back the powers of darkness that are seeking our destruction. Have we not reason to be thankful every moment, thankful even when there are apparent difficulties in our pathway?

"Let praise and thanksgiving be expressed in song. When tempted, instead of giving utterance to our feelings, let us by faith lift up a song of thanksgiving to God.

"Give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good:

For His mercy endureth forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say

Whom He hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy." MH 254

During His agony in Gethsemane Jesus had a "yearning desire to hear some words of comfort" from His sleeping disciples. If He could only know that His disciples understood and appreciated the momentous decision He faced on their behalf, "He would be strengthened." These drowsy three could have done the work of sinless angels in comforting and strengthening the Saviour at this hour, but the habit of ingratitude denied them this privilege.

Though flattery may be deceitful, do not ever conclude that expressions of genuine gratitude are wrong. If the perfect human nature of our Lord received strength and comfort from expressions of gratitude and appreciation, surely we should not deny our struggling fellow travellers on the road to heaven this encouragement. Have you and I been guilty of accepting the gifts and hospitality and kindnesses of others without feeling and expressing gratitude? Or is it important? Surely ingratitude is one of the prevailing sins of our age, and is symptomatic of soul poverty.

When some friend or loved one is taken from us, we seem to think instinctively of flowers, and we make our way to the florists and buy a wreath to lay upon the casket of the one who in life may never have known the joy of flowers from our

hands.

Often the mothers who have watched over our beds and kissed our bruises in babyhood and who have grown gray from the years of burdens are unappreciated. We accept their labours of love with little thought. And some of our mothers have received unkind words and harsh treatment for their sacrifices. But when our mothers die, we buy flowers.

"Many a pathway, which during life, has led through a bleak and barren waste, has at death, entered a garden of flowers. If all the kind words which are said over the bier of the dead might only have been heard by him while he was struggling under life's burden, how much lighter the load might have been! Why not say the kind words now? Let's tell our loved ones we love them. Let's buy a

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# From The President's Diary

# Masterpieces

by G.E. Maxson

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HERE ARE CERTAIN MASTERPIECES of art that we marvel at because of their great beauty. Mankind honours the artists who produce these wonderful works. Their value increases from year to year with some of them selling for millions of dollars.

Far greater are God's masterpieces. You are His handiwork being perfected into a masterpiece far more precious and of greater worth than any of man's great works of art. When I consider how God can take a sinner marred and enslaved by sin and recreate such a person in His own image, I bow in awe and in humbleness. I must praise and worship Him for including me as a recipient of His transforming grace.

It is so easy for us to desperately try to make ourselves look good instead of being molded by His hands in accordance with His plan. "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10. How often we fail because we insist on our own plans! You may be tempted to go your own way, do your own thing, to give up or sink in despair because of failures, frustrations or hurts. Don't do it! God has not given up on you! Let His hands lift, heal and lead you. Hang in there and let God work a masterpiece of His grace.

The Bible tells us "you also like living stones are being built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices." I Peter 2:5. It says "In Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives." Ephesians 2:22. What an awesome privilege! Again it tells us that "the church . . . is His body, the fullness

of Him." Ephesians 1:22, 23.

Christ introduces to us His Father as "Our Father" and as the gardener at work in the vineyard, His church. Too often we attempt the role of God, trying to do it our way or to tell God what is wrong with the church and what corrective action needs to be done. Is not our role that of the branch to be united to the vine? To bear much fruit under the hand of God? Or the role of a holy priest offering spiritual sacrifice? Or of "living stones" "being built together as a dwelling place in which God lives"?

The Master builder knows where He wants us and how to make everything beautiful in His own time.

The words of Christ teach that we should regard ourselves as inseparably bound to our Father in heaven. Whatever our position, we are dependent upon God, who holds all destinies in His hands. He has appointed us our work, and has endowed us with faculties and means for that work. So long as we surrender the will to God, and trust in His strength and wisdom, we shall be guided in safe paths, to fulfill our appointed part in His great plan. But the one who depends upon his own wisdom and power is separating himself from God. Instead of working in unison with Christ, he is fulfilling the purpose of the enemy of God and man. -Desire of Ages, page 209

Take time to get acquainted with God's plan for you, allow God to work out "His handiwork." Wonderfully beautiful will you be as a masterpiece touched by His hand! \$\phi\$

# ADVENTIST MESSA

IRST REPORTS FROM GUAM indicate the new giant 100,000 watt transmitter of AWR-Asia is pumping a strong radio signal into all areas of Asia and beyond. Although official reports are not yet in from all 12 production centres in Asia, station directors estimate close to 1,000 pieces of mail will have been received during the first two months of operation.

"Especially encouraging is the very good reception being reported in all target areas", says AWR-Asia Manager Allen Steele. "This means we can even expect listening conditions to improve as our signal becomes better established on the airwaves in months

to come."

Already letters have been received from all the provinces of China, and in India reports say AWR-Asia is "loud and clear." Listeners on the whole have shown great enthusiasm for the Adventist messages being broadcast.

An example is a letter from a 24year-old man in Tokyo who works as a TV engineer for a national network. "Your radio service from Europe has been famous here in Japan. I understand you have many problems getting started on Guam but they were solved by God and by your hard work. I am excited to hear your program—thanks for a job well done. I feel AWR is my best friend."

For most listeners, however, the new broadcasts from Guam are an introduction to a new message on radio and they were pleasantly surprised, perhaps even intrigued. Here are some comments;

"I like your broadcasts very much and I am going to be a regular listener."-Burma.

"I am glad to hear the Good News in the Indonesian language and I found the message to be a blessing."-

"I am happy to know of your program, I have found them very

interesting."—Nepal.

"I found AWR-Asia while trying to hear another station and your transmission was loud and clear. I'm a Muslim but I'm interested in Jesus

# Now Penetrates

Christ and His religion. I plan to listen to your broadcasts regularly."-Bangladesh.

"For the past two weeks I have been listening to your station every night. I have to tell you that your programs are just wonderful, particularly the Voice of Prophecy."-Philippines.

"I look forward to listening to your English broadcasts on a regular basis."—

"I caught your signal for the first time today-congratulations on your opening broadcasts. I am going to listen to your program from now on."-Japan.

For many, the programs touched their hearts, eliciting a personal

spiritual response:

"I have heard the Voice of Prophecy and I desire to live God's love and have His grace that will set me free from evil forces so I can be saved."-Papua New Guinea.

"I'm a Hindu, but I love Christ. Most of the religious stations have helped me understand Christ, but your programs are outstandingly different from others. Please send me your Bible study guides."-India.

A non-Adventist graduate student in Manila wrote: "This year the Lord has called me to be head of the 'Soul Winner Group' in our campus Christian Association. Please send us Christian literature and books that we

can study in our group."

A listener in the Republic of the Maldives writes, "I appreciate your programs-please send me a few

copies of your sermons."

Response has also been coming in from other parts of the world, even North America. A Seventh-day Adventist shortwave listener in Talent, Oregon, recorded the program he heard. Said Jim Blackburn, "I played the tape at church yesterday since we were taking up the offering for AWR

And letters received from Europe and Africa tell of good reception. Some exciting letters from Africa show the Holy Spirit's working.

A 22-year-old man in Nigeria wrote, "I would love to have a Bible and I would also like you to pray for me." And from an east African country: "I find your reception here in Kenya to be excellent. I enjoy Your Story Hour very much, I never miss it! Please send me reading literature and a Holy Bible, if possible."

A teenager in Uganda discovered Your Story Hour. "Though the stories seem to be for us kids only, our whole family sits down to listen to it."

A listener in Kenya says, "Please send me the Bible lessons . . . I have already introduced my family to the radio broadcasts and we've set aside our listening hour for AWR!"

Processing the mail is a big task, Steele says. "At the 12 addresses given on the air, our people are working hard to fully respond to all of the listener requests. And we're just

getting started."

By early summer, installation of a second antenna and transmitter will be completed and AWR-Asia airtime will be doubled. The station was built to house a total of four transmitters. When funds become available for the third and fourth transmitters, airtime will triple, then quadruple.

"We can expect the mail response to rise accordingly," Steele said. "We had a great challenge in building this station, and we will have an even greater challenge in caring for the response it will generate. After all, this is what we have been hoping and praying for."



# Kurt Cao

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# Family Forum

# The Caring Church: "Friendship on Trial"

Dear Readers,

Of all the goals that I have for this column, one stands out above the rest to me. That goal is to present the right information in the right way to show people they are totally responsible for their use of life. Hopefully they will then "Work out their own salvation with fear and trembling," and judge not "others lest you be judged yourselves." We cannot conquer in life unless we know what is ours to conquer and what is not. I cannot conquer alcohol for someone else. You cannot conquer jealousy on my behalf. We cannot change others, but must surrender to, and with all our hearts, allow the Holy Spirit to change ourselves.

I believe Jesus conquered all for me except me. He did not conquer me. It is my privilege and responsibility to surrender myself, with God's power, to the will of the Holy Spirit, falling totally in love with Jesus. He is the one who will heal me and help me, often through others. Therefore I will want to be open to receive others, who hurt like I hurt.

When reading today's column, is it possible that God could be asking or telling you again, "... if you did it to 'Hurting', you did it to me"? Matthew 25:40 (paraphrased). I hope we're listening.

Dear Mr. Cao,

First I would like to say that my heart in sympathy goes out to P.H. (Messenger, June 1987). I fully understand and know what she is going through as I too am experiencing very much of the same. I would especially like to emphasize the question "where is a friend when you need one?"

This is a difficult and confusing letter to write but I feel that

I should write and be as it may.

Much of what you wrote is very true but there are several thoughts and words that I just cannot accept or agree with as my years of actual experience has strongly proven otherwise. You wrote:

1. "Divorce does tear your heart out, and you feel terribly rejected and cast aside." This is very true, but you go on to say "but you are not." Baloney, this is false, one definitely is (cast aside).

2. "... don't expect your friends to take sides, they care about you." They do not care. Their attitude would be very different

if they cared.

3. "Yes, you do invite yourself over, or invite others to your place, or other families out to the park or activities." Sure, go uninvited and be forever ignored, invite but they will not come.

4. "When, as a caring church, people come around and ask you to accept this or that position, go ahead and get involved." They do not ask if I would take any office. I have offered to take part at different times and my offer is yet to be accepted. Why?

5. "You are recovering from a major injury and you and your family require special care. Get it. Focus on who you are and what are your real needs. Get them met." Very true, but how does one get this care? How does one get these needs met? Certainly not in the S.D.A. Church as it is presently. I have tried many times.

I have to go to other churches and non-denominational people to keep going and this is supposed to be a caring church.

Why can one church accept me as I am with open arms, warmth and care and the S.D.A. Church be so cold and ignorant and still claim to be a caring church? Bewildering!

I too have many questions and feelings that I have no one to talk over with but have learned that I can go without. I could say that a home could be replaced, but who will help me rebuild my life? Where is that (so called) caring church? Where is a friend when you need one? Thank you.

Dear Hurting,

Thank you so much for writing. Your honesty about your reaction to your church makes it possible for us to take a good look at ourselves, on both sides.

Your first three points I would like to defer to those reading this who have known of a marriage breakdown or have seen it coming and who have refused to reach out and help the hurting people involved. These same three points are also deferred to those reading who were afraid to help, and "didn't know what to say," or "do," and so have done nothing except keep inviting the same safe, secure people over for dinner, and going to the same cottage on weekends, and only "mingling" with other members or people with whom they feel comfortable, or who only ask friends to serve with them for church activities and offices. To those of you are are involved with hurting people, you have already discovered that everyone, yourself included, is hurting, and therefore, that it is not difficult to find someone to help or share a burden, even if you don't know them.

How to help is different from agreeing to help, although not knowing how often creates such a fear of doing the wrong thing that people won't agree to help. The last two points you gave me will be focussed on here. The goal is, once again, to inform and provide opportunity to

change.

(Point no. 4) - Usually people don't help out because to help requires a willingness to be inconvenienced. The same can be said for why people tend to ask the same people to do some of the same things within the church or community. There are other reasons, and some of them can only be understood with your tongue in cheek:

- A fear of strangers (You've been a member for 15 years?)
- A fear of awkward situations. whatever they are. Perhaps like not knowing what to say (Isn't it nice to finally know why you are left out, you don't speak the same language, that's why they don't know what to say?).
- A fear of becoming your friend and that you will need something that they won't be able or willing to give. After all, being divorced is close to being an alien life form, or

so many divorced people tell me. I guess you don't require friendship, popcorn, family atmosphere, homemade ice cream with friends, Rook games (oops!), sundown worship in someone's backyard, a loan until your next pay day, a hug, a drive or a pick-up of the kids because your boss won't let you leave early. Only married people need that stuff, right?

- A fear of rejection, that you'll say "no."
- A fear that you won't do the job well enough to be taped and shown on national television. Somehow you'll have to be bigger than life. Haven't you seen the folks in the big churches with their perfect faces, perfect clothes, perfect voices, perfect actions and aching hearts (oops, how did that one get in?)? Being yourself, to serve Christ and glorify Him, needs to be "in" again.

(Point no. 5) - Wounds take time to heal. A torn relationship with your spouse is not far from poor relationships with your fellow church members. It hurts when you are rejected, or left out of activities. The need for support and companionship often drives people to other places and people to find these. Obviously certain people to whom you looked in need, let you down. I don't blame you for looking elsewhere, especially if you found acceptance and healing and support. That does not mean you shouldn't be a Seventh-day Adventist. Being a caring person is not bounded by denomination or anything else. But God's Truth is. Remember that you can learn love anywhere, and you can blend that love into God's message for people in our time. Wherever you attend, go forward faithfully seeking God's Will. It never changes. His love never changes. His law never changes. His power and Spirit are neverchanging currents flowing to those who will drink them in.

Whether you find love in another church and carry it back to the Seventh-day Adventist church you attended, forgiving, in Jesus, the members who spurned you, or whether you keep communing with your new Christian friends and share God's news of the Three Angels' for the last days, keep God first, and your soul and the souls of those around you will become part of God's Remnant.

I know it is easy to stay wounded and bitter, and I know my words are not enough. Let's consider the words from our loving Jesus, and try and come together. "He was despised and rejected of men," and "has nowhere to lay His head." Jesus tried to find acceptance, support and nurturing on earth. Rarely did He find it and often He was hurting. But He hurt for us as well as Himself.

My questions to you are: Can you become the kind of caring, reachingout Christian Seventh-day Adventist that you find so rarely in your church? Can you, like Christ, feel the rejection, and reach out to others to help them? You know how they feel, what they feel, what they need. Would you wrestle all night with Jesus to be secure in Him, supported by Him, nurtured by His Spirit, and in the morning reach out to those in need?

Many people have written many books on why some churches are cold, hypocritical, and unproductive for Christ. My response is probably too simple. People love themselves and their false security of friends, family, position and things, more than they love God and what He is doing for them.

Thank God you have a chance to meet Him and serve Him, and that your suffering can lead you to healing and happiness in the Lord. Please don't give up and please don't trash God's prophecy and plan, or the Seventh-day Adventist Church because some people misrepresent Him. Those people, like weeds, turn up in gospel gardens everywhere. Stay with God, search for truth, "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling," and "Go ye into all the world," becoming that very caring person whom you didn't find in church. Godspeed. 🌣

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# A Day For DESTINY

ARTS International Strengthens Purpose and Base of Operations

by Frank McMiller

In a recent meeting of the ARTS International Board of Directors, actions were taken to set a new course for the televangelistic ministry. For some time, the Board has been concerned to see more of the annual budget allocated to outreach (telecasting and follow-up evangelism) rather than for upkeep and daily operation of a large studio facility costing over \$6000,00 monthly, whether or not productions are actually being done. Since the studio is now only occupied for Destiny productions 6-8 weeks total out of the year, and part of the staff is engaged 10 months in crusades, the day to day operations could feasibly be carried out in substantially smaller quarters.

A notable decline in donations, perhaps partly influenced by last spring's PTL TV scandal, has made it a financially pressing year, and has moved the board to make positive changes that will place ARTS in a

far more effective position.

While the Board has been encouraged with the line that has been kept on finances in spite of the shortfall and how God has also blessed in evangelistic growth, with the accession of over 250 new converts last year, it was unanimously decided that ARTS would better serve its purpose and the interests of its contributing supporters, to liquidate the studio asset, thereby reducing overhead so more funds could be relegated to a broader airing of Destiny telecasts. However, there is also a firm recognition that success will increase as public evangelistic efforts likewise increase. Destiny cannot be just a telecast, but must encompass a reaping work as well. This is a commitment of the Board of Directors.

### Sale Of The Studio

Already, a number have voiced their positive feelings regarding the board action to sell the present studio. Following several weeks of negotiations, the closing of the sale looks imminent. For the first time in its history, ARTS will then operate without a burden of debt. Enough profit should also be realized from the studio sale to purchase a compact mobile vehicle to house the video equipment.

Most productions of Destiny telecasts will be done outdoors, some on locations relating to telecast content. For minimal indoor videotaping requirements, studio space will be rented by the hour, perhaps from the buyer of the present building. Outdoor location recording is a plan staff has contemplated for some time, believing it will give the program new life and format and enhance viewer interest. A much smaller office space will be rented at a fraction of the cost to maintain our

Canadian headquarters in London, Ontario.

## Michigan Conference Welcomes ARTS Into Its Soul-Winning Circle

After a year of closely examining the ARTS ministry, its history and present work, Elder Glenn Aufderhar, President of the Michigan Conference, the conference executive committee and the 110 member Lay Advisory Council have enthusiastically invited ARTS to become closely integrated with the conference evangelistic program. With ARTS staff, Michigan Conference officers and several laymen forming the US ARTS Board chaired by Elder Aufderhar, the Lay Advisory Council will form the Constituency to plan many new soul-winning pursuits in the Michigan Conference. Elder Henry Feyerabend and Jerry Mayes are contracted to give 50% of their evangelistic efforts to Michigan, allowing the other 50% to be given to Canada or anywhere from which invitations may come. It should be emphasized that all evangelism in Michigan will not take any Canadian contributions as it will be underwritten by the Michigan Conference. In addition, the Michigan Conference has opened wide the field to assist ARTS in raising funds for Michigan-based work and has pledged a good share of the cost of TV time on Detroit's WGPR (Channel 62) that starts airing Destiny-October 3-prime-time, Saturdays at 8:30 p.m. It will reach some 5 million U.S. residents in a 60-mile radius of Detroit and a large population in Western Ontario with an "off air" signal.

## Doors Open in Alberta and Beyond

Elder Herb Larson, President of the Alberta Conference and a current member of the ARTS Board, is determined to see a day for Destiny in Alberta. In co-operation with the conference evangelistic program, ARTS is embarking on a year's telecasting on ITV, giving mass coverage to Edmonton and district, to be followed a year or so later with a city-wide Destiny Crusade.

A contract with ITV has just been negotiated for the half-hour Destiny program to air weekly—Sundays at 8:30 a.m. (Alberta time). But cable coverage of ITV will also take Destiny to over 650 communities across the nation. We envision this as a grand opportunity to work with pastors, individuals and churches in follow-up programs such as Revelation Seminars in these areas. The telecast can develop an interest and

advertise such lay-operated programs in any of the communities listed.

### ARTS Involvement in America

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# A BRIEF CONVERSION STORY OF FORMER PENTECOSTAL PREACHER

# Preacher CALWIN MATHIS

by Frank McMiller - Reporting for Destiny ARTS International





"An Adventist All These Years And I Didn't Know It."

Calvin Mathis (above)
shares his testimony experience
at the Calgary ARTS Spring Rally.
Henry Feyerabend (Photo right) introducing
Clara Mathis, mother of Calvin, and
other Mathis family members.

WON'T GO! You're not dragging me out to hear any television preacher," Calvin retorted emphatically. "I'll only hear things I can't agree with." He had been a Pentecostal missionary, but for years some things were bothering him. The more he studied the Bible, the more he became convinced that the Ten Commandment Law of God is still binding and that the Bible Sabbath, now called Saturday, is the true day of worship.

The day came when Calvin could no longer contain his conviction. When he started vocalizing his beliefs, it wasn't long until he faced opposition that ultimately resulted in his expulsion from the Pentecostal community. From then on, every preacher he heard seemed to teach that the Law of God had been abolished. None would appreciate the concern for Sabbath keeping. His church going eventually stopped all together.

In April of this year, Mrs. Clara Mathis, his wife, and Laura Roll, his married daughter, had been watching a program called DESTINY. One week they noted the announcement concerning the personal appearance of DESTINY telecast host, Henry Feyerabend, for a series of meetings at the Coeur d'Alene convention centre. Concerned about "father" always in seclusion at home, never attending church for having no one of like faith with which to fellowship,

they tried to persuade him to go to the convention centre. Their coaxing and cajoling won out. He consented to attend the first meeting. In Calvin's words, "within ten minutes I knew that I was hearing about truths of which I was convinced all this time. Here was a preacher saying things with which I could finally agree. I just knew I'd have to attend all the meetings."

Laura came to the meeting one night with the rest of the family and approached Pastor Feyerabend at his conclusion, remarking, "every night you preach, I've got to pinch myself to know whether it's you or my dad preaching, because all the things you are saying is exactly what he's been telling us all these years."

And so it was that they all came night after night. Calvin would approach Pastor Feyerabend, giving his view of the subject for the night before it was even preached. On nearly every subject, including that of

"... when your brothers and sisters, fellow workers, turn against you, it hurts."

healthful living and adornment, he believed as Seventh-day Adventists do. But he thought he was alone in his belief. Well he had heard of Seventhday Adventists before but they were ruled out, as he had been told they were a cult to be avoided.

Telling of those intervening years, Calvin describes kinds of discouragement and persecution and a miraculous point of turning in his life: "I can't take any credit for what God has done for me but I know He's real and it's a privilege to be among people with whom I can worship in spirit and truth. I'd like to publicly apologize to my family, for I took them through an awful hard time. It's not easy when the people you love and work with become your enemies and turn on you. When you realize God's Word means something and are trying to discover truth, you're not going to be accepted by the world. You can expect that, but when your brothers and sisters, fellow workers, turn against you, it hurts.

"I went into a period of time when I felt sorry for myself. That's what it really amounts to, and I took to drinking heavily. I've come home to my wife with promises to quit and I've promised God as well, but I just couldn't stop. I finally just told God in desperation, 'I can't handle it anymore, Lord, I haven't the desire to quit. There's something inside I'm lacking, I need strength!' One day, when I had just finished drinking two big beers and was on the way to the store for more, a voice halted me-'If you're going to stop. . . when?' It startled me and I turned my pickup around and went home. That was over six years ago and I've never touched a drop since. Then I really got into the Word and I praise God for this truth and His saving grace and now I've discovered that here I was basically an Adventist all these years and I didn't know it."

Searching the scriptures in seclusion, Calvin Mathis discovered the major Bible doctrines for himself and since he's discovered the truth as taught by Seventh-day Adventists you could never find a happier Christian. He and several members of his family have been baptized with twenty or more other new believers in the area. Almost all attribute this to the influence of DESTINY telecast. Other members of his family are planning a future baptism. In the true spirit of a born-again person, Calvin Mathis has approached the pastors of the Coeur d'Alene Seventh-day Adventist church, requesting the names of all area backsliders, that he may begin an intensive program of visitation and work to help reunite these former members with the church.

Calvin's deep experience once again underscores the importance of following up a telecast with a reaping effort-a principle to which the DESTINY tele-evangelistic ministry is committed. This story is a testimony to the fact that had we not been on the air and conducting these meetings, we undoubtedly would have missed the marvelous opportunity to bring this family into the ranks of God's remnant church family.

If you feel impressed to write Calvin Mathis and his family a welcome into the fellowship of the Seventh-day Adventist church, to encourage them in their new found faith, simply address your letter to him personally and send it to: DESTINY, Box 4610, London, ON N5W 5L7.

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# 'Tis The Season To Be Thankful!

bouquet now and then while they live, so that they will know now, of our love and appreciation and gratitude. We are daily recipients of the bounties of heaven and should have loving gratitude springing up in our hearts to God, which should cause us to sympathize with our neighbours and friends and make their interests our own." 4T 222

After Captain Eddie Rickenbacker and comrades had been rescued from twenty-one days' drifting in a small raft on the Pacific, he said, "If you have enough food to eat and all of the fresh water you want to drink, you ought never to complain about anything."

If some of us had passed through experiences such as Rickenbacker and his party endured, we would be more thankful for the daily blessings God showers upon us.

"Heaven is full of joy. Should not the church on earth be full of praise. Those who in heaven join with the angelic choir in their anthem of praise must learn on earth the song of heaven, the keynote of which is thanksgiving." T7 244

"Should we not strive to make our words a source of help and encouragement to one another in our daily Christian experience? If we truly love Christ, we shall glorify Him by our words. Unbelievers are often convicted as they listen to pure words of praise and gratitude to God." MYP 424

True gratitude is a gift from God, as are all other Christian graces. Thank God for the gift of gratitude and thanksgiving. Let us always remember to be thankful every day of the year, not only to God, but also to our fellow men.



# Introducing New Staff at Kingsway College



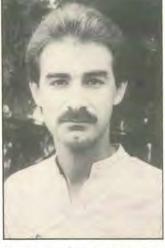




The position of Women's Dean has been filled by Mrs. Esther Wiseman LeMaire, Raised in Langley, British Columbia Mrs. LeMaire attended Canadian Union College graduating in 1985 with a B.A. in Education and in 1986 with a B.S. in Behavioural Science. Prior to coming to Kingsway she served as Assistant Dean at C.U.C. for two years. Esther is married to Richard LeMaire who will be teaching at Crawford Academy.



Tammy Richardson Juriansz has accepted the position as school nurse at Kingsway College. She completed her nursing degree at Durham College in June of this year. Mrs. Juriansz spent the summer at New Frenda as camp nurse. Originally from Wisconsin, Tammy is married to Mr. Robert Juriansz, Jr. who is currently working at Maracle Press. Tammy and Bob have one daughter, Amanda and are expecting another child in the late fall.



Kingsway's new assistant dean of men is Mr. Glen Wilson. Mr. Wilson graduated from Canadian Union College in 1984 majoring in Physical Education and minoring in religion and social studies. Since leaving C.U.C. Mr. Wilson has been teaching at Crawford Academy. In addition to his deaning responsibilities he will also be teaching in the Social Science department, Mr. Wilson is married to Nora Lynn Leiske who is currently attending school in Toronto.



The new assistant dean of women, Mrs. Lilly McDowall Henry, is a graduate of Andrews University. After obtaining her grade 13 diploma from Henry St. High School in Whitby, Mrs. Henry spent the next three years at Andrews University. Here she earned an

Associate Science degree in Early Childhood Education and a Bachelor of Science in Consumer and Community Services with a minor in Religion in 1981. On returning to Oshawa, Mrs. Henry worked for three years with the Oshawa and District Association for the Mentally Retarded. Currently Lilly Henry is the Director of the Happy Children's Palace, a daycare centre located on the Kingsway campus. Lilly Henry is married to Sebert Henry (KC '75), programme supervisor and systems analyst at the Adventist Computer Centre. A developmentalist to the core. Mrs. Henry is currently working on a diploma in Gerontology at Durham College.



Claudia Tagliasacchi, a graduate of Andrews University, has joined Kingsway College as a member of the Communications Department, In 1985 Claudia completed a B.A. in English and graduated in June of this year with a M.A.T. in French. Claudia fulfilled her student teaching requirements at Kingsway last year during the winter months, teaching English and French classes. Originally from Chatham,

Ontario she enjoys people, outdoor activities, drawing, music and, of course, writing. One of her goals for the near future is writing a book on the evolution of the English language. She has recently become engaged to Tom Martinez, a Physical Therapy major from Michigan and they plan to marry next year.



Kingsway is pleased to welcome Brian Christenson and his family to Oshawa. For the past three years Mr. Christenson lived in Newfoundland where he served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Newfoundland and Labrador. Prior to working in Newfoundland he and his wife, Debbie, taught in New Brunswick. Brian taught in the public school system while Debbie was principal of the SDA elementary school in Fredericton. Both Brian and Debbie received their education from the University of New Brunswick. Their daughters, Pamela and Peggy will be attending school in Oshawa, Pamela at Kingsway College and Peggy at College Park Elementary. Brian is looking forward to teaching Business Education at Kingsway this year.

# HARVEST '90 and Fellowship

## by Jay Gallimore Ministerial Director, Michigan Conference

HEN JESUS GAVE HIS new commandment. He contrasted it with His old one. The old one said to love the other as one loved himself. The new one said love the other as I have loved you. This must be the ultimate reason for fellowship-the opportunity to demonstrate the love of Jesus to others. No Christian or group of Christians can lack this quality and really be followers of Christ. Love isn't projected with brick and mortar or even orthodoxy but with converted people.

What is needed is a return to New Testament fellowship. Today we have too many churches that have become selfish social clubs dabbling in psychology wrapped in Christian phraseology. New Testament fellowship meant sharing, helping, and trusting each other. While the times may not call for holding everything in common, fellowship goes far beyond a promised prayer and a slap on the back when a fellow believer has lost his or her

ioh What can pastors do in a practical way about leading and coaching our churches into fellowship? Teaching people to demonstrate the love of Jesus is more caught than taught. Perhaps we could start by asking ourselves some questions, such as: Are we living our lifestyle with simplicity so that we might personally help others? That doesn't mean that we need to go to India and join up with Mother Teresa. But does it mean that our lips are backed with action that does real preaching?

Another way the pastor can help build a warm, friendly church is by sharing frequent testimonies on how the church attracted others to Christ by the love of the members. This will create a positive environment. People will catch a vision of the power of their personal influence. Then they will start using it.

A warm, friendly, loving, church atmosphere can often be created by the pastor simply being at church early and greeting people. Experience has shown me that you can receive

many decisions for Bible studies and even baptisms right in the fover. The Holy Spirit is ready to use our warm spirituality to impress hearts for the Saviour. Not only does such a presence reach visitors, but it also reassures the members. The sheep feel that the pastor is touchable and reachable.

Some people resist of the idea of organizing love. They think it should come from spontaneous expressions of the heart. My wife serves every

# Organization is love's delivery truck.

meal with a heart full of love, yet I am grateful for the careful organization that goes into her delicious offerings. Organization is love's delivery truck. Many people love but lack confidence to express it. Organization gives them a chance to express fellowship with security.

For this reason, the greeting committee should be highly organized and instructed in detail on how to greet people. A church of 300 people with two main entrances should have no less than six greeters in the foyer. Eight to ten is more desirable. The guest registration is only the first point of contact, Greeters not tied to it should be ready to minister to the other needs of visitors and members.

A new person has several needs because he or she is in a new place with strange people where unique things are happening. His or her first need is to get to know someone. Then comes the need for guidance. All kinds of questions fill the mind such as. Where are the children's classrooms? Whose Sabbath school class should I attend? Where are the restrooms? Is there a nursery? After visitors are greeted with a warm smile and a handshake that uses both hands, they should be visited with and offered help in these kinds of areas. Little attentions, such as accompanying the children to their class and introducing them to one of the teachers, make an unforgettable impression.

Cold formalism in a church service can also freeze out fellowship. I doubt very seriously if the early Christian church would feel comfortable in some of the environments that we create by our obsession for ritual and order. Here is one place where the wrong kind of organization can work against fellowship. Reverence and holiness should sponsor fellowship not hurt it. Why not have a period at the end of the King's Business where visitors remain seated while the members wish them and each other a happy Sabbath. The beautiful salutations from the Pauline letters on the lips of greeting members would grace the service with a warm richness. This should not be a time for visiting but an opportunity to express thanksgiving that the Holy Spirit has brought the family into fellowship once again. The period could be brought to a close by singing a song such as "The Family of

Fellowship must go beyond the church service. It is best experienced as members participate together in the mission of the church. While healthy Christian socials and fellowship dinners are important, too little attention has been given to the necessity of putting members to work together. Ever notice what a common challenge like a leaky roof can do for fellowship? One reason a working church is a growing church is because it is a fellowshipping church. That is why as pastors our most important job is to put the members to work enlarging the kingdom of Jesus.

Speaking of new members reminds me of one program that every church should run with enthusiasm. We call it "Friend in Fellowship." This is where a member is assigned to a new

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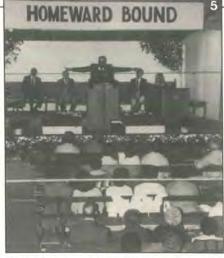
# Newfoundland Camp Meeting











- 1. Twelve new cabins were erected for this year's gathering. Part of the auditorium had to be prepared after snow caused a section of roof to collapse. Flowers dotted the campground and made for a pleasant atmosphere.
- 2. The Pathfinder division is now a regular feature at Woody Acres Camp Meeting. Pastor Cameron Johnston led out. A grade seven student from Corner Brook, Lorretta Jesso, enjoyed Elder Leo Ranzolin's talks the most.
- 3. The youth department was directed by Larry Hall. Valerie Hemeon, a grade eleven Botwood student, said "Ron Nelson and Leo Ranzolin gave us answers to important questions in life. They really made us think deeper about decisions that need to be made for the future.
- 4. A lot of musical talent was incorporated into the program. Ella Mills, church clerk in Corner Brook, said, "I just love the expressive music, especially Revelation II."
- 5. The vice president of the General Conference spoke each evening to the adults. Botwood businessman Gerald Mews said, "I appreciated having the speakers on the campground. It really made for a good camp atmosphere."
- 6. Former Newfoundland workers were a part of camp meeting, to the delight of many long-time members. Former conference president Philip Moores and Dr. Arthur Moores were among them. Here Pastor and Mrs. Moores visit with the Whitten's of St. John's.
- 7. On the final day of camp meeting July 25, 1987, Larry Hall of Botwood, Newfoundland was ordained to the gospel ministry. Pastor and Mrs. Hall have two daughters. Taking part in the service were Fred Thomas, Ken Mittleider, Jim Wilson, and Dave Crook who welcomed Larry and Janet to the ministry.
- 8. The highlight of the encampment was a baptism at Southwest pond on Sabbath afternoon. Pastors Rochford, Lyons, Hall, and Crook took part. As the candidates came up out of the water there was singing and tears of joy.
- 9. Many thought that camp meeting 1987, with the theme "Homeward Bound" was the best yet. Jean Casey, a church member from Conception Bay South said, "This has been the best year yet. I really believe the speakers were on fire for the Lord. It has inspired me to take a step of faith and go to Canadian Union College."









# MEMORIES OF CAMP MEETING 1987











Camp meeting is historically a time of spiritual renewal and revival. This element plus the opportunity to bask in the warmth of Christian fellowship was much in evidence at the 1987 Manitoba-Saskatchewan Camp Meeting held at Camp Whitesand near Theodore, Saskatchewan.

Using the unfinished facilities of the conference youth camp, a full-scale camp meeting was held at this site for the first time. Members and friends brought tents, camper trailers and motor homes to this peaceful spot which is blessed with an abundance of God's beautiful creation. Although there was some lack of amenities, nothing was lacking in Christian love and co-operation.

The stirring messages of hope and encouragement presented by the guest speakers will long be remembered.

- Part of the fine group of youth who attended meetings in the Chapel in the Woods,
- 2. Elder Gordon Henderson from the VOP spoke daily at the 11 o'clock hour. His timely messages emphasized the theme of camp meeting '87, "When He Comes."
- 3. Carmelle Tataryn shares her Student Missionary experience to the Marshall Islands in Micronesia with the youth for Sabbath School. Randy Kurtz, an Accountant at Sunnyside Nursing Home, was superintendent.
- 4. Surrounded and protected on three sides by tall trees, the camp meeting tent continues to give good service.
- 5. Youth gather at the Chapel in the Woods.
- 6. Kay Bissell brings a message in song to the youth.
- 7. Adults appear as enthralled as children as Sandy Nischuk tells a story.
- 8. Elder Cyril Miller, President of the Southwestern Union Conference, presented the evening meetings. His messages brought renewed courage and faith in our God and the mission of the church. He is pictured here with the other major camp meeting speakers. Left to right: Elder G. Henderson, VOP; Elder L. Moore, Native Ministries; Elder Cyril Miller; Elder R. Williams, IIW; Elder D.M. MacIvor, President M-S Conference.
- Conference educational director, Myron Wareham, addresses the youth against a backdrop of prairie trees.

# IN MANITOBA-SASKATCHEWAN



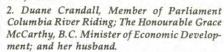






# BRITISH COLUMBIA-CAMP MEETING, HOPE CAMPGROUNDS

1. From left to right: Glen Maxson, Executive Chairman of the Canadian Union Conference; A.W. Kaytor, retired President of the B.C. Conference, residing in Abbotsford, B.C.; Clifford Sorensen, present B.C. Conference President; A.N. How, retired President of B.C. Conference, residing in Kelowna, B.C.; Gary DeBoer, Treasurer of the Canadian Union Conference.



3. Clifford Sorensen, B.C. Conference President, chatting with Prison Ministries speaker, Tim Culver.

4. Ordination service in main auditorium. Those ordained: Ted Wasyliuk, Sil Lindo, Sven Rehm.

5. Graham Maxwell, evening speaker, chatting with congregation.

6. Constituency meeting in the lodge auditorium.

7. ABC book sale in the main auditorium.

8. New Dawn Trio from Canadian Union College: Sandra Jewkes, Rita Jewkes, Janet Pierce.

9. Children enjoying singing in the junior building.

10. Petra Sukau, Director of Victoria Health Education Centre and Reuben Matiko, physician, discuss the NEWSTART Program.

11. Jim Gaull, B.C. Conference Youth Director, and some of his helpers involved with community services in the Town of Hope.

12. Cooking workshop in the lodge cafeteria. Left to right: Ketty Goudy, Carole Penner, Lorraine Beaven.

























# SINGLES CAMP MEETING A Success

Canada hosted its first Singles Camp Meeting during the week of August 9-16, 1987. Tom Smibert, Kendra Bird, and Mary Vasas were the organizers of the entire program which was conducted in Oshawa, Ontario. Over 200 singles from across North America gathered at Kingsway College for a spiritual fun-filled week.

Most of our Adventist singles came from the United States—one lady travelled from Alaska to be with us. A small percentage of our singles came from Canada. They travelled from British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba, and Ontario. Where are our single Canadians? You missed a great blessing.

Our agenda for the week began with an early morning walk and devotional by Pastor Dave Toop. Worship service each morning was conducted by Myron Johnson, President of Adventist Singles Ministries.

On Monday the weather was perfect for our first tour, a cruise of the Thousand Islands on the St. Lawrence River. Following was a tour of Old Fort Henry in Kingston. Excellent fellowship, supper at a local restaurant, and a pleasant drive back to Oshawa ended a beautiful day.

The next day two buses and several cars were loaded to capacity for the journey to Niagara Falls. The itinerary for that trip included sightseeing, shopping, tourist attractions, an elevator ride down through the rock to the river level, and the cable car ride over the gorge. Some souls were brave enough to experience the exciting ride on the Maid of the Mist! Others decided to keep their feet on solid ground peering over the edge to take pictures. A great day was had by all as the buses returned to Oshawa long after midnight.

On Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday camp meeting attendance grew as people drove in from surrounding areas. Seminars by Lester Carney ("The Art of Prayer"); Trevor Gardner ("Singleness"); Don Melashanko ("Temperament Analysis"); Pastor E. Potgieter ("Coping With The Sin Problem"); Leona Alderson ("Nutrition"); Betty Gardner ("Leadership Training") and Janice Saliba ("Communication") packed the days with exciting things to do. The advantages of attending an in-depth study of each field was offset by the disadvantage of missing out on the other excellent subjects.

Each evening Pastor Henry Feyerabend was the worship speaker, preceded by a rousing song service in the College Park Church. Special music each evening was just that special Every performer was an artist.

Games of volleyball, roller skating, Friday night singspiration and testimonies, Saturday night pizza party, warm fuzzies and singing the Family of God rounded out the evenings.

Special recognition of the co-ordinators came in the form of flowers, tapes, lots of compliments and a round of applause. These three, who organized a wonderful vacation for everyone at the expense of their own, will be especially remembered.

This year's Singles Camp Meeting in Oshawa was a spiritually-enriching experience. Friendships made by telephone, letter, or previous meetings were cemented, so that we can look forward anxiously to re-kindling these relationships in the New Jerusalem. •

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# Harvest '90 and Fellowship

member in order to assimilate him or her into the family. Not only is this important for the newly baptized but also for the new Adventist in town. We lose far too many members in the moving process because we are not sensitive to the fact that their needs are very similar to the newly baptized. Many of these people could be saved if every time a transfer showed up at a new church, he or she was assigned a "Friend in Fellowship." Even the "old timers" love it. Why? Because we never will outgrow our need to be loved as Jesus loved us.

I am sure that when we arrive at the New Jerusalem that we will be made to feel like part of the family. What a fellowship that is going to be! Jesus

# Western Canada 1987 Fall Bookmobile Schedule

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Sat	3	Medicine Hat	7:30-10:00
Sun	4	Taber	12:00-1:00
Sun	4	Lethbridge	6:00-9:00
Mon	5	Brooks	6:00-8:00
Tue	6	Hanna	6:00-9:00
Wed		Loyalist	6:00-9:00
Thu	8	Sedgewick	6:00-9:00
Fri	9	Beauvallon	2:00-5:00
Sat		Beauvallon	7:30-10:00
Sun	11	Beauvallon	10:00-2:00
Mon	12	Vegreville	6:00-9:00
Tue		Ryley	7:00-9:00
Wed		Leduc	6:00-9:00
Fri	16	Edmonton	12:00-5:00
Sat	17	Edmonton	7:00-10:00
Sun	18	Edmonton	10:00-3:00
Mon	19	Warburg	7:00-9:00
Tue		Drayton Valley	7:00-9:00
Wed	21	Edson	7:00-9:00
Thu	23	Whitecourt	12:00-1:00
Fri	23	Grande Prairie	12:00-4:00
Sat	24	Grande Prairie	TBA
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Sun	25	Fairview	6:00-9:00
Mon		Peoria	2:00-9:00
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Tue		Nipawin	6:00-9:00
Wed		Quill Lake	6:00-9:00
Fri		Yorkton	12:00-5:00
Sat		Yorkton	6:00-9:00
Sun	8	Inglis	6:00-9:00
Mon		Dauphin	6:00-9:00
Thu	12	Winnipeg	12:00-9:00
Fri	13	Winnipeg	10:00-5:00
Sat	14	Winnipeg	6:00-10:00
Sun	15	Winnipeg	10:00-2:00
Sun	15	Portage La Prairie	7:00-9:00
Mon	16	Brandon	6:00-9:00
Wed	18	Regina	12:00-9:00
Thu	19	Regina	12:00-9:00
Sat	21	Moose Jaw	6:00-9:00
Sun	22	Tugaske	6:00-9:00
Mon	23	Macrorie	12:00-1:00
Mon	23	Swift Current	6:00-9:00
Tue	24	Maple Creek	12:00-1:00

made it clear that He is preparing for us. Without doubt the angels are busy with lots of plans. So let us take a leaf out of their book. Like them, we are expecting members of the family we haven't met yet. Only our guests are going to show up next Sabbath. Have you any plans? Ten thousand angels can't be wrong.

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# Letter from a PATHINDER



Big Foot



Roman Chariot Race



Roman Chariot Race

BEING IN A PATHFINDER CLUB is a lot of fun and, I might add, a learning experience. Most of the 250 Pathfinders arrived here at Camp Chawuthen on Friday afternoon. Each club had their own campsite with cabins or tents. We quickly set up as soon as we arrived, of course our proud club flags were flying high.

All weekend we had to make our own meals. For supper I made refried beans. UCK! Role call at the flag pole was at 7:30 every evening. We stood solemnly at attention as the flag was lowered. I felt so important. After that we headed down to the campfire for worship and song service. It was sort of spooky the way the light shone on the trees. Jim Gaull, the Youth Director, always got us laughing and singing.

Sabbath we were up bright and early, dressed in uniform, had breakfast and waited for inspection. I was so nervous. I checked myself and our cabin over so many times! Needless so say, we looked good. After church and dinner all of us broke up into groups and went on a walk. Now this wasn't any ordinary walk, along the way we stopped to hear stories, play games, sing songs, and watch films. It was a lot of fun. In the evening we had a special induction service by the northern lights. With candles and a special speech new members were brought into the club.

After the reveille call and breakfast on Sunday morning we had activities. There were a lot of fun events such as the Roman Chariot Race, Tent Pitch and my favourite, the Fire Water Balloon Burst. In the afternoon there were group events like the Bump, Teen Event and Big Foot. In the evening there were funny skits and a puppet play put on by the Bakerview Club and an excellent drill demon-



Fire Water Balloon Burst

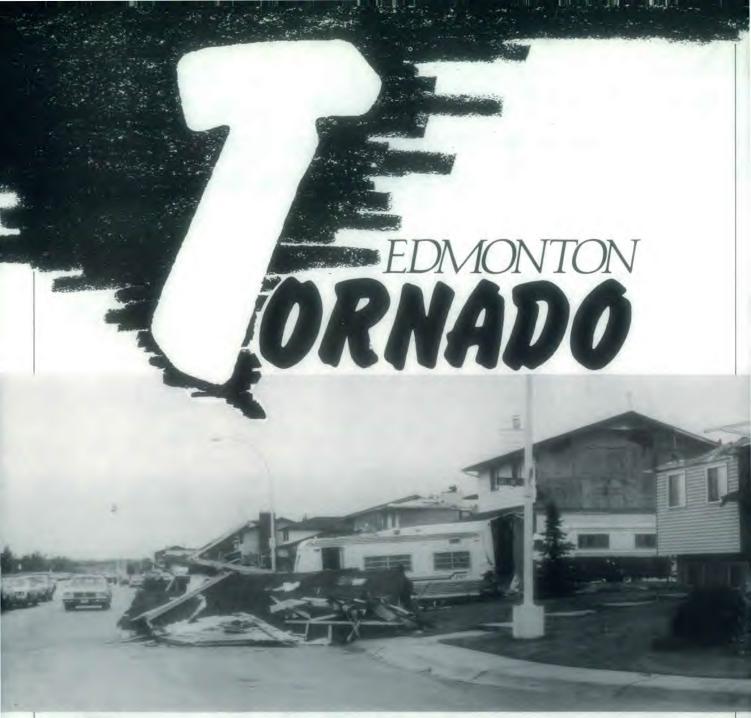
stration by the Silvertips and Peacelanders.

Unfortunately, we had to leave on Monday morning. After role call we cleaned up the camp. On Sunday night there were thirty three decisions for baptism! I've made some good friends. I'm sure glad I came. See you soon!

A Pathfinder

P.S. Oh yeah, I almost forgot, here's a list of the awards and each club will receive a plaque.

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DIAMOND	. Silver Tips
	Kelowna/
	Rutland
DIAMOND	. Bakerview
	Aldergrove
DIAMOND	. Northern Lights
	Hazelton
GOLD	. Peacelanders
	Chetwynd
GOLD	. North Okanagan
	Wings
SILVER	. Pacific Islanders
	Resthaven
SILVER	. Last Mountain
	Westbank
SILVER	. Snow Birds
	Chilliwack
SILVER	. Adventurers
	Vancouver
DIAMOND NEW CLUB	. Happy Hummen
	Penticton



N FRIDAY, JULY 31, a tornado struck Edmonton, Alberta and a number of surrounding communities. Northeast and southeast portions of the city and the suburb of Sherwood Park were hardest hit. The tremendous force of this tornado left 26 people dead and hundreds injured and homeless.

A call from Phil Brod of the Edmonton Central S.D.A. Church requesting help for the victims spurred central Alberta churches into action. The Lacombe Adventist Community Centre was a beehive of activity in no time as were other such centres. Thousands of items including food and clothing were sorted, labelled, loaded into trucks and on their way to Edmonton within three hours. Emergency supplies came from as far away as Rocky Mountain House, Stettler, Sylvan Lake and Red Deer.

Right in the centre of this devastation was our own church at Sherwood Park whose members rallied around organizing shifts of volunteers to work at the relief centre. These same members donated almost \$900 for the disaster victims. The Alberta conference did likewise.

Pastor Mark Laws reports that his home was in the direct path of the storm but that his home was missed. The storm continued on the other side levelling homes and hurling automobiles like they were toys.

Our Clareview church was left standing but was shifted about four inches off its foundation.

# ALBERTA

# Five Treaty Indians Baptized at Hobbema

Five Treaty Indians from the Four-Band Indian Reserve, Hobbema, Alberta were baptized in the beautiful waters of Pigeon Lake, Alberta by Pastor Basil VanDieman. The five precious people are: Carrie Applegarth, Crystal Applegarth, Jessie Baptiste, Betty Currie, and Cheryl Currie.

Sixteen native people attended the eight-week seminar in April and May of this year. Campus Ministries of C.U.C. assisted by conducting a special program for the children and youth each night in a separate building.

Eleven more are preparing for baptism as a result of follow-up studies.



Left to right (in baptismal robes): Cheryl Currie, Crystal Applegarth, Carrie Applegarth, Betty Currie, Jessie Baptiste. In back: Crystal and Carrie's parents, Arlene Applegarth and Wayne Eldridge; Mrs. Ivy VanDieman and Pastor Basil VanDieman. In front: Kevin Applegarth. The five were baptized on July 4, 1987.



Arlene Applegarth, who graduated from the recent Revelation Seminar in Hobbema, brought her two children, Kevin and Wayne, to the Hobbema Church to be dedicated to the Lord. Arlene is studying for baptism at a later date.

# Eighteen Join Church as Climax to Calgary Crusade

The Calgary Forest Heights Church conducted a month-long public evangelism crusade in one of the city's high school theatres. Pastor-Evangelist G. Earl Knight of Toronto West Church presented the doctrines of salvation taught by Jesus, as being "The Answer" to mankind's every problem question in every era of human history.

Evangelist Knight was supported by Winston Hurlock as singing evangelist and music coordinator, and by Sam McKenzie, Bible instructor.

Pastor Richard Warman of Calgary Bridgeland Church assisted with visitation and organ music, while Rudy James, pastor of Forest Heights Church was crusade coordinator.

Close to fifty visitors came each night, many of whom are now attending church services and studying further into the doctrines in preparation for baptism.

A significant number of youth attended regularly and showed a keen interest in the sermons presented by Evangelist Knight, and some are now rejoicing as new members of God's family, following baptism.

In the words of Jesus, "The harvest truly is ripe but the laborers are few."



Crusade baptism (left to right): Front row: Wauldron Afflick, Howard Bruce, Clive Livingston, Adora Nwofor, Dwayne Ryan. Middle row: Pastor Rudy James, Gloria Ellis, Harrian Brown, Pamela Mitchell, Kathleen Flemming, Marlene James, Yaw Adjei, Pastor G. Earl Knight. Back row: Ann Harris, Dorothy Loftus, Jason Bell, Theophilus Drackett, Sam McKenzie (Bible instructor), Robert Walters, Pastor Richard Warman.

# A Report From Beauvallon Camp Meeting

"What a beautiful church! This has to be the most beautiful Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada!" exclaimed Elder Lawton Lowe, vice-president of the SDA Church in Canada and main speaker of the Beauvallon camp meeting, as he arrived at the annual weekend convocation on July 24.

Elder Lawton Lowe brought some real spiritual feasts for the weekend. On Friday evening, July 24, for the opening ceremony, he spoke about how to deal with temptation without feeling guilt.

Sabbath School was conducted by Bill and Cleoma Soloniuk of Saskatchewan, and the worship service by Elder Lowe. The two afternoon meetings were held by Bill Soloniuk and Elder Herb Larsen, president of Alberta Conference, with Karl Samek, publishing director of Alberta Conference showing a slide program of

the publishing work.

Elder Steve Yaceyko, pastor of the Golden, B.C. Church, held meetings for the Ukrainian-speaking people, and Elder Brian Bechtold, pastor of the Beiseker/Drumheller District conducted meetings for the youth.

At the final evening meeting, Elder Lowe presented a challenging sermon entitled "The Two Adams". He stated that no Christian can appreciate what he or she receives from the second Adam unless he is aware of what he or she receives from the first Adam. If we remember where we came from, we can best appreciate where we are!

The Beauvallon camp meeting is a regular homecoming for people from British Columbia, Saskatchewan, and many other places.

### Welcome to the Hessels!

Pastor and Mrs. Wolfgang Hessel have accepted a call to the Grande Prairie Church, Alberta. They come to us fresh from the mission field. Both were connected with the Inca Union University of Lima, Peru. Pastor Hessel served as teacher at the Theological Seminary while Mrs. Hessel was in charge of the university library.

The Hessels were residents of British Columbia, where they taught both in public and denominational schools.



Reinhild and Wolfgang Hessel

## Missing Members

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of the following Edmonton-Clairview members is requested to contact the church clerk of Edmonton Clairview Church, P.O. Box 6205, Station "C", Edmonton, AB T5L 3L9: Geraldine Smith, Rosalie Scott, Morris Bailey, Inez Bailey, Marlene Auger, Shauna Auger, Wendell Arger.

# **Baby Dedication**



Two babies were dedicated at Lethbridge SDA church on June 20. Pastor Jim Burgess officiated at the service in which Scott James Braiden Kemp and Tegan Elann Dick were presented to the Lord. Scott is the son of Ken and Debbie Kemp while Tegan is the daughter of Evelyn ("Twinkie") and Eugene Dick. Pastor Burgess offered the parents encouragement as they raise their children to serve God.

# MANITOBA/SASKATCHEWAN

# New Teachers Join Conference Workforce

Regina's Curtis-Horne Junior Academy is delighted to welcome back David Collins and his wife. Chervl from Hawaii. where they have lived and worked for the first year of their marriage.

In Yorkton, a new teacher is settling in from Andrews University. Jennifer Morgan originally hails from Newfoundland, and has stated as her goal: to contribute as much as possible to the Yorkton school program.

Red River Valley Junior Academy in Winnipeg is happy to welcome Rod Fleck, who comes to our conference from Calgary, Alberta,

Saskatoon's Junior Academy is excited with new faces at the school this year. Carol Foulston, from Tugaske, has arrived with extra students and talent in tow. Carolyn Konig is back after a summer break. Carolyn contributed to the school last year through her student teaching, and has graciously agreed to stay on as a full-time teacher. Mervin Kneller is back in Canada after several years spent in the mission service in Africa.

Welcome to our Conference, new friends! We wish you God's richest blessings, guidance, and care as you take up your responsibilities here in Manitoba-Saskatchewan.

> M. Wareham **Education Director**

# "Double Celebration" in Dauphin



On August 1 the Dauphin, Sandy Lake, and Winnipegosis churches met in a "Double Celebration" in Dauphin. Six precious souls won through personal evangelism were baptized: Pearl Hanson, member of Winnipegosis Church: Dan Nechwediuk, member of Sandy Lake Church; Ken and Sheila Nawalkowski, members of Sandy Lake Church; and Klaus and Alma Stuhm, members of Dauphin Church. The three churches eagerly anticipate the fellowship and the blessing of serving the Lord together with our new members,



Three children were brought to the Lord in dedication. They are Rudy and Rhonda Stuhm, and Andrea Melnychenko. The service was conducted by Pastor Perry Melnychenko and Pastor Raul Hernandez.

### He'll Carry the Torch

January 18, somewhere near Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, 15-year-old Jeremy Weigel, Quill Lake Junior Academy's only eighth grade graduate from the 1987 school year, will be playing a part in the Winter Olympics scheduled for Calgary next spring.

Jeremy, son of Dennis and Wendy Weigel, was one of nearly 7,000 chosen to help carry the torch across Canada. He will carry the torch for one kilometer.

Like many other of our students in small Seventh-day Adventist schools throughout Canada, Jeremy has wondered in the past if there was any opportunity for him to witness. Since he received his notice of selection, he has been interviewed by a local television station, and has opportunity to continue to witness for Christ and to represent the students from our school system in Canada.



Jerry Weigel with his parents at his grade eight

# **ONTARIO**

# Six Nations Church to Celebrate 90th Anniversary and Homecoming

We the members of the Six Nations Church are celebrating the 90th Anniversary and Homecoming on November 7, 1987.

We are inviting all former pastors, members and friends to come and join us. The Six Nations Church is the first S.D.A. church on an Indian reservation in North America. By the grace of God the work is still going on in this area.

The program begins with Sabbath School at 9:30 a.m. A musical concert will be included in the afternoon program.

For further information call 768-5335 or 768-5827.

### **Bowmanville Baptism**

Sabbath, May 23, was another high day for the Bowmanville Church. After a Week of Prayer at the College Park Elementary School and a series of studies conducted by our pastor, Graham Glover, five of our very fine young people were baptized and received into membership in our church family.

Janice Hampden was baptized by a family friend, Elder Roy Adams, Associate Secretary of the Canadian Union Conference; Adam Mohns was baptized by his grandfather, Elder Lester Mohns, retired; while the three other boys, Bradley, Randy and Troy were baptized by our pastor, Graham Glover.

Following the worship service, these five new Christians were greeted and welcomed warmly into the fellowship of our church by all the members of our church family. Please remember these young people in your prayers!



Pictured above in the front row, the five baptismal candidates are Bradley Coloma, Randy Kielbasciewicz, Janice Hampden, Adam Mohns and Troy Ballantyne. The pastors who took part are Elders Graham Glover, Roy Adams and Lester Mohns.

## Golden Wedding

On June 20, 1987 Mian Pastin and Alma Octavia Sormin, members of the Downsview Seventh-day Adventist Church celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary by renewing vows in a service conducted by their eldest son, Pastor Herbert Sormin, at the Immanuel Seventh-day Adventist Church. At a reception attended by over 150 guests, the happy couple received an "Ulus Batak", a traditional, handwoven shawl that symbolizes blessing amongst the Bataks of Indonesia. It was draped over their shoulders by Dr. Wellington Manullang, brother of Mrs. Sormin.

Mian and Alma were married on March 22, 1937 in Balige, Indonesia. The Far Eastern Division missionaries served a total of 81 years together in British North Borneo, Sarawak and Singapore. They attributed their happiness to faith in God, daily family worship, and following Spirit of Prophecy injunctions on the home. They are blessed with six children-Alice Keyer, Beatrice Galloway, Herbert Sormin, Dorothea Rodeback, Edwin Sormin, Florence Ban, and ten grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. M. Sormin

# Baptism at Perth



On Sabbath, June 20, 1987, the Perth, Ontario church members welcomed LeeAnn to church membership. Her mother, Twila McInnes took a new stand by re-baptism, making a commitment to live true to the high calling in Christ Jesus as she has learned it in the Advent message. We wish God's blessing and guidance on Twila as she guides not only LeeAnn but her other two children to follow in Jesus' footsteps.

# **MARITIMES**

# Kennebec Has New Director of Finance

The Administrator, on behalf of the Board of Directors of Kennebec Manor, is pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs. Delcia Baxter to the position of Director of Finance.

Mrs. Baxter has been employed in the capacity of Executive Assistant to the Administrator for 6 years and has been furthering her studies with the University of Dalhousie. Her husband Malcolm is employed also at Kennebec as a nursing orderly.

The Baxters have two daughters, Lisa, a former Kingsway College student, and Corinne, a student at Woodward Junior Academy, Saint John.

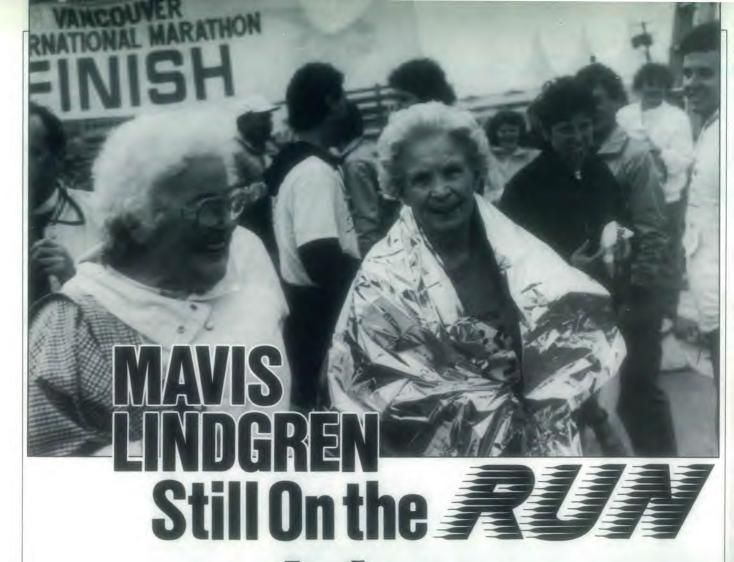


Lisa, Malcolm, Delcia and Corinne Baxter.

## Church Dedication, Zealand, N.B.

June 20, 1987 was an extra special Sabbath day for the members of the Zealand Seventh-day Adventist church. Members from Fredericton, Harvey, Minto and Perth joined in fellowship at the dedication service at the Zealand church. Guest speaker was Pastor Bacchus. Maritime Conference President, Perry Parks, officiated at the dedication, assisted by Carroll Brewer, who read the history of the church. Pastor & Mrs. Matt Weststrate of Moncton inspired the members with special music.

In 1960, Mrs. Theodore Brewer started a Sabbath School at her home in Zealand. The Sabbath School was moved to the home of Harold and Mary Hanson in Lower Hainesville in 1964. That same year, Mr. Hanson purchased an unused army camp that was to become the Zealand Seventh-day Adventist church. In 1963, Mr. Hanson purchased land for a church. He donated the land and building to the conference. The church building was officially opened on June 26, 1965.



AVIS LINDGREN, the 80-year-old runner from Orleans, California, ran the Vancouver International Marathon on Sunday, May 3. Mavis has now completed the world's women over seventy record and following the completion of Sunday's run, now holds the world's women over eighty record.

While attending a Seventh-day

While attending a Seventh-day Adventist convention in British Columbia Mavis started running "because I thought it would help me." At the time she was 62. Before long she was running six miles a day. "After I started running I never had another cold," Mavis says. Needless to say Mavis is in remarkable shape.

"Walking is actually the best exercise for you," she professes.

Born in Manitoba, Canada, the first years of her life were not especially healthful. When she was two, she had whooping cough, at thirteen tuberculosis, and at middle age she had chronic chest colds.

Once onto the subject of health, Mavis likes to turn the talk to eating rather than running. Mavis has been a vegetarian since 1914, when she was seven years old. Her diet is based on

sound health principals.

Mavis is also concerned about exercise. "A lot of people in nursing homes today wouldn't be there if they had exercised regularly," she goes on to say. "I believe my biggest reward is that I inspire both young and old people to begin exercising regularly, and it causes them to be healthier people. They watch me in marathons and say, 'If that little old lady can do it so can I.' A lot of them then start exercise programs of their own. Walk at your own rate," she cautions. "But even if you're in a wheelchair you should do something."

Carl and Mavis Lindgren attend the Hope Camp Meeting yearly and Mavis, of course, participates there in the Fun Run.

Mavis Lindgren's smile testifies to her happiness as she now holds the world's women over eighty record of marathon running. (Mavis is in foil blanket.)

by Myrna Tetz Communications Director, British Columbia Conference

# BRITISH COLUMBIA

# Literature Ministry Aided by Gifts

God's beautiful people in British Columbia have donated \$14,292.00 to place 17 Bible Stories, 26 Bedtime Stories, and 8 My Bible Friends in schools this past year. They have also placed 53 sets of the Bedtime Stories and 15 sets of My Bible Friends in the Cariboo Thompson Nicola Library System.

Thanks also goes to one of our faithful Literature Evangelists, Eugene Bonas, for his generous gifts to this program. God has blessed Eugene in the literature program in many wonderful ways. Eugene was asking again what he could do in a special way that would be a help to hasten the coming of our Saviour. The suggestion was made that he might like to donate some *Bible Stories* to the Kamloops Library system. Eugene donated 51 sets of the 10-volume Bible story set to the Cariboo Thompson Nicola Library System.

"There are many places in which the voice of the minister cannot be heard, places which can be reached only by our publications—the books, papers, and tracts filled with the Bible truths that the people need. Our literature is to be distributed everywhere." Manuscript 127, 1909.

### Child Dedication



William James Cunnington, eight-month old son of Ken and Marty Cunnington, was dedicated to the Lord on the Sabbath of May 23, 1987. The service was conducted by Pastor Bill Spangler in the Armstrong Seventh-day Adventist Church.

# Missing Members

If you know the present address of these missing members, please contact the Church Clerk, Rutland SDA Church, 130 Gertsmar Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1X 4A7: Gary Campbell, Joyce Cardinal, Normal Cardinal, Thelma Bouchard, Linda Gladue, Earl Gladue, Leonard Gladue, Eileen Henycz, Bruce Horrocks, Abraham Janzen, Mary Ann Rudy, Ferlin Badger.

### Baptism at Westminster



It was a happy occasion when Phyllis Cox, Patsy Marshall, Raymond Cox and Terri Wright committed their life completely to Christ in baptism at the Westminster Seventhday Adventist Church. Pastor Bob Schafer officiated.

# Six Infants Dedicated at Hazelton



Pastor Glen Hanson, right, presided at the special service in which six families brought their children to the Lord in dedication. From left to right they are: Mr. & Mrs. Dan McCreery and son Danny, Mrs. Cathy Hamilton and Sasha and Tyler, Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Webb and Dixie, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Webb and Jared, Mr. & Mrs. Doug Adams and Katrina, Mrs. Niki LeFebvre and daughter.

# Baptism at Powell River



On June 6 the members of the Powell River Church gathered at a nearby lake to witness the baptism of four young people. Pastor Dan Wells led out in the special baptismal service while family and friends sang hymns and welcomed them into the family of God. Left to right: Johnathon Babbit, age 10; Heidi Knudsen, age 11; Deanna Grega, age 12; Nicky Shorthouse, age 11, with Pastor Dan Wells.

### Janitor Reinstated

A Kelowna, B.C. school janitor has been awarded more than \$14,000 in back wages and will get his job back under a decision by the B.C. Human Rights Council which ruled he was discriminated against because of his religion.

Larry Renaud was fired from his job two years ago after refusing to work from sundown Friday to sundown Saturday because the shift conflicted with his beliefs as a Seventh-day Adventist.

The Human Rights Council ordered the Central Okanagan school district and the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 523 to each pay \$7,250 to Renaud and give him his job back at the earliest opportunity.

The board and Renaud's union were jointly held liable because they were equally responsible for the collective agreement which prevented Renaud from being exempted from a Friday evening shift.

# Eastern Canada Bookmobile Schedule

October

17 18	Saturday Sunday	Ottawa Montreal	1/2 hour after sunset 1-5 pm
10	Sulluay	Wolffiedi	(Westmount Church)
19	Monday	Abercorn	6-8 pm
20	Tuesday	South Stukley	12-1 pm
20	Tuesday	Waterville	6-8 pm
22	Thursday	Perth-Andover	
24	Saturday	Fredericton	1/2 hour after sunset
25	Sunday	Saint John	1-6 pm
20	Guilday	Daint doint	(Saint John Church
			only)
26	Monday	Moncton	6-8 pm
27	Tuesday	Charlottetown	6-8 pm
28	Wed.	New Glasgow	
29	Thursday	North Sydney	
31	Saturday	Halifax	1/2 hour after sunset
21		1140000	(Sandy Lake
			Academy)
Nover	nhor		Act a series
1	Sunday	Foxpoint	12-1 pm
1	Sunday	Bridgewater	6-8 pm
2	Monday	Oak Park	12-1 pm
2	Monday	Tusket	6-8 pm
3	Tuesday	Digby	6-8 pm
7	Saturday	Montreal	1/2 hour after sunset
T.	Saturday	Withiteal	(Westmount Church)
8	Sunday	Ottawa	1-5 pm
9	Monday	Cornwall	6-8 pm
10	Tuesday	Brockville	6-8 pm
15	Sunday	Parry Sound	12-1 pm
15	Sunday	Sudbury	6-8 pm
16	Monday	North Bay	6-8 pm
17	Tuesday	South River	12-1 pm
19	Thursday	Willowdale	1-7 pm
21	Saturday		1-1/2 hour after sunset
-	Outurday	Hammon	(Hamilton Mountain)
22	Sunday	St. Catharines	
23	Monday	Simcoe	6-8 pm
24	Tuesday	Brantford	6-8 pm
25	Wed.	London	6-8 pm
500			(ARTS International)
26	Thursday	Sarnia	6-8 pm
28	Saturday		1/2 hour after sunset
29	Sunday	Chatham	1-3 pm
30	Monday	Kitchener	6-8 pm

# NEWFOUNDLAND

# Interest Develops As a Result of Revelation Seminar





Ten people out of seventeen completed a Revelation Seminar by Roy West at Carbonear, Newfoundland. Elizabeth Churchill, right, with Pastor West, was baptized after the Seminar. Her interest began by reading an Amazing Facts folder.

# Thirteen Join Marystown Church

The Lord effectively used Pastor Gordon Miller (a western Newfie) from Saskatoon to help 13 precious souls commit their lives fully to the Lord and be baptized. The meetings were a real blessing to the entire Marystown church. Several others made decisions for Christ and Bible studies are ongoing to prepare them for baptism in the future. We praise the Lord for His blessings and look forward to the future with rejoicing.

Cameron Johnston, Pastor Marystown S.D.A. Church



First baptism!—Front row, left to right: Celina Jordine, Tammy Smith, Pastor Gordon Miller, Joey Murley. Back row, left to right: Melvin Foote, Shirley Murley, Ann Blundon, Albertha Lamb, Joe Lamb, Pastor Dave Jamieson, Pastor Cameron Johnston.



Candidates of three following baptisms. Front row, left to right: Jill Curl, Doreen Butler, Ed Butler. Back row, left to right: Pastor Cameron Johnston; John Joe Farewell, Harman Mayo, Pastor Dave Jamieson.

# Sod Turning in Corner Brook

A sod-turning ceremony for a new church and school complex in Corner Brook, Nfld., was held on June 3. Officiating for the event were John Waters, superintendent of the S.D.A. School Board, Gerald Mews, chairman of the school board, deputy mayor Priscilla Boutcher and David Crook, president of the S.D.A. Church in Newfoundland.

The S.D.A. Church was established in Corner Brook in the early 1940's. The present church and school which are housed in the same building plus a portable classroom at 9 Carmen Avenue will be sold. The proceeds of the sale will partially pay for the new facilities at the corner of Philip Drive and Windsor Street

The new school will contain 8 classrooms, staffroom, etc. The attached church building will be of a contemporary design

Presently Bob Dukeshire serves as the school principal while John Lyons serves as district pastor.



Left to right: John Waters, superintendent of the S.D.A. School Board; Gerald Mews, chairman of the school board; deputy mayor Priscilla Boutcher and David Crook, president of the S.D.A. Church in Newfoundland.

# QUEBEC

# Quebec's Caring Church in Action

A quotation that illustrates the caring church concept is found in the book Ministry of Healing p. 143. This is how it reads: "Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs and won their confidence. Then He bade them. 'Follow me.'

This is what the Caring Church is all about. In a general way our Church has been a crusading church more than a caring one. This way of spreading the gospel has had its success but not the glorious one foretold both by the Holy Scriptures and the Spirit of Prophecy. At least not in this country.

One church in Montreal has decided to be a caring church and is now reaping the dividends. The Spanish group numbered about 80 members with a weekly attendance of between 50-60 on Sabbath. A few weeks ago under the leadership of their new pastor Elder Jurado, they decided that they were going to do something for the South American immigrants to Quebec. Many arriving here in winter very often have just the clothes they are wearing plus a few scanty possessions in their small suitcases. No friends, no place to go except the refugee centres and they feel utterly dejected.

The Spanish brothers and sisters prepared food baskets, clothes, etc. But what was most welcome was the smile and the friendly approach. Many of our members invited these people in their homes. You can imagine the response when they were invited to attend church. Two weeks later the church was so crowded that extra chairs had to be put in. The last three Sabbaths attendance has been over 300 with about 80 who have started Bible studies. The goal is to have 1000 Bible studies.

What an inspiration to all of us! Quebec has been the fastest growing conference in North America for the past two years and the fastest growing church is the Spanish group. May all the glory go to God.

E. Johnson

# **Obituaries**

COOKE — Mrs. Edna Grace Cooke of Lake Utopia, New Brunswick, a member of the St. George SDA church passed away on June 5, 1987 at the age of 69 years after undergoing open heart surgery.

The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Victor A. Gill Interment was at the St. George Rural Cemetery where she waits the coming of her Saviour.

CRAWFORD — Donald Everett Crawford, born May 7, 1914. After an extended battle with cancer, died August 9, 1987.

He hath shown thee, O man, what is good; And what doth the Lord require of thee. But to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God.

Micah 6:8
These words accurately tell the life story of Donald Everett Crawford. A devoted father, a dedicated husband, and a well-loved brother and son. But more outstanding than this, was his sense of treating others justly, and the unending kindness he showed to those who worked for him and with him.

Donald Crawford is survived by his wife, Marie; two daughters, Carolyn and Elizabeth; two sons, Pastor Kenneth Crawford and Robert Crawford. He is also survived by seven sisters and one brother.

The family wishes to extend its deepest appreciation to each of you for your love and support during this time of sorrow.

EDGAR — Gordon Oliver Edgar was born on February 23, 1904 in Oshawa, and passed away on August 20, 1987 after a brief stay in the Oshawa General Hospital.

In September 1926 he married Thelma Hastings and to their home was born two girls and three boys.

In his thirties Mr. Edgar accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Saviour and became a member of the Seventhday Adventist Church.

Left to cherish the memory of his love are his children: Leona Williamson, Robert, William, Edward, and Lorraine Matthews. Eighteen grandchildren and nineteen great-grandchildren also survive.

Pastors Dave Toop and Warren Kay officiated at the funeral services. Interment was at the Mount Lawn Cemetery.

LISKE — Erika Neuman, was born on November 18, 1900 near Robena, Russia. She immigrated to Morden, Manitoba and on January 22, 1922 she married Frederick W. Liske. They farmed at Inglis, Manitoba. After a lengthy illness she quietly passed to her rest on March 1, 1987.

Left to mourn are her loving husband, Fred; one son, Wilfred; three daughters, Ruth Goertz, Doreen Olevetti, and Olivia Linzau; two brothers, two sisters, eleven grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorial service was conducted at Chatham, Ontario with funeral service and interment at Kelowna, B.C. where she rests awaiting the return of Jesus. Funeral was conducted by Pastor D.W. Ellis and assisted by Ed Gabel. POOLE — Helen Isabella was born in Port Bickerton, Nova Scotia on December 14, 1909 and passed away in Halifax on July 11, 1987.

She is survived by three sons, Donald, Fred and Douglas; three brothers, Capt. Fred, Leslie and Basil; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral service was conducted by Pastor Jim Sharpe in the Bridgewater church. Helen awaits the call of the Lifegiver.

PUSCUS — Bertha Puscus was born in Austria in 1904 and came to Canada in 1906. She passed to her rest on June 6, 1987. She and her husband, Mike, found the Adventist message in 1927. They moved to Regina from Truax, Saskatchewan in 1929.

She is survived by sons John, Bill and Ken; and daughters Marg Robertson and Clara King; also several grandchildren and great-grandchildren and one brother.

The funeral service was conducted in the Hill Avenue Seventh-day Adventist Church in Regina by Pastors Larry Kositsin and Dave Laughton.

Memorial gifts will be donated by Camp Whitesand at Theodore, Saskatchewan.

PUYMON — Marie (Zatrepaleck) was born at Glenside, Saskatchewan on September 5, 1916 and passed away in Kelowna, B.C. on July 5, 1987.

Mourning her death are her beloved husband William; two sons, Reg and Roy; a daughter Sharin Morasch, and two grandsons. There are also two sisters and a brother surviving. Through a long illness Marie displayed a great courage and a strong faith in God.

PYLYPIUK — Mrs. Alexandra "Elsie" (nee Kosowan) was born March 3, 1907 at Gardenton, Manitoba. On November 20, 1932 she married Peter Pylypiuk and in the years that followed, their family grew to include four children.

Sister Elsie passed away July 31, 1987 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, after a lengthy illness. She is survived by her loving husband, Peter, two sons, two daughters, seven grandchildren, one great-grandchild and one sister.

Sister Elsie sleeps in Prince Albert Memorial Gardens, awaiting the call of the Lifegiver.

SMITH — On July 27, 1987 Raymond Eric Smith of Edmonton, passed away at the age of 82 years. Survived by three sons and three daughters, Ray, Norman and Don; Eileen Lechelt, Mabes Meashaw and Joyce Gray; 21 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and two brothers.

Funeral service was Thursday, July 30 at Park Memorial Chapel. Pastor Mel Djkowich officiated at the Seventhday Adventist Church in Fairview, Alberta. Interment followed in the Whitelaw Cemetery.

Brother Smith is fondly remembered by his loved ones and friends.

TKACHUK — William was born in Gardenton, Manitoba, December 12, 1912. In 1935 he married Mary Welykholowa and they farmed in the Strong Pine area until 1971, at which time they retired to Meath Park.

Brother Bill is survived by his wife, Mary, two sons and three daughters, four grandchildren, three brothers and three sisters, and a multitude of family and friends.

Brother Bill passed away July 22, 1987. He was buried in Prince Albert Memorial Gardens, where he awaits the call of the Lifegiver on the resurrection morning.

TORNLOV — Anna Gulli Stiven was born on August 31, 1920 in Karlskrone, Sweden. On June 23, 1942 she married Gunnar Tornlov. Gulli was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1953. In 1957 she and Gunnar, with their two small children, emigrated to the United States and later to Canada, settling in Langley, British Columbia where they spent several years before moving to Armstrong, British Columbia

Gulli passed peacefully to rest on June 14, 1987. Her memory will be cherished by her husband Gunnar, daughter Birgitta Neff, son Lars, four grandchildren, three brothers and one sister in Sweden, as well as many friends.

The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Bill Spangler assisted by Pastor Walter Bergey, with interment in the Pleasant Valley Memorial Gardens in Vernon, B.C.

WERNER — Lydia Werner passed away on April 15, 1987. She was born in Russia on September 7, 1907 and came to North America with her family in 1909. On November 5, 1926 Lydia was united in marriage to Isaac Werner and they farmed near Fox Valley, Sask.

She is deeply missed by her loving husband, Isaac, of Lacombe, two daughters, Mabel Spenst and Vera Wiebe, one son Dwain, seven grand-children, two great-grandchildren, two sisters, one brother, nieces, nephews and friends.

The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Don Corkum and assisted by Pastors LaVerne Schlehuber and Ken Wiebe. She awaits the call of Jesus in the Lacombe Fairview Cemetery.

# **Births**

ALBO — Frank and Laura (nee Melenchuk) are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Cara Marisa, born May 1, 1987 in Edmonton, Alberta.

BASARABA — Neil and Sandi, wish to announce the birth of a baby boy on February 24, 1987 in Prince George, B.C.

BASKIN — Richard and Gail (Dunhill) wish to announce the birth of Kelly Richelle, August 1, 1987 at Columbia, South Carolina.

BELL — Curtis and Janice (nee Melenchuk) are delighted to announce the birth of Jordan Michael, who was born on April 14, 1987 in Calgary, Alberta.

FERGUSON — Randy and Karen (nee Melenchuk) are happy to announce the birth of Joshua Robert on June 18, 1987 in Kelowna, British Columbia.

HARRISON — Randy and Ingrid (nee Staubert) are happy to announce the birth of their second daughter, Kelsey Patricia, born June 26, 1987 in Red Deer. Alberta MELNYCHENKO — Pastor Perry and Debra Melnychenko thank God for their precious daughter, Andrea Natalie, born April 7, 1987 in Dauphin, Manitoba.

MURSIC — Jonathan and Pam (nee Allen) are overjoyed with the arrival of their first child, a son, Zachary Allen, born June 22, 1987, in Willowdale, Ontario.

RICHARDS — Lee and Cheryl Richards announce the birth of their second child, Ashley Lerena, September 19, 1987.

TOOMBS — Warren and Karen (nee Duncan) wish to announce the birth of their first daughter, Amanda Leigh, born February 17, 1987 in Prince George, B.C.

TRIEBWASSER — Roger and Francine welcomed the birth of their first child, daughter Melissa Amber on July 1, 1987, in Calgary.

WELLER — Congratulations to Don and Janelle on the birth of their second son, Jeffrey Donald Scott, July 15, 1987 in Calgary, Alberta.

# Weddings

### BOUTCHER-PIRINEN

On July 4, 1987 a beautiful wedding took place in the lovely Peoria-Smoky SDA Church with Pastor H.H. Heghesan officiating. Berkley Boutcher and Kathy Pirinen promised to walk together through life with God's blessing. The Peace River district will benefit by the talents of this couple as they seek to serve God in that area.

### COLES-AAKKO

On May 15, 1987 in Dawson Creek, B.C., Jim Coles, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Coles and Minden, Ontario, and Susan Aakko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Aakko of Hamilton, Ontario and Oshawa, Ontario, were united in marriage.

The couple is residing in Dawson Creek where Jim is working for the government with Indian youth.

### COSTIN-MUDRI

The afternoon of May 10, 1987 was a happy day for Linda Betty, daughter of Steve and Betty Mudri of Taber, Alberta and Douglas Blair Costin of Lacombe, Alberta, when they exchanged vows under the ministry of Elder Richard Warman. The wedding took place in the Bentley SDA Church.

### FITCH-SIMANTON

Gladys Simanton and Leo Fitch were joined together in marriage on November 29, 1986. Pastor Al Reimche performed the ceremony in the Sylvan Lake SDA Church. Their friends and family wish them God's blessings as they set up their new home.

### HINDLEY-LACHELT

Harvey Hindley and Nora Lachelt were united in marriage at the Orchard City Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, July 12, 1987. Relatives and friends of Harvey and Nora wish them God's blessing as they establish their new home.

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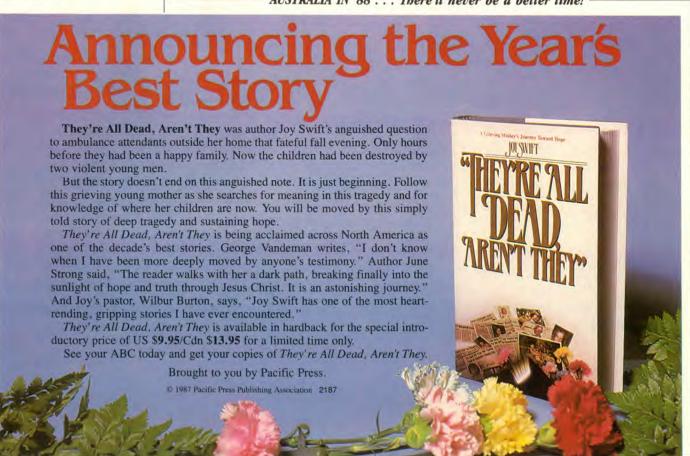
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