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young adults on
how to improve the
Seventh-day Adventist
Church in Canada
"The Word Was God"

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I am not a theologian, nor do I play one on television. I get lost somewhere around day two of the 2100 day prophecy. I've never read my bible from cover to cover. I heard the word *exegesis* for the first time only about five years ago. The list of my deficiencies could go on at length, but you get the point. I'm sure. There is a lot that I don't know. (Shocking, isn't it?)

There is one thing that I do know, however, and I know it very well: language. From my earliest days, I have enjoyed working with words, and, after I recovered from a misplaced ambition to become a heart surgeon, I knew that I wanted to spend my life pursuing that passion. Twenty years of schooling later, I get to play with words every day and seem to have become pretty good at it.

Every fledgling writer, or any editor required to write a monthly editorial, knows the adage, "write what you know," and that is well and good right up until you need to write for a church magazine and you are not, as I've admitted, any kind of an expert on religion. What to do? What to do? Well, I've flubbed along okay for the last four-and-a-half years. You, readers, have been very kind in your comments. (Well, most of you have been.) I often hear from people who tell me that they love reading my editorial, and that is a great problem to have. But I've always felt a bit like the teacher who reads the chapter the night before she has to teach it—lucky if I stay one step ahead of the class.

Well, it's a new year, and this editor is stepping back into familiar territory. It occurs to me, not for the first time, that if Jesus is indeed "The Word" as John describes him (John 1), then some of what we know about managing words effectively should apply to living the Christian life effectively, as well. That is a heartening thought for anyone who, like me, has spent time learning about language. Anytime I can learn one lesson but apply it in various ways, I feel like I've gotten a bargain. (By the way, I think the principal applies to any discipline of study. If they all came from Him, they all tell about Him.)

So, this year I am going to devote this space, as often as I can, to the overlap between words and The Word, to the connection between communication and The Communicator. I hope you'll explore with me and share your thoughts. While I might know a thing or two about the one thing, I have everything still to learn about the other.

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I'm excited about what God is doing across Canada! I wish you could join me as I travel throughout our country from St. John's to Victoria and hear the stories God's people are telling about His power and His ability to change lives. Today, however, I'd like to share with you four fundamentals that I believe are vital to our church in 2011. If we spend time and energy in these four areas, I believe that God will bless our church across Canada in a remarkable way.

1 EVANGELISM
The first of these is evangelism. God's people were born to bring people to Christ. All through the history of Christianity and specifically within the Seventh-day Adventist Church, God's people have gone out of their way to spread the gospel. They have preached the gospel, they have taught doctrine and they have baptized new believers. I am encouraged as lay people and pastors alike share with me stories of their evangelistic ministry.

In Canada, we believe in and have practiced evangelism throughout our history. Today we have more than 60,000 Adventists from coast to coast. But that is not enough.

We must continue to use tried and true methods of evangelism and also experiment with new and unique ways of preaching the same gospel to reach groups of people we've never touched before.

I hope that during 2011, as many of our people as possible—seniors, young adults, middle-aged people like me and you, children—will find a way to lead out in an evangelistic activity of their own. As we do this, new men, women and children who love God and believe in Him will become a part of His church.

You and I will have the joy of welcoming them into church homes that will encourage and support them in their journey to Christ's Kingdom.

Secondly, Adventist education is one of our church's greatest assets. My parents made it possible for me to enjoy a Seventh-day Adventist education; for this, I owe them a great deal.

I'd like to encourage every Adventist family to seek an Adventist education for their children. In this way, we can affirm faith, provide tools for life and provide excellent instruction as well. From kindergarten through university, Canadians are able to access Adventist education. And it is worth noting that many who are not Adventist but who are looking for high-quality education are choosing to send their children to our church-sponsored schools.

One of the greatest predictors of a church's ability to grow is the presence of an Adventist school in their community. Leaders and parents, please consider establishing an Adventist school in your community if there isn't one already. And until you have a school in your community, why not investigate Adventist Distance Learning? It is a tremendous resource. Ask your conference educational superintendent about it or contact the Office of Education here at the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada national headquarters.
3 DIVERSITY

Thirdly, I want to speak about diversity and culture. Within Canada, we are blessed to have many cultures and the insights that those cultures bring. We need to learn from one another the lessons of faith and the lessons of practice which that diversity brings. It is my great hope that in 2011 we will involve more people of a variety of cultures within each of our congregations and organizations. This is vitally important if our churches are to be a place where people from around the world can hear the gospel and feel welcomed and at home. It is our privilege to share the gospel with many cultures and people groups today without even leaving our homeland of Canada. What a blessing of God this really is!

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4 COMMUNICATION

Finally, I want to think with you about communication. We live in a time of unparalleled opportunity and great change in the way we communicate. Our church has been blessed with the radio station VOAR, with studios in St. John's, Newfoundland. Many of you are aware that its programming can be heard on rebroadcast stations in various communities throughout Canada and via the Internet. I appreciate the important work that the dedicated staff of this Christian station are doing.

While we continue to minister through VOAR, we must seek and adopt new ways to communicate the gospel to people who will not be reached in traditional ways. Through social media, Internet presence and a host of other means that we have not yet explored, we need to continue to reach out with Christ's timeless gospel. We also must use these new technologies to make news and resources available to those who already are a part of the Adventist Church. As we do this, we will not change the DNA of Adventism; we simply seek to become more effective in our witness.

None of this would be of any significance were it not for Jesus and salvation. It is His sacrifice and His invitation that are important.

And so it is that in our church, there is a need for renewed seriousness about who we are and what we do. We need to experience a revival and a change of life like nothing we have seen. Our boards and committees can't vote it. Only the Holy Spirit can bring it. So as we think about our place in God's church, we need to pray earnestly that God's Spirit will be poured out and that God's people will respond.

In Scripture, I read these words: “And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come” (Matthew 24:14, NIV). I can't wait to see Jesus. He's coming soon. I want to be ready to meet Him in peace, and it is my greatest hope that each of us will be ready for His return.

May God bless you as you serve Him in 2011.

Mark Johnson is the president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada.
Friend Me

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How do you know if your friends are true?
How can you tell?

The way to tell if your friends are true is to be a true friend yourself.
A friendship is one of the oldest and most important personal connections known to humanity.

Today, we can have an abundance of “friends” on Facebook, “follow” them on Twitter, video-chat with them on Skype and watch them on YouTube. We can screen, add and drop friends on social network websites at any time. We are in complete control of our virtual friendships. Yet, as we manage hundreds of such friendships online, I am led to wonder, are we really friends with all these people? How do friendships work in reality? Do we really have true friends?

First of all, Jesus is the only true friend, a friend who will never let you down. In John 15:13–15, Jesus calls us friends: “Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. … I have called you friends…” (NIV). Nothing matters more to Him than your friendship with Him.

When I made my decision to follow Jesus, I decided I wanted to be the kind of friend to others that Jesus asks us to be. I wanted to be different. It’s no easy task. Friendships can be painful. There are disappointments. Sometimes, friends can be hurtful or let one another down. Sometimes, we can feel left out if a friend does not pay attention to us. A negative action by a friend can have devastating effects.

Even in friendships, things can get selfish. The focus can degenerate to “What is in it for me?” For some people, not getting something out of a friendship will lead them to move on and make new friends. But often, such “friends” are destined to repeat broken relationships and, in the end, feel all alone. But the fact is that, as humans, we need to be and have friends; otherwise, our brokenness and loneliness intensify. The cycle of brokenness can stop when we ask Jesus to transform us so that we can offer the kind of unconditional friendship that Jesus modeled. Jesus had friends, and He understood what a true friend looks like. How did He do it? Check out His life. Be like Jesus.
Dinosaurs

Walking through the dark toward the dim light ahead of us, we were startled by a sudden roar that boomed like thunder. And there, right before us, with ferocious gaping jaws, stood the most fearsome of all dinosaurs: Tyrannosaurus Rex! In fact, it wasn’t just one T-Rex, but a whole group of them, and they all wore the same hungry expression as their leader.

Samuel immediately knew what to do. He slapped his hands over his ears and made a beeline for the door we’d just come in through. It took some coaxing to convince him that the dinosaurs in the entrance way of the Royal Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology’s main exhibit hall were not alive. They were long dead. The monsters before us were only plastic copies and had no power to hurt us.

Think about it.

Maybe our fascination with dinosaurs is partly because of our relief that they’re not around anymore and are no danger to us. Imagine the freedom of the newly converted Corinthians when they first learned that idols were powerless (see 1 Corinthians 10:19). It’s good to remember that monsters, ghosts, superstitions and anything that once may have caused us to fear have no power over us at all. Even the devil is a powerless, defeated enemy before the victorious Jesus. Evil itself will soon become extinct. In Christ we have complete freedom from fear.

Do it.

If you ever struggle with superstitions, a belief in luck, or ghosts or whatever, it’s time to turn over these deceptions to Jesus and let Him deal with them. Copy out a verse like Psalm 59:16 or another like it and display it or carry it with you to remind you that only God is all-powerful. You’re safe with Him.

—Tammie Burrows recently published a children’s activity book called Creatures of the Boreal Forest, which is available as an ebook at www.creatonactivitybook.com or from the Alberta Adventist Book Centre.
Putting action to its words, the SDACC Board of Directors invited a young adult representative to its recent year-end meetings to speak of the needs of that demographic of the church membership. Faith Calaminos, a 20-year-old CUC student, sat with the Board as a full participant but also took the floor to give a half-hour presentation during which she spoke frankly about the things the church needs to do if it is serious about relating to its young people.

In preparation for her presentation, Calaminos dialogued with her peers face-to-face at CUC but also used social media to engage other young adults not at her location. “I don’t think there was a single one of my peers I talked to… that was not excited about someone their age being in these meetings,” Calaminos said. And their desire to engage was reflected in the quality of responses they gave to Calaminos’ two main questions: What can the church do more and less of to retain its young people?

“What We Think”
Young Adults on the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada
First among the things that young adults thought the Church in Canada needed was to be more relevant, which, according to Calaminos did not mean merely changing music styles. (Although we appreciate that. We really do.)

Young adults clearly meant that they want any church they are a part of to be relevant to the community, to have a purpose. An unnamed young adult interviewed by Calaminos commented, "I think our churches should be places in communities where people feel comfortable walking in when they have a need. Our churches should be just as good as welfare.”

More acceptance of new ideas and new ways of thinking was another response often given to Calaminos by her peers. Exuberantly, Calaminos reminded the Board members, "We can sometimes be the most creative people you know!” In a church too often suspicious of ideas simply because they are new, this plea for acceptance was not new in itself. Calaminos noted, however, that hers is a “conversation generation” and tools like Twitter and Facebook have them discussing ideas in ways and at rates never seen before.

The need was expressed for more young people in church leadership, but Calaminos put the Board on notice that young adults are wise to the all too common practice of putting them into roles that are “safe.” Said one interviewee, "Don’t make me an usher or a children’s storyteller if I have a heart for homeless people or reaching out to the youth.” Of course, this presents an obvious challenge: How are churches to know the ministry paths of most interest to their young people?

“Ask us!” she says. “Take time to find out what drives us. We always hear that young people are the church, so please let us be the church. Take a chance on us.”

Young adults felt the need for more inspirational young leaders in Canada. Mentioning names of well-known Christian leaders like Rob Bell and Louie Giglio and Adventist leaders in the United States such as David Ascherick, Calaminos noted a complete lack of fresh and enthusiastic youth in leadership in Canada. She urged the board to do what it could to retain “intelligent and talented” young adults in a variety of ways including, but not limited to involving young professionals, those who have graduated from college and universities, who often slip off to the United States or slip out of the church entirely.

Calaminos spoke to the board about a need to support and encourage organizations such as ACTS for Christ, ECYC, and others.

Rounding out the list of what the Church in Canada needs “more” of were two other very important points. Young adults asked for “more prayer” and “more representation” on committees and boards, and more “communication” between the establishment and young adults.

As one might imagine there were things that young adults felt we should have “less” of, as well. For instance, young adults felt the Church in Canada should do less catering and more challenging. As Calaminos put it, “Don’t worry what you can do for us. Challenge us to make the changes ourselves.” She candidly recounted to the Board a moment during her roundtable discussions at CUC when she and her peers looked at each other and realized, “I guess most of these things are up to us.” Of course, with older folks still holding purse strings and decision-making authority, the traditional

Calaminos presented a thoughtful and candid review of the young adults’ perspective, but could not say why she had been chosen to act as such a representative. “I’ve done some work. I suppose,” she says humbly. “I worked with Azalea Lehlendorf and A Better World on the 100 classrooms in Afghanistan project, for instance. And I have done some things on campus. Perhaps the administration heard my name from there. I am honestly not sure, but I am grateful.”

“I am glad that the issues that are important to young adults are being listened to at last,” Calaminos continued. “There was some attention given to the youth at the General Conference session in Atlanta, and that is good. It is so important. But we haven’t begun the conversation about young adults yet,” she notes.

It is a conversation that is important to the administration of the Church in Canada. President Mark Johnson says, “It is time that we get serious about bringing people in who aren’t in the usual range of folks we think of. We’ve got to reach youth and young adults and people from other cultures.” As a next step, he has planned to participate in round table and town hall meetings with students at CUC. And, although it is still early, Johnson has also hinted that this will be a priority for the SDACC quinquennial session.
What does the list below represent? A mammoth prayer request or an impossible dream?

**Project 1: Senior Centre**

- Replacement of 28-year-old roof on Senior Centre building: $200,000
- Replacement of all windows and doors on Senior Centre building, replacement of 46 brick balcony walls with aluminum rails and repair of knee walls in 53 bay-window apartments: $1,111,843
- Upgrading of emergency generator services: $114,000
- Upgrading of electrical service to 110 apartments and 21 Assisted Living rooms and Lighting in the common areas: $188,439
- Wireless Emergency Call System: $245,000
- Upgrading of 28-year-old commercial kitchen in Assisted Living Facility: $100,000
- Replacement of front door and supply of automatic door openers to all exits: $29,402
- Installation of duplex heat/cool units: $238,138
- New stoves for 110 apartments including Safe-T-Element: $64,000

Total expenses: $2,290,822
Resources available: $200,000

**Project 2: Nursing Home**

Renovate a 20-year-old nursing home building: $10,000,000
Resources available: $750,000

The above list actually represents the combined cost for two enormous projects, but the big price tag doesn't adequately reflect the value of the service provided to the citizens of our community by our senior apartments, retirement home and nursing home. Church members from all over North America call the facilities at Heritage Green their home.

The need for these projects began in the spring of 2008 when a wetter than usual spring caused major water damage around the bay windows in our 110-unit senior apartment building. A closer examination of the problem areas revealed a very serious problem with the structure just beneath the windows, such as rusted metal studs and mould. Engineering consultants who were consulted agreed that the windows needed to be replaced, but it was felt that the more immediate problem was the roof. The estimated cost for that was $200,000—the total amount accumulated in the Replacement Reserve account.

Having heard a few weeks earlier that funding was possibly available for major renovations of non-profit housing projects in the near future, our administrator, Rosemary Okimi made a call to our liaison in the municipal office inquiring whether
Heaven
you might say.
NEW MEMBER PROFILE

Pam Guiboche’s
“Walk of Obedience”

Her faith grew as she read His Word, and she fell in love with Jesus.

Pam Guiboche’s incredible journey with God began at 19 years old when she cried out to God, “If you exist, I need to know.” A few minutes later, Pam got her answer; she looked up a pole and read a sign that said “Read the Bible.” Her faith grew as she read His Word, and she fell in love with Jesus.

Later, in obedience to Him, Pam quit her job at a casino and felt overjoyed because she knew God was leading her. She started attending a church but kept seeking people who studied the Bible because she wanted to be in the presence of people who read the Word of Life.

Recently, Pam’s walk with God got sweeter when she discovered the joy of surrender. She was reading the Ten Commandments and was convicted to obey all the commandments, including the fourth. At the Holy Spirit’s prompting, Pam kept her first Sabbath in August 2010. While worshipping God by herself, she came across the Amazing Facts website and first heard about Seventh-day Adventists while listening to a sermon by Doug Batchelor. She was filled with gratitude because she knew that the Jews kept the Sabbath but didn’t know that there were also Christians who did. Upon further investigation, Pam discovered that there was a Seventh-day Adventist church in Victoria and planned to attend the next Sabbath. She desired to be with fellow believers.

Pam phoned the pastor and left a message to learn more about the Seventh-day Adventist Church and find out about keeping the Sabbath. Before the pastor could return her call, however, the Holy Spirit prompted her to take a stand at work. She went to work on Sunday and told her manager that she could no longer work on Saturdays because it was against her beliefs. Pam’s manager told her to find someone with whom she could switch her Saturday shift, but, as the week went on, Pam was not successful. Finally, on Friday, Pam went to her manager, who is a Christian, and explained that she could not work on Sabbath—from sundown Friday to sundown Saturday—and was willing to give her notice if she was not able to get Saturdays off. God honoured Pam’s obedience; the management decided to accommodate her, and she never had to work a Friday afternoon or Saturday shift.

When Pam attended the Victoria Seventh-day Adventist Church on August 28, 2010, she came because of a very special invitation given by the Holy Spirit. Her walk of obedience led her to the fellowship she had longed for.
2010 is now another year in the past and another year closer to the second coming of Christ. It is impossible to keep up with how fast time and technology pass by. Did you know that the top 10 in-demand jobs in 2010 did not exist in 2004? And, did you know that we are currently preparing students for jobs that don’t yet exist, for technologies that have yet to be invented, in order to solve problems we don’t even know are problems yet? That is the society and culture in which we live. There is no way to change or stop it.

The busyness of life keeps us all moving in what seems like a fast-forward pace, a blur of events as the weeks and months tend to mesh together. As we begin another year, I would like to share with you five extremely useful and powerful online tools that might help you become more effective in managing your work, church, ministry and life in 2011. And the best part about these online resources is that they are all absolutely free.

None of the tools I am about to share is in any way connected with the Adventist church. The only reason I mention them is because their potential usefulness provides opportunity for effective communication and ministry. Also, please remember that these online resources are available today but may be replaced by something better or may not even exist tomorrow. That is the reality of technology.

**GOOGLE DOCS**

The first useful tool is Google Docs. This application allows you to upload, create, share and manage documents, spreadsheets, presentations and images online. The files can be accessed from any device that is connected to the internet—a computer or mobile smartphone, like a Blackberry or iPhone.

To get started using Google Docs, all you need to do is create a free online account with Google (www.docs.google.com). If you currently have a Gmail account for your email, then you are already set up to use this service.

With the sharing feature of Google Docs, you can make a file public for everyone to see or private and give file access to only a few people. For example, I use Google Docs in my ministry to share a contact list with the church clerk so that we can both access and manage the information. When one of us makes a change, the other person can see it immediately. This provides us both with the most updated lists at our fingertips. No more emailing a document back and forth. Our finished project list is in one place at one time, cutting down on a lot of wasted time and confusion.

Google provides other useful online tools that I am currently using for church management and ministry (Google AdSense for online marketing and Google Calendar for a daily planner and for sharing church events). I’m sure we’ll have the opportunity to discuss these another time.

**DROPBOX**

Dropbox automatically syncs the files you choose to its secure online server, providing you with backup, easy file sharing options and access to your files anywhere there is an internet connection.

To start using the Dropbox service, go to the website (www.dropbox.com/ referrals/NTeoMjwMDk5) and create a free account that gives you 2GB of online storage. The sign-up link I provided above will give you an extra 250MB of storage.

Another thing I really like about Dropbox is that, just like Google Docs, it supports access and management of your files online through multiple mobile devices.

I personally use Dropbox to print my sermon files from the church location and share folders of files with several of my church team leaders. I also like that Dropbox provides the ability to create shareable online photo galleries and send large size files with ease.

Stay tuned for the other three tools that I will share in the next Messenger issue.

Tray McQueen is the communication specialist for the British Columbia conference and the pastor of the Kelowna church.
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“It was very difficult for me... It was hard.” As her voice fades away with the back of her hand, and takes a deep breath, she is willing to share it over and over again because she hopes it will help others. Life. With her emotions under control, Sekeyian continues.

“The Masai used to move a lot from one place to another. When there is drought, they go to water. So, one time when my village moved, I entered school. I really liked school but had to quit when the village moved again. I asked my mum to send me to school, but my village was very far, so she took me to stay with my older sister who lived in Talek so I could go to the school there. I went to the Talek school without problems until the time came when my dad passed away, when I was in grade five.

“After my dad died, my uncle became my ‘father.’ He wanted me to be married immediately because according to our culture, I was supposed to stay home, be married, and have children, and not go to school. When a girl turns 13 or 14, she can become pregnant and have a child—anything can happen—so you are supposed to be married.

“But I admired my teachers and didn’t want to stop going to school, so I said no.

“My uncle was a very powerful area councilor, and the man who was supposed to be my husband was also a councilor and the chairman of the school that I was attending. It was very difficult for me, as these men were the most powerful men in the Masai community and I was saying no to them. Who was I that I could say no? I was just a girl, and in Masai culture, girls and women have no say; they are just chattel. It was unheard of for a girl not to be married.

“It was very difficult for me... It was hard. Growing up in my family, I had always been a good girl, so my aunt said, ‘There is something wrong with this girl. Something must have happened, because now she is disobeying her parents.’ So they got the witch doctor to come and see if I was crazy or something. He came and...
Outcast ercomer

by Sekeyian Yiaile, as told to Elizabeth Horniachek

As falters, the confident young Masai woman pauses, quickly wipes her tears. The story she relates with so much feeling is very personal, but Sekeyian* is it will influence Masai parents to give their daughters a chance at a better lives talking about her childhood in Southeast Kenya.

said, "Oh yes, there's something wrong. She has a kind of evil spirit."

"When they heard this, my family was very sad and refused to believe me when I said that there was nothing wrong with me. I just didn't want to be married — I wanted to go to school instead. They couldn't understand why I wanted to go to school. I told them that I saw the way my teachers lived and that they were happy and that I could see that there was a chance for me to live a better life if I got a chance to go to school.

"They thought they could get rid of the evil spirit, so I was beaten very badly. But I just kept telling them, 'It's ok, you can beat me and do anything to me, but I'm going to go to school because I believe that education is going to better me as a person. And I'm going to prove that women, even Masai women, given a chance, can do so much more.'

"My uncle decided that I wasn't allowed to stay with my sister or be able to see my family anymore, so I went to the missionaries and stayed with them. It was not easy for me to go through high school without the support of my family, but by God's grace, I was able to finish.

"For a long time, I missed my family and wanted to go visit them, but my uncle always said no. When my uncle finally gave permission, the missionaries took me back home and talked to my uncle and told him, 'This is a good girl, she just wants to go to school,' and my uncle agreed to make peace with me.

"With the help of well-wishers, I was able to go to university in the United States. While there, I raised funds. And when I came back home, I started a girl's school near Talek.

"It was not easy because, at first, the community said, 'No way, we're not going to give this piece of land to a woman.' But thank God, we now have a school for 150 girls where they can come to be safe and not have to be married. If these girls grow up with an education, their lives will be different and the lives with their children will be different. These girls are not going to have it easy. Their parents are going to try to do what they did to me, and I cannot sit back and see these girls go through what I went through myself."

"It's not good for girls to be treated as property. In our culture, women have no say. Husbands are going to have 10 wives if they can, and the women are going to have as many children as the husband wants and their lives will be difficult."

"I'm a Masai and I'm proud to be a Masai because it is my culture and these are my roots, but there are some things that I'm not happy about, and they are the things I'm trying to change."

In many communities in Africa and Asia, there are people like Sekeyian who are dedicated to the work of improving the lives around them.

Like Sekeyian, ADRA Canada also believes strongly in the value of education and, through the generosity of its supporters, is able to partner with communities and people like Sekeyian to improve lives by providing accessible education.

Elizabeth Horniachek is the donor relations assistant for ADRA Canada

*pronounced se-KINE

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Tithe-Giving Increase in 2010

The finance department of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada made a happy announcement at the start of 2011 as it revealed that tithe-giving among its members increased by 2.66% in 2010. In real dollar figures, this means that Seventh-day Adventists in Canada contributed $63,798,384 in 2010 as compared to $62,142,997 in 2009.

Leading the way in the increase is the Quebec conference, whose members gave 5.34% more in 2010 than in the preceding year. In second place is the small mission conference of Newfoundland and Labrador. The folks in our easternmost conference increased their giving by 5.07%. None of the seven conferences in the Seventh-day Adventist church in Canada showed a decrease for the year.

Speaking of the tithe increase, John Ramsay, VP for Finance, said, "Over the last 10 years there has been an average increase of 4.7% per year. This is well ahead of the inflation rate which has averaged 2% each year. We thank our church members for returning tithe as the Lord has blessed. How wonderful it is that each of us can enjoy a vibrant partnership with our Creator as described in Malachi 3:8-11." ■

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The Shuffle Stops Here

Dan Jackson, North American Division president, has been known to quip, “As Seventh-day Adventists we may not dance, but we sure can do the presidential shuffle.” The last half of 2010 would seem to prove him correct, as presidents and other conference and union administrators moved about the country at a dizzying rate.

Have you lost track? Wonder where everyone is now? Here is a list of church administrators from coast to coast to help you get your bearings.

Alberta Conference
Ken Wiebe, president
Larry Hall, secretary
Robert Holdal, treasurer

British Columbia Conference
Gordon Pifher, president
Wayne Culmore, secretary
Michael Wixwat, treasurer

Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference
Ron Nelson, president
Collin Akre, secretary
Abednigo Mandalupa, treasurer

Maritimes Conference
John Fournier, president
Mogens Sorensen, secretary
Ed Sharpe, treasurer

Seventh-day Adventist Church in Newfoundland and Labrador
Ken Corkum, president
Christine Bergen, secretary-treasurer

Ontario Conference
Mansfield Edwards, president
Daniel Linrud, secretary
Ulysses Guarin, treasury

Quebec Conference
Daniel Latchman, president
Emile Maxi, secretary
Paul Musafili, treasurer
Ontario

Fil-Can Pathfinders Take First Place

The Orion Pathfinder Club from the Filipino-Canadian SDA church in Toronto took first place in the Ontario Fancy Drill Competition in the summer of 2010. In spite of a very busy summer schedule of church activities that included a Vacation Bible School and Youth Week, all the Pathfinders managed to find time to practice their routine. “All in all, we just put our mindset that, whatever happened, we would do it for the glory of God,” says drill captain Matthew Arevalo.

The win was just one of the blessings given to the Pathfinder club in 210. During the annual Ontario Pathfinder Camporee, the Orion club ranked as one of the top three Pathfinder clubs in the province, to the delight of members and volunteers. But most members, when asked what the best part of year’s Pathfinder program was, report that the highlight was the baptism of Caira Sosa, an Orion Pathfinder club member.

Maritimes

North Sydney Church Reaches Out

For the first time in its history, the North Sydney SDA Church placed a booth in the Cape Breton Exhibition. This exhibition is one of the major annual events in the area with approximately 30,000 people passing through the doors to wander up and down the many aisles of displays and exhibits.

For six days, church members faithfully hosted the booth, distributing numerous books, magazines, DVDs, ADRA calendars and bible study enrolment cards. “Community members seemed most anxious to put their name in the box for the free Bible draw as well as to receive our big ‘End It Now’ poster,” reports Lloyd Steeves, pastor. (enditnow is an initiative of the General Conference and ADRA that seeks to obtain one million signatures on a petition to be presented to the United Nations to stop violence against women and children.)

The church members feel that their presence at the exhibition has been a great opportunity to share Christ with their community. Plans are now underway for next year’s exhibition.
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All submissions—articles, announcements, advertisements, etc.—must be received by the deadline date to be printed in the corresponding issue.

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Mark Johnson, president of the Adventist Church in Canada, served as our first president. Under his leadership, we expanded our media reach throughout the nation. Today, we are thrilled to introduce our new president, Leslie Berreth. A successful businessman, his experience and desire to see the Lord’s work grow stronger in Canada make him an effective leader.

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Notice is hereby given that the forty-seventh Regular Quadrennial Members' Meeting of the Maritime Conference of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church Inc. will be held at the Montclair Seventh-day Adventist Church, 101 Salisbury Road, Montclair, N. J., starting on the 12th day of May, 2011, beginning at 7 p.m. Atlantic Time and running through Saturday, May 15, 2011, ending at 3 p.m.

This meeting is called for the following purposes: election of a Board of Directors; election of a Standing Bylaws Committee; election of officers and departmental leadership of the conference; consideration of proposed changes in the Bylaws of the conference; transaction of other business as may properly come before a Regular Members' Meeting.

Union College homecoming


The Bowmanville Church in Ontario is looking for the following members: Shirl Currie, Steven Currie, Debbie Mackay, Doreen Ottman, John Ouimet, Kimberly Owen, Robert Owen, Charles Raine, Peter Scherwenko, Ann-Marie Taylor, Jay Waris. If you have any information about these members, please contact Joyce Jones at bowmanville@adventistontario.org or by phone at 905/433-3097.

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Canadian University College Notice of Regular Meeting of the Corporation

Notice is hereby given that the regular meeting of the Canadian University College Corporation will convene in the Administration Building at Canadian University College, Lacombe, Alta., on Mar. 12, 2011, at 7 p.m. and continue on Mar. 13, 2011, at 8 a.m. for the following purposes: to hear reports and projections from administration and academic divisions; to appoint auditors for the ensuing quinquennium; to appoint a Board of Trustees for the ensuing quinquennium; to act on proposed changes to the Bylaws; and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Mark Johnson, Chair
Mark Haynes, Secretary

New Members

ONTARIO

William Johnson was accepted into the church by profession of faith in Cagway, Ont., on Nov. 27, 2010. He is now a member of the Six Nations church.

MANNIBA/SASKATCHEWAN

Nina Genon was baptized in Regina, Sask., on Aug. 28, 2010, by Darren Godsoe. She is now a member of the Spirit of Truth Community church.

Felisha Bell, Marj Koch, Eh Doh Paw, and K'Pru Wah were baptized in Regina, Sask., on Sept. 4, 2010, by Darren Godsoe. They are now members of the Hill Avenue church.

ALBERTA

Carla Denton-James was baptized in Calgary, Alta., on Jan. 30, 2010, by Reynold Ferrey. She is now a member of the Calgary Remnant Company.

Madison Debbin was baptized in Calgary, Alta., on Dec. 19, 2009, by Randy Barber. She is now a member of the Calgary Central church.

Karen Dodo was accepted into the church by profession of faith in Calgary, Alta., on Apr. 17, 2010. She is now a member of the Calgary Central church.

Alice Douglas was baptized in Grande Prairie, Alta., on May 28, 2010, by Shawn Brunwald. She is now a member of the Grande Prairie church.

Betty Douglas was baptized in Camrose, Alta., on May 8, 2010, by Dalen Rehsemen, and Denis Cote was accepted into the church by a profession of faith. They are now members of the Camrose church.

Esther Dubour was accepted into the church by profession of faith in Camrose, Alta., on Jan. 12, 2010. She is now a member of the Camrose church.

Amyr Findlay and Rick Roberts were baptized in St. Albert, Alta., on May 8, 2010, by Dan Rochford. They are now members of the Red Willow Community church.

Alfred Flores and Adriana Fineda were baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on May 1, 2010, by Julio Morales. They are now members of the Edmonton Maranatha Spanish church.

Orlando Flores was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on May 22, 2010, by Julius Morales. He is now a member of the Edmonton Maranatha Spanish church.

Ibsa Fayissa was baptized in Grande Prairie, Alta., on June 12, 2010, by Shawn Brunwald. He is now a member of the Grande Prairie church.

Camille Gayle was baptized in Calgary, Alta., on Dec. 2, 2009, by Reynold Ferrey. She is now a member of the Calgary Remnant Company.

Horst and Oksana Gisberz were baptized in Wetaskiwin, Alta., on Apr. 17, 2010, by John Gilbert, as a result of the Drayton Valley evangelistic meetings. They are now members of the Drayton Valley Fellowship.

Hartel Goulbourne was baptized in Calgary, Alta., on Dec. 5, 2009, by Randy Barber. He is now a member of the Calgary Central church.

Chesell Gozo, Analyn Quilting and Regje and Roselle Velsquez were accepted into the church by profession of faith in Edmonton, Alta., on June 20, 2009. They are now members of the Edmonton Filipino church.

Zoea Hernandez was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on Dec. 13, 2009, by Julio Morales. She is now a member of the Edmonton Remnant church.

Jeremy Kavu was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on Jan. 9, 2010, by Toby Wong. He is now a member of Edmonton Central church.

Edith and Ethel Kigundu were accepted into the church by profession of faith in Grande Prairie, Alta., on Mar. 27, 2010. They are now members of the Grande Prairie church.

Rodney and Audrey Krenzler, and Morgan Hosty were baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on Apr. 17, 2010, by Peter Ford. They are now members of the Benedict church.

Faele Labordes was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on Aug. 7, 2010, by Terrence Harrell. She is now a member of the Edmonton West church.

Allen and Lauti An Ljungberg were baptized in Sherwood Park, Alta., on Apr. 10, 2010, by Adam Deibert. They are now members of the Sherwood Park church.

Mary Lowen and Mikiya and Ryan Lussier were baptized in Brooks, Alta., on Aug. 7, 2010.
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by Virgil Cowel. They are now members of the Brooks church.

Larry Luebke was baptized in Sylvan Lake, Alta., on Feb. 6, 2010, by Warren Kay. He is now a member of the Sylvan Lake church.

Heather Markides, Juan Orozco, Nilashini Rieddy and Jeffrey Yellowly were baptized in Calgary, Alta., on May 8, 2010, by Joseph Bulgin. They are now members of the Calgary Roman Catholic Church.

Nadia McFaden was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on May 13, 2010, by Terrence Harrell. She is now a member of the Edmonton North church.

Eric McKay was baptized in St. Albert, Alta., on June 26, 2010, by Dan Rochford. He is now a member of the Red Willow Community church.

Neil McNaughton and Philip Osei-Appiahene were baptized in Calgary, Alta., on Dec. 12, 2010, by Russell Berry. They are now members of the Calgary Bridgeland church.

Anton Meyers and Jonathan Seckel were baptized in Calgary, Alta., on Dec. 2, 2010, by Randy Barbour. They are now members of the Calgary Central church.

Keaton Morton was baptized in College Heights, Alta., on Dec. 12, 2010, by Steve Rees. He is now a member of the College Heights church.

Sabine Nohakobowa and Hosea Njibuzi were accepted into the church by profession of faith in Leduc, Alta., on Mar. 20, 2010. They are now members of the Leduc church.

Caitlin Nowicki was baptized in College Heights, Alta., on Dec. 5, 2010, by Steve Rees. She is now a member of the College Heights church.

Sarah Nohakobowa and Hosea Njibuzi were accepted into the church by profession of faith in Leduc, Alta., on Mar. 20, 2010. They are now members of the Leduc church.

Tarah Patterson was baptized in Lethbridge, Alta., on May 8, 2010, by Olaf Olsen. She is now a member of the Lethbridge church.

Kevin Paul was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on Aug. 7, 2010, by Terrence Harrell. He is now a member of the Edmonton West church.

Laura and Yuri Roberts were re-baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on Aug. 28, 2010, by Roy Uffindell. They are now members of the Edmonton Central church.

Oksana Safaraliev was accepted into the church by profession of faith in Red Willow, Alta., on Aug. 23, 2010. She is now a member of the Red Willow Community church.

Lillian Servantes was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on Aug. 28, 2010, by Julio Moulouza. She is now a member of the Edmonton Maranatha Spanish church.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Lee Chadbon, Anthony Edwards, Shirley Briggs, Debra Schneider, Jorge Raul, Dan Fowler, Terri-Ann Dehaan, and Kwanam Lewis were accepted into the church by profession of faith in Aldergrove, B.C., on Nov. 27, 2010, as a result of the Reformation of Hope Seminar held by Pastor Justin St. Hilaire. Also accepted into the church were: Martha Friesen and Barbara Schneider, baptized by Michael Stevenson; Christina Edwards, baptized by Pastor Dauney; Alethea Shaw and Jan; and Mark Kyslik, accepted into the church by profession of faith. They are all now members of the Aldergrove church.

Births

Tyler Jesse Ryan Sheffield was born on Aug. 25, 2010, to Terry and Kerry (née Griffith) Sheffield of Hanley, Sask.

Brooklyn Vivian Cathleen Campbell was born on Dec. 2, 2010, to James and Denise (née Foner) Campbell of Saskatoon, Sask.

Weddings

Natalie Emery and Don Fowler were married on Nov. 28, 2010, in Aldergrove, B.C., where they are also making their home. Natalie is the daughter of Tom and Elva Emery of Chilliwack, B.C., and Don is the son of Chuck and Ev Fowler of Aldergrove.

Elissa Potts and Colton Greenlaw were married on May 24, 2010, in Leduc, Alta., where they are also making their home. Elissa is the daughter of Jeff and Nancy Potts of Winnipeg, Man., and Colton is the son of Terry and Cornna Greenlaw of Edmonton, Alta.

Angela Maria Mikul and Justin

Philip McQueen were married on July 15, 2010, in Pitt Meadows, B.C., and are now making their home in New Westminster, B.C. Angela is the daughter of Steven and Esther Mikul of Aldergrove, B.C., and Justin is the son of Philip and Dale McQueen of Cape Breton, N.S.

Ninfa Genon and Stuart Nabe were married on Aug. 29, 2010, in Regina, Sask., where they are also making their home.

Eh Do Pao and Karina Wah were married on Aug. 1, 2010, in Regina, Sask., where they are also making their home. Eh Do Pao is the daughter of Kek Moo and Link Bao of Regina, and Karna Wah is the son of Doo Ya, also of Regina.

Anniversaries

Wolfram and Bonnie Hackenberg of Olds, Alta., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 6, 2010, at the Royal Oak Manor in Lacombe. The couple was joined by family and friends. The Hackenbergs have three daughters, three grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and one great-great-grandchild.

Obituaries

Leonard Herbert Blain was born July 18, 1938, in Edmonton, Alta., and died Nov. 12, 2010, in Calgary, Alta. Leonard was a member of the Calgary Central church where he served his Lord in the ministry of the word and the office of an evangelist. He is survived by his loving wife June and their three children, David, John, and Joel. He is also survived by his sister, Bernice Blain, and her husband, Glen, and their children, David and Norma. He is fondly remembered by his nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Salvation Army or to the CCBA. The family thanks everyone for their love and support.

Lottie (née Doubleday) Boutilier was born July 17, 1938, in Halifax, N.S., and died Dec. 13, 2010, in Halifax, N.S. Lottie was preceded in death by her husband, Albert, her parents, Harry and Winnifred; her brother Noble; and her sister Laura. Surviving: son, David (Sandra) of Seabright, N.S.; daughters Donna (Jeffrey) of Seabright, N.S.; brothers, Harry (Anne) of B.C. and Percy (Glen) of Seabright, N.S.; sisters, Deborah (Roy) of Upper Tantallon, N.S.; Joan (Ronald) of Awitt of Seabright, Barbara Warrell of Seabright, N.S.; and grandchildren, Harry (Anne) of B.C. and Percy (Glen) of Seabright, N.S. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Salvation Army or to the Salvation Army of Seabright. The family thanks everyone for their love and support.

Eunice (née Rowe) Childers was born May 25, 1933, in Vernon, B.C., and died July 24, 2010, in Red Deer, Alta. She is preceded
by her son, Jason, and her sister Marjorie Doyle. Surviving sisters Ruth Rowe and Florence Hanson, of Lacombe, Alta.; brothers Robert (Lilya) of Lacombe, Alta., and Arthur (Lavin) of Florence, Ala.

Daniel Patrick Cuskick was born Jan. 30, 1932 in Canonsburg, Pa., and died July 5, 2010. He is predeceased by his brother Charles. Surviving wife Valerie Sheela (née Blackstock) Cuskick.

Wolfgang Ludwig Hackenberg was born Oct. 31, 1897, in Großenhain, Germany, and died Nov. 3, 2009, in Olds, Alta. Wolf served as a caretaker at the Foothills Camp in Red Deer County, Alta. for nearly 20 years and touched the lives of campers and camp staff alike. Wolf is predeceased by his brother, Conrad. Surviving wife Elizabeth Anna "Bennie"; daughter Melanie Worrall; and sister Regina of Onoway, Alta.

Oliver Rice (nee Hamilton) Pinder was born June 23, 1913, in Riverton, Sask., and died Nov. 5, 2010, in Kelowna, B.C. Oliver graduated from Rosthern Junior Seminary in a nurses in 1936 and later served her local church as a Sabbath School teacher, pianist, and greeter. She is predeceased by her husband, Clarence, her son Ivan, her sister May Hamilton Hyde; and her brother Harold. Surviving: wife, Helen (nee Mahabee); stepson, Joe (Pamela) Mahabee of Saint John and Tony Mahabee of Fort Hardy, B.C.; brothers, Victor (Ellen) of St. Thomas, Ont., and Vincent of Saint John; sisters, Elsie (Marvin) Mugford of Toronto, Ont., Valerie (Russell) Stockhouse of Halifax, N.S., and Marilyn (George) Bruce of Saint John.

Ruby Larson was born Dec. 21, 1912, in New Norway, Alta., and died Dec. 10, 2010, in Weyaskuin, Alta. She is predeceased by her brothers Ernst and Ray, her half-brothers Lenard and Elmer Elvedahl, and her sisters Leola, Surviving: brother Orval of Victoria, B.C. and sister Marjorie Saylor of Strathmore, Alta.

Agatha Helen "Kitty" (nee Hill) Marade was born May 6, 1923, in Oshawa, Ont., and died Apr. 21, 2010, in Oshawa. Kitty was the founder and first editor of the New Star Church in Vancouver, B.C., and served as a member of the B.C. Conference. Kitty is predeceased by her parents Joshua and Martha, her brothers Irvine Gay, James Joseph Hill, and Richard Hill, and her sisters Rona Mattice and Mabel Bennett. Surviving husband Leonard; sons Brian (Audrey) and Leonard (Shirley); daughters Marilyn, Alysia, Deraine, Brenda (Reg), and Velma (All); brothers Clarence (Shirley) Gay and Bernard (Max) Gay; sisters Helen (Ron) Martin, Madeline (David) Collins, Ilia Franklin, Joanne Periccone, and Sharon Hill; 20 grandchildren; and 38 great-grandchildren.

Carmen Skimmer was born Apr. 21, 1957, in Camden East, Ont., and died Dec. 17, 2010, in Kingston, Ont. Carmen was a dedicated worker with the local food drive and volunteered at a local soup kitchen. Carmen is predeceased by her parents, Keith and Ethel. Surviving: wife, Darlene (nee Thorton); brother Ron (Doris) of Mississauga, Ont., and Gordon of Napavine, Ont., Ross (Dorothy) of Berwick, N.S., and James (Theresa) of Camden East; sisters Grace (Earl) Woodcock of Camden East; Sharon (Wilmer) Frew of Enterprise, Ont., Karen (Jim) McDonald Skimmer of Kingston, and Keith (Reg) Robillard of Kingston.

Evelyn (nee Goertzen) Trefz was born Nov. 5, 1935, in Elmwood, Man., and died Oct. 27, 2010, in West Kelowna, B.C. Evelyn served as secretary to the administrator of Rosthern Junior Seminary in 1957. Evelyn wrote articles which were published in Adventist Review, Signs of the Times, Life and Health, and Guide. Surviving: husband, Kenneth; sons, Dwayne (Colleen) of Homedale, Idaho, and Darrell (Debra) of Delia, Alta; daughters, Judy of Spokane, Wash., and Debra (Marc) of Spokane; nine grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

Dorothy (nee Eaton) Watts was born Dec. 4, 1937, in Hillsdale, Ohio, and died Nov. 8, 2010, in Silver Spring, Md. Dorothy served as a missionary in Indonesia for 27 years, where she founded the Sunshine Orphanage and Children's Home, and served as Women's Ministry Director at the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. She was the author of seven books, including three juvenile devotionals. Dorothy is predeceased by her parents, Oliver and Estelle, her brothers, James and Donald. Surviving: husband, D. Ronald; sons, Stephen (Marjula) of Kitchener, Ont., and David (Sally) of Woodbridge, Va.; daughter, Esther (Steven) Rapert of Silver Spring; six grandchildren.

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