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# No Greater Friend

*Ricardo Graham*



**D**o you have a real friend? Someone that you've appreciated, liked and loved for a long time? One who listens to your concerns, cares, complaints and rejoicings and never repeats them to others? One who will pray with you for whatever? Someone who holds you accountable for your walk with God and how you treat your spouse, children and others? Someone who will tell you in love when your thinking gets a bit "off-track?" Someone who is not embarrassed by your sins, weaknesses and shortcomings? Someone who knows all about you and still likes you? If you have such a person in your life, treasure him or her (or them!).

There is a longing in our hearts placed there by God to be accepted, valued, treasured as "special." Ultimately, it is satisfied when we allow Him to meet our deepest longings. We have a foretaste of this reflected in our earthly friendships.

Certainly, Jesus calls us into a special, spiritual friendship. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you ... I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you" (John 15:13-15).

Jesus elevated His disciples to friends because they accepted Him as Lord and followed His teaching. Their relationship went from Master and servants to friends because they not only accepted his teaching, but also opened their hearts to Him.

I used to think that all friendships were equal. My thoughts on that have changed. Someone said, "Some people come into our lives for a reason, others for a season or some for a lifetime." In other words, some friends are sent into our lives to fulfill a certain purpose, or to

walk life's road with us for a stipulated time or event. Still others are given to us for a lifetime, which begins in this world and extends through eternity.

Without a doubt, Jesus is our BFF — our Best Friend Forever. He is described in Proverbs 18:24: "A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother."

Clearly, if we want friends, we need to be friendly, which includes being kind, considerate and hospitable. But friendships need nurturing, like a plant. Without the needed nutrients, friendships, like plants, will wither and die.

Friendships need the air of time, the water of com-

munication, the sunshine of forgiveness and more. How do we nurture our friendship with Jesus? Well, we don't do it. He does it all. The one small part that we supply is to accept Him and

*Some friends are sent into our lives to fulfill a certain purpose, or to walk life's road with us for a stipulated time or event. Still others are given to us for a lifetime, which begins in this world and extends through eternity.*

stop rejecting Him. By spending time with Him in the Word and in prayer, we are brought close to Him in a friendship that is out of this world.

Jesus proved His friendship by taking our sins and bearing them on the cross, becoming sin for us. Jesus sticks with us through "thick and thin." He promises never to leave us alone. He demonstrates his commitment to us as our heavenly High Priest, continuing His ministry by mediating for us even now. When even our best friend forsakes us, Jesus is always there for us. He holds us accountable, blesses us with spiritual power and helps us to grow up to be like Him.

No wonder the song writer said, "What a Friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and grief's to bear, what a privilege to carry, everything to Him in prayer."





# Creative Thinking Makes VBS Happen

*Joelyn Fay, with Barbara Armster Butler, Rhoenna Armster, and Ciro Beltran*

The Banning church came alive with activity as 60 children came on board the “Ship of Zion” during Vacation Bible School this past summer. And members of the San Juan Capistrano Spanish group drew between 90 and 110 children each evening to their VBS in a city park.

What these two Vacation Bible Schools had in common was creative leaders who made them happen by overcoming limitations.

Barbara Armster Butler, Banning VBS director, had a vision for what her church could do for children in the community, but had scarce resources. Members of the neighboring Beaumont church helped her overcome that challenge by letting her observe their VBS programs, then loaning her the decorative materials to transform the front of the Banning church into an ocean scene with seashells, sea creatures, and lighthouses.



Sixty children boarded the “Ship of Zion” (a.k.a. the Banning church) for Vacation Bible School in August.

At the call of “All aboard,” Butler, as “Captain B,” welcomed children to “High Seas Expedition — Exploring God’s Love” on Aug. 8. All hands — about 50 volunteers — were on deck to register children,

prepare snacks, teach crafts, play the piano, or run the media/public address system so that VBS programs ran smoothly and efficiently.

“About a third of the children who came to VBS were from the homes of non-Adventist neighbors,” said Butler, who sees Vacation Bible

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from the city, which is too small for a VBS. They took their VBS outdoors, to a nearby park, which meant setting up and taking down everything every evening.

“Where there’s a will, there’s a way,” said Lupita Guillen, VBS director, about the less-than-ideal circumstances.

According to Ciro Beltran, group leader, all the work was worth it because it got every member involved — “about 80 people, including our Pathfinders and Adventurers,” he said. As a result of VBS in the park, nine children have joined Pathfinders and six have joined Adventurers. Meetings are being planned for next spring as an opportunity for some of these children to give their hearts to Jesus, Beltran said.

School as “the catalyst for taking God’s love back to the community to share with neighbors and friends.”

Members of the San Juan Capistrano Spanish group meet in a facility they rent



# Regenerated for Service: Former Prisoners Lead Out in Church

*Marc Cid*

**A** unique kind of people” is how Michael Ashley describes those involved in the Touch of Love Deliverance Fellowship services. A congregation of former prisoners can be described as “unusual.” When that congregation attends a service led by fellow former prisoners, Ashley considers it “unique.”



Michael Ashley is originator and pastor of the Touch of Love Deliverance Fellowship services.

That is what the Deliverance Fellowship services are: services designed and led by former prisoners. Ashley, the originator and pastor, believes that such a service is necessary because “[former prisoners], upon entering a standard church service, may feel alienated or uncomfortable.” Ashley believes this discourages many former prisoners from future attendance.

If anything, a person with no criminal history would feel a bit left out at a Deliverance Fellowship service, not having experienced the redemption shared by the

participants. But that person could still see God’s love upon hearing ex-convicts sing, play instruments, read Scripture and serve as ushers. With enough training, some deliver the sermons.

The services pack such high energy and emotional depth that ushers frequently provide Kleenex for the congregation and participants. But more frequent and enduring than tears are the smiles shared.

“We may be a small service for now, but we’re big on spirit,” Ashley said of a service taking place at the 16th Street church. The Deliverance Fellowship services take place in this San Bernardino County church as well as at Normandie Avenue church in Los Angeles. Services in each location are offered two Sundays a month.

“We’re still getting all the bugs worked out,” Ashley says, referring to the transportation and finance-related obstacles that challenge this ministry. Ashley would like to hold the services every Saturday, though he has no problem with Sunday temporarily. He cites Ellen White’s book *Christian Service*, in which she advocates the use of Sunday as a time for outreach, and also to meet people where they are spiritually.

According to Ashley, weekly services cost more than his resources allow, and bimonthly scheduling creates inconsistency and discontinuity for attendees. The latter problem is amplified by the San Bernardino congregation’s lack

of transportation, as many of its members live as far away as Palm Springs.

But people still come for spiritual fulfillment, and Ashley and team members arrive regularly to deliver it. Handouts are distributed that offer resources such as relapse prevention, anger management, addictive behavior modification, as well as bus tokens, clothing, housing and special prayers. Touch of Love Ministries, which exists to give former prisoners a fresh start, provides all these.

“Rehabilitation means to restore something to its former state,” Ashley says, “I don’t want to rehabilitate former prisoners in that sense; they would just end up in prison again. I want them to find regeneration through Christ Jesus.”

For more information on Touch of Love Ministries, or to offer to help, visit [www.newbeginningstol.org](http://www.newbeginningstol.org) or call 951-485-0226.



Deliverance Fellowship services pack high energy and emotional depth.





# Youth Attending Camp Meeting Makeover a Home

*Phil Draper*

For many years, neighbors in a quiet area of Prescott, Ariz., expressed concern about a house on the corner of Park Avenue. Many called it an “eye-sore.” Others avoided it because of its reputation as being a center for drug trafficking. Bottom line — trash and debris had accumulated to the point that the place was a disaster. Numerous calls to the police seemed to do little good.

Finally, in 2009, Dale Abbott was arrested during a raid on his Park Avenue home. Police seized drugs and drug paraphernalia. Abbott faced a stiff prison sentence and the real possibility of losing his home forever.

A week into his 56-day incarceration, Abbott’s sister and father visited him in jail. They informed

him that they planned to let his home fall into foreclosure.

“That really got my brain spinning,” Abbott remembers. “At that time, I turned my life over to God. Then I could sleep for the first time in a long time. To me, it was as if God was giving me a choice of which way I should go.”

One day this spring, after Abbott’s release from jail, three pastors came to his door with an offer he could hardly believe — and certainly couldn’t refuse.

Benjamin Lundquist, youth pastor at the Camelback Seventh-day Adventist Church in Phoenix, offered Abbott the services of about 100 people who learned of his dilemma and wanted to help transform his home. They were



Dale Abbott and his daughter are amazed at the six-day transformation of their home by Arizona youth.

attending a camp meeting at a nearby youth camp.

He explained how this idea of helping those in need originated with the popular ABC show “Extreme Makeover: Home Edition.” Abbott’s home makeover would be the fourth project of the teen ministry program.

“We basically run this program much like a short-term mission project,” Lundquist continued. “We regard our youth ministry as a training ground for kids to learn about investing in a community and making a difference.”

More than 100 youth took part in the six-day project. Money for the renovation came from their own pockets. The team of young people gave about \$2,000 in three days to pay for supplies to repair Abbott’s home.

Photos courtesy Benjamin Lundquist



A team of 100 youth transformed the Abbott property during the Arizona camp meeting.



Enthusiastic young workers surround Dale Abbott after the work on his house has been completed.

The clean-up was a major challenge. “A ton of stuff — including a pool table, piano, bicycles, car parts, furniture and motors — had been on the property for years,” Lundquist remembers. “We filled five, 40-yard dumpsters with trash and debris, then landscaped the lawn, painted the house, and fixed the sagging deck.”

Neighbors watched the transformation with joy and disbelief. After seeing the enthusiasm of the young workers, many came over, made friends with the team, and even offered to help with the clean-up process. Some contributed financially toward the renovation that not only helped Abbott, but also helped the property values of the homes in the neighborhood.

Abbott and his family accepted an invitation to come visit the youth program at the Arizona camp meeting. They connected with their

helpers and offered them heart-felt appreciation for their work.

“I believe this experience makes our youth better people,” Lundquist explains. “We want kids to walk away knowing that they can really make a difference in their community by getting involved.”

Today Abbott, a changed man, continues to live drug-free in his newly remodeled home. He is working on positive plans to keep it from falling into foreclosure — and to keep his own life on the positive path that God has shown him.



Benjamin Lundquist and his team remove a pool table along with old car parts and other debris from the Abbott home.





# Stockton Fil-Am Church Burns Its Mortgage

*Julie Lorenz*

**O**n Sabbath, Aug. 14, the Stockton Fil-Am church congregation celebrated the burning of the church's mortgage as they marked their 23rd anniversary. Pacific Union Conference President Ricardo Graham preached at the morning worship service, and PUC Asian-Pacific Ministries director George Atiga spoke in the afternoon.

"Thanks to God that we were able to pay it off at this time," said church elder Richard Samson. "I know that it's through the hard work of all the members who originally started the church that we were able to be successful with this."

Freeing themselves from the mortgage was the most recent step forward for a congregation that has acted decisively through the years. Started as a branch Sabbath school in the mid-1980s, the church was officially organized in 1987. Rather

Roditha Pablo



Volunteers gathered for vespers at the building site in September 1991.

than continue to rent a building, they decided to build their own place of worship.

Members sent fundraising letters to their friends and families. Kids held car washes and performed benefit concerts. Thanks to a major gift from a family in the church, the congregation was able to purchase land in 1988, and in the spring of 1991, building commenced.

Part of the church's agreement with its contractor was that members would provide \$30,000 of volunteer labor during the construction process. "The pastor [then, Carmelito Galang Sr.] was there morning, noon and night," said Oscar Pablo, one of the church leaders during the building project. "Most of the church turned out on Sundays and others came from churches as far away as Fresno." After seven months, the building was finished and dedicated on Dec. 21, 1991.

As he watched the mortgage being burned, Pablo experienced a flood of memories. "I looked back

at the time when we were signing those [mortgage] documents, and to think that now it's paid for! You can't help but praise the Lord about how they were able to manage."

The shared experience has united the members, according to Pastor William Gemora, who has served as the church's minister for 13 years. "The Lord has blessed this congregation, more than numerically — spiritually most of all. People are closer than they were ever before."

Now that this important milestone has been reached, the church leadership plans to concentrate on other projects. "We can focus more now on growing — not the building, but the church itself — the membership, outreach and evangelism," said Samson.

"We will be able to do ministry instead of using the money to pay the mortgage," said Gemora, "We are talking about zeroing in on the Filipinos in the Stockton area to win even more souls."

Roditha Pablo



"I commend the visionary spirit of both the pioneers and the present members for their dedication and hard work to build this beautiful sanctuary," said NCC Asian-Pacific coordinator VicLouis Arreola, III. "May this place now become one of the stairways from earth to heaven and a place where the voice of God is heard." Church treasurer Margie Daligcon burns the mortgage, surrounded by NCC Treasurer John Rasmussen, Arreola, Pastor William Gemora and head elder Brent Sumaraga.





# PUC Preparatory School Graduates Celebrate By Focusing on Others

*Julie Lorenz*

**A**s they celebrated their academic achievements, the Pacific Union College Preparatory School class of 2010 used their graduation weekend to draw attention to breast cancer awareness and raise money for a cure.

"While the focus was on them, they wanted to use that focus for a good cause," said history teacher Heather Denton, who was the commencement speaker.

Last April, when it came time to choose class colors, the 16 seniors chose black and pink — the official colors of breast cancer awareness. They decided to raise money for a cure at all the major senior events for the rest of the school year, including graduation.

"After the years at Prep where we were constantly being taught to be involved in the changes we



**Junior Logan Pridmore and senior Giselle Schmitz wear pink accents on graduation day.**

wanted to see happen around us, we thought it fitting that our final act in the community as a class be one that made an impact on the world that is important to us," said Ashley Vance, senior class chaplain.

During graduation weekend, June 4-6, the seniors wore black robes and mortarboards, with pink and white tassels, while the junior class wore black and white with pink accents. The decorations included pink and white flowers and pink balloons. Many family members and friends chose to wear pink as well.

At each weekend event, the graduating class explained to the audience the reason for the pink decorations and dress and asked them to donate to the cause. All total, the seniors collected more than \$300 in donations, and they used the money to sponsor participants in a breast cancer walk.

The class's decision was influenced by the death of a classmate's mother the year before. Although Judy Vance, Ashley's mother, had passed away from a different kind of cancer, the class decided that helping find a cure for others was a worthy way to make a difference during their senior year.

"I was impressed with their selflessness during a graduation weekend that is typically all about their success and accomplishments," said Denton, who wore pink Converse tennis shoes to deliver her address. "I can't think of a better way for them to show what Prep has taught them, then that in the midst of celebrating their success, they seek out ways to serve others."

"We're constantly calling these kids to service," said Principal Peter Fackenthal. "It's neat to see them taking that concept, getting outside of themselves and meeting the needs of somebody else."



**Commencement speaker Heather Denton sports pink tennis shoes.**



**PUC Preparatory School Principal Peter Fackenthal congratulates senior Roxanne Fischer.**



# Prayer Ministry Weekend Prepares Church for Evangelism

*Betty Cooney*

**W**hen Pastor Daniel and Rose Vaughn began planning the “New Beginnings” evangelistic series for the Northridge church, they focused on prayer as a basic need for every aspect of the outreach. To prepare themselves and the church, they scheduled a prayer ministry weekend, featuring North American Division Prayer Ministry director Ruthie Jacobsen, with area prayer leaders and the church prayer ministry team.

Members and friends gathered on Labor Day weekend for activities recognizing the power of prayer in each life and in the work of the church. “God today is looking for

ordinary people who will step out in faith, trusting in Him,” said Jacobsen. “His challenge to us is, ‘I have a big plan and purpose for your life.’”

Leaders prayed over baskets of prayer requests, as Jacobsen underscored the need for personal dedication, calling members to, “Pray for the Holy Spirit to do something deeper for your life.”

“Handbills really aren’t the most effective way to let people know about a series,” Jacobsen noted, “because very few people respond to the thousands of handbills sent out. But they work if they are prayed over and shared by church members with their friends and family.”

Prayer then was offered for the Vaughns and their leadership team in the upcoming meetings.

“As a result of the prayer weekend, we seem to be praying with more of an expectation,” reflected Michael Roland, a member of the church’s prayer ministry team, “Our prayers are becoming bolder, and God’s answers are becoming more emboldening. Perhaps most importantly, there has been a spirit of healing and reconciliation ignited among our members.”

By midway in the evangelistic series, Rose Vaughn reported that about 10 individuals were regularly attending the meetings, nearly all of whom had accepted the Sabbath.

Betty Cooney



During prayer walks, members prayerfully considered the attractive graphics with inspirational quotes that were placed around the church campus. Prayer walks were also conducted in the church neighborhood prior to the evangelistic meetings. (L. to r.) Janet Lui, Ranjit Philip, Northridge church prayer coordinator; Michael Roland, Janet Martell, Pacific Union prayer coordinator; Pastor Daniel Vaughn, Rajiz Philp and Cindi Luba.





# Long Beach Members Reach Out with **enditnow** Campaign

Adventists Say No to Violence Against Women

*Betty Cooney*

A banquet for members of the Long Beach church celebrated the church's drive for signatures for the enditnow global campaign sponsored by the General Conference Women's Ministry Department and the Adventist Development and Relief Agency.

office in tears," Diana said. "She told me, 'I admire and respect the Adventist Church.'"

Awards were made to three Long Beach members with the highest number of signatures. Kathryn Garcia topped the list with 225 names; Sarai Lopez collected 192 and Jerome Jones obtained 145.

"The campaign opened a door to communicate more with my coworkers," David Anderson said. "When they signed the petition, some people visited enditnow.org to learn more about it."

Announcing that the church had garnered more than 1,300 signatures, Pastor Elias held up a treasured award. "We received a Procla-

org. Several others gathered members' signatures and forwarded them to ADRA.

The Tamarind Avenue church "chose March, Women's History Month, to focus our efforts on enditnow!" reported Deborah Fountain. "We began the month with the Women's Day of Prayer, which included a featured presentation by Olive Walker, founder, Agape Foundation Against Domestic Violence. Our members signed the enditnow petition and we also took petitions to our family, friends, jobs and community — gathering signatures and sharing who we are as Adventists and why this campaign is so timely and important. We mailed in Tamarind's more than 300 petitions in late May."

Betty Cooney



Pastor Mike Elias congratulates Kathryn Garcia for collecting more than 200 names for enditnow.

"Members were active in the community and in their workplaces," reported Pastor Mike Elias, "acquainting friends, coworkers and neighbors with the campaign, answering questions about the Adventist Church."

Diana Elias, who manages the S.O.S. ("Share Our Selves") Thrift Shop in Glendale, made sure signatures were collected from the many people frequenting the shop. "A Christian lady and mom who is nearly 80 years old, came to my

mation from the Mayor of Long Beach," he announced, reading the citation: "The City of Long Beach commends the Seventh-day Adventist Church for its dedication to end violence against women and girls worldwide."

Several SCC churches reported campaign participation. The Hacienda Heights Chinese church included an announcement in its weekly e-mail newsletter encouraging the extensive list of recipients to add their signature on enditnow.

Betty Cooney



Kathryn Garcia models the enditnow T-shirt she had made for the campaign.

## Erratum

In an October article on "Jesus Loves Jeans 2.0," we regret that the church location of speaker Lemuel Garcia was incorrect. Garcia is an associate pastor at Grand Advent church (formerly Grand Avenue), in Oakland.

# PUC Announces 2010 Maxwell Scholars

*Katelynn Christensen and Larry Pena*

This school year Pacific Union College welcomed its second-annual group of Maxwell Scholars. This scholarship, which honors PUC's legendary former president and first lady Malcolm and Eileen Maxwell, rewards incoming freshmen for high academic achievement, a commitment to Christian service, and outstanding leadership skills. Applicants must meet GPA and test-score requirements and the ranking of their applications is based on résumés, an essay, and letters of recommendation. Finalists receive \$15,000 toward PUC tuition, not including additional leadership scholarships, renewable each year for a four-year total award of up to \$60,000.

Three of this year's Maxwell Scholars are exceptional graduates of Pacific Union academies. Each sports a long résumé of achievements, including class and church leadership, athletic and academic recognition, and participation in a variety of ministry projects.

## **Dustin Davis, Paradise Adventist Academy**

"The Tenderloin changed my life," says Dustin Davis. "The Tenderloin" is widely considered to be the roughest neighborhood of San Francisco, where drugs, crime and poverty are rampant. This change for Davis was a new perspective and a passion for service, which, along with his participation in

high school athletics and student government and high academic achievement, earned him the Maxwell Scholarship.

Davis first experienced the Tenderloin during his sophomore year at Paradise Adventist Academy, when he attended an outreach event with the school and a ministry called Youth with a Mission. While on the trip, he says, "I found myself constantly thinking about the passage where Jesus says, 'Whatever you do to the least of these, you do to me.'" A fire began to burn in his heart, and he became excited about ministry.

Six months after his first trip to the Tenderloin, Davis's friend's mother approached him with a request to help organize a community service youth group. In a matter of weeks, Christians in Action was born. The community service organization provided a means for academy students to volunteer more often — usually through projects like raking yards of retirees, visiting in nursing homes on Sabbath afternoons and spending time with church members who were not physically able to attend services.

Keeping in line with his desire to help others, Davis plans to major in biology and go on to



Dustin Davis

study medicine or dentistry. He is enthusiastic about becoming an active participant and leader in PUC's outreach programs and wants to continue making a difference in the lives of "the least of these."

## **Matthew Dopp, Escondido Adventist Academy**

The importance of education and service has been ever-present in Matthew Dopp's life. The example of his grandparents — hard-working immigrants from Lebanon who came to the U.S. with nothing and went on to post-graduate success — has served as the inspiration for his achievements.

Dopp drew motivation from his grandparents' stories and used his high school years productively. He graduated from Escondido Adventist Academy with a



Matthew Dopp

4.13 GPA, having also participated in student government and athletics. Outside of school, he dedicated himself to service as a leader and bass player in his church's worship team, and as a participant in mission trips to Micronesia, Mexico, rural Jamaica and the Navajo Nation in Arizona. These trips, Dopp says, "have given me a broader world view and helped me



# PUC Welcomes New CFO

*Julie Z. Lee*

**T**his September, Pacific Union College confirmed Dave Lawrence as the college's new vice president for financial administration. Lawrence officially started his appointment on Sept. 13.

Most recently, Lawrence was university controller at Loma Linda University, where he managed and coordinated the university's accounting and finance functions and oversaw the university's \$250 million budget. He also provided oversight of all financial reporting, implemented accounting and financial policies and procedures, coordinated cash flow, and collaborated with the information technology

department in reference to financial systems application, internal audits and tax reporting.

Lawrence also served as an assistant professor at Loma Linda University's department of health policy and management and as an adjunct professor for La Sierra University in their School of Education. He is a frequent presenter at Adventist educational conferences and has published in the *Journal of Adventist Education* on topics related to school finance.

Lawrence received his Ed.D. from La Sierra University in educational leadership and administration with a concentration in educational

finance. He also has an M.B.A. from California State University, San Bernardino, and an Ed.S. from LSU. He completed his undergraduate work at West Indies College, now Northern Caribbean University in Jamaica.

Former vice president for financial administration John Collins will continue to serve PUC in a new capacity as vice president for asset management.



Dave Lawrence

appreciate the educational opportunity I have in this country."

Two large public universities also accepted Dopp for admission. Although he found these prospects appealing, he chose to continue his education at PUC. He anticipates preparing for medical school in PUC's Christian environment, which will provide him with ample opportunity to use his experience in service and missions to lead out and influence the lives of others.

## Josue Tobar, Newbury Park Academy

Growing up, Josue Tobar could not change many facts of his life — he lived in a dangerous neighborhood with frequent shootings; his family struggled with poverty; and as a result, he experienced

social alienation. But instead of allowing difficulty to define his life, Tobar has defied circumstance and achieved much — so much that he has been awarded PUC's Maxwell Scholarship.

"Suffering much has made me passionate. I never half-do tasks," he says. This is evident in every aspect of Tobar's life. He graduated from Newbury Park Academy with a 4.0 GPA, distinguished as a National Honor Society member, a Ventura Star Scholar Honoree, and a Bank of America plaque winner. He participated



Josue Tobar

in his academy's music program throughout high school; held student government positions; played varsity baseball, soccer and football; studied German for a summer in Austria; and served others on mission trips to Mexico, Puerto Rico, Arizona and Chile. Tobar believes that his experiences have given him a perspective that has and will continue to help him make a difference in the world.

Tobar is attending PUC with plans to become a robotics engineer — and maybe a doctor, too. He wants to return to Austria through Adventist Colleges Abroad to continue learning German and would also like to spend a year in France. In everything he does, Tobar strives to be his best. He does not allow his background to dictate his future.



# Angels Accompany Youth Rush Workers

*Caron Oswald with Julie Rose*



**C**auvin Moreau was working with Youth Rush, the summer student literature evangelism program in Kings City, Calif.

That day he was working alone. At one house, a family chose two books and, after handing him a donation, they offered him a drink. Returning with two bottles of water, Moreau was told, “Here’s one for you, and here’s one for your big friend,” as they looked around for the other guy who was now gone.

“What did he look like?” Moreau asked. “Well, he was light-skinned with dark hair, wearing a light shirt and khaki pants. And he was really tall. He had his arm around your shoulder while you were talking,” described the family members.

Moreau thanked them for the water and, as he continued down the block, he thought about a similar experience several weeks prior. The description of his “friend” had been the same with one additional piece of information. “He was so tall he could barely fit in the doorway,” he had been told.

At the next house, a man bought a devotional book about the life of Jesus and then handed Moreau two more water bottles — one small and one large. With a smile on his face, the man said, “Here’s one for you, and this one is for your big friend.”

Moreau called his team leader, Jonathan Sanchez, to report what had happened. Sanchez called his boss, Bill Krick, the conference literature ministries director. Krick

suggested they return to the house and ask the man for a description of this “big friend.”

They discovered a dark, unoccupied, vacant house. “Describe the man who bought the devotional book,” said Sanchez.

“He was a tall, light-skinned, dark-haired man wearing khakis and a white shirt,” Moreau answered. Reaching into his wallet, he pulled out the receipt “the man” had signed. Sadly, the signature was unreadable.

“Angels prepare the way for us and convict hearts that are hard and would be closed to our human logic,” says Julie Rose, Youth Rush leader in Bakersfield and Santa Maria.

Will MacArthur, a 16-year-old Mountain View Academy student, was working in Santa Maria for part of the summer. One day he met a Christian geologist who didn’t believe in the literal biblical account of creation.



**Will MacArthur, a 16-year-old Mountain View Academy student, shared his faith in Santa Maria.**

MacArthur pulled out his little notebook of Bible studies and began to share how he believes it doesn’t make sense to accept part of the Bible and reject other sections. After hearing him out, the geologist, who had appeared uninterested, pulled out his wallet to make a donation for a DVD. “Your

Bible study was pretty boring, and I hate it when people preach at me, but a big shiny guy came from across the street and made me pay attention. He told me to listen to you, and then he went to the next house.”

“We know angels are working with each of them,” says Heidi Bryant, associate literature ministries leader. “These experiences bring a sacredness to the work that we might not experience as deeply. It opens my eyes to the unseen realities in Hebrews 11, and it strengthens my faith.”

## Summer 2010 Report

### Areas Worked

San Jose/Peninsula, Salinas, Santa Maria, Bakersfield, Hanford, Fresno, Merced, Modesto, surrounding small towns

### Homes Visited

364,000

### Literature Distributed

- 66,200 books & DVDs
- 76% message books
- Nearly 3,000 *Great Controversy* books
- Over 6,000 DVDs, including “The Forgotten Dream,” one of Anchor Point Films’ “Scripture Mysteries” series (created by Chad Kreuzer)
- 140,000 Bible-study interest cards

### Number Working in Program

96

### Total Received

\$465,506 (\$100,000 more than 2009); all funds received at first visit (no installments)

### Earnings (before schools’ match)

\$316,544

### Spiritual Interests

491 people requested Bible studies



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# Revelation of Hope Returns to Waianae

*Kwangil Chung*

Evangelist Taj Pacleb and his wife, Wati, took their vacation time to conduct a second evangelistic series at the Waianae church on Oahu. Bible workers and many others from around the country formed a large evangelistic team to assist.

For the first two weeks, the team worked throughout the Waianae community, passing out invitations and establishing contacts. James Esposo, RN, a recent graduate from the Amazing Facts Center of Evangelism (AFCOE), ran a free health seminar. Attendees received free blood pressure checks, blood tests, health consultations, massage therapy and vegetarian cooking classes.

The team also held a free car wash in the church parking lot. They prayed with drivers, invited them to the meetings, and gave away *Steps To Christ* books.

Several team members were tasked with informing and inspiring church members and fellow team members. Among them was

Samuel Bonilla, a recent Monterey Bay Academy grad and evangelist-in-training, who provided Sabbath school presentations. Taj Pacleb gave a presentation on dating and courtship, Daphne Alvarado talked about modesty and dress reform, and Pastor Steven Toscano presented classes dealing with righteousness by faith and a study of the humanity of Christ.

Four local young people who were baptized during Pacleb's 2009 Waianae series worked with the 2010 evangelism team — Bee Jay Crisostomo, Marc Paison, Daphne Alvarado and Kuuipo Sarte attended AFCOE and returned to Waianae to spread the gospel message.

In the evenings, visitors flocked to hear Pacleb preach. The Revelation of Hope Singers provided complementary music. Noemi Roman and Lani Mahelona led an evangelistic series for kids, almost a dozen of whom requested baptism.

The series yielded many powerful testimonies. One lady was interested in attending the 2009 meetings but could not. She saw the ads for the 2010 series, attended, accepted Jesus, quit smoking and was baptized.

Another lady consistently attended the meetings, though her husband was terminally ill. In the last moments of life, he told her to continue to go to the meetings. The day her husband passed away, Pacleb presented

the Bible's position on death. She embraced the truth, finished the series and was baptized.

Another woman had been watching Amazing Facts television broadcasts for five years and was familiar with the Adventist teachings. She received a flyer advertising the prophecy seminar, attended and was baptized. She credits the power of the Holy Spirit for breaking her 30-year addiction to cigarettes.

Evangelism team member Daphne Alvarado and her sister Crystal, who were both baptized during the 2009 series, diligently ministered to their own family. Their father and brother both committed to baptism.

A recent high school graduate pursuing a college football career attended the series. When he heard the three angels' messages, he let go of his football aspirations and accepted the call to study to become a gospel worker.

In all, nearly 50 people accepted Jesus and requested baptism. And in recent follow-up meetings, Pacleb, who grew up in the area, baptized his own grandmother (he baptized his grandfather three years ago).

"The Lord is definitely moving in Waianae," said church member Desiree Miles.

"It was amazing to see the Waianae church move forward despite not having a pastor," said Pacleb. "This tells me that there are no excuses for not doing evangelism. If we work with Jesus and let Jesus work through us, we cannot fail!"



Samuel Bonilla, a recent graduate from Monterey Bay Academy and a student at the Mission College of Evangelism, inspired the youth with his testimony.

# Blessing Service Kicks Off New School Year

*Darla Martin Tucker*

Some parents sat with arms wrapped around their nearly grown children, some had tears on their cheeks, some talked and laughed warmly with their freshmen sons and daughters in whom their fondest dreams reside.

They were all gathered at La Sierra University church on Sept. 22, filling the sanctuary to its last pews for a special service of blessing, prayer and goodbyes that launched IGNITE, the annual Student Life program that welcomes new students to LSU.

The blessings service for parents and freshmen, the first held for the annual IGNITE program, included talks by university President Randal Wisbey, LSU church Senior Pastor Chris Oberg, the School of Religion's Dr. Maury Jackson and other leaders.

"You can rest assured at La Sierra we'll live out our end of the contract," to take care of your children, Jackson said. "Be at ease ... and finally, trust God."



Parents and their freshman student children participated in a blessing service to kick off freshmen orientation activities.

"You as parents have invested much to get your child to this point," said Yami Bazan, La Sierra's vice president for student life. "We recognize your efforts and thank you for entrusting La Sierra University with your most prized possession. Please be assured that we know what they mean to you."

Ken Adams, sitting with his wife and their daughter, Kendrah, appreciated the special service. "That they

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Rebecca Waring-Crane shares a moment with daughter Justin as La Sierra's blessing service concludes.

chose to do this is very rewarding to us as parents," he said. The Adams family lives in Redlands and have another daughter, Laura-Shay, who is a junior at La Sierra. Kendrah said she chose La Sierra because she wanted to attend an Adventist institution for at least two years.

"It's giving 100 percent of my children to La Sierra," said Ken Adams when asked about the significance of his daughter entering the university. "I feel very confident, because both my wife and I are products of Adventist education."



As part of the blessing service, parents grabbed one last photo of their freshman child before saying good-bye.

Gary McCary, pastor of the Tiersanta church in San Diego and a La Sierra alumnus, attended the service with his freshman daughter, Sarah. "It was a beautiful way to begin the school year," Gary said of the program. "I thought Pastor Chris Oberg's skit she did with her daughter was especially meaningful, touching on the real life drama that occurs between parent and freshman student as they prepare to part ways," he said. Oberg and her daughter, Amanda, a business student, performed a skit about freshman-parent college stresses.

McCary's older daughter, Molly, is a junior elementary education major. The McCarys sent their daughters to LSU because of its nearby location and strong academics. "We are impressed with the quality of education and with the teachers that are there," Gary said.





# San Joaquin Community Hospital Hosts Sacred Work Sabbath

*Brittany Russell*

**A**s part of the celebration of its 100-year anniversary, San Joaquin Community Hospital recently hosted a special event focusing on Sacred Work.

The event, entitled Sacred Work Sabbath, brought church members from all 14 area Seventh-day Adventist churches, hospital employees and community members together under one roof in Bakersfield's Rabobank Convention Center. This was the event's first year, but due to its success, the hospital plans to make it a yearly tradition.

More than 2,000 attended the worship service, which included music from the Heritage Singers, free lunch and a message from Dick Duerksen, a story teller from Maranatha Volunteers International.

Duerksen told attendees about Sacred Work around the world and

the role that SJCH plays. He also emphasized compassion, competency and love, which are all integral to Sacred Work.

"Hospitals normally are involved in the business of avoiding or eliminating infection," said Duerksen. "But when you're doing Sacred Work, it infects the whole community."



**SJCH President and CEO Robert Beehler addresses the audience.**

The event also featured a video tour of the hospital, as well as staff testimonials about Sacred Work at SJCH and how it affects them and their patients.

Several years ago, SJCH was the first Adventist Health hospital to implement Sacred Work, which reinforces focusing on mission and changing attitudes about how even the most menial tasks should be performed with love. Today, not only does SJCH practice Sacred Work, but hospitals throughout Adventist Health are adopting it.



**Dick Duerksen speaks to the audience about Sacred Work.**

"This event brings us together in a worship atmosphere where we are bound together by the cornerstone of our faith," said Jarrod McNaughton, vice president for Marketing and Development at SJCH. "We are a Christian hospital reaching out to our community. It is who we are and our mission."



**The Adventist University of the Philippines Ambassadors perform during Sacred Work Sabbath.**

## Correction

In the October *Recorder*, we incorrectly reported that Adventist Health provided \$3 million in free and low-cost services to its communities in 2009. The correct amount is \$300 million.

# Ninth Annual Stater Bros. Charities K-Froggers for Kids Radiothon Raises \$431,360

Nancy Yuen

**F**our hundred thirty-one thousand, three hundred and sixty dollars was the grand total for the Stater Bros. Charities K-Froggers for Kids Radiothon, presented by Procter & Gamble. Announced on air at 7 p.m. Sept. 15, volunteers answering calls at the phone banks at the Ontario Mills Mall responded with cheers and applause.

The \$431,360 will benefit infants and children battling cancer on unit 4800 at Loma Linda University Children's Hospital.

Because of Stater Bros. Charities, K-FROG, and sponsors, including Procter & Gamble as well as generous listeners and volunteers, new cardiac monitors, equipment monitoring vital signs, and baby swings, among others things, will help doctors and clinicians as they provide care.

"Throughout the radiothon," says Zareh Sarrafian, M.B.A., administrator, Loma Linda University Children's Hospital, "it was heart-warming to hear the outpouring of support from the K-FROG listeners, as well as corporate partners."

This year for the first time, listeners were invited to text donations, which provided a convenient way for them to support the kids. And listeners who donated at the \$200 level provided the special gift for a

patient of "K-Frogger Friendship Beads," with two beads given to a patient — the first to keep and treasure and a second bead for them to give away, making a new friend. At Loma Linda University Children's Hospital, children undergoing treatment for cancer are given special beads — a cat bead, for instance, when they receive a CAT

brother," she says. "Every one of Mathews' nurses recalls multiple stories of Mathews reaching out to the younger patients. A 3-year-old was one of his buddies; and though Mathews was protective of his electric guitar, he would let the little guy hold it and strum the strings to his heart's content."

"Children's Hospital continually strives to provide world-class health care to the children in our community and beyond," says Sarrafian. "I am tremendously grateful to know that we are not doing this alone, but have thousands of supporters who picked up the phone and donated what they were able, to make a difference in the life of a child battling cancer. The success of this year's radiothon is a wonderful testament of how our

community comes together to care for one another.

This marks the ninth Stater Bros. K-Froggers for Kids Radiothon, which has raised more than \$3 million. Over the years, funds have provided new cardiac monitors and hair clippers for patients receiving chemotherapy. In addition, donations have provided highchairs for infants, sleeper chairs for parents in each of the 33 patient rooms, and toys, video games and learning materials for the playroom.



Volunteers gather behind the tote board announcing the grand total — \$431,360 — for the Stater Bros. Charities K-Froggers for Kids Radiothon, presented by Procter & Gamble. The funds will be used to support cancer treatment and equipment for infants and children on unit 4800 at Loma Linda University Children's Hospital.

scan. The K-Frogger Friendship Beads become part of their treasured collection.

K-FROG listeners heard stories from numerous patient families, with several patients having fought cancer more than once.

According to Tiffany Hoekstra, major gifts officer, the 2010 radiothon was dedicated to Mathews Hamilton, a 19-year-old who passed away after having fought cancer, in November 2009. "Many of the kids on unit 4800 mourned his death as if they had lost a big



# Union Committee Meets by Phone

*Gerry Chudleigh*

Every year, one of the Pacific Union's quarterly executive committee meetings is held by telephone, usually resulting in a shorter agenda. The most recent such meeting was held Sept. 8, with the union officers and local conference presidents (who had been meeting for two days) sitting around a table in Westlake Village, and other committee members on the phone.

In his opening remarks, Ricardo Graham, union president, reported that the union and local conference officers had agreed at a recent summit to work more closely with each other to better serve the members and churches of the union. Graham promised a full report at the next committee meeting.

In its first item of business, the committee voted \$17,750 to assist the Mt. Rubidoux church in completing their Evangelism for Dummies project. Next they approved a "Simple Church" pilot project, sponsored by the department of Asian Ministries. Originally conceived as a way for Japanese-American churches to engage people with no background in attending Christian worship services, the project emphasizes simple meetings in homes. No financial assistance was requested or voted.

Four ordinations/commissionings were approved: from the Southeastern California Conference, Vadim Dementyev, Jana Lee and Clifford

Lim; and from the Southern California Conference, Eliu Lafo.

During the executive secretary's report, Brad Newton stated that during the first six months of 2010, there were 7,287 additions to membership in the union, including 3,366 baptisms; and 5,804 deletions from membership, resulting in an increase in membership from 219,828 to 221,311.

Ted Benson, union treasurer, reported that tithe received by July 31, 2010, was two percent less than for the same period in 2009, after correcting for a different number of Sabbaths.

The executive committee will meet next on Nov. 18 in Westlake Village.

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**POSITIVE AGING SEMINAR** (Nov. 7) Sponsored by the Trust Dept. of the Arizona Conf. Phoenix. Info: Betty Alvarez, 480-991-6777, ext. 132.

**AFRICAN-AMERICAN CONVENTION** (Nov. 12-13) Beacon Light church, 2602 N 51st Ave., Phoenix. Info: Florence Darby, 480-991-6777, ext. 114.

**RETIREE'S CHRISTMAS DINNER** (Dec. 5) Arizona Conference, 13405 N Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale. Info and reservations: Shirley Chipman, 480-991-6777, ext. 128.

### Central California

**KIDS IN DISCIPLESHIP** Church Team Training (Nov. 5-7) Central California Conference. Info: Rosa, 559-347-3183 or rgillham@cccsda.org.

**GO FISH:** Putting Families First (Nov. 11-14) Leoni Meadows. Info: 800-732-7587 or www.plusline.org.

**YOUNG ADULT RETREAT** (Nov. 19-21) Camp Wawona. Info: Lisseth, 559-347-3176, lpasillas@cccsda.org.

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**TREASURERS TRAINING** (Dec. 5) Central California Conference. Info: Claudia, 559-347-3196 or carias@cccsda.org.

**SENIOR CITIZEN SEMINAR** (Dec. 11) Milpitas church. Info: Lisseth, 559-347-3176 or lpasillas@cccsda.org.

### Northern California

**MEN'S CHORUS FESTIVAL** (Nov. 6) 5 p.m. Carmichael church, 4600 Winding Way, Sacramento. Featuring

Sonora, Modesto, Bakersfield, Bay Area and Carmichael men's choruses, as well as Christian Edition. Free. Info: 916-487-8684 or www.carmsda.org.

**VETERANS' DAY SERVICE** (Nov. 13) 11 a.m. Sacramento-Capitol City church, 6701 Lemon Hill Avenue, Sacramento. Info: 916-381-5353.

**TEEN PATHFINDER CAVING** (Nov. 11-14) Lava Beds National Monument. Info: NCC Youth Department, 925-685-4300.

**GO FISH:** Putting Families First (Nov. 11-14) Family and children's ministry training. Leoni Meadows. Info: www.AdventSource.com. Click PlusLine and Event Registration.

**CONNECTING:** How to Prepare and Present a Worship Talk (Nov. 13-14) Sacramento Academy, 5601 Winding Way, Carmichael. Young people learn how to preach during this intensive course. Info: Steve Case at Involve Youth, 916-961-2117, steve@involveyouth.org, or www.involveyouth.org.

**ACOUSTIC CHRISTMAS 4** (Dec. 5) 7 p.m. St. Helena church Fireside Room, 1777 Main Street, St. Helena. Herald in the Christmas Season with musicians young and older. Enjoy a free concert featuring guitars, violins, mandolins, keyboards and voices. Info: 707-963-4461, info@shsda.org or www.shsda.org.

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## Pacific Union College

**CAREER DAY** (Nov. 4) Patricia Thio, Emmy award winner and PUC alumna speaking on her award-winning career in television production, 10 a.m., PUC church. The presentation will be followed by a Career Fair, starting 11 a.m., dining commons.

**CELEBRATING ADVENTIST HISTORY** (Nov. 10-11) Join the Friends of Walter Utt for a viewing of "The Walter Charles Utt Collection" (11/10, 5 p.m.); a lecture by David J.B. Trim, Ph.D. (11/10, 7:30 p.m.); and a presentation from Southwestern Adventist College president Eric Anderson (11/11, 10 a.m.). Info: [www.puc.edu](http://www.puc.edu).

**CONCERTS** (Nov. 13-14) PUC Symphonic Wind Ensemble, directed by former Napa Valley Symphony conductor Asher Raboy, Saturday, 7 p.m., Paulin Hall. PUC Orchestra, directed by Rachelle Berthelsen Davis, Sunday, 7 p.m., Paulin Hall.

## Southeastern California

**BIG BEAR SERVICES** (weekly) Members of the Big Bear Valley church invite visitors vacationing in the area to join them for Sabbath services. 349 E. North Shore Dr., Big Bear City. Info: 909-547-6115.

**PATHFINDER CAMPOREE** (Nov. 4-7) Rancho Jurupa Campgrounds. Info: 951-509-2265 or [judi.jeffreys@seccsda.org](mailto:judi.jeffreys@seccsda.org)

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**"MAD ABOUT MARRIAGE"**  
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6:30-8:30 Friday night, 3-7 Sabbath afternoon. Presenters: Mike and Gayle Tucker from Faith for Today. Loma Linda University church fellowship hall, 11125 Campus St., Loma Linda. Registration required: [www.madaboutmarriage.com](http://www.madaboutmarriage.com), [www.lluc.org](http://www.lluc.org), or 909-558-4570. No charge, but an offering will be collected.

**ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR**  
(Nov. 7) 9 a.m.-noon, Orangewood Academy, 13732 Clinton, Garden Grove. Info: 951-509-2230.

**GO FISH** Leadership Convention: Putting Families First (Nov. 11-14) Leoni Meadows Christian Retreat Center, Grizzly Flats, Calif. Info: [www.plusline.org](http://www.plusline.org). SECC children's ministries road trip to Leoni Meadows will depart Nov. 10 and return Nov. 14. Info: 951-509-2260, [childmin@seccsda.org](mailto:childmin@seccsda.org), or [www.seccyouth.com](http://www.seccyouth.com).

**YOUNG WOMEN'S RETREAT**  
(Nov. 12-14) Pine Springs Ranch. For young women aged 13-20+. Presented by the SECC Hispanic and youth ministries. Register at [www.seccyouth.com](http://www.seccyouth.com); info: 951-509-2333 or [marvella.garcia@seccsda.org](mailto:marvella.garcia@seccsda.org).

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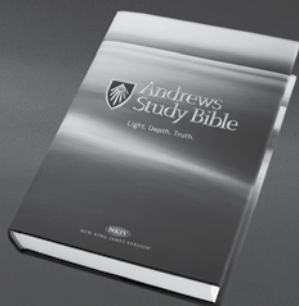
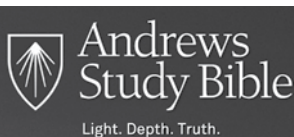


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### Southern California

**BURIED BLUEPRINTS** (Nov. 6, 13, 20) Considering Scripture from an archaeological viewpoint. 7 p.m. Sat. Presenter, Pastor John Aitken, an avid student of archaeology and anthropology; illustrated by artifacts. Van Nuys church, 14615 Sherman Way. Info: 818-787-8380.

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**WEEKEND IN THE WORD** (Nov. 12-14) Fri., 7 p.m.; Sabbath, 9:30 a.m. Doug Batchelor, speaker-director, Amazing Facts; Neil Nedley, M.D., president, Weimar Health and

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**HAMMER, ALICE M. (RUHL) KRIEGER** — b. Feb. 17, 1919, Streeter, N.D.; d. Jan. 29, 2010, Grass Valley, Calif. Survivors: husband, Francis; son, Royce Krieger.

**HARBOUR, LAVERNE (BENSON)** — b. Jan. 22, 1926, Norway, Mich.; d. May 9, 2010, Paradise, Calif. Survivors: sons, Bill, Dan; two grandchildren.

**HAYWOOD, ESTHER (REECE)** — b. Nov. 16, 1921, Jefferson, Texas; d. April 25, 2010, Stockton, Calif. Survivors: son, George Jr.; daughters, Thelma, Dorothy Dickson; 12 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren.

**HINKLE, ALTA MAE (STARKEY)** — b. May 14, 1913, Loretta, Neb.; d. Aug. 22, 2010, Modesto, Calif. Survivors: sons, Gary, Dale; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

**HOFFMAN, ROBERT L.** — b. Jan. 30, 1923, Viborg, S.D.; d. Aug. 2, 2010, Sacramento, Calif. Survivors: son, Bob; daughter, Bonnie Tyler; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

**HOOPES, MARJORIE (WILLIAMS)** — b. Aug. 17, 1931, St. Helena, Calif.; d. Sept. 11, 2009, Orleans, Calif. Survivors: daughters, Susan Lindblom, Julie; brother, Roger Williams; sisters, Marilyn

Atteberry, Verna Carter; four grandchildren, three great-grandsons.

**HOOPES, SAMUEL S.** — b. April 10, 1926, Eureka, Calif.; d. July 23, 2010, Orleans, Calif. Survivors: daughters, Susan Lindblom, Julie; sister, Mildred McManus; four grandchildren, three great-grandsons.

**HOPPER, ELMER M.** — b. July 13, 1928, Lawton, Okla.; d. March 4, 2010, Chico, Calif. Survivors: sons, Elmer Ray, Les, Marvin, Randy; daughters, Myra Sue, Myrna Jean; 14 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren.

**LARSEN, CLARISE LOUISE (GOUGH)** — b. Dec. 18, 1918, Idaho Falls, Idaho; d. June 13, 2010, Camino, Calif. Survivors: step-sons, Eugene, Roswell, Earl; step-daughter, Winnifred Plubell; nine grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren.

**LOPEZ, REYNALDO** — b. Feb. 9, 1944, Mexico; d. Sept. 7, 2010, Bakersfield, Calif. Survivors: wife, Guadalupe Corsá; daughters, Guadalupe Ponteja, Yolanda.

**MASSEY, ALTA M. (HOUCK)** — b. Dec. 24, 1931, Williams, Minn.; d. Oct. 19, 2009, Lodi, Calif. Survivors: husband, Ted; daughters, Kathy Enslinger, Debbie Jones, Carol Shilue; six grandchildren. Served as the switchboard operator at Lodi Community Hospital and the food service director at Lodi Academy.

**MAYDOLE, DAVID** — b. July 29, 1931, Los Angeles, Calif.; d. Aug. 10, 2010, Paradise, Calif. Survivors: wife, Barbara; sons, William, Don; daughter, Terry Parsons; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

**MCGILCHRIST, CHARLES JEROME** — b. Jan. 11, 1925, Crochu, St. Andrew's Parish, Grenada; d. July 6, 2010, Sunland, Calif. Survivors: sons, Charles Wilfred, Anthony Arthur, Neville Heinrich, John Winston; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

**MERTZ, RUBY E. (PEDERSEN)** — b. May 27, 1918, Belvedere, S.D.; d. Aug. 21, 2009, Lodi, Calif. Survivors: husband, Victor; son, Gary; daughter, Marlys; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild.

**MICHAELSON, FRANK JAY** — b. Aug. 23, 1916, Mont.; d. April 10, 2010, Upper Lake, Calif. Survivors: sons, Robert, Frank; daughter, Joann Stanger; five grandchildren. Served as a pastor in several Northern California Conference churches.

**MILLS, BUD** — b. June 29, 1929, Miami, Fla.; d. July 30, 2010, Orangevale, Calif. Survivors: wife, Eileen; sons, David,

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**MUNTEANU, ELISAVETA** — b. June 3, 1919, Romania; d. Aug. 3, 2010, Glendale, Calif. Survivors: son, Corneliu; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

**OTTINGER, W. GENE** — b. Nov. 21, 1928, Amarillo, Texas; d. May 9, 2010, Lodi, Calif. Survivors: son, Douglas; daughters, Denise Duffy, Jonelle; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.

**PHILLIPS, ALBERT KENNETH** — b. Dec. 8, 1910, St. Helena, Calif.; d. July 3, 2010, Fresno, Calif. Survivors: son, Ken; daughter, Donita; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren. Served as a teacher, evangelist and pastor in California, Kansas, Texas, Nysaland, Northern Rhodesia, Rwanda and Canada.

**PRICE, ARDYTHE B.** — b. Sept. 27, 1948, San Jose, Costa Rica; d. Aug. 18, 1910, Alberta, Canada. Survivors: son, Steven; daughter Shelley Price; father, Peter C. Tym; sisters, Sharon W. Foley, Bonnie Corson.

**RUSCHE, ROBERT** — b. Nov. 2, 1914, Richmond, Ind.; d. Sept. 10, 2010, Placerville, Calif. Survivors: son, Bob; daughters, Sue Uttech, Kitty Worley; one grandchild.

**SAGE, GERALD (JERRY) L.** — b. May 27, 1941, San Jose, Calif.; d. May 12, 2010, Poulsbo, Wash. Survivors: wife, Helen; daughters, Cheryl, Carol, Jenny; four grandchildren. Served for over 30 years as a principal and elementary Adventist schoolteacher.

**SANFORD, KENNETH B.** — b. March 11, 1943, Los Angeles, Calif.; d. July 22, 2010, Lewiston, Idaho. Survivors: wife, Marlene; son, Steven; daughter, Kari McKinney; four grandchildren. Private practice and forensic dentist.

**SCHEUFFELE, ADELINE (ZWEIGLE)** — b. May 19, 1922, Foremost, Alberta, Canada; d. Dec. 24, 2009, Lodi, Calif. Survivors: son, Wayne; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

**SCHMIDT, MARVIN A.** — b. Sept. 5, 1919, Lodi, Calif.; d. May 25, 2010, Lodi, Calif. Survivors: son, Frederick.

**SHEPARD, DONOVAN H.** — b. May 15, 1928, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada; d. Aug. 17, 2010, El Dorado, Calif. Survivors: wife, Arlene; son, Larry; daughters, Kimberly Dolezal, Kristy Plata; five grandchildren. Worked at Maracle Press, Oshawa, Ontario, Canada,

and practiced dentistry in Southern California.

**SNYDER, KATHLEEN (MCKNIGHT)** — b. Jan. 12, 1969, San Pablo, Calif.; d. June 2, 2010, Concord, Calif. Survivors: husband, Montell; daughters, Isabelle, Hailey.

**SUMMERTON, ROSE C.** — b. Aug. 26, 1913, Haddenfield, N.J.; d. Aug. 15, 2010, Benicia, Calif. Survivors: sons, John Donaghue, Patrick Donaghue; daughters, Rose Norwood, Ruth Ann Johnston, Dollie Drury; 11 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren. Served as a missionary in India, Mexico and Belize.

**TERCOVICH, EULAINA A. (THOMAS)** — b. Jan. 1, 1921, Napa, Calif.; d. Aug. 9, 2010, Napa, Calif. Survivors: son, Gary; daughters, Judy, Linda; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

**TRIVETT, KAREN LYNN (BROWN)** — b. Oct. 27, 1944, Oakland, Calif.; d. July 4, 2010, Angwin, Calif. Survivors: husband, Terrence; sons, Michael, Mark; three grandchildren. Taught nursing at Walla Walla College and Pacific Union College; served as a nurse in Napa Valley hospice and home health programs.

**WALTER, GWEN** — b. Feb. 12, 1909, Gallup, N.M.; d. Sept. 9, 2010, Battle Ground, Wash. Survivors: sons, Daniel, Forest; sister, Lela Franzman; six grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren.

**WENG, BERNARD L. "BERNIE"** — b. Oct. 18, 1922, Boulder, Colo.; d. June 1, 2010, Lodi, Calif. Survivors: wife, Shirley; step-sons, Steve Huggins, Scott Huggins; daughters, Maggie Petersen, Carol Ryan; step-daughter, Machele Bartlett; four grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren. After retirement, he served as caretaker for the English Oaks church and Golden Oaks Village.

**WERNER, ALVINA (WENDLAND)** — b. Aug. 14, 1911, Harvey, N.D.; d. April 11, 2010, Loma Linda, Calif. Survivors: daughter, Gloria Werner Rouhe; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

**WOLFE, ERK** — b. Aug. 17, 1961, Loma Linda, Calif.; d. Sept. 20, 2010, Fresno, Calif. Survivors: daughters, Kaitlyn, Lauren; parents, Stanford, Donna.

**WYATT, GERALD** — b. May 21, 1953, Roseville, Calif.; d. Sept. 5, 2010, Templeton, Calif. Survivors: wife, Debbie; sons, Daniel, James, Jay; daughter, Gwinne Porter; eight grandchildren.

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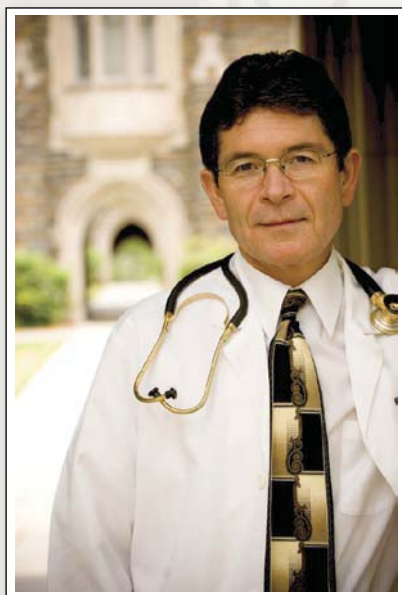
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Alturas	5:51	4:43	4:38	4:34
Angwin	6:04	4:58	4:53	4:50
Calexico	5:47	4:42	4:38	4:36
Chico	5:59	4:53	4:48	4:44
Eureka	6:06	5:00	4:54	4:50
Fresno	5:56	4:51	4:46	4:43
Hilo	5:44	5:42	5:41	5:40
Honolulu	5:52	5:50	5:48	5:48
Las Vegas	5:39	4:34	4:29	4:26
Lodi	6:00	4:54	4:49	4:46
Loma Linda	5:51	4:46	4:42	4:40
Los Angeles	5:56	4:50	4:47	4:44
Moab	6:11	5:05	5:00	4:57
Oakland	6:04	4:58	4:54	4:51
Phoenix	5:31	5:26	5:22	5:20
Reno	5:52	4:45	4:40	4:37
Riverside	5:52	4:47	4:43	4:41
Sacramento	6:00	4:54	4:49	4:46
Salt Lake City	6:17	5:10	5:05	5:01
San Diego	5:53	4:48	4:44	4:42
San Francisco	6:05	4:59	4:55	4:52
San Jose	6:04	4:58	4:53	4:50
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