I. **Wedding Bells**

Audrey Wilcox and Gordon Bullock, who have in recent years lost their spouses of many years in death. Both families served many years in the Far East and more than a dozen years working together in Indonesia where Gordon was the Union Treasurer and Wendell Wilcox was the Union President. The marriage will be held in Yountville, California at 2 p.m., August 19. Audrey and Gordon express appreciation for our prayers that God will guide and bless them as a couple joining their hearts and families.

II. **Officer Change in Sri Lanka**

Since Larry and Rhonda Brown are completing their term in Sri Lanka and have asked for PR, a call has been given to Larry Colburn to serve as president of that field until a full-time replacement can be made. The Colburns, Larry and Carole, will be arriving in Colombo in early September to overlap a little timewise with the Browns. Let us all pray for both families and praise Lord for the blessings they brought/will bring to that Serendipitous island (Once, in its ancient history, the Arab traders called it Serendib.)

Add Brooke Sadler <cabins@usit.net>

Elder Colburn served in the old Far Eastern Division for years and completed his regular denomination service as assistant to GC president, Jan Paulson. Larry & Carol retired to Newport TN where they have taken a dying church to a membership nearing 100 and a wonderful new church building on a hill in town that witnesses to an almost previously a dark county.

III. **Malaysia’s Mobile Medical Ministry**

At 7:00 one morning a nurse and two church workers got out of a van at a market to set up tables, plastic stools, and two red canopies.

The trio, all wearing white polo shirts with red trim, set up their booth not to sell produce, meats or trinkets like nearby hawkers, but instead to conduct health screenings sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

This full-time ministry, called Hope on Wheels, operates five days a week to offer basic health assessment and comfort to those who may be experiencing severe health challenges. With obesity on the rise, some are surprised to learn that they may have diabetes.

For not selling, the team does a brisk business. Dozens visit the booth over the next three hours as the team offers tests for blood pressure, glucose, and body mass index. . . .

The ministry, launched in February, is an ultralocal operation, one that was made possible by, literally, an extraordinary gift. A multimillion-dollar tithe contributed by the Adventist world church in 2007, dubbed 'extraordinary
tithe,' established funds to ramp up projects worldwide, especially in the 10/40 window. . . where more than 60% of the world’s population lives . . . of which less than 2% are Christian. . .

"We are trying to create awareness of the Seventh-day Adventist Church,' said Leong Fai, president of the Church’s Peninsular Malaysian Mission, home to about 5,200 Adventists. . .

"Before Hope on Wheels, many people didn’t know about the Adventist Church like they do in Penang." Fai said of the island 200 miles to the north, home to Penang Adventist Hospital, which owns a bakery, 'Adventist' brand bread is found in stores in Greater Kuala Lumpur. . ."

--selected paragraphs from Ansel Oliver's article in the August ADVENTIST WORLD ~~~~~~~~~~~ IV. George Johnson to Pakistan, Again

George Johnson <georgeandmerniej@cs.com> August 16:

'For the past 8-9 years I have served Gospel Outreach as the Area Director for Pakistan. I was recruited for that by James Campbell who serves Gospel Outreach in North India. When I chided him about speaking Hindi and being able to cross the border, he merely said to me.... "But you speak Urdu and Punjabi and know Pakistan so much better than I do". In any event, I volunteered and began my work. Gospel Outreach uses only volunteers to serve on their staff in the homeland and provides stipends for over 2,000 Bible Workers overseas who are largely in India but focus on work in the 10/40 window.

After several trips to Pakistan I came to know the workers and leaders in that country. Till 2011 the Pakistan Union was under the supervision of the Trans European Division. In the fall of 2011 the General Conference Annual Council assigned Pakistan to the supervision of the SSD (Southern Asia Pacific Division). As SSD took over, they realized that there were several issues which needed to be resolved and they invited me to join them on a Commission to visit Pakistan to address some of the challenges of the work there. As you know, from 1968 to 1983, Mernie and I had served in Pakistan including leadership positions as Secretary of the PKU from 1972-1976 and as President of the PKU from 1983. In 1983 we moved to the FED to serve in the Southeast Asia Union as President 1983-1993 and as Ministerial Secretary of the FED from 1993-1997. Thus we knew and understood both the work in the Pakistan Union and we also were well acquainted with colleagues from the SSD.

In any event after the work of the Commission ceased in July, there was a change of leadership in Pakistan and the SSD leadership requested me to assist in the Pakistan Union as the interim President till a new leadership team could be put in place.

I will be leaving for Pakistan at the end of August for several weeks. Then back to the U.S. for the Annual Council and from here back to Manila to SSD for the year-end meetings of the Division (Nov 2-7) and then back to Pakistan for the months of November and December. During this time we will seek the council of the leaders and members in Pakistan in the selection process. I spent this past weekend in Loma Linda meeting with over 100 members and former leaders. All of them look forward to the future and have pledged their support to assist in God's work in Pakistan. Please pray for each of them and for the work there. Though Satan has been working, we know there is a God above who holds hand over His beloved church. Please pray for the selection process and for the SSD as they support the work of the church in that large country.

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V. Collecting Mission and Missionary Stories

Sarah K. Asaftei <sarah@skamediaproductions.com>

I'm an Adventist pastor's wife and professional who grew up as a little girl with a voracious appetite for reading. Mission stories were my "fairy tales" and adventures, and they strongly shaped the adult I have become. Now that I have children of my own, I have a renewed passion to share that mission heritage and legacy with them and their peers in the next generation.

I see so many elderly missionaries who are growing older without having their legacy of experience and their stories captured for the next generation, and I'd like to change that. For the past 10 years I've been working for the church (GC/TED) in film production and marketing, and I want to start a project of filming short stories from the lives of retired missionaries.

Please feel free to watch my team's current prayer story project at www.answered.tv, and see our other professional portfolio at www.skamediaproductions.com.
At this point, I am collecting names and contact information of those who might be willing to share their stories if we brought a film crew to them. We have a solid production plan, but do not yet have funding. However, I feel called to make this project a reality, and I'm going to explore every funding option I can find.

Would readers of this newsletter contact me at the e-mail address above if they have suggestions for stories and for older missionaries to be interviewed. I’d really love to know what you think! And we'd be super grateful if you’d pass it on to as many friends and family as you can - the fundraising campaign only allows 30 days to get to our goal, so momentum is important!

[Forwarded to Newsletter by JoAnne Lafever <ymscsprin@gmail.com>] ~~~~~~~~~~ VI. FEA Reunion Coming Up Next Year--Plan NOW

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The large bi-annual FEA Reunion will be held at Sandycove on the Chesapeake in Maryland -- JULY 26-28, 2013 It's about 1.5 hours drive from Baltimore airport. The Reunion will start Friday night and finish after breakfast Sunday morning.

It’s a beautiful spot - have a look at <www.sandycove.org> or <http://www.sandycove.org/promo-videos/FarEastern.html>. If you click on the YOUR EVENT tab and then ACCOMMODATION you can see the options in the motel complex (150 rooms) which is the most expensive. However, there are other alternatives, - though not as many as the motel rooms, so they have to be booked soon to avoid disappointment. Other groups can block book the same weekend as us - which is why it's "first come first served".

The cabins sleep 8 and come with sheets and towels $198 per person age 18 and above.

The rustic cabins sleep 6 and you have to bring your own sheets and towels $138 per person age 18 and above; there are campsites and RV hook-ups. Max 8 people per camp site. $118 per person aged 18 and above.

Costs for children accompanying adult and staying in any of the above options:

$98 per person aged 12-17
$58 per person aged 4-11
Free aged 0-3

All above prices are for the weekend and include 5 vegetarian meals.

You can book the motel on-line by watching the FEA promo video. The password is FEA13

Any of the other accommodation options have to be booked over the phone - 1-800-234-2683. MENTION YOU'RE PART OF THE FEA REUNION.

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Hope to see as many of you as possible at the reunion!

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VII. Appeal from Gospel Outreach

Manzoor Massey <mindrealignment@att.net> July 30:

For the past few years, I have had the privilege to serve as the Regional Director for Gospel Outreach, a supporting ministry to the Seventh-day Adventist church. It has over 2,200 Gospel Outreach Workers around the world with a payroll of nearly $200,000 a month. It is comprised of businessmen and women who love and support God's work in the 10/40 window. This area comprises many countries with a population of over two billion, where nearly 97% have never heard the word of God.
Elder Ted Wilson, the President of General Conference, recently taped an interview that will appear on many television outlets that air Gospel Outreach programs. In this video, Elder Wilson highlights a bold and proactive initiative undertaken by Gospel Outreach. This initiative is:

" Adopt-a-Worker" program. Many churches in North America and Canada would be requested to get involved. The response is already heartwarming. Many believers are homesick for heaven and want our Lord to come soon. They want to share the good news with the world.

The world population reached seven billion this year. Almost 227,000 new faces are added each day to this growing mass of humanity, that means 83 million new individuals each year. In Matt. 24:14, we are reminded by Jesus that the Gospel has to be preached in all the world so that the character of God and Satan would be visible to each person beyond a shadow of doubt. This is a tall order, and beyond human reach. However, God has promised that in the last days, He would do what we never imagined.

Those who believe that the Lord is coming soon, much sooner than we expect, must seek God's guidance to be on His "Search and Rescue Team" to reach His children who don't fully know about Him. So the "Adopt-a-Worker program is aimed at reaching people in the 10/40 window.

Gospel Outreach is gifted with very high tech volunteers. When you sponsor a worker:
(a) You will know the name of the village(s) where they will be assigned;
(b) You will receive monthly update from your sponsored worker about the results of your investment in the assigned territory;
(c) You will receive photographs and stories of people receiving Bible studies;
(d) You will receive pictures of those who are baptized as a result of your investment;
(e) You will be invited to accompany our team to visit the villages where the work started as a result of your family's investment.

I am greatly blessed by my association with Gospel Outreach. I invite you to join me and many others who are part of this great organization so together we can finish God's work and go home with our Savior.

Please pray and share this with people within your circle of influence.

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VIII. Letter

1. Ian Grice <ieghg@hotmail.com> August 17:

So sad to hear of the present health condition of D. R. L. Astleford. If ever a man breathed and lived for publishing it was him. No doubt he will have many in Heaven who acknowledge his part in their conversion. It must be difficult for Della and their children to see him in this state and our hearts go out to the family at this time. DRL was always the proper Englishman and referred to me as the Chancellor of the Exchequer which was a reflection of his English orientation.

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IX. Pakistan's Adventist Seminary & College

Since Pakistan is now a part of the Southern Asia-Pacific Division, the Division paper, the Outlook, introduces the Pakistan Union and its institutions to its readers. The following is from the just-received Outlook:

"Pakistan Adventist Seminary and College is located about 60 kilometers west of Lahore on the Sargodha Road at Farooqabad Mandi. Pakistan Adventist Seminary developed from a small Seventh-day Adventist boys' school founded on the present property in 1923. In 1939 it became a coeducational institution with the integration of the Seventh-day Adventist girls' from Chichoki Mallian. Steady growth followed as students came from all parts of the Punjab and Northwest India.

"After the partition of India and Pakistan in 1947, a new period began, necessitating the development of a program on the tertiary level. In 1957 Pakistan Adventist Seminary was authorized by the Southern Asia Division of Seventh-day Adventists (SUD) to begin a two-year Junior (Intermediate) Seminary program. After several years authorization came to develop a Senior (Higher) Seminary, and the first graduates received their degrees in 1970.

The Seminary now incorporates the Lower Seminary (years 1-8), Middle Seminary (years 9-10), and Higher Seminary (years 11-15). The Seminary is an institution administered by the Pakistan Union which has been a part of the territory of the Trans-European Division of Seventh-day Adventist (TED) since 1985.
"The college offers degrees in Business with emphasis on information technology, marketing, management and accountancy as well as degrees in Religion, Education and Bachelor of Science. A good number of graduates have landed jobs in Dubai, England, USA/Canada, South Africa, and Thailand.

"The college has strong relationships with the local community and government. The college also owns a 15-acre farm that contracts local workers to produce rice, tomatoes, and watermelon. A community learning center for K-12 Muslim students is also provided by the college."

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