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I. FEA Reunion Planned for July, 2013

Lis Pedersen <lis@lpbc.org> April 19:

The FEA reunion is getting closer and I hope that you are making plans to be at Sandy Cove the weekend of July 26-28.

I know there are some of you who are wanting to know who all is on the "list". The list does not come to me since each person/family registers through Sandy Cove, but I will be in touch with them and see if I can compile a list from their list of registrants. SO, please register so that you can be on the list and your friends will know that you are going to be there!

You can register by going to <sandy Cove.org>, click on the "connect" tab, then click on "register for an event". The code for our reunion is FEA13.

Please note that all rooms are the same price regardless of size. The price range begins at $350 for one person and if you have four or more people in a room the price is $185. This price includes your room, meals (Friday dinner through Sunday breakfast) and all activities. If you want to come just for Sabbath, the cost will be $59.

There are many fun activities available to guests that will make the weekend a fun experience for family members who may wish to do other things than chat with the wonderful people from FEA!

If you are planning being in the area after the reunion, we are planning to go to a Malaysian restaurant in D.C. for a mortabok dinner on Sunday evening, July 26. YUM! Please plan to join us for this!

If you know someone who is not getting these emails but wishes to, please forward it to them and have them email me. I will be happy to add them to the list.

See you in July!

Karen Van Ornam

The Great Class of '81 :)

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II. Letters

1. Barbara S. Wyman <barbwy26@gmail.com> April 19:

The opening story in today's newsletter of the passing of Ah Chu, was news to me; but I remember him well, as we taught in Myaungmya, at the Union Training School, with him, from 1953--66, with some interruptions. He was a fine teacher, & some of his children were our students in Myaungmya.

J. L. Christian was also a contemporary of my father-in-law as they escaped from the Japanese, along with Elder Hare, Elder Meleen, and Pastor Baird. We got to know his son John, when we first came to Burma in 1949.

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2. Mervin Myat Kyaw <mervinmk@yahoo.com.au> April 21:

Please allow me to add up a bit of the life sketch of Thra Phu Tah Moo.

His native village was Naungkaraing in Kayin state, Myanmar. This was also the village of Pastor Kalee Paw (Eric B. Hare's "Jungle Flower") and my father, Thra Myat Kyaw.

Thra was the younger brother of Tha Aye Sein, Eric B. Hare's assistant nurse at Ohn Daw dispensary. Tha Aye Sein was the mother of Pastor Sandy Dee, a national president of Myanmar Union Mission, who now lives at Utica, New York.
Thra married the daughter of Pastor Tha Myaing, the first Karen ordained minister. Her name was Phi Say (Miss Small).

Thra was my English teacher at Ohn Daw High School in the ’50s. He was the best English teacher in my student life. Yes, he was fluent in English, Burmese, Sgaw Karen, and of course, Pwo Karen.

III. Burma Vignettes—Early Missionaries # 29

Mervin Myat Kyaw <mervinvn@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. He has written a manuscript covering Adventism in Burma from its very beginning to the present and of his work in Thailand.

#29, Leila Baird (1926 - 33)

Leila Baird arrived Myanmar from Australia in 1926. Leila Baird came out to be the first teacher for Yangon English Church School. This school was opened by Pastor Hubley when he became the church pastor of the Yangon English Church.

Leila Baird was the sister of Harold Baird. She worked in the 1930’s. Esther Sparks, Elsie Lonsdale and Phyllis Mainstone assisted her. In 1933 she was transferred to the Vincent Hill School in India. She was a dedicated teacher and would never be forgotten by the children who were her students.

They loved their rhythmic band and the other interesting things she taught them.

After the Second World War, she returned to Yangon Church School and again she was called to Vincent Hill School.

IV. Eric B. Hare Book Published Again

Scott Cady <socad@pacificpress.com>

"Christian Storytelling" --now available after being out of print for many years!

One of the most beloved storytellers our denomination has ever had was Eric B. Hare. Children and adults alike sat spellbound as he would share stories. Many years ago Eric B. Hare took a small book about storytelling written by another great storyteller, Arthur Spaulding, and expanded and added to it. The result was, "Christian Storytelling", a classic filled with details on how to tell a great story. The book also is full of wonderful stories that can be used at church, at school, at home, and around the campfire.

This book is a MUST for all pastors, teachers, children’s storytellers, and anyone working with children.

Christian Storytelling is available at Adventist Book Centers:

1-800-765-6955

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V. When God Came Through For Young Ministerial Couple

Shirley Cadiz Aguinaldo Writing in "Blessed" --the current women’s Morning Devotion book:

"With God, No Problem"

"One sunny, beautiful morning my husband, Wilson, and I decided to go to the city to buy some goods for the weekend. As Wilson drove our van, a sticker on the back of the car ahead of us caught our attention. It was the familiar verse Psalm 23:1 written this way: 'The Lord Is My Shepherd. No Problem.' We both burst into laughter, but my memory took me back years before, to the early part of our ministry.

"Wilson was among the young district pastors the day he came home from a monthly workers' meeting. He looked worried as he handed me an envelope containing his financial statement and only P$81.50 (less that US$2). In a soft voice, he said, 'This is all we have for the whole month.'

"What?' I asked, the tears starting to rolling down my cheeks. Within the hour the landlord expected us to pay our rent: P$250. I went to our room quietly, and my husband followed without a word. Later he said, 'Try to look at my statement. The deductions have been mostly from the materials...'

His voice trailed off as I remained quiet. 'God will provide.' he consoled me. Then he suggested that we go to see different churches for the month, visiting homes during daytime and conducting seminars evenings. We were sure that we would be fed by the members, and they too would be blessed by our visits and lectures. I said, 'OK, let's pack our things, leave tomorrow, and be back just a day before another workers' meeting.'

"Just before our prayer ended, we heard a hard knock on our front door, and Wilson went immediately to see who it was. To our surprise, it was a church elder in one of the largest churches nearby. 'I won't stay long,' he said. 'I've just..."
brought the full payment for the Bible lesson guides the church got.' Then he handed us a big sum of money. My husband hugged me and exclaimed, 'Definitely, God is good all the time!'

"As we continued to follow the car, I had a smile on my face and a song in my heart. I started humming the song, 'His Eye Is on the Sparrow,'. We reached our destination where we bought the things we needed, but the encounter we had that morning reminded us that 'The Lord Is My Sheppard. No Problem!'"

[Shirley Cadiz Aguinaldo directs four ministries in the South Philippines Union Conference in Cagayan de Oro City, Philippines. She is a registered nurse, holds a master's degree in public health, and has worked as a nursing clinical instructor. She loves singing, teaching, mentoring, writing, making friends, and hosting TV family programs.] ~~~~~~~~~

VI. SULADS Story: "Killing His Comrade Brought Mario to Know God"

by Berting Ulaw, Gospel Outreach Evangelist, Southern Mindanao Mission A certain man named Mario Wali living in the midst of the forest near Lake Sebu derived his living thru hunting only. He fed his wife and six children by hunting monkeys, pigs, deer, and birds every day.

One day, he happened to meet Berting Ulaw (GO worker) who was organizing a small group in their village. Berting Ulaw tried to convince him to join the small group so he would be informed that there is a true God who governs the heaven and the earth but this man refused to join. So, Berting changed his way of getting the interest so they could be friends. He told this man that there is a school named SULADS that is intended for natives and his children are welcomed to study there for free. Through this information, he allowed his three children to study in Datal Ligaw Mission School but told Berting not to let his children worship the God whom Berting was mentioning.

One day, Mario went to the forest for hunting. He shot a pig from a distance but when he went to get it, it was not a pig but rather another hunter. He couldn't believe it for he assumed that the thing moving in the grass was a pig. He was upset because he was well acquainted with the man that he accidentally shot. Because of this incident, he sought Berting's help from the guilt he felt.

Berting told him about His God, that He has the power to forgive sins regardless of how big it is, even like what he committed. Mario consented to be Bible studies.

Through his children who are studying at the Mission School who gave him moral support and Berting Ulaw's teaching about the Bible, Mario became acquainted with Jesus Christ and accepted Him as his Lord and Savior.

Mario's whole family joined him in baptism. At present, they were active members in the newly constructed church in Datal Kodi, Lake Sebu, South Cotabato.

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VII. MK Dr. Ron Dailey Becomes Dean of LLU Dental School

Kathy Coffin Marshall <colorcat3@comcast.net> April 29:

Young Ron Dailey and his parents, Jim and Ruth Dailey, arrived in Singapore June 1958 and left Singapore in June of 1967. During those years Jim Dailey was the Business Manager at Youngberg Memorial Hospital. Ron and his sister Nancy both attended Far Eastern Academy and grade school. Ruth Dailey was teaching in the FEA elementary school some of those years. Ron himself never served as an adult in FED, but was a missionary kid. Jim passed away some years ago, but Ruth still lives in LLU area near Ron.

(My Dad, Galen Coffin, was Medical Director at Youngberg during many of the years that Jim Dailey was business manager and my mother Beth, co-taught with Ruth at FEA elementary school one year. Our families' roots go back to Rons' parents and mine overlapping at WWC together.)

[The following is selected from the April 11, 2013 Adventist Review:]

"A 38-year-old career decision has led Ronald Dailey, an educational professional, to become the fifth dean of Loma Linda University's School of Dentistry. Instead of joining the U. S. Peace Corps, which he was seriously considering in 1975, who was finishing a master's degree in educational psychology at what is now Walla Walla University in College Place, WA, came to LLU and found his life's work.

"Dailey, currently the executive associate dean at the LLU School of Dentistry, was named on March 4, 2013 to serve as the school's fifth dean, effective July 1, 2013. . ."

"Richard Hart, president and CEO of LLU Health, announced the appointment.

"Dr. Dailey's long track record makes him an obvious choice for dean, and our board confirmed that recommendation. I am delighted to welcome Ron into that position,' Hart said.
"Dailey's responsibilities have grown continually since he joined the school in June 1975 as an instructor in the Department of Preventive and Community Dentistry. In July 1978 he was promoted to assistant professor and became director of admission and student affairs, and in 1986 his title changed to assistant dean for administration and student affairs.

"Dailey was appointed associate dean for academic affairs in 1993 shortly before he was awarded the Doctor of Philosophy degree in higher and professional education from the University of Southern California in 1994 and was promoted to associate professor of the Department of Dental Educational Service in 1995 and was named the department's chair.

"Since 2009 Dailey has served as the school's executive associate dean.

... "Dailey retains a seat on the Loma Linda City Council that he won in 2009. He is married to Dr. Karen Winston, an LLU Medical Center pediatrician, and has three adult children: Casey, Colin, and Karie."

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