I. Letters
   1. Paul Emerson <emersonopa@gmail.com> October 1:

   I am in Indonesia for the third time this year! February and March my wife and I were first in Bandung, Java leading out in putting a new roof on the Publishing House which has been leaking badly for too long. Then we went to Toraja View Academy to work on projects there. The second trip brought me back to Toraja to help the school again and have the wedding of the dean of girls. Herlina wanted an outdoor wedding! I said "Why not!! Just one additional thing, we need to have plan B!" "What is that she asked?" "We must have a place planned inside just in case it rains!" June 26 came and it was a beautiful day and the first known outdoor wedding took place and it all went off perfectly.

   I took an all-night bus from Toraja to the Makassar airport and flew to Surabaya then took another plane to Palangkaraya, South Kalimantan (Borneo) and met Welty Tambunan and the next day we started looking for land to start an Agriculture and Trade School. It is a story I will tell next time.

   Now I am back for the third time in Indonesia this year and have Don Dinges and Bill Ringer, volunteers here with me and we are helping add eight rooms to the girls dorm here at Toraja View Academy. An influx of girls has as many as 6 girls in a room. October 17, I will be flying into Kalimantan to help plan the campus and begin to build at the new school. Anyone who hears God's voice speak to you and you are convicted to help with this project in some way, please contact Pastor Paul Emerson <emersonopa@gmail.com> or call or text me at 805-901-0445 ~~~~~~

II. Death of Elden Smith

   My beloved husband and friend, Elden Lamar Smith, passed away on Thursday, September 27, 2012. He had multiple myeloma, cancer of the blood plasma. Memorial service is on Sunday, September 30, 2012, at the Chula Vista SDA Church, Chula Vista, CA.

   He was scheduled to fly to the Philippines on October 2, 2013 to hold 16 days of evangelical meetings. Bible workers have already prepared 300 precious souls for baptism.

   So, to fulfill Elden's wishes, I will fly to the Philippines on October 2, and help out with the meetings. Please pray for me. Elden has done his part. Now it is my turn. May God bless you all.

III. Obituary of Bruce Wickwire, Sr.

   "Bruce M. Wickwire, Sr. of Collegedale passed away Thursday, Sept. 27, 2012.

   "Born on Dec. 2, 1915, in Inavale, Neb., he spent many years serving as publishing director in several conferences, unions, and finally as the publishing director of the World Church of Seventh-day Adventists. He served not only in the U.S. but in Asia and Europe as well. After retiring, he authored two books: 'Bold Journey' and 'Gospel in Shoes.'

   "Left to mourn are his wife, Adele Wickwire; children, Barbara Clemons, Linda (Jim) Breedlove, Bruce (Victoria) Wickwire, Jr.; 13 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren.
"A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday, October 7 in the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church with Pastors Peter Read, David Smith, and Wolf Jedamski officiating." --from the Chattanooga Times/Free Press, Sept. 30, 2012

Terence Maddocks <terence.maddons@gmail.com> Sept. 16

ORPHANAGE NEWS

The orphanage currently has 172 children resident. Two young people moved out to employment, while one runaway begged to return to his education when the real world got to tough to live in.

We also gained three youngsters, Mey (11 year old boy), Arn (13 yr old boy with one limp arm), and Srei Yee (a very cute 7 year old girl). The three siblings have a living father who is landless, homeless, an upper leg amputee and a chronic alcoholic. When I went to assess the children in a remote village near the Thai border, I found them living in a neighbors house, changing location from night to night with the only clothing that which they had on. After agreeing to take the children and getting the paper work done with the local village leader, the three kids piled in the car. I was surprised that they did not say good bye to their father, and I encouraged them to do so. All they managed was a limp wave. Life must have been tough. They certainly have not looked back since arriving here. They made friends immediately and after a couple of days it was as if they had been here all their lives. All three of them are in grade one as they have never been to school.

STUDIO NEWS

We now have 13 on the SALTCAM Media team. Our team is made up of Caleb (virtual set designer and all purpose technician), Shannon (3D animator/Special effects), Kreal Sophear (Producer/Director), Dimonge and Somrich Sophear (Children's program illustrators), Sanal (Producer/Director), Dina (translator/Health program coordinator), Dani (translator), Ly (Cooking show producer/Office assistant), Niet (Illustrator/Sound women), Sameth, Sokhun and Pisei (Studio Evangelists/Presenters in training). Gemma, one of our volunteers is also working part-time on music and will be training Niet. Work has been slow, with each of the team members learning on the job, but we hope to have as much as 70 hours of productions finished by the middle of 2013.

Currently our only outreach within Cambodia is by distributing discs.

Internationally we have viewers in France, USA, Canada and Australia who are watching our productions on Youtube. The most popular shows are the cooking shows, but Final Events and Ted Wilson’s GC sermon have both been watched to the end by more than 100 viewers. Men are our most frequent viewers over the internet and most are watching on mobile devices. We continue to plan ahead for the day when we will have enough productions to provide the Cambodian people with a 24/7 channel of Christian programming.

V. Sweetie Ritchil's Morning Watch, Oct. 5:

--from RENEW, the women's morning devotional book for 2012

"The Lord Knows Best"

"Psalm 143:8"

"I was traveling from Los Angeles to Arizona and was really worried because Arizona was a new destination for me. Moreover it would be almost night when I arrived there. I had reserved a taxi, but I didn't know how everything would work out. My heart was pounding. My uncle and I both prayed before I left on my journey, asking that God would take care of all the details.

"When I arrived at the airport, I looked around for any familiar face. A small voice guided me toward a woman who was eating ice cream. As I sat behind her, a voice again prompted me to ask her where she was going."

"'I'm here to attend some philanthropic meetings.' she responded.

"My heart started beating faster. 'You mean the ones at the I.W. Marriott hotel?'"

"Yes, those were the ones, the same meetings I had come to attend. Both of us were so happy to find each other and become friends right there at the airport. I just thanked the Lord! We then exchanged names, and I learned that her name was Jasmine.

"When we arrived at the hotel, I went to the registration desk to get my room number and the key. The clerk asked me for the room rent for the entire meeting session: $729. I brought it out of my purse, but then she said, 'You have to pay $250 more as security. It will be refunded.'"

"'I'm sorry; I didn't receive any information about that. I only have $280 for my food and return taxi. Being a foreigner in the United States, I don't have a credit card.'"
"What was I going to do? I had traveled so far, and now this. Just then Jasmine came forward and told the clerk, 'Here is my credit card. Put my name as her security.'

"I was speechless! Once again I thanked the Lord for His leading. How wonderful is our God! When we surrender fully to Him, He clears the way before we even think about it. Don't you want to surrender to Him fully right now, without hesitation?

"Happy are those who make the Lord their trust.' (Ps. 40:4 NRSV)"

["Sweetie Ritchel writes from Bangladesh, where she is the treasurer for the union mission, and has served the church in different financial areas. She has been involved with children’s Sabbath school and is women’s ministries and Dorcas director. She loves Bible reading. composing religious songs, writing articles, and finding ways to help the helpless."] ~~~~~~~~~ VI. Burma Vignettes-- Early Missionaries # 3

Mervin Myat Kyaw mervinky@yahoo.com.au and his wife Nan are Karen Adventists who worked many years in Burma and Thailand and now live and work in Australia--Mervin as School Services Officer 1 (SSO-1) in a primary school and Nan as a full-time lay minister in the Werribee Karen Church, appointed by the Victorian Conference of SDA. He has written a manuscript covering Adventism in Burma from its very beginning to the present and of his work in Thailand. He is searching for someone to edit his manuscript for publishing as a book. He has kindly given me a copy and permission to share it with readers of our FED and SUD newsletters.

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(3) L. F. Hansen (1905-06)

Mr. & Mrs. L. F. Hansen, both nurses, arrived in Rangoon a few days after the Votaws, in January, 1905.

It was just a few months before the Hansens were wanted at Government House in Rangoon. Lady White, wife of Sir Thirkell White, Lieutenant Governor of Myanmar, had fallen from her horse and suffered a severely sprained ankle. The Prince of Wales (later King George V) was coming to Myanmar and Lady White would have to entertain this royal guest, so that ankle just had to get well and quickly. The Hansens did cure her and they became lasting friends.

Through Lady White's recovery from sprained ankle, the Hansens were able to approach government officers to hire the hall, Cowasjee Terrace at the corner of Montgomery and Lewis streets, for evangelistic purposes. This hall was used as a worship place from 1905 until 1928 when the present church at the Myanmar Union Mission headquarters at 68 U Wisara Road, Yangon, was completed.

The Hansons served in Myanmar until December, 1906 -- approximately two years of very helpful, faithful service. After their return to America, they continued to witness for many years, Elder Hansen living to the ripe old age of nearly 100 years.

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VII. Spicer College President to Host Special Feast in Maryland

Rajendra Prasad <rajendraprasad2000@yahoo.com> Sept. 30:

Dr. Justus Devadas, President of Spicer Memorial College, Pune, India, extends a warm and cordial invitation to all former students, staff, faculty, friends and well-wishers of Spicer for a special Bhara Khana to be hosted at Southern Asia Seventh Day Adventist Church (SASDAC) Fellowship Hall, Maryland, USA, on Sunday, October 14, 2012 at 6:00 pm.

RSVP: <sasdac@sasdac.org> / 301-879-7222 (USA) / <president@spicermemorialcollege.org> / +91-20-25807003 / +91-9890903993

(India)

Note: RSVP is earnestly requested in order to prepare adequately for the dinner and the program. If you would like to present an item during the programme to reminisce your days at Spicer, please call 301-879-7222 or email: <sasdac@sasdac.org>.

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VIII. GC General Vice President Visits Korean School

On August 24, 2012, Pastor Delbert Baker, General Conference (GC) General Vice President, and Pastor Kwon Johng Haeng, Adventist Mission Director for the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD), visited the Hankook Sahmyook High School. All teaching staff at this school are Adventists as well as 90% of the students. They start every single day with a praise song and the reading of the Bible through the central broadcasting system.

The pastors visiting the school were so impressed with the vision of Kyung Hee Lee, President of the school, to take care of the students'
"whole-person." They were also impressed with the fine educational facilities which have a Bible class, Character Education, and a Departmentalized classroom system.

They gathered around together and had a friendly talk, encouraging many of the students, while other students were in choir practice. The pastors were so impressed by the choir's harmony. The school has put pianos everywhere in the school to allow students to play them whenever they want, especially for singing practice. These are just a few of the things which seem to say how special this school is.

Pastor Baker saw the statue of the Good Samaritan and complimented the idea of installing this statue because that is the symbol that reveals the ideology of Hankook Sahmyook. He stated that he had the statue of the Cross installed when he was president of Oakwood University.

The President also explained the plan for setting up the prayer park recently. Pastor Baker donated $500.00 USD to the school for that. He also promised that when he returned to Korea, he would preach at the Hankook Sahmyook High School. They had a meaningful time and thanked God.--from the September 16, 2012 NSD News ~~~~~~~~~ IX. A SULADS Report: God Opens the Way

--By Pastor Jeramel J. Dupagan - MPM Gospel Outreach Coordinator

During the Spanish era around 1755, the Augustinian friars were very active in converting these heathen Ibaloi into Christianity. The heathen Igorots agreed to be baptized because of their fears that their gold would be confiscated. However, while these people agreed to be baptized, they refused to give up their way of worship called canao where they invoke the spirits to bless them. This old tradition, handed down from generation to generation, is still prevalent up to this time. This makes it very difficult to reach out to them with the Good News of salvation.

A year ago, after a Quiet Hour Ministries evangelistic series, we assigned brother Josue Budayao and his family to work in this area as a Gospel Outreach worker. On the onset brother Josue Budayao had difficulty determining how to start his work. With much prayer, he started to look for people who were interested in hearing the gospel and God did not fail him.

Though only a few were interested, he did not give up until he was able to reach out to a few that he had befriended.

Last June brother Josue met Arsenio Abing, a small scale miner who seemed to be interested in religion. God led brother Josue to this family and he offered them a series of Bible studies. At the start of their Bible studies it was only Arsenio who asked several question but over time the whole family became interested in what Adventism is all about. After barely a month of Bible studies, this family decided to be baptized.

In July 2012, because of the joy they are experiencing in Christ, they were baptized. Not only that, they even offered their home to be the regular meeting place for their small group every Sabbath.

Brother Josue said, "I am very happy seeing this family growing in Christ. They involve themselves in reaching their relatives and friends for Bible studies. Indeed, when God’s people work faithfully He will not fail them. He always opens door for others to know Jesus. We are looking forward to have a church in this particular area of the work."

Brother Arsenio said, "We’re glad that we have been given the privilege of knowing the truth. We are praying that through the help of God we can bring also the truth to our relatives and friends."

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