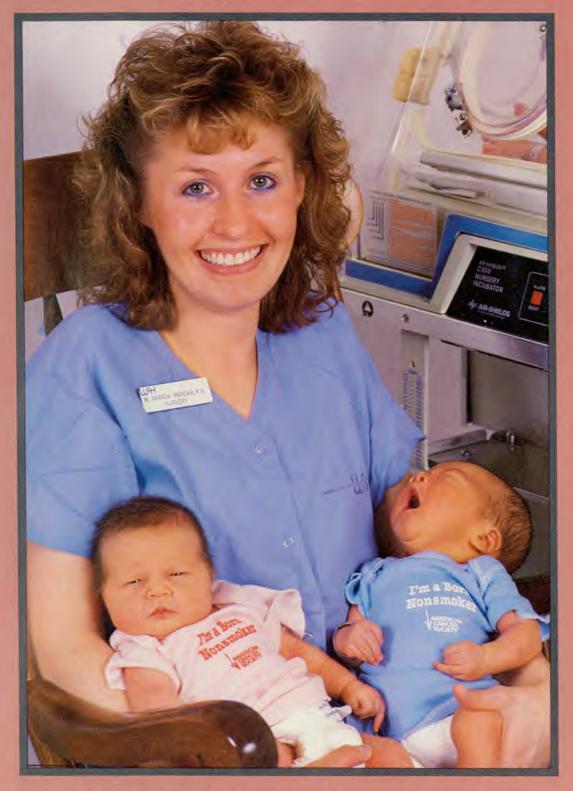
# Visitor April 15, 1988



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# THAT'S JUST WHAT MY WIFE NEEDS



HERBERT H. BROECKEL President Mountain View Conference

was sitting with a group of strangers. This was my support group. I was coming here twice a week for help for my son. All eyes in the group were turned toward me. What changes was I going to make?

The people in our group were fast becoming close friends, sharing secret things which a few months ago we would never have revealed to anyone. Just how meaningful it was going to be for me was slowly dawning to be for me was slowly dawning to be some things and the second state.

ing. I was making changes.

I wanted everyone else to change, too. This experience would help my wife. A discussion in a previous session was just what she needed. Several times I observed that these required sessions would definitely be helpful to my daughter.

But tonight was my night. My changes.

I've reflected on that painful experience many times since. And here's what I've learned. Changed behavior can only happen when we honestly look at ourselves. I thought I could be powerful over the rest of the family, when my responsibility rested in my concentration on changes I needed to make.

I have the desire, and God pledges His support. The Bible says, "I can do everything through Him who gives

me strength,"-Philippians 4:13 NIV.

It's amazing how something so simple and so true sinks in so slowly. Most of us concentrate on trying to change others when all along the only person one can change is himself—and then only through a power higher than ourselves.

The next time you are tempted to think that the problems you face are the fault of circumstances, external events or other people, take a risk. Ask God to show you what changes He wants you to make. It will surprise you how quickly He will come to your aid.

You might even discover, as I did, that when you concentrate on making needed changes in yourself, circumstances will suddenly seem better. And the power for change comes from God. There is no greater discovery in life than this.

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COVER: Last November Washington Adventist Hospital in Takoma Park, Maryland, celebrated the 11th Annual Great American Smokeout, when the hospital challenged patients and staffers to go 24 hours without smoking. Infants in the nursery were dressed in T-shirts to honor the day, as modeled by the two babies held by M. Amanda Morgan, a registered nurse. Glenn Dalby, staff photographer at WAH, photographed the scene.

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#### Anise and cumin

Those of us trained from earliest childhood to put the tithe aside as the first step in money management—even when our income was only a few pennies for chores—developed habits of systematic benevolence that have made us happy, involved members of the church.

For us there has never been the slightest temptation to withhold or divert the tithe in our adult years.

Blessings upon our godly parents who early taught us to belong to the Adventist church by financial participation, as well as attendance at services.

CLINTON TROTT Centerville, Ohio

#### **Bundled Visitors**

I appreciate the professional quality of the *Visitor*. Whenever my son "comes home" to New York, I count on a bundle of *Visitors* coming with him. They help me keep in touch with what's going on at the Adventist headquarters.

PATRICIA HOWELL Wappinger Falls, New York

#### Covering politics

I find no redeeming value in your partisan political cover of February 15. Enough has been said by E.G. White condemning political dabbling that I need not repeat it here.

One wonders if this is continuing evidence of the preoccupation of too many Adventist journalists with social, ethnic and political topics in which social engineers delight. These lead to a gospel of divisiveness and polarization rather than Christ-centeredness.

GERARD FREEMAN East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

At first glance at the front page on the February 15 issue of the Visitor, I was shocked. The Visitor is a church religious magazine; the election of a president is a state issue.

> CHARLES ALBRIGHT York, Pennsylvania

Editor's note: Members of the Visitor staff thought it was unique that a Columbia Union member was running for president. Our cover pictures throughout 1988 will feature people of the Columbia Union, for God loves neither buildings nor institutions, but people.



TRAIN

NEW JERSEY-Pastors have organized plans to conduct 88 evangelistic campaigns during the spring. In setting long-range goals, the pastors plan to establish 20 new churches in various parts of New Jersey, bringing the total number of congregations to 89 by the end of 1990.

The church workers and their families spent a few days together in retreat at Doanington, Pennsylvania. Conference President Robert Boggess said, "Jesus said it was necessary for evangelistic workers to withdraw from the crowds for a short time of physical and spiritual renewal. We met with our colleagues in ministry to study and pray together, and to plan for the work of God."

Robert Wood, church ministries director for the Southwestern Union who has coordinated dark county work for the Texas Conference, gave practical information on organizing and starting new congregations. Roland Hegstad of the General Conference Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Department brought devotional messages and news from Liberty magazine.

OHIO-Members of the Zanesville church rejoiced with Jerry Davis as he brought his new bride, Kathy, to church each Sabbath. And their joy was full when the young woman was baptized, reports Wilma Powell, church communication secretary.

One Sabbath, the Davises sat with Pastor Merlin and Sarah Burt during dinner after the morning worship service. Kathy explained to Sarah that she had been baptized by sprinkling as an infant, but didn't understand baptism by immersion. "How do you get baptized?" she asked.

Not ones to miss an opportunity to share the gospel of Jesus, Sarah and her husband visited with the Davises often, studying the

Several months later, Kathy was baptized. At her request, Zanesville member Margaret Pinotte sang "Amazing Grace," a favorite hymn Kathy remembered her grandmother singing during times of trial and temptation.

# FACE TO FACE: Profiles of newly baptized people



Naeem Newman, Emmanuel Brinklow, Allegheny East. He resisted the pastor's appeals for a while, but "My heart kept saying, 'Stand up! Stand up!" He was baptized in March of 1987.



Margaret Corioni, Capital Memorial, Potomac. A follower of several Adventist radio and television programs, she also studied independently before her profession of faith in November of 1987.



Michael Estes, Takoma Park, Potomac. The literature evangelist he was dating studied the Bible with him. He then attended a community Bible class and was baptized in February of 1987.



Calvin Griffin Sr., Franklin, Potomac. After studying the Bible with Charles Reep since 1983, he felt it was time to commit his life to the Lord and was baptized in October of 1987.



Jennifer Martin. Takoma Park, Potomac. Jennifer's parents are Seventh-day Adventists. Because she wanted to follow in their footsteps, she was baptized in January of 1987.



lim Wallis, Seabrook, Potomac. Jim started Bible studies looking for a way to "stay close to God." After getting a position at work that gave him Sabbaths off, he was ready for baptism in July of 1987.



Beshia Lee, Allentown, Pennsylvania. A native of Taiwan with a master's degree in library science, she was baptized in December of 1987 and enjoys the church's VBS, Pathfinder and youth activities.

KEITH POTTS

# The critical connection and

Ben Carson, 36, leads a very busy schedule at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland.

He faces an intense surgery schedule and a wide variety of surgical situations. He does craniofacial reconstructions, correcting birth defects of the upper face, head and skull joints.

Carson works on brain tumors, vascular problems, head injuries, brain and related deformities, problems of the spinal cord and compression tumors.

He also does a lot of surgeries to eliminate seizures, sometimes removing half the brain. (With such "hemispherectomies," Carson notes that the empty space left over takes care of itself—it fills up with cerebrospinal fluid.)

He gives professional lectures and travels to speak to school groups and other public functions.

Along with his clinical responsibilities, he writes for medical journals and runs a laboratory and his neuro-oncology group.

But in spite of his schedule, he remains calm. "I realize very intimately that the Lord is in control of my life and that's the way I approach everything."

He has found with medicine, in most cases, that nothing is a crisp, clear-cut issue. "I have a philosophy of evaluating every case individually and then coming up with a solution," Carson said.

"I do operations that other people never or rarely do, so I don't have a big body of experience to go on. In those kinds of situations, I ask the Lord to impress me—and He does. He gives me definite impressions of which way to go and invariably it is the right way."
His impressions and

supporting actions have impressed others. Recently, Al Konrad, pastor of the Wheaton, Maryland, Seventh-day Adventist Church and host of "Sabbath Celebration," a weekly contemporary Christian music-talk program on WGTS-FM, interviewed Carson by telephone during a broadcast.

"How can a man educated in science believe in healing?" asked Konrad.

Carson responded by relating the case of a child with a malignant tumor on the brain stem: "The parents had a tremendous amount of faith that the Lord would heal their child—that's why they had been directed to me as a Christian surgeon.

"I operated on the child, and with things looking incredibly malignant, I informed the parents. 'It doesn't matter, doctor,' they said. 'The Lord's going to heal our child.' To make a long story short, we were able to remove all the residual tumor and that child is now back in school and is perfectly normal neurologically."

To Carson, it is clear what role Jesus has had in his life. Aside from surgical talent, he maintains that a number of healing situations have occurred that cannot be explained by surgical talent alone. He feels fortunate to have that critical connection with the Lord.

Having that extra connection has paid off in public and private life.

He's been quoted in numerous periodicals and newspapers and has been featured in Ebony, Newsweek, Time and the Washington Post. But the story you won't find captured by the public media is Dr. Ben Carson's vital, malleable bond with Jesus—the Ultimate Healer.

Ben Carson grew up in Detroit, Michigan. His was not an easy life. "My parents were divorced when I was eight years old," Carson remembers. "My

brother, Curtis, and I were raised by my mother in a Christian home as Adventists." With that foundation, Carson began his academic career in one of Detroit's in-

ner-city schools. It was an uphill climb from the start. "I was not a good student initially. I was quite a poor student. In fact, I was the worst student in my class," he said.

But poor performance didn't last forever. While he was in the fifth grade, Carson's mother redirected the boys' activities. Instead of looking at television, they started reading. "That pretty much reversed things for my brother and I," Carson said. "We both became exceedingly good students and rose to the top of our classes."

Changes didn't stop there. As a child and a teenager, young Ben Carson had a very volatile temper. He was "quite pathological," going after people with hammers, knives and bricks. He said, "People were somewhat wary of me."

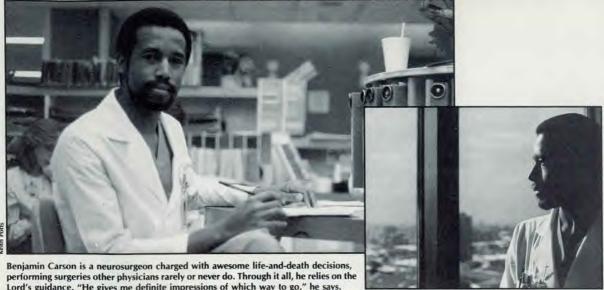
Whether the hammers nailed home a point or the bricks began stacking up, things took their toll on young Carson. He realized over a period of time that success would "elude" him if he continued to lose his temper.

At that point, he remembered the message found in Proverbs 16:32: "He that ruleth his spirit is mightier than he that taketh a city."

"I took that to heart, asked the Lord for a change, and I guess now I'm just the opposite," he said.

Carson found his interest in medicine developing at an early age. As a child,

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Lord's guidance. "He gives me definite impressions of which way to go," he says.

he attended Sabbath school. It was there he recalls listening to stories about missionary doctors. But his interest didn't stop there. Carson began reading Psychology Today while he was in high school. "I had this fascination with the brain," he said. "I wanted to be a

Carson entered Yale University as a psychology major and continued pursuing his interest in the brain. Again, success was not without its struggle. "As a premedical student, you have to do very well in all the science courses. I was not prepared adequately in terms of study habits," he admitted. He found himself, at the end of his first semester, failing freshman chemistry.

psychiatrist."

He continued, "So I brought this to the Lord in prayer. I told Him that obviously I was going to have to go into another field unless He worked out some kind of miracle for me.

"That evening I dreamed I was in the lecture hall. I dreamed about a lot of chemistry problems being worked out. The next day, when I took the exam, many of the problems looked familiar, like the ones I had seen in my dream; so I was able to do quite well on the exam."

To Carson, that was a direct indication that the Lord wanted him in medicine. Now it was just a matter of which aspect of medicine.

Benjamin Solomon Carson graduated from Yale University in 1973 with a psychology degree. From Yale, he entered the University of Michigan Medical School and continued his exploration of medicine. "It was my duty to examine myself and look at the talents God had endowed me with," he said.

psychiatry. It was not for him.

Medical school opened up new opportunities, providing firsthand observation and a chance for him to become much better acquainted with

He clearly remembers the direction to which that discovery led. "That's when I switched my focus to the neurosciences. I could have been a neuropathologist or a neurologist, but I realized that I had a tremendous eye-hand coordination that the Lord had blessed me with. I said, 'There must be a way that I can use this talent along with my interest in the brain'-so naturally, neurosurgery. It was perfect!"

Carson finished medical school in 1977, then transferred to Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore for his internship and residency.

After finishing at Hopkins in 1983, he left for a year-long stint in Australia. There he served as senior neurological registrar at Sir Charles Gardner Hospital in Perth.

But Johns Hopkins and Carson had already forged a relationship with a future. "When I left for Australia, there was sort of an understanding that I would come back as a faculty member. Now I can look back at things and see how the Lord was playing in my life and directing things. He wanted me to get a lot of experience early on to prepare me for the future."

At just 33 years of age, he became director of pediatric neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins.

Since 1985, Carson has served in that capacity. He has also functioned as assistant professor of neurosurgery, professor of oncology, assistant professor of pediatrics and codirector of the neurooncology section.

That critical connection with Jesus has affected his private life as well. While at Yale University, he met his wife-to-be, Candy, initially inviting her to Friday night choir rehearsals. She eventually accepted the Adventist message and was baptized.

The couple has been married for over 12 years, and they have three sons: Murray, 4, Ben Jr., 2, and one-year-old Rhoeyce. Members of the Spencerville, Maryland, Adventist Church, they are active in the church's music and Sabbath school programs.

As a family, together they have chosen to have Candy stay at home with the boys. Said Carson, "She has her bachelor's degree in music and a master's degree in business, and she's perfectly happy. She knows she's got the credentials and can go to work if she wants. We felt it most important really for her to be at home."

Apart from his busy schedule, Carson is a family man who enjoys games of Scrabble and Trivial Pursuit, and occasionally volleyball. He likes taking nature walks and going on outings with his family. And Proverbs remains his favorite practical book.

The connection persists. "I've been asked why I don't make a greater attempt to separate my religious beliefs from my work," he said. "My religious beliefs are a part of me, and it's much easier to work as a whole than try to cut myself up into pieces."

The critical connection. Life-sustaining and worth it.

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### **Students** offer "a little love," earn a big return

**RUTH E. WRIGHT** 

it was an exciting first-for the Mountain View Conference, the Columbia Union Conference and the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

During the Valentine month of February, students from the Willowbrook Seventhday Adventist School shared "a little love" with their Cumberland, Maryland, community through a pilot program of raising funds using the book He Taught Love.

The story really began nearly a century earlier, when Ellen White recommended that money raised from the sales of her book Christ's Object Lessons be used for Christian education.

For this specific purpose, the Review and Herald recently printed a compilation of chapters from this book under the title He Taught Love. Illustrated with beautiful color photos from the film The Genesis Project, He Taught Love has large, easily read print and an attractive glossy cover.

Mountain View Conference leaders received information about the new publi-

Ruth E. Wright is communication director for the Mountain View Conference.



Above: Eighteen youngsters from the Willowbrook church school with adult sponsors earned more than \$1,600 for their school by selling the book He Taught Love in their Cumberland, Maryland, community. Right: Vicki Stairs, 12, and Tracy Taylor, 13, show the book He Taught Love as it was presented to potential customers. Across the page: Principal Alan Freeman and Melodie Stairs, 6, canvassed from door to door in the Willowbrook school fund-raising project.

cation from K.D. "Dick" Thomas, Review subscription literature director.

Larry Carter, conference education superintendent, and John Ledl, publishing director, quickly became enthusiastic about the possibilities for the conference's small elementary schools, where finances are often a problem.

Carter presented a plan to the Willowbrook school board and the constituent Cumberland and Frostburg church boards. They agreed to be the first school in the Columbia Union to try raising funds with He Taught Love.

Children learned their canvass. "Rather than selling candy and trinkets for our school project," they said, "we'd like to leave a little love in each home." Telling about the book, they invited the customers to respond by suggesting, "Some give us



\$5 for it; others give more."

Over a four-day period, 17 youngstersranging from 6 to 13 years of age-earned more than \$1,600 for their school.

On February 21, students began the project, each accompanied by an adult. Included were Joel Carlson, Eran and Lysie Eva, Rochelle, Jodee and Travis Freeman, Troy Hillebrecht, Kim Mallow, Jamie and Jessica Martin, Lonnie Gibson, Jim and Cheri McKenzie, Amy, Vicki and Melodie Stairs and Tracy Taylor.

Dick Thomas and Woody Pangborn, Columbia Union publishing director, came to assist in the house-to-house canvass.

Rayburn Smith, publishing director for the Upper Columbia Conference, came to observe and make plans for the Idaho/ Washington/Oregon area.

Mountain View's Carter and Ledl, school board Chairman Craig Martin, Principal Alan Freeman and students from Hartland College were there to participate in the student project.

"Although the weather could have been better, and we were in the midst of a flu epidemic, the students' door-to-door campaign brought in more than \$1,600 in just four days, which we think is a tremendous achievement," said Freeman.

"It was a pleasure to see our young people

#### Special events in Mountain View

· April 26

April 27

· May 1

The Heralds Quartet concert in the Charleston church The Heralds Quartet concert in the Parkersburg church The sixth triennial session at the Charleston church at 10 a.m. During the constituency meeting, Mountain View members will vote on the possible redistribution of percentages of their Mountain View Advance offering to include more funds for Christian education.

 June 17-25 Campmeeting at Valley Vista Camp. Featured speakers will include Bill Liversidge, early morning meetings and spiritual growth classes; W. Duncan Eva, in-depth study of 1888; and Betty Lou Hartlein, family life.

Sundays

Faith For Today telecasts of Christian Lifestyle Magazine at 10 a.m. Sundays on Charleston station WCHS, which has wide coverage in southern West Virginia.

#### SPOTLIGHT ON MOUNTAIN VIEW



enthusiastically working with conference personnel, parents and church members on this project. We feel it had a positive effect on morale and self-concept as sales teams met with success."

Freeman believes the project profited more than just the school. He added, "The students benefited by learning how to meet people and share their faith. The school benefited both spiritually and financially. The community had a chance to see Christian young people in action, as well as be spiritually inspired by reading the book."

Responses from the Cumberland community were warm and enthusiastic. "Many people commented how great they thought it was to see children involved in this kind of project," said Larry Carter. "It was a real Christian witness. A cab driver who had been canvassed earlier at home stopped one of the children and asked to buy the book."

To place Christian literature in every home, the students also carried copies of Happiness Digest, which were given for smaller donations.

"Just as Ellen White hoped, her book is helping young people and Christian education," Carter said. "The Willowbrook school now has a total of close to \$2,000 from this project with some additional work they've done. And we look forward to other schools using He Taught Love in their fundraising here in Mountain View."

### Mountaineers hold seminars, public crusades

t's the year of Revelation seminars in the Mountain View Conference," reports President Herbert H. Broeckel.

"Starting in April, 16 Revelation seminars will be running concurrently. They will be held in public halls, churches and homes. Some will be conducted by pastors, others by lay members and still others by video."

Thomas G. Whitsett, conference personal ministries director, has coordinated the statewide television advertising for the seminars.

He also conducted a training class for lay members, who in turn are able to help and encourage other laymen interested in holding seminars.

Whitsett also set up area meetings at which Harry Robinson, who developed the Revelation Seminar concept, gave guidance to members and pastors.

Earlier this year in Wheeling, West Virginia, Pastor Tim Bailey baptized two people as a result of his January seminar. He continues to study the Bible with others who attended the classes.

"Another exciting event has been the Revelation Seminar in Summersville, West Virginia," Broeckel

"Although his church is without a pastor right now, insurance salesman Vic Hughart didn't let that stop him. He personally invited his relatives, friends and customers to attend. No handbills were used.

"Vic has been the main speaker, and Earl Clough, who pastors the nearby Braxton church, has come most nights to be available if needed. The group is still meeting at the time of this writing and we do not yet know the results, but we do know God will bless Vic's dedication."

In Morgantown, West Virginia, members of the church there are also between



Vic Hughart, an insurance salesman in Summersville, West Virginia, invited relatives, friends and business acquaintances to the Revelation Seminar he conducts with help West Virginia. New Jersey from Braxton Pastor Earl Clough.

pastors, but still decided that they wanted to be included in the April Revelation Seminar outreach. With Frank Cox, local elder, members pledged to personally deliver brochures by hand and conduct a video seminar in the church.

More public evangelism has been scheduled for the spring, including a crusade that opened in mid-March in Oak Hill, Conference Evangelist Al-

len Fine and Sid Young, Beckley church pastor, conducted these meetings.

A major crusade is scheduled for May in Charleston, West Virginia's capital city. This outreach series will be conducted by Chesapeake Conference Evangelist Richard Halversen with Pastor John Oddie and associate Rodney Davis.

#### **UNION NEWS**



Above, from left: Ron M. Wisbey, Steve Bohr and Frank Ottati examine the profiles of people baptized during 1987 as presented in the March 1 issue of the Visitor. Below: Layman John Lopera and his wife give Bible studies in the Jersey City church in preparation for the coming evangelistic crusade. Bottom, left: Charles E. Bradford, translated by Paterson Pastor Jose Guillen, called for those who would give their lives to the Lord during his keynote message. Bottom, right: Norberto Carmona challenged members to be involved in the upcoming crusades.





#### New Jersey Hispanics prepare for evangelism explosion

FRANK OTTATI

ispanics from 30 New Jersey Seventh-day Adventist churches and church companies came to the War Memorial Auditorium in Trenton for a February 27 evangelism celebration.

"Amens" resounded among the 2,200 believers as they laid plans for 50 Spanish language evangelistic meetings to begin on May 7.

The purpose of the meeting was to inspire the people who attended to participate in the coordinated public evangelism efforts.

Keynote speaker Charles E. Bradford, president of the North American Division,



said, "I believe that God has brought the Hispanics to North America to keep the flame of evangelism burning."

The crusades are designed to be reaping meetings, according to Steve Bohr, North American missions director in New Jersey. He has done an excellent job of organizing, inspiring and supporting the pastors and members in preparation for the evangelistic meetings.

Bohr coordinated the Sabbath program. Three points were emphasized throughout the event: 1) the power of the Holy Spirit; 2) laymen working with pastors in soul-winning; and 3) a positive spirit of success.

Norberto Carmona, president of the Colombia-Venezuela Union Mission, where 300 laymen are conducting evangelistic meetings, has been invited to the New Jersey Conference to coordinate the evangelistic outreach with Bohr.

"The evangelistic explosion happening in the Inter-American Division can happen in the United States," Carmona said. "Success is guaranteed."

Ron M. Wisbey, president of the Columbia Union, brought a report of evangelism in the worldwide church. He challenged the congregation to "go"—"Adelante, siempre adelante;" "Forward, always forward."

Four seminars were offered in the afternoon to help laymen polish their witnessing skills.

New Jersey Ministerial Director Jim Stevens taught "The Art of Finding Interests;" Hector Solera, a pastor in Mount Holly, discussed "The Art of Giving Bible Studies;" "The Art of Obtaining Decisions" was directed by Frank Ottati; and Carmona offered guidance on "The Art of Retaining New Believers."

In New Jersey, winning souls is the top priority. The administration gives strong and positive support to reaching others with the gospel. President Robert Boggess is enthusiastic for winning souls.

My prayer and my dream is that every conference—every member in our union—will be praying, preaching and pleading for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. We will then see thousands being baptized every day, and Jesus will come again.

Frank Ottati is associate ministerial director of the Columbia Union. His responsibilites include evangelism coordinator and director of North American missions.

#### \$2,000,000 gain funds special needs, projects

DON RUSSELL, Treasurer

healthy financial picture for the Columbia Union Conference emerged as the books for 1987 were closed.

Gains in tithe and operations allowed the union to add a Hispanic coordinator to the union staff and to appropriate funds for projects and special needs.

A substantial tithe gain last year came to \$2,086,947.35, or an increase of 5.04 percent. This was the third highest of the nine unions in the North American Division.

Gains in operations for 1987 provided funds, in addition to budgeted outlays, for



\$150,000 to evangelism and \$75,000 to the capital projects fund.

During 1987, the Columbia Union appropriated to academies where Harris Pine Mills' plants closed the sum of \$51,821 to cover wages to students with lost jobs.

A detailed statement of these and other appropriations is provided below.

The Columbia Union Revolving Fund continues to do well, growing from deposits of \$2.5 million in 1978 to over \$22 million in 1987. Loans were increased in the same proportion, resulting in great savings in rate differential and closing costs to church and church school building projects in the union.

Looking ahead, plans and funding are in place to handle the asbestos test inspections required for all schools. The union will cover the cost of training inspectors for all conferences in the Mid-Atlantic territory.

#### SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS FROM UNION AND GENERAL CONFERENCE—1987

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#### **ALLEGHENY WEST**

Pastors. members

The Allegheny West Conference has again turned its attention totrain to ward training and ralevangelize lay constituency. lying members of its

But for 1988, there is a fresh excitement as the word "evangelize" is on the tongue of each leader-from President Willie I. Lewis to the pastors and members.

Lewis has inspired new confidence in the lay evangelism concept. Six lay soulwinning rallies and three church officers' conventions have been held throughout the field during the beginning of the year.

J.O. Best, personal ministries and ministerial director, has set a goal for 1988 of 1,000 Revelation seminars with at least 10 students per class to be conducted by laypeople around the conference. He enthusiastically tallied the possibilities: "That's a potential of 10,000 souls!"

Best is proposing use of the cottage meeting series, which costs only \$6.90 per student. He is also recommending a fourway sponsorship: the conference, union,



James Best leads out in training Community Services personnel and lay soulwinning leaders. The laymen are encouraged to conduct Revelation seminars for classes of at least 10 students during 1988.

church and lay teacher would each pay \$17.25 for each class of 10 students.

Training also goes on at the conference level and in churches by district pastors.

> WALTER WRIGHT Communication Director

#### OHIO

Eastwood women serve as elders.

Four women serve the Columbus Eastwood church as local

Bea Harris is first elelders der, Marion Bannister

is the personal ministries director, Vivian Dunson is communication director, and Kay Mayo directs a shut-in program and chairs the evangelism committee. Mayo was first to be elected as an elder in training.

The women are ambitious for the Lord, and meet the challenges their responsibilities offer by working hard.

Harris thinks the Lord expects important results from the women's efforts. She said, "If women do well in the work, I believe God will continue to open new avenues."

Harris has a favorite saying: "Have thy tools ready. God will provide the work." He has provided throughout her career, especially when she moved to Columbus after working in the Florida and Greater New York conferences.

She was offered a civil service position with twice the salary of a teaching position available at the Adventist church school. "I decided not to accept the government job, and I'm not sorry. It's a real pleasure now, especially since I've stayed in one placeto see all those who have accepted the Lord and their growth," said Harris.

After teaching for five years, she became a Bible instructor for the Eastwood church. Her work was sometimes hard, often challenging. She retired in 1984 after 26 years of active service.

In retrospect, Harris said the women found that people who opposed the ordinaion of women were vocal, but actually few in number. She said, "There are times when people see my position as unusual and are surprised, but other times it's just accepted." She finds much support within the congregation. The conference showed its appreciation for her work by giving her commissioned minister credentials.

Upon being elected an elder in January of 1986, Harris' first priority was to visit inactive members. She found that most were inactive "not because they did not believe, but because they had become careless. The majority were very receptive and friendly." she said.

Harris added, "It would be to the advantage of the Adventist church to utilize the talents of women in positions with the church. And also to provide opportunities to develop the talents of those who already hold such positions."

> CAROLYN PERRINE Communication Director

#### PENNSYLVANIA

Pleasant View active

This has been another banner year for the Ingathering provouth are gram at the Pleasant View church in Halifax. Children and youth laymen helped the congrega-

tion reach its goal-which was set at more than three times the total recommended by the conference.

During four weeks of well-organized work, the young people gave out 4,000 pieces of literature door to door and collected more than \$3,000.

The youth brought the names of 11 families they encountered that needed assistance, and had the privilege of helping provide for their needs.

As a reward, the rural church of only 43 members is sending 17 youngsters to summer camp or one of the other conference programs for youth this year.



Seventeen young people raised more than \$3,000 for the Pleasant View church's annual Ingathering campaign.

#### CHESAPEAKE

HVA

Seven students at Highland View Acadstudent emy in Hagerstown, authors Maryland, have seen are their efforts in print. Three of the students published received the Norma

Youngberg Memorial Poetry Contest Certificate of Award, and one was given a prize by the Christian Scribes of Dayton, Ohio.

Listen magazine published Brennon Kirstein's essay, "Just Boys Then," and Julie Kaiser's poem, "Trust." Guide published Stacie Orser's story, "Winged Lifeguard," Dawn Hunt's story, "Kim," and Beth Reiner's "Needed: A Solution." Ron Coffen has a regular column, "Zoo News," in Guide. Insight published Becky Rolls' story, "All Things.

One winner of the NYMPC was Beth Reiner with "People Don't Mean To," honorable mention, and "Jesus Makes It So," third prize. John Norman took second prize for "I Was the Cross."

Sharon Wright also earned two awards: second place for "Snowfall" and first prize for "To a Fallen Tree," which also won the

A requirement for Highland View Academy's creative writing class is that each student prepare a manuscript for publication. These stories are then submitted to appropriate magazines.

Teacher Elaine Grove reports that many of the students have sold their stories in the three years the class has been offered.

> CHANDRA COOKE **Junior Student**

#### **ALLEGHENY EAST**

the gold

Baltimore Senior the Baltimore Berea golden Temple congregation agers recently proved that go for age is no deterrent to success.

Fifteen senior ladies raised more than \$8,800 toward the purchase of a van for the church.

Coordinator Kathryn Millings urged participants to find creative ways to raise the money, including trips, dinners, sales and a concert.

The woman earning the most money was crowned "Queen for a Year" at a banquet celebrating the year's work. Mary McCluny Hughes earned the crown for bringing in \$2,500.

Margaret Mitchell took second place with \$1,660, and Daisy Rodgers raised \$1,500.

Pastor Henry J. Fordham III expressed appreciation on behalf of the entire congregation. Other senior participants were Thelma Bagby, Lucille Brown, Othello Fowlkes, Mary C. Jones, Margaret Macer, Evelyn Parker, Gladys Spell, Odelia Scott, Frances Tucker, Smithie Whitley, Naomi White and Eva Williams.

> ANNIE M. JOHNSON Communication Secretary

#### PENNSYLVANIA

Eldred

Letters of appreciation have poured in members to the Eldred church help for the attractive food people baskets given to people in need this past Christmas.

Eighty-five baskets were filled with fruits, homemade cookies and miniature bread loaves. Distributing food has become an annual tradition for Eldred members.

Tracie Aldrich, church communication secretary, believes the baskets are welcomed for more than the "goodies" they contain. "These Christmas gifts are an anticipated holiday tradition for the recipients because the baskets are a display of caring not normally shown to them."

#### NEW JERSEY

Bible camp

A weekend Bible camp at Garden State offers Academy in Tranquilstudy. ity brought 165 youth challenge to study the Bible un-der the theme, "Know-

ing and Sharing Jesus."

Irene McCary was the featured speaker at the camp, sharing her unique methods of chain-reference Bible study.

McCary owns a fast-food restaurant in Needles, California, where the temperature often rises to 125 degrees. She told how she uses her business to distribute literature and make contacts with customers.

She challenged the youth to service. "What I do, you can do better because you are young," McCary said.

> STEVE BOHR Director of Youth Activities

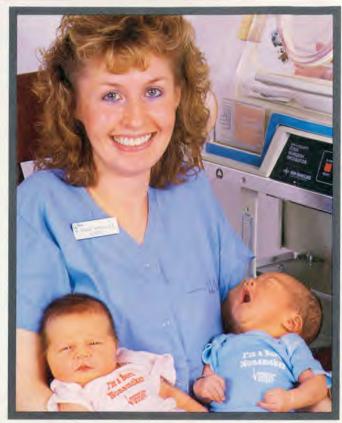
#### **IPOTOMAC**



Stephen Zork signed autographs and received congratulations after conducting the Shenandoah Valley Academy Shenandoans and Chamber Orchestra in Antonio Vivaldi's Gloria in D Major at the New Market, Virginia, church on February 20. Zork, voice and choir teacher at SVA, presented the choral recital in partial fulfillment of requirements for a master's degree in choral conducting from Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington. The performance was videotaped and sent to the university music faculty. Guest soloists included Jean Pedersen-Smith, a professional vocalist and pastor's wife from the Burnt Mills church in Silver Spring, Maryland; Janette Ogg, local soprano; and Sarah Jane Liers, math teacher at the academy. Other staffers on the performance roster with students were Bruce Wilson, band teacher; Alicia Williams, English teacher and piano accompanist for the Shenandoans; Nancy Lou Cross, piano teacher and harpsichordist for the concert; and Zork's wife Susan, religion teacher at the academy. The conductor's parents, Pastor Warren and Shirley Zork from the Sligo church in Takoma Park, Maryland, rounded out the alto and bass sections.—CPC

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Shady Grove Adventist Hospital:

#### A nurse helps heal a soul

Bill Sanford was brought to Shady Grove's intensive care unit in a coma. During what would have been the last night of his business trip, he had gone into insulin shock. Several hours later a hotel housekeeper found him unconscious.

His prognosis was grim—brain damage and little possibility of recovery.

Jane Sanford arrived the next day, still numb from the shock of learning that her husband had been hospitalized and was not expected to live.

When the nurses found that Jane wouldn't leave Bill's bedside, they didn't press the issue. Instead, one of them brought her a chair and a blanket, helping her settle where she could keep Bill's slightly cold hand in her own.

As the 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. shift began, Chris Gurchik, a registered nurse, learned that Sanford would be her only patient that night.

After hearing a report from the evening nurse and reading the chart, Chris entered Room 3. While swiftly checking Bill's vital signs and making sure the monitor and life support lines were correctly positioned, she introduced herself to Mrs. Sanford and asked if she could help her in any way.

"I'd like someone to talk with," Jane replied. "I'm a Christian, but I can't under-

stand why this is happening. I'm so alone."

Chris sat next to Jane. They quietly prayed at the bedside, then—to the counterpoint of the oxygen pump—Chris listened as Jane shared some of the special times she and her husband had enjoyed together.

In an emotion-roughened whisper, Jane finished telling about an unexpected surprise Bill had planned for her. Then she

ursing and spiritual care:
The experiences of nurses in Adventist hospitals

ANDREW DEMSKY, Editor AHS Corporate Communications asked for something to drink.

Returning a moment later with a cup of apple juice, Chris heard a loud wail from Room 3. When she rushed in, she found Jane gripping the bed rails, shaking so hard it looked as if she were having a seizure.

"What's wrong?" Chris asked.

"I don't know how I can live without my husband," Jane sobbed. "I can't let Bill go! I need him!"

Chris put her arm around Jane and told her that God wouldn't give her any more than she could handle if she would ask for His help.

Holding her hands and gently reassuring her, Chris saw Jane finally begin to relax and find the strength she would need to face Bill's fast-approaching death.

"While I have deep religious convictions, I don't consider myself one who pushes religion on anyone," Chris explained later. "But I knew that Jane Sanford needed spiritual reassurance right then, and it was critical for me as a nurse to meet that need. It's part of our ministry of kindness at Shady Grove."

In their book, Spiritual Care: The Nurse's Role, Sharon Fish and Judith Allen Shelly offer one of the best challenges to the role nurses play in spiritual care-giving:

"A nurse may be one of the few people who can stand with a patient in his suffering and help him deal with it. Illness is a confrontation with mortality and with ultimate values. A person's relationship with God is part of that confrontation. We must stand ready to assist the patient in his personal struggle."

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#### **ADVENTIST HEALTH SYSTEM**

Hadley Memorial Hospital:

#### Drug bust aftermath—the evening slips away

That evening the hospital was eerie with calm and quietness. The staff was relaxed and enjoying the shift.

I was thanking my lucky stars for volunteering to relieve as house supervisor that night—something I hadn't done for many months.

I decided to head back to the office and complete the first half of the shift report when out of the calm came the blurring call, "Emergency Room, STAT!" I had just been there. There had been no patients; no ambulances had been expected.

As I walked through the door, the unit secretary was pointing to the room where patients with immediately life-threatening conditions are treated and saying, "Over there, over there!" Policemen were pouring through the entrance door.

When I approached the Code Room, a nurse yelled, "We have a multiple gunshot victim—a police officer!" Someone was yelling that there were two more wounded officers on the way. What happened? A drug bust that went bad.

This type of situation is no big deal for most metropolitan emergency departments, but for us at Hadley Memorial, an 81-bed community hospital, it was a major occurrence. Within minutes the chief of police and 10 million TV cameras and policemen were there.

I knew the "golden hour" was fast slipping away. My mind began to click. Get the operating room ready for surgery. Who's the surgeon on-call? We need type-specific blood. Call the administrator-on-call and let him know the TV crews are coming out of the walls—before he sees his hospital on the news.

Suddenly the operator was paging me STAT for a medical unit. An employee disagreement erupted. What timing! No one who was supposed to be on-call was answering the phone. *HELP!* 

Something else began to click—delegate responsibility. Within minutes, the telephone operator alerted the crews needed. An intensive care unit nurse had opened the operating room suite and it was ready for the crew when they arrived.

The Medivac Copter was on alert. The lab technician had the type-specific blood ready. The emergency department physician and nurses got the patient stabilized. We were ready to go.

The operating room team came through the doorway in record time. We were in the OR in less than 50 minutes. That's teamwork. No one falters—not one mistake.

Yet there was still no time to relax: Family members began to arrive. The wife was young and pretty, but so afraid. She had questions: Will I lose

my husband, the father of our daughter? The mother was stern-looking and composed, but with panic in her eyes.

There were policemen everywhere with big guns, little guns. The news had spread to the staff. Some fear began to mount. Will the drug people try to get in? Will there be more shooting?

I finally got a chance to check on the patient's progress. On exploration, the damage was found to be serious, but nothing that couldn't be repaired.

I spent some time talking with the family. They were relieved but still panic-stricken. The evening had slipped away to the wee hours of the morning. These kinds of evenings always do.

The police officer was going to be fine. It came as a real sigh of relief, for policemen and firemen have a special place in the hearts of nurses. They put their lives on the line every day and yet receive so little in return.

The wounded officer was the same age as many of the nurses, and his child was the same age as their children; the similarity was too much.





Now the nurses had to deal with a uniformed officer present for extra security reasons; all visitors had to be cleared; ID had to be shown before anyone could enter the ICU.

I checked my watch again. I knew that I needed to get back to that paperwork, but I hesitated for a moment. There's no way to know what's going to come through those emergency room doors next.



Leland Memorial Hospital:

# Miss Ann gains a new life

When the apartment manager found Ann Walker, she was lying unconscious on the floor of her apartment. She had been there for at least three days, maybe even longer.

He called for an ambulance, and the paramedics took her to Leland Memorial Hospital in Riverdale, Maryland.

Walker was 60 years old. She was 5'6" and weighed barely 64 pounds when admitted to the hospital. Unconscious, unresponsive and severely dehydrated, she was dying.

"I've never seen a patient in such bad condition before or since," recalled Karen Lorenzetti, one of the nurses who cared for Walker.

"She had green stuff growing in her mouth. She had lice and smelled very bad. Every tooth in her head was loose. Her prognosis was poor. We cleaned her up, but there really wasn't much hope."

Walker's condition was so poor that Karen and several other nurses worked all night caring for Walker and cleaning her up. Still, she was unconscious for days.

Each day Karen and the other nurses faithfully tended their patient and she gradually began to improve, becoming conscious and responsive.

"At first she was confused and resisted our treatment," Karen remembered, "but gradually she began talking and started to open up to us." The nurses affectionately dubbed her "Miss Ann."

Before long she was up and walking, but the trauma of Miss Ann's ordeal had affected her memory, which led to other problems.

"We soon learned that Miss Ann had quite a sweet tooth and would wander into the hospital gift shop, pick up some candy bars, and just walk out. The manager of the gift shop came to me and asked me what to do about

it," Jean Del Vecchio, a registered nurse and medical/surgical 3 clinical supervisor, explained.

"We arranged to have them keep a record of what she took, and the staff simply paid the bill at the end of the week."

It wasn't long before Miss Ann became a part of the nursing unit family.

"She loved to sit with the nurses at the nurses' station," said Lorenzetti. "Since this is an area we usually ban patients from, it was important that this policy be strictly enforced during the day. But Miss Ann soon learned that during the nights, when things weren't so busy, we would bend the rule for her.

"Every evening she would sneak quietly down the hall to the nurses' station and peek around the corner. It was her way of asking for our company."

During Miss Ann's recovery, her weight rose from 64 to 130 pounds, and eventually she was well enough to be discharged.

When the nurses discovered that Miss Ann had no clothes, they purchased several outfits for her. She had no family, so space was found for her in a nursing home.

Shortly before her discharge, the nurses on the unit threw a farewell party in her honor.

Miss Ann arrived at Leland diseased and dying from neglect. She left alive, well and warm with the love of human kindness.

#### Kettering Medical Center encourages people to follow these guidelines in helping bereaved parents

There are times when people become bereaved parents as the result of a child's or infant's death, stillbirth or miscarriage.

Just south of Dayton, Ohio, the Kettering Medical Center pastoral services department offers suggestions for friends and coworkers.

This condensed list of "dos and don'ts" provided by the Compassionate Friends organization may help in those times when it's hard to know what to say:

- · Avoid advising as much as possible.
- Avoid platitudes and such insensitive statements as "It must be God's will;" "She's been called to join the angels;" "At least you can have another;" "I know how you feel;" "I felt the same way when my dog died."
- Be a willing listener. Overcoming grief requires telling and retelling of the incident. Encourage emotional release and talk. Keep all confidences. Be available. Silence is a form of communication.
- Reassure parents that all possible was done for the child's care, remembering that parents are plagued with feelings of doubt and guilt.
- Mention, as often as possible, the child's name. Ask to see pictures. Tell of an amusing incident that involved you and the child. Ask about certain events that involved the child.
- Encourage and share in the return to "normal" activities. Spend time with the parent. Bring food and conversation to the home. Go to church together.
- Let your love and concern show. A hug works wonders. A shared cry relieves emotional problems. Repeat words of assurance and love. Be mindful of health problems.
- Do not forget children or other family members. Males may feel but not outwardly show grief. Children are forgotten grievers.

Compassionate caretakers are reminded that each bereaved person must work through an individual grief; husbands and wives are often at odds with one another.

Support is needed by both if the two are to re-adjust to a life without their child.

n an interview,
Ron M. Wisbey, president of the Columbia
Union Conference, discussed issues relating
to the Adventist Health
System

#### Adventist Health System is the bridge

How would you describe the role of the health system in the church?

I think of it as a bridge. It gives Adventist workers such an opportunity to come in contact with so many people; it provides a walkway for people to meet the church. Every night there are 12,000 people in our hospitals. Each receives a visit from an Adventist chaplain, health-oriented material and sometimes a subscription to *Signs*. AHS also provides a support base to local congregations and the corporate church. AHS is a major employer of Adventist people.

In the past year Russell Shawver—president of AHS/NEMA—has stressed that health-care facilities play a role in Harvest 90. How do you see a role for the hospitals in Harvest 90?

Our hospitals provide awareness; each is an awakening facilitator. First impressions mean a great deal, and an Adventist hospital is where many people get their first impression of Adventism. I know of hospitals in the Columbia Union that have a Harvest 90 strategy. Specifically, I can think of Ket-

tering Medical Center, Shady Grove Adventist Hospital and Washington Adventist Hospital. These hospitals have a well-documented strategy. This includes seminars for employees: both Adventist and non-Adventist. It involves Adventist employees maximizing their outreach opportunities and developing a balanced view of our beliefs in health and doctrine. Evangelistic concepts are being adopted by these hospitals.

How do you think Adventist hospitals create better communities?

The only reason AHS exists is to do a better job of caring. And the sheer presence of a Christian hospital opens up a whole facet to local communities that would otherwise be closed off. I mean spiritual awareness, of course, but also social awareness and health education.

Where do you see room for growth in the Adventist Health System?

There is always room for growth. I think that there is a need for a better understanding among the constituency about AHS. The second area is in marketing the relationship of the church/hospital to local communities and employees of all faiths.

Adventist health care: the connection between the church and the community.

How do Adventist health-care facilities contribute to the overall forward movement of the Adventist church?

On a recent trip. I sat next to a businessman who deals with our hospitals in the Dayton, Ohio, area, When I talked to him about AHS, he was surprised at the international scope of our work in health. care. Again, it is an awareness factor. AHS provides a matchless opportunity for gaining community support and understanding. I am very positive about the health system. There are problems, but the opportunities far outweigh the problems. We have a good management team. What the constituents do not always understand is how well scrutinized the hospital work is. The law of the land demands it. There are national and state regulatory agencies, state accrediting agencies, internal auditors and external auditors, etc. No other church institution is as well managed or monitored as the Adventist Health System. I believe it has a very bright future.



#### **ADVENTIST HEALTH SYSTEM**

HS/NEMA's
plans to survive highpowered health-care
competition

J. RUSSELL SHAWVER President, AHS/NEMA

# We build on a century of quality, stewardship

In the nineteenth century, medical care often did more harm than good. The patient's choice sometimes lay in dying of the disease or dying of its cure.

During this dark age of leaching and snake oil, Seventh-day Adventists raised up their first sanitarium using "revolutionary" treatments like sunshine, fresh air, trust in God and abstinence from tobacco and alcohol.

The Adventist Health System's very inception was based on the precept of sensible, quality medical care.

That commitment to quality has seen our hospitals through many good years, and today we are working to refine the quality of our services to keep AHS a strong leader in modern health care and to fulfill our church's calling.

The business of running hospitals and other health-care facilities has gotten a lot tougher in the past few years.

Health care across the United States has

come under the invisible hand of economic demands. The patients who use our services spend less time staying in the hospital, while the government and the large insurance companies, who pay a majority of the national health-care bill, have tightened down on how much they are willing to reimburse for medical services. Hospitals have been forced to compete for consumers like airlines or hotels.

In order to do justice to our legacy and to be a leading contender in 1988, we will have to innovate and continue to build on our century-old tradition of quality.

Adventist Health System/North, Eastern and Middle America (AHS/NEMA) has commissioned a study to define the indicators whereby we can gauge the quality of our medical services.

We want quality assurance in several areas. First, quality means that each patient in any of our hospitals is a VIP. This means supplying advanced medical treatment and the best medical staff.

In addition, many Adventist Health System facilities are scrutinizing the care given to their patients. This has led to the implementation of very people-oriented "Guest Relations" campaigns to ensure that "high touch" care doesn't take a backseat to high technology.

Quality, in our definition, is also careful stewardship. As managers of the Adventist Health System, we must perform well with the financial resources we are given as stewards of Seventh-day Adventist Church facilities. Quality is also tied to our interaction with the communities we serve: offering community health education, improving the quality of life, and getting involved with worthy community projects.

In 1987 we launched the strategic planning effort, a major project to ensure quality evaluation for the coming years.

This strategic planning process includes a component to evaluate the spiritual mission of our health-care facilities and institute change where change is needed.

Our Adventist approach to quality is treatment of the whole person, including a special emphasis on spiritual health.

Concerned church members sometimes have questions about the financial stability of our health-care institutions. This is the picture:

In 1986, the facilities making up Adventist Health System/NEMA saw a total net income of \$16 million. The total for 1987 looks to be around \$20 million.

This is the money retained by our facilities to replace equipment, improve services and build a hedge against lean years.

While these totals are lower than in previous years, they accurately reflect the national health-care income level.

We still face a host of challenges, such as the divestiture of some properties acquired before the restructuring of AHS/Eastern and Middle America and AHS/North.

The war is not over, but many battles have been won. Our management team is committed to high quality, whole-person care, innovation and sound financial ad-

ministration.

We pray daily for divine guidance and ask for your prayers and support as we strike a new course combining the inspiration of our forebears with the best of modern medical, business and spiritual practices.

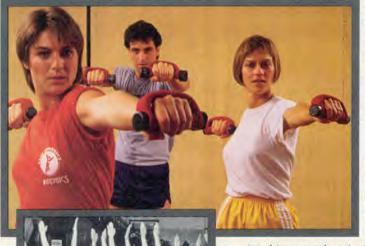


Adventist health facilities strive for traditional quality in a modern world.

Western Health Reform Institute— 1866.

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#### **ADVENTIST HEALTH SYSTEM**



Teaching health habits is as important today ...

... as it

the metabolism, which causes the body to burn calories longer than the exercise itself lasts

Washington Adventist Hospital, located in Takoma Park, Maryland, and Reading Rehabilitation Hospital in Reading, Pennsylvania, encourage new mothers to break a sweat one to two times per week in classes that are especially designed for their fitness needs.

#### **Blowing smoke**

Adventist hospitals also offer regular "stop smoking" programs. Hospitals such as Leland Memorial Hospital in Riverdale, Maryland, Shady Grove Adventist Hospital in Rockville, Maryland, Hadley Memorial Hospital in Washington, D.C., Hackettstown Community Hospital, Washington Adventist Hospital, Kettering Medical Center and others throughout the United States invite people from surrounding communities to become smoke-free.

dventist hospitals teach good health habits to residents of the community

#### Hospitals teach lifestyle changes for better health

Adventist hospitals in the Columbia Union do more than mend broken bones—much more. Since the beginning over a century ago, Adventist medical facilities have worked to prevent illness by teaching proper health habits.

Today's Adventist hospital, retirement center or nursing home may "package" these services differently, but the message sent out to local communities remains the same—our God-given bodies must be cared for.

#### Breaking a sweat

Regular exercise is recognized as one of the best ways to keep the body healthy and free from disease. Aerobic exercise in a variety of settings is offered at AHS hospitals in the Columbia Union.

Hackettstown Community Hospital in Hackettstown, New Jersey, offers "Fit for Fun," a non-impact—one foot always on the floor—aerobics course.

Kettering Medical Center gives Dayton, Ohio, residents an opportunity to get fit through low-impact aerobics. This course can reduce potential injury yet provide cardiovascular fitness. Exercise can raise

#### In the mood for food

Weight control and good nutrition classes are staples among the classes offered at Columbia Union hospitals.

Such programs as "Adult Weight Management" at Shady Grove Adventist Hospital emphasize lifestyle changes as a means of weight control.

The recent "Total Serum Cholesterol Screening" held by Kettering Medical Center at a local shopping mall is one example of how Seventh-day Adventist hospitals alert people to the importance of careful dietary habits.

Washington Adventist Hospital regularly holds "The International Vegetarian Cooking Class," giving dietitians a chance to teach creative ways of preparing Italian, Chinese, Mexican and Greek recipes.

#### **New directions**

Adventist hospitals reach beyond the more traditional "wellness" courses in an ever-widening circle of classes designed to help support people mentally, spiritually and socially.

Hackettstown Community Hospital has an ongoing HOPING (Helping Other Parents In Normal Grief) support group. This group is for people who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth or in its first year of life.

Kettering Medical Center and Hackettstown Community Hospital offer grief recovery programs to people who have lost family members or friends through death, or suffered other significant losses or changes in life. These hospitals also offer support groups for divorce recovery.

Washington Adventist Hospital offers the "Adoption Preparation Class" for parents waiting to adopt a child. Shady Grove Adventist Hospital and Washington Adventist Hospital offer a variety of classes on child-birth and baby care.

Most Columbia Union hospitals, such as *Leland Memorial Hospital*, participate in yearly health fairs.

For the past six years, Leland Memorial Hospital has hosted a fair sponsored by the Rotary Club of Bladensburg, Maryland, which attracts some 500 community members to booths that test blood pressure, hearing, vision and pulmonary function, as well as test for glaucoma, anemia, oral cancer and more.

These hospitals are inviting local residents to take part in vibrant, healthy lifestyles.

# Health is restored through innovation

Restoring broken health is the work of Adventist hospitals, be it physical, emotional or spiritual health. Today, Columbia Union hospitals use an array of advanced technology and innovative treatment programs to bring about rejuvenation and renewed well-being.

#### Physical rehabilitation

Reading Rehabilitation Hospital is implementing a variety of programs in response to changing needs in its five-state service area.

The "Post Polio Clinic and Support Group" has been established for people who are affected with post polio syndrome, a frightening phenomenon that strikes individuals many years after they have had acute polio.

The syndrome is characterized by increased fatigue, weakness, muscle or joint pain, sensation loss and breathing or swallowing problems.

Some individuals who have made dramatic and successful recoveries from polio and who have led active lifestyles are now exhibiting these health problems.

Reading Rehabilitation Hospital is also expanding the scope of its head injury program by adding coma management and mild head injury programs.

A new part of the physical therapy program at Reading Rehabilitation Hospital is "Theraquatics," a type of physical therapy that capitalizes on the benefits of water.

Patients can safely move injured or affected parts in this buoyant environment with freedom from falling or causing fur-

ickness, suffering and death are the work of an antagonistic power; Satan is the destroyer; God is the restorer,"—Ellen G.
White

ther damage. This therapy speeds recovery since it promotes strengthening and increases the patient's endurance and range of motion.

Licensed physical therapists provide individualized rehabilitation programs in a heated pool setting for the treatment of orthopedic and sports injuries, chronic pain,

> arthritis and postsurgical/illness debilita-



### Substance abuse counseling and teeth implants

Last year Hackettstown Community Hospital established its "Pacemaker Clinic," a program of evaluation and education for pacemaker wearers. More recently, the hospital made available new teeth implant technology to Hackettstown area residents.

Hackettstown Community Hospital's Substance Abuse Service has begun its "Family Counseling Program." The aim of this program is to improve the relationship between a substance abuser and other family members.

Prior to this new service, only individual counseling had been available in the Hackettstown area.

Kettering Medical Center opened a treatment center last year called the "Kettering Intervention Network" that specializes in treating adolescent substance abusers.

"The adolescent's problems with drug or alcohol abuse are different from the adult's. We can talk about rehabilitation with adults, but with kids, we often have to begin by helping them to learn how to live in a complex, confusing world without any chemical crutches," said program Director Harvey A. Siegal.

#### **Elderly** care

Shady Grove Adventist Hospital was honored last year for its leading work in sight restoration by the District 22-C Lions Eye Bank. The eye bank depends on the success of eye donor programs, such as the one at Shady Grove.

Last summer the hospital opened its nursing center, where 120 residents are offered comprehensive medical care; 30 more receive assistance with daily activities.

#### Improved cancer and diabetes care

Washington Adventist Hospital is now beefing up its cancer and diabetes care.

This spring the hospital will open the first 17-bed section of its redesigned oncology/diabetes nursing unit. The final 29bed unit, scheduled for completion in mid-May, is designed as a nursing and lifestyle education environment.

The staff will be trained to meet the special support needs of oncology and diabetes patients and their visiting families. Washington Adventist Hospital treats more than 1,000 patients with cancer each year.

Adventist hospitals in the Columbia Union are helping to push back the frontiers of medicine to better restore health and bring about mental and spiritual healing.

#### CUC

# Professor

James Hammond, helps fill chairman of the social sciences department at employment Columbia Union Col-lege in Takoma Park, in helping people find fulfilling careers.

He successfully completed the equal employment opportunity training course conducted by the Maryland Department of Personnel and the Maryland State Police on December 18.

Often busy in human relations activities, research and counseling, Hammond was chosen to be the featured speaker at the Martin Luther King Ir. Day service at the United States Naval Academy in Anapolis, Maryland, His message was entitled. "The Dream and Its Legacy."

Hammond was also the mission emphasis week vespers speaker at Southwestern Adventist College in Keene, Texas, in February.

Soon after, he and wife Carol conducted a series of family life seminars at the Ephesus church in West Palm Beach, Florida,

Most recently. Hammond has been to Union College in Lincoln, Nebraska, for that school's mission emphasis week. He tells students about openings for mission service

"Usually we think of sending doctors, preachers and teachers to mission fields. he said, "but we have openings for people to serve as pilots or in agriculture, construction and other areas. Not long ago, we had an opening for a social worker's

He advises potential missionaries on how to get along with other cultures, living conditions in other areas, and what to do and not to do. For instance, "In some cultures, it is an insult to extend your left hand in greeting," he said.

Hammond cautions against drinking water that might not be pure and eating food that may not be properly prepared or is of unknown origin. With humor, he tells the students, "You may have to be like the image of Daniel 2: with legs of iron and a stomach of brass."

#### WORLD CHURCH

ADRA funds

The Adventist Dereceives Velopment and Agency was listed as relief one of more than 70 agencies that received \$31 million distributed

for long-term development projects.

A recent report released by the Band Aid and Live Aid charities stated that ADRA received over \$200,000 of these funds.

The money was given for two projects. The first, in Burkina Faso, a country in the Sahel region of western Africa, is aimed at training villagers how to grow better gardens. Another project is for drilling wells and installing ground tanks in Sudan, one of the most arid countries in the world.

These programs are part of ADRA's work around the world to end hunger and help provide a better life for the poor. Hunger is one of the world's greatest problems. More than 1 billion people are chronically hungry, and each day 35,000 people die as a result of hunger and starvation.

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#### WORLD CHURCH

# Senior

Waves from the lolaunches nian Sea splashed on Charlotte Hamlin's legs global as she thought about the 5,000-mile walk and bike trek across

Asia that lay ahead of her.

Feelings of confidence swept through her as the touring nurse reflected back to 1987, when she logged more than 4,300 miles in her global trek to promote longer life through healthful living-a 67-day walk and bicycle trip across America during the spring, and a 56-day bike ride across Europe in September and October.

As the 69-year-old retired nursing professor from Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, walked out of the surf, she talked about the round-the-world venture enabling her to carry the Seventh-day Adventist message of healthful living to as

many people as possible.

"My main purpose is to help people understand that they can stay productive and active in their older years," said Hamlin. "I want to show that people can have good quality lifestyles and prevent degenerative diseases."

With her 15-speed Schwinn bicycle and a sign around her waist that reads "Around the World." Hamlin hopes to complete the global trek by her 70th birthday, September 27.

She plans to walk and bike through portions of Greece, Israel, Pakistan, India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Malaysia, China, Japan, Guam, Hawaii and Canada.

Ending the trip by swimming across Okanagan Lake near Kelowna, British Columbia, Hamlin plans to walk the halfmile to the hospital where she was born 70 years before.

**EUGENE HAMLIN** Public Relations, Global Trek International



Charlotte Hamlin, 69, shows a reporter the route of her 11-country, 5,000-mile walk and bike trek.

#### CUC

Enrollment shows semester

Columbia Union College enrolled 122 more students for this second year's second semester than the school did in 1987, with much of gains that gain attributable

to a rise in traditional students.

The college in Takoma Park, Maryland, registered 641 traditional students this year, 138 more than last year. Other programs, such as the adult evening classes, experienced slight declines.

"We're very encouraged by these enrollment figures," said President William Loveless. "They show CUC is doing something right."

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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#### Deaf campmeeting is slated for 1988

Calling all deaf and hearing impaired, also all interpreters and those interested in the deaf ministries! The third annual eastern deaf campmeeting will be held at Highland View Academy in Hagerstown, MD, July 8-16. The theme will be "Not 1" but Christ." A sign language class will be conducted for those who are interested. Write today for further information to: Denise Proulx, P.O. Box 8411, Silver Spring, MD 20907.

#### Virginia-Gene Rittenhouse will present concert

The Takoma Park, MD, Church Community Sacred Concert Series presents Virginia-Gene Rittenhouse, pianist/violinist, in concert on Sabbath, April 23, at 3:30 p.m. For more information, call the church office at (202) 829-4800.

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#### Alumni homecomings are scheduled

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#### Pine Forge "Little School" alumni are sought

If you are a former student, graduate or teacher of the Pine Forge "Little School," please let us know how to contact you. An alumni association is being formed and we want you to have all the information. Write to: Little School, P.O. Box 271, Pine Forge, PA 19548, Att: Jayne Darby; or call (215) 326-4610.

#### Adventist Singles sponsor Friday night meetings

Adventist Singles Ministries is sponsoring a meeting every Friday night at 7:45 in the fellowship room of the Beltsville, MD, church. Call (301) 937-8118 during office hours for directions and further information.

#### **LEGAL NOTICES**

#### Mountain View Conference Association Triennial Session

Notice is hereby given that the triennial session of the Mountain View Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the sixth regular triennial session of the Mountain View Conference of Seventh-day Adventists at 10 a.m. on Sunday, May 1, 1988, at the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 622 Kanawha Boulevard West, Charleston, WV 25302. The purpose of this meeting is to elect trustees and to transact any other business that may come before the association at that time. Delegates to the Mountain View Conference session are recognized as delegates to the association meeting.

HERBERT H. BROECKEL, President KENNETH A. WRIGHT JR., Secretary

#### New Jersey Conference and Association Triennial Session

Notice is hereby given that the 33rd regular session of the New Jersey Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will convene at 10 a.m. on Sunday, April 17, 1988, in the Meadow View Seventh-day Adventist School at Highway 528, Bordentown-Chesterfield Rd., Chesterfield, NJ. This meeting is called for the election of officers and departmental directors and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the session at that time.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the special committee described in Article VI, Section 3 of the constitution will convene at 8:45 a.m. on Sunday, April 17, 1988, in the same place for the purpose of nominating the standing committees of the regular session. One delegate will be elected by each member of this committee.

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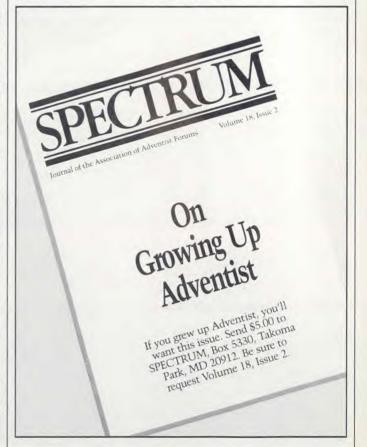
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Cincinnati	8:15	8:22	8:29
Cleveland	8:06	8:14	8:22
Columbus	8:10	8:17	8:24
Jersey City	7:35	7:42	7:50
Norfolk	7:39	7:45	7:51
Parkersburg	8:03	8:10	8:17
Philadelphia	7:39	7:46	7:53
Pittsburgh	7:59	8:06	8:13
Reading	7:42	7:50	7:57
Richmond	7:44	7:51	7:57
Roanoke	7:55	8:01	8:07
Scranton	7:43	7:50	7:58
Toledo	8:15	8:23	8:31
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