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A Letter to the Editor, Current Adventist REVIEW:

"Don't Forget the Offering"

"I couldn't agree more with Sandra Blackmer and her editorial "Why attend Sabbath School?" (Apr. 19, 2012). Blackmer points out that one of the reasons for Sabbath school is that it has a consistent world mission focus and helps finance missions. I like the idea of world mission offerings! I understand that Sabbath school offerings are the largest source of financing for our church's mission work.

"Since our family lived in Singapore as missionaries for almost 12 years, I realize more than ever how very important Sabbath school mission offerings are. I can't help but wonder how many members really give to Sabbath school mission offering.

"In many churches I have attended over the years the offering plate is passed for Sabbath school expense. Nothing is even mentioned about putting a mission offering in the envelope and marking it as mission offering to contribute to our mission work.

"It's so easy to put money into the offering plate that very few people give mission offerings. This, no doubt, is the reason our mission Sabbath school offerings have declined. It's high time to let it be known to all members who want to help with the mission work to make sure it happens.

"The same is true for church offerings. It seems so selfish that in most churches all the loose money in the offering plate goes for church budget rather than for the special offering designated by the conference or General Conference. I wish something could be done to change this trend.

"Let's get God's work finished; giving the gospel to all the world so that Jesus can come soon!" --Lillian R. Guild, Loma Linda, California ~~~~~~~~~~~~

II. Death of Dr. G. Gordon Hadley

   1. Robert E. Manley <remanley@comcast.net> July 3

"G. Gordon Hadley, MD, Dean Emeritus and Professor in the Department of Pathology and Human Anatomy, passed away on Friday, June 29 at the age of 91. Dr. Hadley served as Dean of the School of Medicine of Loma Linda University from 1977-1986. His career spanned more than six decades and his contributions to Loma Linda University were rivaled only by his contributions to overseas mission work. During his career he received numerous awards, including the LLUAHSC Lifetime Service Award, LLUSM Alumnus of the Year Award, LLUSM Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award, and San Bernardino County Medical Society Award for Outstanding Contribution to Medicine. . . ."

"Dr. Hadley was introduced to service perspectives early in his childhood. Growing up in Washington, D. C., he observed this value modeled not only by his parents in their home, but also in his physician father's selfless ministry to society's underprivileged; and what he saw made a profound, lifelong impression. More than anything, he wanted to become a physician.

"Dr. Hadley's graduation from the College of Medical Evangelists (CME, renamed Loma Linda University in 1961) as a member of the class of 1944-B was preceded by the bombing of Pearl Harbor, modification of the medical school curriculum to ensure early completion of his class, and an abbreviated internship. He subsequently was drafted and
assigned to the 138th Evacuation Hospital, which served the 15th Army in Europe. Following his discharge from the military in 1946, he completed a three-year residency in pathology at CME (one of the first four physicians to enroll in this residency), then moved to the city division, as the Los Angeles Campus of CME was then known, to join the medical school teaching staff.

"From 1949 until Loma Linda University (LLU) consolidated its two campuses in 1962, Dr. Hadley taught not only at CME/LLU; but also on church mission assignments at medical colleges in Vellore, India (1955-1958), and on multiple occasions in Kabul and Jalalabad, Afghanistan.

"For nearly ten years beginning in 1977, Dr. Hadley served as Dean of LLU School of Medicine. In 1986, he accepted an invitation to become director of the General Conference Health and Temperance Department, where he served until 1991. Upon his return to the medical faculty at LLU, Dr. Hadley fulfilled a request made in 1990 by Dr. B. Lyn Behrens, then Dean of the School of Medicine, that he serve as a mentor for the class of 1994. In his role as student physician, he reported his experiences to the Curriculum Committee.

"In 1994, Dr. Hadley responded affirmatively to a request that he assume leadership of a new medical facility in Hangzhou, China, Sir Run Run Shaw Hospital (SRRSH). Shortly after its opening, he became chief executive officer, a position he held until 2001. Thanks in large part to the pioneering role he played, SRRSH today enjoys a reputation as one of the premier hospitals in Asia.

"In 2001, when the decision was made that Kabul Medical Institute would rebuild its curriculum, which, like the country, had been devastated by the ravages of two decades of war, school officials turned once more to Dr. Hadley, who for forty years had helped anchor the global outreach of Loma Linda University in this region. In response to yet another opportunity to serve, Dr. Hadley prepared to relocate with his wife, Alphie (Alice Ruth Wagner Hadley), to Kabul no later than early autumn. Although these plans were delayed after the events of September 11, Dr. Hadley did return for some months and continued to exert an influence on the region through his legacy of former students who now hold positions of influence in the government and in NGOs and other health-related endeavors." . . .

"In recognition of his contributions not only to this academic and health care community, but also to the broader community of the world church, Dr. G. Gordon Hadley received the Loma Linda University Adventist Health Sciences Center Lifetime Service Award at the Conferring of Degrees for the School of Medicine last year."

2. Steve & Patty (Hadley) Atchison <stevenmaitchison@gmail.com> July 6:

G. Gordon Hadley, born to Henry and Anna Hadley of Washington, D. C. on May 3, 1921, died peaceably in his sleep Friday, June 29 at the age of 91.

He never regained consciousness after emergency abdominal surgery. He complained of abdominal pain the day before and was admitted to Loma Linda University Medical Center where it was decided to operate for a possible appendicitis. After surgery the family was informed he had only two hours to live. His wife Alphie, and children Walter and Bonnie and one grandchild with her husband were present around his bed when he passed. Patty was blessed to speak to her father before he died by phone from Thailand where she and her husband are working at Chiangmai Adventist Academy.

Dr. Hadley served with his wife and two children at Christian Medical College as Professor of Pathology at Vellore, South India 1955 - 1958. During this time a precious addition joined the family, Bonnie Shireen. He also served on numerous occasions in Afghanistan. The family always enjoyed memories of their time in India and Afghanistan, many of his students and colleagues have been lifetime friends.

The family would like to invite all who knew Dad to attend his memorial service at the Loma Linda University Church this Sabbath after vespers at 7:30 pm. Or it is possible to watch the memorial on the internet at www.lluc.org. Those interested may also go to the Loma Linda University School of Medicine's home page to read more about Dad at web page: <llu.edu/medicine>

III. Khun Khak--A Testimony Worth Reading

--Prayers Among Buddhists eNewsletter, 1st of July, 2012

"You believe in people too easily. You are just eating off of the foreigners." Khun Khak told her roommate. She was concerned and afraid that Muy was accepting what she heard without really checking it out.
But one day when she was feeling very discouraged with her life, she fell to the ground and called out, "To whomever was in the heavens...was it angels? My life is too difficult."

"Thank you to everyone for praying for me to know Jesus," Khun Khak expressed as she began to share with me her story:

Three women from our team had made friends with her in the process of studying the Bible with her roommate. Often when they would come to study with Muy, Khak would leave and do other things, but often she would join them. At first she was just curious. But as she heard more she wanted to prove these teachings for herself. She really believed the Buddhist way and did not want anyone to deceive Muy, or herself.

"I still was not real confident. Muy would bring home books. I began to read some of them when Muy was not in the house, without telling her."

Someone then gave Khak a little book of the story of Jesus. "I read it. It said I should give my life to God. I read the whole thing and decided to give myself to Him that day."

One of the three ladies told Khak to pray about anything difficult in her life. "One day we did not have money to pay the electricity. Okay, I will pray for that. That day someone brought 1000 baht to us. There was money for the electric bill. I said to myself, "There IS a God!"

Psalm 34:8 became a special verse to her. "I began to learn more about things that God created, about eating." A couple from the church had a friend from south Thailand visit and the three came over to see Khak. They taught her many things and told her she ought to read the Bible. Although she did not feel confident to take the Bible, she began to read it anyway.

She studied about eating for health; she opened to Leviticus and learned about clean and unclean things; she learned where things were found in the Bible. "I began to study more and learn more and more about the Bible. I saw that God had supernatural powers and was very great. In the meantime I prayed that God would bless us in the things we did not have especially. I learned how to give my heart to Jesus, to make sure it is given to Him. I learned about giving tithe. Muy would put aside our tithe for when we would go to church next. One day she asked me if we could take some tithe to meet a need. We decided to test and see if that was okay to do. We found it was not okay. We had troubles. God could not bless us. We were taught to trust in the Lord. Now it is good and when we are tempted to use tithe, we know that it is not what we do.

"Before I knew God I liked to gamble, to play the lottery. But God has taught us that is not the way. I am happy to have given that up. I am happy to be on His side."

"Whenever I was discouraged or tired, I pray and find a verse that speaks to my heart and gives me courage. Psalm 34:4: 'I sought the Lord and He heard me... ' Jesus helps me to know He is beside me all the time. It makes me have courage when I read this text, and peace when afraid; it makes me not afraid any more. It is a promise between God and me. 'If you seek me, I will help you.' Whatever God promises He will do, in whatever we face.

"When I used to have problems I did not know who to turn to ask. But now I have God and I can tell God my Father. He is someone we can tell all our problems to and He will help us. Muy and I would argue many times. We would have to separate and not talk to each other. But because we have God, we have asked Him to help us and change us. Praise God for the patience He has given us. We are still sinners. But now there is no story big enough to argue about any more. He has given us courage and changed our hearts.

"It is like living at home when you are small and knowing Mom is there and will take care of everything."

What is Khak's favorite part of the Bible? She likes Job and then Psalms, when she is struggling or suffering. When she feels like she is having a difficult time, she will read in Matthew or the other gospels and pray. When trouble with neighbors or people say bad things, she reads the Sermon on the Mount. It helps her to see Jesus' example, how He responded to people. "I learn from Jesus' life." An example that she shared: a neighbor spit at her, not on her, but as an expression of disgust. It made her feel bad. In that moment she thought about Jesus and when He was spit on. Jesus prayed for them and asked for a blessing on them. It gave her peace in her heart. "I encourage all of you to be patient and endure all the suffering that you meet; to truly seek after God with all your heart. God will convert you and make you new. Thank you for the opportunity to share. I feel so happy and joyful to be able to do this. God bless each of you."

Khak and her roommate Muy were baptized in December 2010. They continue to have a special witness to those around them, both in their neighborhood, and at church.

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IV. A SULADS Story, "Threat of Death Leads to Bible Study"

By Felimon Gargasin, GO Worker, Camp 6, Baguio, Philippines
Although Anita Pasqual was the niece of the former president of Northern Luzon Mission, Pastor Larry Fier, Anita's immediate family were not Seventh-day Adventists. Therefore, she attended government schools for her education. Upon finishing college, Anita was employed as an auditor for the National Food Authority that purchases rice and other commodities and makes it available to be sold to the Filipino people.

While auditing one account, she discovered a disappearance of twenty-three million pesos of public funds. That would be equivalent to over a half million US dollars. As a result of her revealing this discrepancy, the lady responsible was imprisoned. This lady threatened to kill all those involved in the investigation. One who was a witness to the crime has disappeared and presumed dead.

Anita was afraid for her life. Her husband and their two children are also fearful that the lady would send someone after them.

One day, Anita went to visit her parents. They urged her to make contact with Larry Fier. She found the pastor and he prayed for her that she would not become a victim of this criminal.

I was informed of what was happening and made contact with Anita. I comforted her and prayed with her. She agreed to study the Bible with me. We have gone through the Bible studies and Anita and her children are now ready for baptism. Her husband could not take the pressure and left Anita and the children alone.

I praise the Lord that I was available for God to use me in bringing hope to Anita and her family.

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