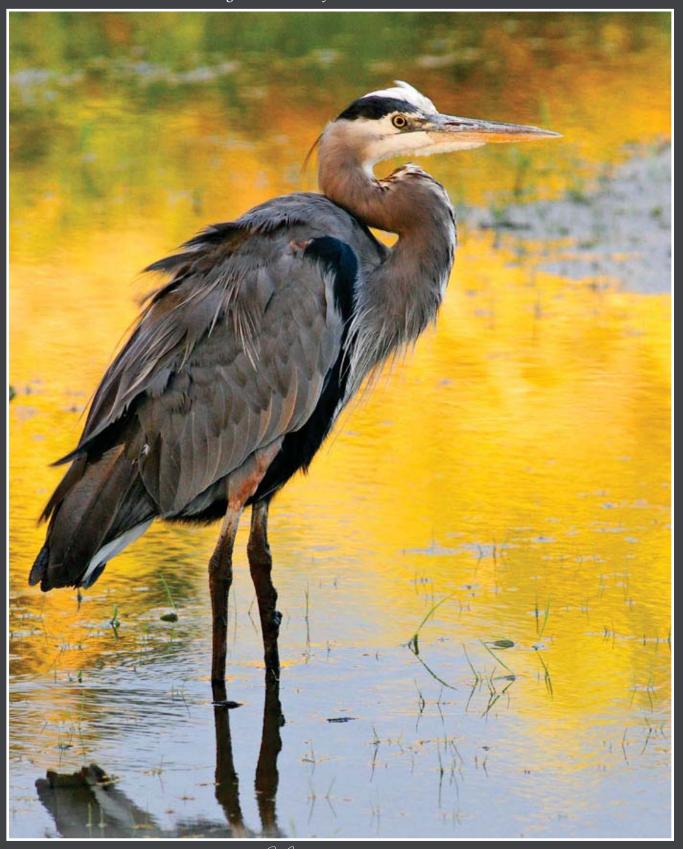
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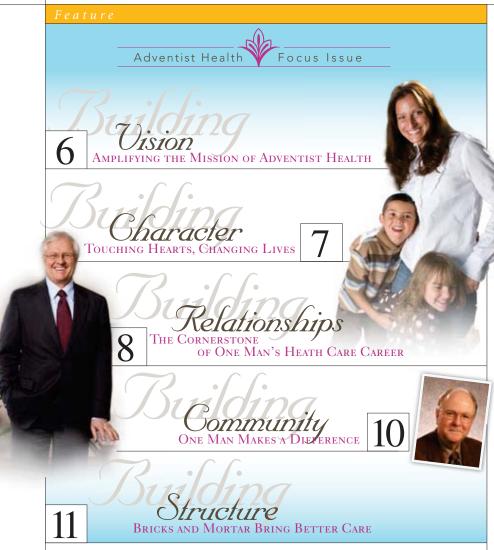
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Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings.

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Thanks to her co-workers at Walla Walla General Hospital, Deanne Porchowsky, a surgical circulating nurse, is now a member of the Walla Walla University Church.

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Builoing a Dream TWEAKING A DREAM

BY JERE PATZER

f you've ever built anything—a house, a business, even a model plane—you know that building takes time, energy and commitment. Sometimes things go exactly as planned but, more often than not, plans get tweaked.

At Adventist Health, there has been a lot of building and tweaking over the years. In the last century, health care has evolved into a complex business where regulations and reimbursement issues often seem to impede what the medical community is all about—taking care of patients.

As vice chair of Adventist Health's Board of Directors, I'm all too aware of how difficult it is to be in the health care business today. However, I am happy to report that at Adventist Health people are committed to getting things right—not just for policy makers and insurance carriers but, first and foremost, for patients. And at Adventist Health, getting it right involves ministering to the whole person—body, mind and spirit.

Once again, this special issue of the GLEANER will focus on Adventist health care, specifically Adventist Health's Northwest hospitals. As you read through the collection of stories you'll learn about how the system is building and changing—even as new construction projects are taking shape and longstanding leaders are bidding the organization farewell. You'll also discover that at Adventist Health many people find more than just physical healing—they find new ways to live life. Such is the story of Deanne Porchowsky, a nurse at Walla Walla General Hospital who became a Seventh-day Adventist because she couldn't help but notice something special about her co-workers.

As you read through this issue, I know you'll be reminded—once again—that Adventist Health builds more than hospitals, clinics and retirement centers. It is an organization that builds people and inspires them to share the wonderful message of Jesus Christ with those they come in contact with. •



Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union Conference president, writes from Ridgefield, Washington.



Health Fun Facts

In 1990, more than 31 million Americans were over 65 years old, **nearly twice the number as in 1960**. By 2020, when a large part of the baby boomer generation has passed age 65, there will be more than 50 million older Americans.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, a woman who reaches 50 years and remains free of cancer and heart disease can expect to live to her **91st birthday**. An average healthy male who is 65 years today will most likely live to see age 81.

Exercise is the closest thing to an antiaging pill that exists. People who are physically fit, eat a healthy, balanced diet, and take nutritional supplements can measure out to be 10 to 20 years biologically younger than their chronological age.

30 percent

of the characteristics of aging are genetically determined. The other 70 percent are linked to lifestyle. In the United States, as many as

250,000 deaths

per year are attributable in part to a lack of regular physical activity.

One reason heart disease is so prevalent is because of fat in the American diet, particularly **animal fat**. This type of fat **clogs the arteries** of people in Northern Europe and in the U.S, while a diet of fish and vegetables keeps Southern Europe and Japan relatively fat-free.

Calories: At age 70, a person needs **500 fewer calories** per day to maintain body weight.

Body fat: The average 65-yearold sedentary woman's body is 43 percent fat compared to 25 percent at age 25. **Exercise can help in converting fat to muscle**.

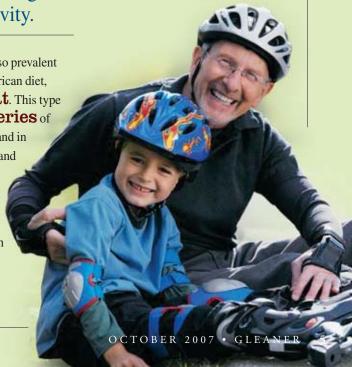
Blood pressure: Most Americans see an **increase in blood pressure with age**.

Exercise can control this.

Temperature: The body's ability to regulate temperature declines with age. Regular exercise and a healthy diet can improve this.

Bone density: Bones lose mineral content and become weaker with age, but the decrease can be slowed down with proper calcium intake

and resistance exercises.



Source: www.americanretiredpersons.com/InsuranceServices/hlthfact.htm

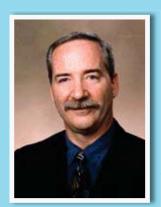


Amplifying the Mission

OF ADVENTIST HEALTH BY ROBERT G. CARMEN

he only constant in life is change and nowhere is that more evident than health care. The business of health care has transformed in the last several decades, even more so in the last few years. On the cusp of a substantial change myself, I write today—as the new president of Adventist Health—to tell you that despite changes on the horizon, our commitment to mission is as strong as ever.

This commitment is demonstrated through the very vision of Adventist Health. Through our people. Through their stories.



Robert G. Carmen, new Adventist Health president.

Through our ever-advancing technologies. And through our building for the future.

At Adventist Health, we view building as a multi-faceted concept; it's not just physical construction, but the building of people, the building of community and the building of our mission.

Throughout the next several pages, you will discover the "building" of Adventist Health.

You'll read about the retirement of Donald R. Ammon, Adventist Health president, and how he built a 43-year career in Adventist health care. You'll learn about the incredible bricksand-mortar projects throughout our system that make our health care not only safe and accessible, but state-of-the-art. You'll see how we build character in our hospitals through the encouragement and uplifting of our staff and physicians.

As you read, I hope you will also see that we're building vision for the future at Adventist Health.

In 1877, James White wrote, "It is a disgrace to Seventh-day Adventists to do a second-class job in anything... all of our institutions here shall be No. 1."

And so we strive at Adventist Health... To be a recognized leader in quality care. To be the No. 1 choice for health care in the communities we serve. To be a living example of mission and stewardship for our patients, employees and communities.

I hope you enjoy this spotlight on Adventist Health, and if you wish to know more about us, please visit www.adventisthealth.org. •



hanks to a stint in the military, Deanne Porchowsky changed her career path. Thanks to incredible co-workers at Walla Walla General Hospital (WWGH), she transformed her whole life.

While working as a network administrator in the Air Force, Deanne says, "I saw how much everyone around me loved their jobs. Since I didn't, I realized computers weren't for me."

After soul-searching and some time back in school, Deanne became a registered nurse.

"I was born and raised Catholic," she says. "I was born at St. Mary's Hospital [in Walla Walla]; I never thought I'd work at WWGH."

But thanks to a fortuitous job opening and the prodding of a friend, Deanne applied to work in the surgery department at WWGH, an Adventist Health hospital in Walla Walla, Washington.

As a circulating nurse, Deanne preps patients for surgery, assists in the operating room and cares for patients in recovery. "It was a challenge because the OR is such a specialized area. It was a new learning experience for me, but the people I worked with really embraced and welcomed me. They were so warm; it really felt like home."

These same co-workers—anesthesiologist Alison Field, M.D., scrub nurse Cindy Moore, R.N., and same-day surgery coordinator Judy Davidson-Fetroe, R.N.—also welcomed Deanne into another home, the house of God.

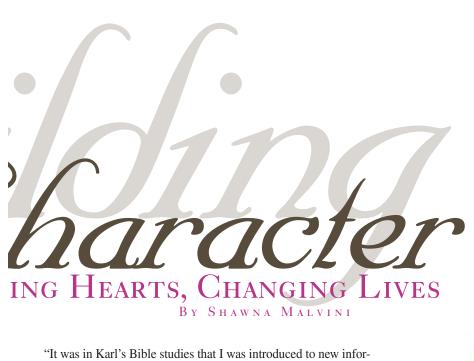
After growing up in the Catholic Church, Deanne said she was pretty amazed by Seventh-day Adventist worship services.

"Catholic services are very solemn, quiet and repetitive," Deanne says. "Going to an Adventist church, where people were talking and the music was loud and the people were singing—I couldn't believe all of it was happening inside of a church!"

"I enjoyed my first sermon there very much," she adds. "It touched my heart, and I wanted to go back."

Deanne also enjoys Sabbath School, calling it fun and enlightening. "It brings the fun back into faith!"

Another co-worker and friend, operating room nurse Nikki Flemmer, R.N., suggested that Deanne meet with the University Church senior pastor, Karl Haffner.



mation and was truly inspired by the word of God," reflects Deanne. WWGH anesthesiologist, Dr. Lary Hawkins, was also instrumental in Deanne's journey by giving her access to videos by Doug Batchelor.

After a year of attending church, Deanne decided to be baptized, and on March 17, 2007, Pastor Karl Haffner performed the service at the University Church in College Place, Washington.

"It was a happy day," Deanne says.

And that happiness continues to shine through in her work.

"I think the faith we have and the joy and spirit in our hearts really flows out to the people around us," she says. "In my department, patients are going through difficult times in their lives. Being strong and confident can give them strength and peace of mind." •

Shawna Malvini, Adventist Health GLEANER correspondent, writes from Roseville, California.

When not working in the operating room at Walla Walla General Hospital, circulating nurse Deanne Porchowsky enjoys time with her children, Michael (left) and Gabrielle (right).

FACTS ABOUT ADVENTIST HEALTH

- Headquartered in Roseville, California
- 19 hospitals in California, Hawaii, Oregon and Washington
- 22 rural health clinics
- 16 home care agencies offering home health, hospice, personal care, medical equipment and infusion therapy services
- Three joint-venture retirement centers, with a fourth on the way
- Approximately 18,000 employees
- More than 2,800 beds
- 109,094 admissions in 2006
- 397,821 emergency room visits in 2006
- 1,812,486 outpatient visits in 2006
- 215,225 home care visits in 2006
- 75,746 hospice days in 2006
- Provided more than \$2.4 million in free and low-cost services to our communities in 2006



fter graduating from Walla Walla College, Don and Sharon Ammon left the rural splendor of Washington state and headed east—east into the thriving metropolis of Chicago, such as it was in 1964.

By SHAWNA MALVINI

Laying the Foundation

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Starting his career at Hinsdale Hospital, Ammon used his business background to direct housing and recruitment, while Sharon began her teaching career at Hinsdale Junior Academy. Soon, the couple had two young children, Kathryn and

During this time, he also earned an M.B.A. from Andrews University. Reflecting on his Hinsdale experience, Ammon recalled, laughing, "For two people who grew up in rural Eastern Washington, Chicago was quite an adjustment." But the community hospital experience gave him a good platform to build upon, and in the summer of 1967, the Ammons returned to the Northwest.

Becoming a Leader

Moving west meant working at Portland Sanitarium, now called Adventist Medical Center (AMC). "I started as an assistant administrator. Then the next summer, the hospital administrator went to Europe for six weeks, leaving me in charge."

Soon, Walt Blehm, board chairman of the facility and president of the Oregon Conference at the time, recruited Mardian Blair—also from Hinsdale—to be the hospital president.

"Mardian mentored me," said Ammon. "And gave me many opportunities."

One was helping to establish a new campus. "I carried major responsibility for a project of huge proportions—a chance to build a new hospital—a very rare opportunity for anyone," said Ammon, then 30-something.

With the support of Blair and Blehm, Ammon and the Portland team worked on the new hospital throughout the late sixties and mid-seventies. The complicated plan involved moving the original hillside sanitarium two miles to a location with better access and more facilities.

"By relocating the campus along the I-205 corridor, we reached out to more people in our surrounding community," Ammon said. And what began as a dream and major building project resulted in today's award-winning facility in a prime Portland location.

Creating Lasting Leadership

Ammon moved up the ranks at AMC, serving in various capacities until being named CEO in 1977 and president/CEO in 1979. Throughout this tenure, he not only built new facilities; he built leadership. In addition to bolstering the medical staff and recruiting new specialties, Ammon created a long-lasting leadership team. In fact, many of the professionals he recruited still work in Adventist Health today.

Don Ammon, Adventist Health president/

CEO since 1979, retired in 2007.

With the support of that team, Ammon moved to Roseville, California, in the summer of 1983 to lead yet another building project—constructing the Adventist Health corporate office.

Prior to consolidation, Adventist hospitals on the West Coast were first managed by local conferences and then by the North Pacific and Pacific Union Conferences, which created the Northwest Medical Foundation and Pacific Union Adventist Health Services, respectively. The goal was to centralize the operations of their health care institutions. When those entities

joined forces in 1980 to form what is now known as Adventist Health, a new location was needed for the headquarters. Ammon, then executive vice president, led the charge.

"I worked very closely with the executive team, especially our president, Frank Dupper," said Ammon. "Frank was a great person to work with for 18 years. He provided mentoring and support for my professional growth."

"We eventually chose Roseville because it was centrally located to all of our hospitals and at the time, the cost of living was inexpensive," he added.

While Roseville has grown to be more than fields and pastures, Adventist Health still maintains its original building on Douglas Boulevard, where corporate departments support nearly 200 business units throughout the West Coast.

Expanding the Portfolio

While working from the corporate office during the last two decades, Ammon oversaw the growth of the corporation. What began as a collection of hospitals has become a diversified health care system with home health care agencies, rural health clinics and joint-venture retirement centers.

"I've enjoyed the growth and development of our facilities, particularly with our quality initiatives and technological innovations," said Ammon.

One such innovation has been the implementation of Project IntelliCare, Adventist Health's clinical information system. "This project will help us achieve our goal of a completely electronic medical record and will help us deliver the safest, highest quality care possible."

Making Connections

A major aspect of Ammon's success has been building relationships throughout the health care industry, the political arena and the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

"Working with our hospital leadership teams has been especially rewarding," said Ammon, who in the course of his career has chaired nearly all of the hospital boards of directors.

"I had the opportunity to connect with employees, medical staff and administration. It was gratifying to bring parties together for positive outcomes," he added.

After 28 years as a board member of the North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) and many years on the Pacific Union Conference (PUC) board, Ammon stated, "It has been very fulfilling to be involved in church leadership." Tom Mostert, Pacific Union president, has served as Adventist Health Board



Don Ammon (right) with AMC President Mardian Blair in the late 1960s.

Chairman for 21 years and Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union president, as vice chair for more than

a decade. "The support, guidance and friendship of these leaders has been invaluable," acknowledged Ammon.

In addition to hospital and church affiliations, Ammon also represented Adventist Health on the boards of many other companies, including Loma Linda University Adventist Health Sciences Center, Blue Cross of Oregon and Premier. Ammon also served on the board of the California Hospital Association, progressing through several roles, culminating in the prestigious board chairmanship in 2005.

Building Through Mission

Although Ammon has logged thousands of hours on projects, diversified Adventist Health's holdings and promoted the implementation of a multi-million dollar clinical information system, one accomplishment stands out above all others: making the mission of Adventist Health a priority throughout the corporation.

Not just another corporate tag line, Adventist Health believes in its mission of sharing God's love by providing physical, mental and spiritual healing. To foster that mission, Ammon was instrumental in creating the Mission and Planning department when he became president in 1999.

"Making our mission visible was a priority for me," said Ammon. "From our board, senior management and hospital leadership, we have absolute commitment to the mission, faith and heritage of Adventist health care."

"Qualified people committed to that healing philosophy makes our success possible," he added.

As his 43-year career comes to a close, Ammon reflects on his past and ponders the future, "It's hard to know what the Lord's plan is, but the Lord is definitely in charge at Adventist Health." •

ONE MAN MAKES A DIFFERENCE BY SHAWNA MALVINI

n 1913, one year before World War I began, what is now Tillamook County General Hospital (TCGH) opened its doors on the Oregon Coast. Changing hands several times throughout the next 60 years, TCGH eventually joined Adventist Health in the early seventies and in 1987, Wendell Hesseltine came on board as president and CEO.

"When I first came to Tillamook, it was like there was a revolving door. The CEO stayed two or three years, and



To learn more about Tillamook County General Hospital, visit www.tcgh.com

it seemed the community never felt connected to the hospital," said Wendell, who 20 years later has more than exceeded his original goal of outlasting his predecessors.

"The average turnover for CEOs in America in 3.7 years," according to Larry Dodds, Adventist Health executive vice president and COO, and TCGH board chair. "Having such a long and dignified tenure speaks well for Wendell's management capabilities and community relationships."

To be sure, one of Wendell's best assets has been getting involved. From joining boards such as the Tillamook Bay Community College Foundation, to sponsoring events for the United Way, Wendell said, "My team and I strived to let the community know their hospital was really there for them."

"I know from experience at small hospitals, having a good presence is important," he added. "Your community has to know you."

Because of Wendell's focus on relationships, when it came time for the hospital to expand and remodel in the late nineties, the community supported a \$10.3 million bond issue to fund the improvements.

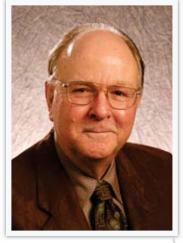
"We took a building designed for 1950s inpatient medical care and made it a current, more functional building," said Wendell of the project that added 25,000 square feet to the original building and remodeled 38,000 feet of existing space.

Reminiscing about the complicated challenge, Wendell stated, "I attribute our success to the hospital's outreach and our work building connections in the community."

Mission Focus Increases Community Access to Care

Deeply intertwined in building connections is another passion Wendell holds dear: mission service. Be it health fairs, free health screenings or the volunteer program "Faith in Action," Wendell has made it a priority to bring service to his community.

"The biggest improvement in our mission focus happened about five years



Wendell Hesseltine, Tillamook County General Hospital president and CEO, 1987–2007.

ago when we established a full-time chaplaincy department," Wendell said. "Having a dedicated team to coordinate mission efforts has been a real blessing to our hospital and community."

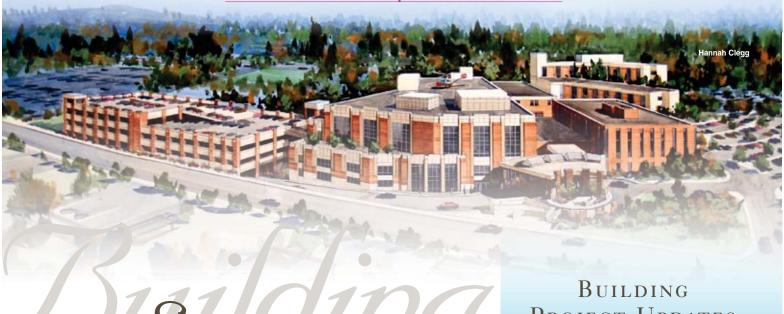
Wendell's mission focus also included increasing community access to vital services. During his tenure, Wendell helped bring medical oncology, mobile PET/CT and dialysis clinics to Tillamook. As a result, patients no longer have to drive to larger cities for care.

"An important part of our strategic plan was to develop these much-needed medical services to improve care for our patients," he said of the 45-bed critical access hospital.

"Through Wendell's leadership in recruiting physicians and employees, not only has the hospital expanded, the local Seventh-day Adventist church and school have grown as well," added Larry Dodds.

So it's with a heavy heart that Wendell says goodbye to TCGH as he retires this year. "It's hard to leave the people and the friendships, but I'm looking forward to change," said Wendell, who will move to Southern California to help his son run a medical practice.

"Wendell is a friend as well as a colleague," said Dodds. "He is a good, solid person and an honorable Christian man. Adventist Health will miss him greatly." •



BRICKS AND MORTAR BRING

By Shawna Malvini

ow much steel does it take to L improve patient care? At Adventist Medical Center (AMC) in Portland, Oregon, the magic number is 950 tons. That's enough steel for more than seven Statues of Liberty. It's also enough structural steel to support AMC's new Outpatient Pavilion, a \$104 million project aimed at increasing access and expanding patient care services.

The team at AMC broke ground on the project in October of 2006, and one year later, they're still on schedule to open the pavilion in the spring of 2009. When complete, the hospital campus will boast an additional 181,000 square feet as well as 444 new parking spaces, courtesy of a multi-level parking garage. Services will include: an expanded emergency department, additional inpatient operating rooms and a new center for cardiovascular services that will provide a one-stop location for diagnosis and treatment.

"The impetus for this project was really to increase emergency access," said Tom Russell. AMC senior vice president, who has been working on the project since late 2001.

"Portland emergency departments have been in a difficult situation for

a number of years, and we wanted to improve our access and ability to care for patients," added Russell, indicating that admissions to AMC's emergency department had increased dramatically in the last decade.

"The whole purpose of this project is to make getting care easier, convenient and more efficient for our patients," he said.

"This project is the result of considerable effort in planning for the future needs of our community," said Deryl Jones, hospital president and CEO. "Our goal is to provide improved access for our patients and to create an optimum environment for advanced medical care."

To learn more about the AMC project and to see live webcam footage of the construction, visit www.adventisthealthnw.org. •

When complete, the Outpatient Pavilion will add 181,000 square feet to the hospital campus, plus an additional 444 parking spaces courtesy of a new parking garage. To see live coverage of the construction, visit www.adventisthealthnw.org

PROJECT UPDATES

Hanford Planning New Hospital

In early 2007, the Adventist Health Board of Directors approved funding for a new 175,000square-foot medical center to replace the structure that currently houses Hanford Community Medical Center in Central California. The \$112 million project will include a threestory, 144-bed facility in the heart of Hanford, California. Medical/surgical and emergency services from Central Valley General Hospital also will move to the new site. To learn more, visit www.hanfordhealth.com.

Glendale Opens Cutting-edge West Tower

In late April, Glendale Adventist Medical Center opened a new patient tower. Features include an expanded emergency department, patient rooms designed for comfort and convenience, state-of-the-art operating rooms, cutting-edge cardiovascular care and more. To learn more, visit www.glendaleadventist.org.

New Patient Tower in Central California Features Award-winning Maternity Care

Years of planning and construction went into San Joaquin Community Hospital's new five-story, 130,000-square-foot tower, which opened this past summer. The tower includes a 14,000-square-foot emergency department, eight state-of-the-art surgical suites and an expanded ICU. It also houses the hospital's family birth center, which has won several national awards for excellence in maternal and neonatal patient care. To learn more, visit www.sanjoaquinhospital.org. •

Praying for Rain



From left: Dave Holcomb, Jackie Huston, Cathy Cranney and Linda Lile seek God during Operation Global Rain's 10-night sessions.

The members of the Salmon (Idaho) Church were excited as the appointed 10 days (June 27–July 7) of Operation Global Rain approached. Operation Global Rain was a 10-day prayer event modeled after the early church in Acts 2. Ever since the falling of the early rain at Pentecost, the Church has expected the Holy Spirit in the form of the Latter Rain (Zechariah 10:1).

The meetings ran from 7 to 8 p.m. each night, beginning with singing. After Pastor Tom Lighthall's opening remarks on repentance, reformation and rebirth, the members split into groups to pray for urgent requests and particularly for the Holy Spirit's presence.

Each night there were testimonies of how God had answered their prayers. Some struggled to give up addictions, others made wrongs right.

"I know the Holy Spirit spoke through me!" said one woman, telling of the surprise she experienced when she repeated a Bible verse that silenced a woman who was arguing with her.

"It is great not only having the children *here*, but having them praying in the prayer circles!" said one adult.

Lighthall said, "The experience was very connecting, and you looked forward to the next meeting." About 25 to 35 members attended.

Several significant answers to prayer came immediately following the 10-night prayer vigil. For example, attendance for Vacation Bible School was the highest ever, with 74 children attending. "I *know* it was because of the prayers that went up during Operation Global Rain," Darcy Jackson, the director, said.

In another example, church members learned Daryl Knauff, a member who had moved away, had serious medical concerns. The mighty power of prayer

was demonstrated when, after many diagnostic tests, Knauff received a clean bill of health.

Though God may not have seen fit to send the Latter Rain yet, the church is enjoying the results of our prayer event as testimonies, sharing on revival, reformation, Jesus' soon return, and praying side by side continue. For the joy of many, Operation Global Rain has been the catalyst God has used to revive the mid-week prayer service. •

Cathy Law, Salmon Church communication leader



Young and old linger to visit following Operation Global Rain each evening.



The 10-day special season of fellowship and prayer was highlighted by Emmalyne Jackson's baptism in the Salmon River.



Victor N. Christ and Brand New invite all the members of their small group and everyone they can to some reaping meetings. Brand New tells them, "I went to meetings like this last spring, and they changed my life!"



Luke Warm hears about some reaping meetings coming to his church locally and by satellite. "I might show up once or twice to let them know I support them," he says.



ver the past four months our family has been anguishing over some job offers—three of which we considered seriously. The thought of eventually leaving our beloved friends and family here in Walla Walla feels overwhelming; yet through this process we have tried to remain open-minded to the calling of God.

When calls have come in the past I have indicated no interest in doing the same thing somewhere else that I'm doing here. There's no question in my mind that as far as being a pastor in a church, there is no better church in the world than what we enjoy here in College Place.

The recent calls, however, have been decidedly different. Since my education has been in business as well as theology, I have always had a dream to stretch my career challenges to include the business side of my training. The calling to a pulpit ministry, however, beats as strong in my heart today as it ever has.

In the end, we accepted a dual job: I will pastor the Kettering Seventh-day Adventist Church in Ohio, and I will work in strategic planning and mission for the Kettering Network of Adventist hospitals. In this role I will continue to proclaim the gospel in the pulpit of a local church, and I will be involved in shaping the mission of Adventist health care in that community.

When Adventist Health Calls

I have always believed strongly in this statement by Ellen G. White: "Medical missionary work is the right hand of the gospel. It is necessary to the advancement of the cause of God. As through it men and women are led to see the importance of right habits of living, the saving power of the truth will be made known." Moreover, I believe that our hospitals represent the most credible platform we have to bridge our churches with our

communities. To explore and build this synergy between the church, community, and our medical centers is an exciting opportunity for me.

It is in this context of personally wrestling with the decision to uproot and head east that the GLEANER editor sent me an e-mail informing me that the theme of this issue is: "The 'Building' of Adventist Health—Past, Present and Future. The focus will be on the different aspects of 'building' at Adventist Health—building people, building community, building services, etc."

It is my fervent desire to grab a hammer and help with the construction of Adventist health care. I want to be a part of building people, building

community and building services.
What about you?
This

calling may
not involve a career
change for you. But you
can help in the building of
Adventist health care in many
ways. Consider, for example,

these seven suggestions:
• Begin by living the principles of Adventist health care.

Friends and neighbors will notice.

- As far as possible, support our health institutions by visiting them for your medical needs.
- Pray for the administrators and practitioners in the Adventist health care system.
- Practice the CREATION
 Health lifestyle. See www. creationhealth.com for more information.
- Read about the history of Adventist health care. Be sure to explore what Ellen G.
 White envisioned for health ministry in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.
- Visit an Adventist hospital or clinic. Bring some cookies and a thank-you note for the staff.
- Tell your friends and neighbors about what makes Adventist health care unique.

I leave you with this prayer:
"May God himself, the God
who makes everything holy
and whole, make you holy and
whole, put you together—spirit,
soul, and body—and keep you
fit for the coming of our Master,
Jesus Christ."² •

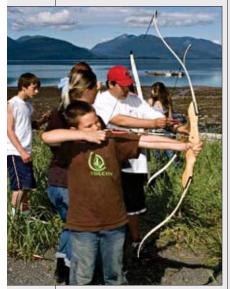
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Karl Haffner, Walla Walla University Church senior pastor, writes from College Place, Washington.

Camp Lorraine Bursting at the Seams

Conference News

What do you do when you plan for about 25 campers and 74 show up? Panic? No way!



Archery class is a perfect time to absorb some of the magnificent scenery surrounding the camp.

At least not if you are part of the staff of Alaska Camps under the direction of Laurie Hosey. For three years, Laurie Hosey has assembled a group of trained young people to run the three rustic summer camps in Alaska, known collectively as Alaska Camps. Usually, the average camper count at Camp Lorraine, a nine-mile tidewater boat ride from Wrangell. has been about 25. When the campers started arriving it was obvious the rumored increase in campers was a reality. The count was triple the usual!

Rather than panic, the mood was one of rejoicing. The Camp Lorraine operating board took a giant leap of faith and decided to charge only \$65 for a week of camp. "Community support has been strong," commented Jim Eilertsen, camp caretaker. "The camp has received donations of fuel, food and boat transportation services from Wrangell businesses."

As the campers arrived at Camp Lorraine, a volunteer mission group from White Salmon, Wash., was just finishing a new A-frame cabin for one of the girls' units. Over the past several years this group has provided material and labor to construct three cabins for the camp. They would come

A camper begins his leathercraft project with careful concentration.



Campers arrive by boat ready to enjoy a week of summer fun. Due to the constantly changing tide, the camp uses a trailer as the dock. The stable water bottom allows a trailer/dock to be wheeled out to a safe depth for the boats and then pulled back to dry ground.

every year except that it usually takes about two years to raise the \$8,000 to \$10,000 to purchase and ship the materials for each cabin.

Camp Lorraine and Camp Polaris, also a nine-mile boat ride from Aleknagik in western Alaska, are attended predominately by non-Adventist kids from their respective communities. In

fact, of the 74 campers at Camp Lorraine this summer, fewer than 10 were Adventist. What a ministry! What a thrill for the camp staff to have nearly every camper respond to a call to commit to a life with Jesus at the center. •

John Kriegelstein, Alaska Conference youth director



ALASKA

Tok Church

Conducts Quest for Truth VBS

Shauna Lee of the Tok Church, located near the end of the Alaska Highway toward Delta Junction, believed that leading kids to search for truth was the best way to wait for the birth of her child. With the help of Texas vacationers turned Alaskans, Judy and Sam Jock, they were able to calm the chaotic kids with craft activities and by acting out Bible stories. Most exciting were the afternoon's raucous games.

Tok parents were grateful for the character-building lessons and Bible truths their children learned July 30–Aug. 3. Since daily attendance sometimes reached 19 kids, junior guides like Ashley Cuber, Luke Crawford and Heather Ueeck made recreation activities fun controlled.

Simultaneously with the Vacation Bible School, Adventist couples in the church learned more about increasing intimacy in their relationships. "Families are Made Forever" (a Nancy Van Pelt presentation) covered such topics as "Love, Sex and a Lasting Relationship;" "His and Her Needs;" "Why Can't my Partner Understand What I Say?;" and "Seven Stupid Mistakes Parents Make." •

Butch Palmero, Tok and Delta Junction churches bi-vocational pastor



Shauna Lee, standing third from left, coordinates Tok Church summer Vacation Bible School.



Linda and Jim Kincaid received recognition for their years of service to the people of Alaska during camp meeting. The Kincaids are taking off on a faith ministry in Kotzebue, Alaska, where they will operate a flight service while re-establishing an Adventist presence there.

Kincaids Launch Faith Ministry in Kotzebue

Jim and Linda Kincaid have once again demonstrated their passion for Adventist Native Ministries in bush Alaska by quitting their respective jobs as Alaska Conference executive secretary and accountant, packing their bags and moving to one of the coldest places in Alaska.

They are beginning a faith ministry in Kotzebue while also restarting a flying service business. Kotzebue is a hub village of 3,100 people providing a transportation link to the "outside" as well as other services.

The Kincaids are not naïve about where they are going and the hardships and challenges they will face. They are returning to this town north of the Arctic Circle and farther west than Honolulu, Hawaii, where they began their official church work as a young taskforce couple some 30 years ago. The conference owned a small church in Kotzebue at one time, and people in Kotzebue have asked for the return of Adventists. When asked why he is going back to this isolated community, Jim responded, "There are

opportunities there which may not exist much longer. Besides, I may not have the energy needed for many more years."

The Kincaids have devoted their entire ministry to various positions in Alaska. They pastored in several churches before coming to the conference office where Jim served for the last 10 years as the Alaska Conference executive secretary and Linda as accountant. •

John Kriegelstein, Alaska Conference communication director

Do You Have a Spirit of Adventure?



Are you open to living in a native culture in the Arctic, or a remote town in Southeast Alaska? Do you have a heart of service for helping hurting young people? Are you self-motivated and do you long to make a real difference? Arctic villages have a suicide rate among teenagers that is 400 percent higher than the national average. In one 30-day period last winter, six teenagers in a village of 600 attempted to take their own lives. Most of them succeeded. We plan to make a difference. Would you like to help as well? •

Visit www.alaskaconference.org.

Ken Crawford, Alaska Conference president

Avalanche Ranch

Comes to Caldwell

hildren across the Treasure Valley took a walk through Avalanche Ranch, held at Caldwell Church July 16-20. The Avalanche Ranch Vacation Bible School program provided fun, memorable Bible-learning activities for more than 60 kids. Each day the kids sang songs, played team-building games, enjoyed snacks, and took on the daily challenge to

During the craft time, John **Bryson and Jacob Bindernagel** help the kids assemble 63 birdhouses.

let God's love grow in their hearts and homes. They also experienced exciting Bible adventures by listening to the Bible lesson for the day, collecting Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's Word and creating Bible Point Crafts that they could take home. In addition to the Bible crafts, the children built and painted full-size birdhouses.

"We had an average of 58 children per day," says Holly Russell, co-director, "and we included a salvation message in every lesson to help lead kids to Jesus." Because of that message, several non-Adventist families attended our special VBS Sabbath service.

During our graduation ceremony Friday evening, 54 students received their graduation certificate along with the book Beanie: The Horse That Wasn't a Horse by Heather Grovet. "The kids were so excited!" says teacher Lorinda Bisso.

The children not only learned about God's love, but

they also had the opportunity to take part in a worldwide mission project called Operation Kid-to-Kid. For this project, the children made 72 soft Prayer Bears.

These bears will be distributed to children in Nicaragua on a upcoming mission trip with Pacific Press Publishing Association.

Children learned that God is real, with us, strong, in charge and awesome. Everyone who

Barbara Herbel teaches the Bible lesson for the

These kids listen attentively to the Bible adventure lessons.

attended and participated learned more about God's love. Jessica, one of the students, said, "I never want VBS to end. I wish it would last forever!" •

Becky Bindernagel, Caldwell Church VBS director

Middleton Church **Breaks Ground**

Members of the Middleton Church along with community dignitaries gathered on Wednesday afternoon, May 2, to break ground for a new church with special goldpainted shovels. The rain cleared just long enough to permit this outdoor ceremony. The new property is on the corner of Cemetery and Concord. The Middleton Church currently meets at 14 East Main Street.

Construction is scheduled to begin immediately under the direction of Melvin Wageman,

general contractor, a founding member of the congregation.

Alvin Schnell, head elder, led out in the groundbreaking ceremony and introduced special guest Mayor Frank McKeever, who welcomed this addition to the community. Don Klinger, Idaho Conference vice president for administration, welcomed this new church building to the Idaho family of Adventist churches. •

Sylvia Carcich, Middleton Church member



From left: Joe Booth, Middleton Church member; Alvin Schnell, head elder; Don Klinger, Idaho Conference vice president for administration: Harold Dixon, Idaho Conference vice president for finance; Melvin Wageman, general contractor; Bob Shaefer, architect; David Freelove, Middleton building inspector; Frank McKeever, Middleton mayor; James Darven, Franklin Building Supply; Kevin Rowley, ACE Inc.; and Jamie Alwes, JC Landscaping, all took part in the official groundbreaking ceremony for the Middleton Church.



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A Friendship

Brings Woman to Christ

Ruth Berthleson, 89 and a charter member of the Dillon Church, is a great example of how the gift of friendship can lead someone to know Jesus. Ruth's home is right behind the "Calf-A" restaurant, and she became acquainted with Rosa or "Rosie," who worked there. Rosie lived 57 miles away in Dell so when Ruth suggested that she would like to have someone to stay with her at night, Rosie was glad to help. She also helped Ruth with her housework and stayed with her when she had surgery. Ruth faithfully watched 3ABN, and soon Rosie was watching it too.

During those four years that Rosie worked in Dillon, she become friends with Ruth's pastor. He ordered the *Amazing* Facts lessons for her, which she enjoyed. She began to view Ruth's pastor as her pastor and Ruth's church as her church. Meanwhile, the church family in Dillon continued praying for Rosie.

Last fall she called the pastor to say that after six years of remission her lymphoma had come back. Always upbeat, she assured him that she had confidence in God and that she had committed her life to Him. She wanted to get 3ABN, so the pastor arranged for someone to install it. The treatments seemed successful, and Rosie returned to work part-time.

Just before camp meeting she told the pastor that the cancer was back once again and that her doctor had given her only a short time to live. On his next visit, the pastor invited her to join the Adventist Church by baptism. She said, "I thought you would never ask." They talked about several possibilities, but in the end Rosie chose her own bathtub.

She called her neighbors, friends and family. On Thursday, June 21, 15 people crowded into Rosie's small trailer for her baptism. Her friend, Ruth, was given the "seat" of honor. The pastor held a short service, and friends told Rosie how much she meant to them.

No one expected her to fail so quickly, but two days later on Sabbath morning, her brother Pat took her



to the nursing home. On Friday morning, June 29, Rosa Roberts, 67, fell asleep in Jesus. About 80 people attended her graveside service. Her brother Pat told of her wonderful confidence in the Lord. He encouraged those there to get to know Rosie's God so that they too could meet death with her trusting faith. •

Ron Durchuck, Butte District pastor, recently retired

Ronan District Welcomes New Pastoral Couple

Long Wait Ends

Members of the Ronan District, consisting of the Ronan, Hot Springs and Plains churches, were finally able to welcome Pastor Kevin and Carrie Miller in May. This ended the yearlong wait after former pastor, Mark Cox, left to be a full-time chaplain in the U.S. Coast Guard.

About a week after the Millers arrived, a huge wind storm went through Ronan, bringing down many of the large trees at the parsonage. One even landed on their car, and another broke the windows in the front of their house. The storm did have a positive outcome,



Carrie and Kevin Miller with dog Tucker are eager to begin their ministry to the Ronan District.

however, as many members came out with their chainsaws to clean up, and were able to become better acquainted with our new pastor and his wife.

Kevin comes to us from the Oregon Conference, where he pastored the Rogue River and Merlin churches in southern Oregon. He graduated from Walla Walla College with a social work degree, and received his Masters of Divinity from Andrews University. He and Carrie were married last October in Hawaii.

Laurie S. McElvain, Ronan Church communication leader

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Teaching with the Brain in Mind

Eric Jensen, Eric Jensen, Eric Jensen" was the chant at the conclusion of a well-received one-week workshop Teaching with the Brain in Mind. Nationally renowned speaker Eric Jensen focused on what we know about how the brain works and how to apply practical strategies to learning, memory and student performance.

It started in the Portland Adventist Elementary School gymnasium on Aug. 6 as 215 Oregon Conference teachers, administrators and interested pastors gathered to learn more about connecting with their students. The group had many opportunities to get together and interact, and many teachers said this was the first time they had been able to really get acquainted with other



Workshop presenter, Eric Jensen (facing camera) enjoys a meal and fellowship with Oregon Conference teachers (clockwise from Jensen) Rob Case, Wendy Buss, Sheralyn Brandt and Tiffany Hager.

educators in the conference.

One of the topics helped teachers discover how movement is key to better learning. To illustrate that idea, the teachers took a walk each morning with a partner during which each one shared what made them happy, what they had learned, and what they hoped to do with their learning.

Some of the other topics discussed were repetition, learning in small chunks,

environment, memory aids, emotional state, feedback, and diet as important factors that teachers should consider when dealing with their students.

One of the most helpful things for teachers proved to be experiencing the overload that students sometimes feel in the classroom. Jensen allowed them to experience this over the week. As the school year begins, the students in the Oregon Conference will meet teachers who have new tools to promote learning as they teach with the brain in mind. •

John F. Gatchet, Oregon Conference vice president for education

New Faces at PAA

Portland Adventist Academy (PAA) is delighted to introduce two new staff members.



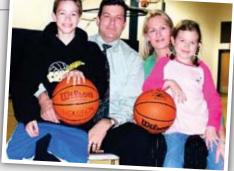
Chris Jones, vice principal for finance

Chris Jones is the new vice principal for finance. He comes to us from Meadow Glade Elementary School in Battle Ground, Wash., where he and his wife Julie live with their two cats and one dog.

Ty Johnson fills the vice principal for administration office. He is owner and CEO of Bear Bay Lodge in Alaska where he spends his summers. Johnson already has a history at PAA. His wife, Dawn, is the PAA office manager and a graduate of the class of 1987. He has also spent time coaching the PAA golf team as

well as the boys' and girls' basketball teams. Ty and Dawn have two children.

In addition, a few positions at PAA have been rearranged. **Terry Verlo** has returned to the classroom full-time after three years of hard work as the vice principal for administration. **Les Zollbrecht** has chosen to remain in the classroom setting and has handed over the chaplain position to **Greg Phillips**. **Steve McFeters** has taken on the responsibilities of director of plant services after Larry Caudell's retirement.



Ty Johnson, vice principal for administration, wife, Dawn, son, Jarrett, 11, and daughter, Tori, 8.

Terrance Baltazar is leaving the PAA cafeteria to his wife Dawn and joins McFeters in keeping the campus in working order. •

Liesl Vistaunet, PAA GLEANER correspondent

Creation Seminar Builds Bridges

for Hockinson Heights Church

Adventist physician and creation seminar presenter Doug Newton, Walla Walla General Hospital medical director of the Emergency Center, didn't know what to expect as he prepared to present his seminar for the first time in an non-Adventist church.

By the time Arden Kinser, Battle Ground Friends Church pastor, had welcomed him to the platform that first night, Newton knew he had something special on his hands. The church was full with standing room only as he began Friday, May 18. The next day, chairs would be brought in to accommodate the overflow.

In his presentations Newton covered information from

the aftermath of the 1980 eruption of Mt. St. Helens and how canyons (like the



Doug Newton, M.D., explains the meaning of one of his dinosaur displays.

Grand Canyon) can develop in a short time (not millions of years as often claimed). He shared evidences for creation and the flood. Newton held the attention of the audience with a display of artifacts, laid out on 14 big tables.

Much of the success of the seminar can be attributed to the way a local Adventist church cooperated with other area churches.

Lutz Binus, Hockinson Heights Church pastor, was approached by one of his elders in September 2006 about hosting a seminar focusing on a scientific defense for Creation. He immediately thought of the appeal such a seminar might have for the Christian community in his area. So he approached several pastors in the community and asked them if they would be interested in co-sponsoring such a program. Three pastors agreed, and a Friends (Quaker) minister agreed to host the seminar at his church.

Binus has organized a forum and video presentation as follow-up for the seminar. The response of those who attended the seminar has been encouraging, and Binus is looking forward to involving his church in further bridge-building ministry and fellowship with other Christians in the community in the near future. •

Edwin D. Schwisow, Hockinson Heights friend

Mission to Alaska

Hood River Group Travels Far to Bring Joy

On July 22, a group of 12 friends started a long journey, traveling by van from Hood River, Ore., to Camp Lorraine, located on the small island of Vank in Alaska. It took three days—including 13 hours by ferry to reach Wrangell, Alaska. A small motorboat then took them and their supplies the rest of the way.

With only six days to complete a cabin and more than 20 smaller projects, work started right away. Unfortunately, some of the lumber supplies and items for the cabin were delayed in Seattle, and arrived just two and a half days before the group's departure. Even so, the group was able to complete



From left: Daniel Hill, Jeff Thompson, Justin Mathisen, Joyce Gallentine, Maretta and Wes Kandoll, Ralph Staley, Ken and Monika Drury, Elaina and Curt Mathisen, and Glen Campbell made the threeday trip from Hood River to Vank Island, Alaska, to work on Camp Lorraine.

the cabin before the departure date.

Camp Lorraine was started more than 50 years ago on a sandy cove at a logging campsite. Camp attendance doubled this year with more than 70 kids. Hard winters have taken their toll on the buildings. Of 13 buildings on the island, six will need to be replaced or remodeled in the coming months.

For more information about the camp restoration, call Elaina Mathisen at (509) 493-1463. You may also write her at: P.O. Box 447, White Salmon, WA 98672. •

Joyce Gallentine, Hood River Church communication leader

Prineville Church Members Run Half Marathon

The Prineville Church recently participated in the "Haulin' Aspen Trail Half Marathon" in Bend, Ore., Sunday, Aug. 12. Six of the seven participants are first-time half marathoners who started training with the Adventist Marathon Clinic last March. The Adventist Marathon Clinic is operated by instructors Fred and Rochelle Hosillos and is devoted to helping people live healthy lives. The clinic has been a great outreach in the community, bringing people to the Prineville Church as they attend classes or seminars.

Completing the race were Wendy Perrin, Crook County Health Department director, who has been training with the clinic since April; Melissa Levesque, a nurse and dedicated participant at the clinic; and Jodie and Charles Bauman. The Baumans run together every Sunday: Samuel, 6, rides his bike, and Grace, 2, enjoys a stroller ride while Mom and Dad take turns pushing. The Baumans would like to run the Honolulu Marathon in December to celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary. Also completing the race were Lydia Johnson, 44, mother of 10, who ran with her husband, Dan, a triathlete, and their daughter, Abigail.

After a short story ran in the local newspaper about the half marathon, staff at the paper



"The Magnificent 7" of the Prineville Adventist Marathon Clinic who finished the "Haulin' Aspen Trail Half Marathon" in Bend, Ore., on Sunday, Aug. 12.

decided to write a longer story about the marathon participants and the clinic, which was published in the Aug. 28 issue of the Bend *Bulletin*. After reading the article, two women, an 85-year-old and a 55-year-old, are now interested in joining the program. A

young couple also expressed interest. Two of these new interests came to the last clinic-sponsored run.

Read the complete story at www.gleaneronline.org. •

Yollie Jahn, Prineville Church communication leader

CAA Teams with LLU for Summer Geology Course

What could possibly prompt six teenagers to meet at school at 5 a.m. during their summer vacation to travel in a van for 22 hours straight?

The answer to that question for several Columbia Adventist Academy (CAA) students was a chance to study geology and obtain university credit from Loma Linda University (LLU).

"Six students chose to take 10 days out of their summer vacation to continue learning," says Larry Hiday, science instructor at CAA. "I was proud of the way they threw themselves into this new and fascinating topic of geology. Very few of our schools cover geology in the science classes. For our students to be introduced to fossils, trackways and sedimentation was a great opportunity for them."



Several Columbia Adventist Academy students visited Angel's Landing in Zion National Park during a 10-day geology class.

The instructors were Aaron Kurtz and Jamey Hiday, graduate students from the Geology program at LLU. The class was taught in the Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon National Park, Coral Pink Sand Dunes and Zion National Park.

The group also received a guided tour of the St. George Dinosaur Discovery Site at Johnson Farm in Utah, home to exceptionally well-preserved dinosaur tracks, some displaying skin impressions. These tracks, along with hundreds of

other fossils and rare dinosaur remains show evidence that this site was produced along the western edge of a large, Early Jurassic freshwater lake now named Lake Dixie. Hundreds of tracks are enclosed under the museum building while others extend out in all directions. More are being excavated daily.

When asked if they would do the trip again, the students unanimously agreed they would.

All of the students were amazed at the beauty of the desert. While they saw a lot of evidence for the Flood they also realized that we have a lot to learn before we have all the answers to the methods and forces God used to create those incredible areas. •

Lara Dowie, CAA GLEANER correspondent



People to People Ministries

Promotes a Healthier Community

hrough a new program called the Urban Health Project, People to People Ministries Inc. is telling people about major chronic diseases such as diabetes, obesity and cancer. The Urban Health Project (UHP) is a joint effort of community and health personnel to encourage people to adopt healthier lifestyles.

Project director Carl Parker

believes that we should treasure health as one of God's greatest gifts. "Our aim is to take the health message to the community instead of waiting for them to come to us."

UHP launched its efforts May 4–6 with a health fair at the Community Learning Center in Portland. Health educator Jack Macintosh presented simple interventions for overcoming metabolic syndrome, a cluster of four conditionshypertension, diabetes, high cholesterol and obesity—that affect many Americans.

Adventist Medical Center's Wellness Department and Jim Moor of their Coronary Health Department conducted health screenings while medical professionals were available for consultation. Chef Jon Lofgren of Mission College provided cooking demonstrations, showing that healthful food can be easy to prepare and taste good too!

UHP's exciting new program is the RENEW Lifestyle Program, designed to give people education and tools for restoring their health and preventing serious health conditions. In 10 sessions,

participants learn about nutrition, weight management, lowering blood pressure and cholesterol, and managing diabetes, heart disease and stroke. The first session opened with Clarence Ing, NEWSTART medical director, on Sunday, Sept. 30.

If you would like to join us at upcoming events, please call the Community Learning Center at (503) 281-8596. •

Carl Parker, Urban Health Project director



New Staff at Milo

Bringing promise for a great new year



Pastor Jeff (PJ) Deming, school counselor and Bible teacher

Amy Deming, English teacher

Jeff and Amy Deming return to Oregon to work at Milo. Previously the youth director of the Illinois Conference. Jeff is the new school counselor and Bible teacher.

He also team-teaches the class Communications in Ministries with his wife, Amy, who teaches in the English department. They have three children, Robbie, Sabrina and Tanner.

Dwight Morgan is the school music director and teaches band, choir and individual music lessons. He

and his wife Ellen have three daughters, Maritza, Melody and Calla.

Dwight Morgan, music director, teaching band, choir, voice and instrument lessons



demic affairs, ance, teaching Bible, science. and math

economics, folk art and global studies. They have two sons, Eric, a junior, and Dylan, a freshman.

Joseph Nowdesha, a 1995 Milo alumnus, has returned

to work as the head chef for the Excel Management food service. His chef title was earned by

career

counseling.

is teaching

home

Darla Milam

His wife



Dale Milam, vice president of acaacademic guid-



teaching home economics, global studies and folk art

and the completion of numerous culinary courses. Over the past 12 years he has worked in food services at Weimar. Southwestern

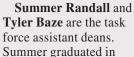
Adventist University and several Adventist academies.

Christina Hack, a senior theology major at Southern Adventist University, has taken a year off to join Milo as the assistant chaplain.

> She is Jeff Deming's assistant and a leader in the Reach program. She can typically

Joseph Nowdesha, Excel Management food service manager







Christina Hack assistant chaplain

June from Pacific Union College with a bachelor's degree in social work. Tyler graduated from Milo in 2002 and recently received his bachelor's degree in

business administration from Oregon State University. •

Hannah Myers, MAA junior



Summer Randall. assistant girls' dean



Tyler Baze, assistant boys' dean













Oregon Youth Challenge

Oregon Youth Challenge was very busy even though the team was much smaller than usual this summer. They began in the area surrounding the Portland Convention Center where Shawn Boonstra will be holding meetings in February. They continued with Prineville and Madras, helped out with evangelism training at camp meeting and then went on to Bend.

Following is what Oregon Youth Challenge meant to Carrie Mason in her own words:



What mattered most to New Yorker Carrie Mason, a member of the Oregon Youth Challenge, was to touch a person's life for



This 2007 Oregon Youth Challenge team canvassed throughout Portland and Central Oregon, from left: (front) Brian Stone and Danielle Reedy; (back) Carrie Mason, Adrian Currier, Jesse Ellingson, Mark Meelhuysen, and Beth Marshall.

"In order to come to Oregon Youth Challenge, I had to leave New York and come to Oregon. When I first came out here I really didn't have that close of a relationship with God. I really only came to get out of New York and because my mom wanted me to. I was also curious about what it would be like to go door to door and try to sell books to people I had never even met.

"Then I came out here and met all these really cool new friends. After a while I started to feel closer to God, and I started actually trying to connect with the people I came in contact with. Soon it became more about trying to get these people connected with God and less about how many books I could sell in a day.

"Toward the end of the program I got to the point where that mattered more than anything else. Sure, I'm happy if I sell a book, but it makes me happier if I can touch even one person's life and help them find God.

"As I return back to New York, I'll take a lot with me. Of course, I'll take memories of all the great times that I've had but more importantly I'll take back a sense of who God is and what he is capable of. I just hope that when I am home, I won't lose what I've learned and I'll be able to help my church and kick-start the amount of youth involvement, which is minimal at this point.

"This summer has changed me a lot, and I hope that when I get home I won't change back. I hope to be back next summer."

If you are interested in joining OYC, e-mail info@ oryc.net, call Lorraine at (503) 695-5329, or go to www.oryc.

Carrie Mason, Oregon Youth Challenge 2007 team member

Jesus—The Water of Life Church Parade Float

On July 4, the Shady Point Church participated in the annual Fourth of July parade in Eagle Point.

This was the second year the church was part of the parade. A truck decorated and loaded with water bottles was welcomed with cheers by the crowd standing in the 90-plus-degree weather. Church members ran from the truck, passing out water bottles labeled with the name of church and a Bible verse referring to Jesus as the Water of Life. •

William Gillaspy, Shady Point Church personal ministries leader



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UCC Vacation Bible Schools

Reach 1,500 Children

You mean... God died?!" The little boy was visibly shaken. His Vacation Bible School teacher, portraying a woman lingering near the tomb of Jesus, had urged the children into the darkened room. Only "friends of Jesus" were allowed in, each of them donning a black armband as a symbol of grief over his death. They gathered around the "campfire" to listen to the story. With a hushed, earnest anxiety, she told the children all that had happened on Friday afternoon.

But the story was interrupted. "He's alive! He's alive! Jesus is alive!" Another teacher, also in character, burst into the scene, and the story of His resurrection came tumbling out. All of the children jumped to their feet and rejoiced, flinging away their black



Three years ago, there were only seven people attending church in lone, Wash. This year, the 23 people helping with VBS represented only half of the congregation! "Working together on this is part of how we build relationships with each other," they explain. Of the 25 children who attended, only five were from member families.



In Dayton, Wash., the snack station doubled as a teaching station. On one day, the children learned about (and sampled!) fruit, then arranged real fruit to make beautiful big fruit baskets at the craft station. Here, the kids use whole-wheat English muffins and yogurt to make fruit pizzas.

armbands. One little boy was more than rejoicing... He was relieved.

This scene and others like it replayed over and over around



At the Spokane Valley VBS, kids too old for VBS were valuable leaders with crafts, technology, music and more.

Upper Columbia Conference as 30 churches ministered to 1,500 children through Vacation Bible School. With at least half of them (and in



Because of the high number of at-risk kids in their town, "Five Days in Dayton" (the Dayton, Wash., VBS) puts a strong emphasis on staying in school. This year, they were able to distribute more than 30 backpacks filled with school supplies.

One of the stations in Spokane Central's VBS was the synagogue, where children heard directly from the rabbi about what Jesus had been up to in their village lately.

some churches as many as 80 percent) coming from the community, this represents hundreds of community families! Whether through the "Avalanche Ranch" program or "The Great Bible Reef" or "Galilee by the Sea" or something of a leader's own creation, children and their families were being introduced to Jesus this summer.

Follow-up will be the main focus of the VBS Expo, scheduled for Sunday, April 20, 2008, at the Upper Columbia Conference office in Spokane.

For more VBS photos and stories from around the UCC or for the latest information on the VBS Expo plans, see www. ucaa.org. •

Cheri Corder, Upper Columbia Conference Sabbath School department director



onference News

Visitors can enter through the front courtyard shown in this panoramic view. In Bible times this is where the lamb was brought for the sacrifice.



Setting Up Messiah's Mansion



It takes three volunteers to hold the center pole of one of the large tents.



Forty volunteers from the Spokane Valley and Linwood churches converged on the ball field of the Spokane Valley

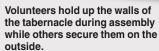
Adventist School Sunday morning to begin unloading a semi-truck trailer filled with all the sanctuary articles for the Messiah's Mansion event. The dozen students and four staff from Oklahoma Academy were eager to work with the volunteers even though they had spent several days traveling to Spokane Valley. Clayton Leinneweber, project



These pillars, which were put into place in front of the replica, are the same dimensions as the biblical tabernacle.

manager and faculty member at the academy, directed pickup trucks and a forklift as hundreds of boxes, curtains, wall panels, stakes (and more) were carefully spread across a 200 x 200-foot area.

The construction of Messiah's Mansion, which is a life-size replica of the ancient tabernacle, took five days. Guided tours were conducted



every 15 minutes from Sept. 7–16.

Messiah's Mansion has been set up at 37 locations in the U.S., giving nearly 100,000 people the opportunity to see firsthand what the tabernacle would have looked like to the children of Israel. Through the visual aid of the santuary furniture, the plan of salvation was brought to life the same way it was for the Israelites.



Details of the inside of the holy and most holy place in the tabernacle begin to emerge during the set-up.



The Spokane Valley Adventist School was the site for the Messiah's Mansion outreach to the community.



Photos by Dusty Border

On Sunday morning, many volunteers help unload the semi-truck that carried Messiah's Mansion.



JPPER OITINA

Pastors from both churches have banded together to give Spokane and the surrounding community a unique opportunity to tour a replica of the ancient tabernacle. Through the efforts of volunteers and the students of Oklahoma Academy, those who came learned truths about Jesus and salvation—truths that can make an eternal difference. •

Kathy Marson, Upper Columbia Conference communication department administrative assistant



The total number of stakes pounded into the ground to set up both the tabernacle and courtyard fence is about 600.



Several tents are erected to facilitate the tours of the life-size replica of the ancient tabernacle

Teamwork is the key to a successful five-day set-up at Spokane Valley Adventist School.

Special Guest: Ty Gibson Co-Director/Speaker **Light Bearers Ministry** Upper Columbia Conference **Family Fellowship Festival** Upper Columbia Academy Campus Spangle, Washington **November 9-10, 2007**

More information on the web at

www.uccsda.org/FamilyFest

Baptism at Sun Lakes State Park

Iwo baptisms celebrate the end of the year for the Othello Adventurer Club. Members of the Othello (Wash.) Church always enjoy their annual church campout at Sun Lakes State Park. This year was extra special with the baptism of Abby Steffler and Katelyn Johnson. Wayne Hicks, Upper Columbia Conference Pathfinder/Adventurer director, baptized the girls in the cold lake waters on June 23 following a church service at the picnic tables that included Hicks' dog Rufus.

Eloyce Mundall, Adventurer leader, had studied the baptismal lessons with Abby. Abby's grandparents, Kevin and Gail Johnson, faithfully bring a pew full of grandchildren, including

Abby, to church each Sabbath and to Adventurers meetings. Abby's parents were among the many friends and family who witnessed the baptism on this beautiful sunny day.

Katelyn Johnson, newly bridged from Adventurers to Pathfinders at Investiture, had studied with her parents, Larry and Cindy Johnson, Pathfinders leaders. Pathfinders and Adventurers, in uniform, provided an honor guard during the baptismal service.

Immediately after the baptism, Mundall beamed, "This [baptism] is what makes all the work in Adventurers and Pathfinders so worthwhile." •

Denise Colley, Othello Church assistant clerk

New Name

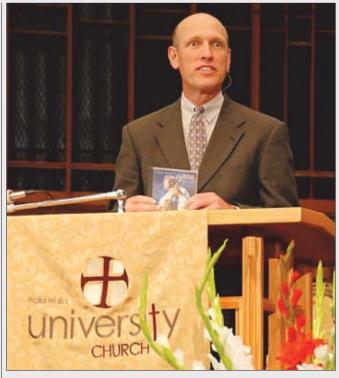
Walla Walla University Church Begins New Chapter

The Walla Walla College Church marked the beginning of a new chapter in the church's more than 60-year history with a special program on Sept. 1, celebrating the changing of its name. In conjunction with Walla Walla University, the church's name is now the Walla Walla University Church. "Since we're located on the university campus and the students are a main part of our congregation, it only made sense that we should call ourselves the University Church," says Karl Haffner, senior pastor. So in a church business session, board members voted that the Walla Walla College Church become the University Church when the school name change took place on Sept. 1.

Along with changing the name, the communications committee met and worked together with the pastoral staff to update the church logo. The new logo prominently features the cross from the previous



Pathfinder Jeffery Hays serves cookies at the Sept. 1 celebration at the Walla Walla University Church.



Karl Haffner, senior pastor, talks about the value and necessity of change in our lives during a special service at the Walla Walla University Church Sept. 1.

College Church logo. With a timeless quality, it emphasizes a continuing commitment to a Christ-centered approach. "The new logo attempts to bridge the best of our history with our vision for the future as an active campus and community congregation," said John Cress, associate pastor and communication committee chair. The tag line was also updated and now says, "Experiencing God's Grace, Seeking God's Truth and Sharing God's Love." "It envisions a spiritual community that is graceoriented, eager to pursue present truth, and ready to reach out in practical ways to

the surrounding community with the loving, caring hands of Jesus," said Cress. The new logo and tag line will be reflected on the church's official documents, signs and contact points.

In celebration of the name change, the church had a special program. The church choir, directed by Kraig Scott, minister of music, helped mark the occasion with a introit of dedication. Later in the service, the choir sang "O How Amiable," an anthem by Ralph Vaughan Williams, which includes the words "O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home."

Pastor Haffner's message Monkeying Around With Change talked about the value of change. Changing the church's name is a "positive and necessary change," said Haffner. He then made three observations about change. First, "Change is inevitable," he said, citing Solomon's words in Ecclesiastes which tell us that life is always changing; there is a time to live and a time to die.

Second, "Change is necessary." In order to be relevant as Christians, we need to explore new ideas, expand our thinking. One way the church has found to do this is through the Improv Church, which Haffner started in 1999. This ministry outreach has effectively ministered to thousands of university students over the years—only "because of a willingness to try new wineskins for new wine," Haffner said as he reflected on the decision by the church board to try this innovative approach to evangelism.

Finally, Haffner said, "Change is possible." We can change; we can be transformed. In 2 Corinthians 5:17, Paul says, "If any one belongs to Christ, there is a new creation. The old things have gone; everything is made new."

Following the special service, members of the Pathfinder club along with other church members helped to serve cookies and lemonade to the nearly 1,200 people who attended. •

Lisa Krueger, Walla Walla University Church communication committee member Over cornbread, beans and peach pie, a group of Korean Americans met together with a church planting coach to discuss how to plant a church. This accomplished group of young professionals no longer identified with traditional Korean American Seventh-day Adventist churches culturally or linguistically.



Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president for administration, prays for the ministry of Eastside Adventist Fellowship, a church plant he and others helped to coach.

"We prayerfully came together to examine the need for a second-generation Korean Adventist church in the Puget Sound area," recalled Marvin Lee, a founding leader. "With the language and cultural barrier in our parents' churches, we knew we needed to move forward."

Now, seven years later, Eastside Seventh-day Adventist Fellowship, a member-led, second-generation Asian American church plant, is a recognized church of Washington Conference.

Through early growth years, members took turns providing sermons and leading the growing congregation. "We didn't let the lack of a pastor stop us," Lee said. "Yet, we needed spiritual shepherding for further growth."

Leaders began a nationwide search for a pastor, and ended

up interviewing Matthew
Gamble, a teaching pastor for
24/Seven Ministry Center,
another church plant from
the next town over. "We
wondered," Lee said, "if a
bald, white preacher who
rides a purple motorcycle and
used to be a drug dealer could
effectively lead our church [the
answer is yes]."

Officially recognized as a church on August 25 with 59 charter members, the future and potential of the church is best characterized by its committed lay leaders, committed members, vibrant small groups, creative children's programs, and a young energetic pastor.

Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president for administration, offered a challenge for Eastside Fellowship: "Remember you are here for the third generation and every generation until Jesus comes." Marvin Lee, a founding member and leader of Eastside Adventist Fellowship, signs the church charter roll as his daughter, Abigail, 5, watches.

Eastside Fellowship currently rents church facilities located at 11920 N.E. 80th St. in Kirkland. Read the full story in **Gleaner**NOW! at www. Gleaneronline.org. •

Heidi Martella, Washington Conference communication intern with Danny Kim, Eastside Fellowship communication leader

Youth Challenge

Meets the Challenge

Washington Conference leaders offered a challenge to Youth Challenge, the summer literature evangelism program, a couple summers ago.

"The focus of Youth Challenge had been to distribute the maximum amount of literature," said John Freedman, Washington Conference president. "Last summer, we challenged the Youth Challenge participants to see how many prayers they could share house-to-house. This summer, we challenged them to seek Bible study interests and continue the focus on prayer."

As 18 team members and five leaders worked in the Mount Vernon and Lacey communities, they followed through with the challenge and found 148 Bible study interests.

"I know I helped to plant the seed," said team member Karsten Cook, from Chehalis, Wash., "and I know the Mount Vernon and Lacey churches are there to receive the harvest."

In addition, Youth Challenge contacted 32,012 homes, gave 1,863 books, offered 4,677 prayers, and received donations of \$29,115.72 and church



Youth Challenge participants took a challenge from Washington Conference administration to seek Bible study interests this summer. As a result, Youth Challenge found 148 interests.

offerings of \$2,865.57.

"Youth Challenge is not about how many books or Bible studies we get out [though those certainly are terrific and they help a lot]," said team member Kiersten Reed, from Walla Walla, Wash. "Youth Challenge is about planting seeds in the hearts of those who need God most. It's a hard lesson to learn, but when I learned it, everything changed." •

Heidi Martella, Washington Conference communication intern

The Little School That Did!

PAS Opens School Year in New Building

week before Poulsbo Adventist School (PAS) classes began, the school held a ribbon-cutting, recognition and dedication ceremony for the new facilities. In the 23year history of the school, this will be the first school

year where classes are not taught in the church basement. It's a dream come true for students.

Adventist School

teachers

and church members. The more-than-5,700-square-foot facility offers two classrooms, an office, a teacher's workroom, a commercial kitchen and a multipurpose room/ gymnasium.

The building program began in 2004 with a sizable donation and the help of SAGE and local church volunteers. For a while, it seemed this little congregation had taken on Goliath—contractor problems,

> An old-fashioned bell tower tops the new Poulsbo Adventist School facility.

escalating costs, and weather and permit deadlines taxed their "cando" spirit. Yet the church persevered, raising funds with the leadership of church member Ray Smith, who recently

passed away.

Miracles became a regular occurrence: a non-member school parent volunteered general contractor services for near volunteer wages; a local school district surplus sale yielded \$25,000 of school furnishings and equipment for \$350; sister churches and



Washington Conference president, John Freedman, shares greetings as the choir prepares to sing in the new school's multipurpose room.

schools shared tables and lockers at cost; a pastor who hung drywall; and a plumber who worked to complete the plumbing in time for the open house. The final miracle: getting a conditional occupancy permit on Monday, Aug. 27, the day classes officially began in the new building. •

Kerry Trethewey, PAS principal

Riding the Extra Mile AAA Freshman Makes a Difference

It's not every day that you find someone willing to exchange leg cramps, sore muscles, and utter exhaustion for the benefit of complete strangers, but that is just the case for 15-year-old Zack Schulz, a freshman at Auburn Adventist Academy.

For the second consecutive year, Schulz participated in the Courage Classic, a three-day, 182-mile awareness fundraiser sponsored by the Mary Bridge Children's Hospital. This year, 400 people participated in the bike marathon from Snoqualmie Pass to Stevens Pass.

"The hardest part of the ride was pedaling up the mountains for miles and miles," said Schulz who



Zack Schulz (fourth from left), Auburn Adventist Academy freshman, poses with his team, Prestige Homes, on the first day of the bike marathon.

sported several scrapes and bruises from crashing two times along the way. "Several times I wanted to grab onto a support vehicle and have them pull me up the mountain, but I decided that I was going to finish [on my own] no matter what!'

Before the marathon, Schulz went door to door, asking people to sponsor him. Over two years, he raised \$1,000 for abused children, with 100 percent of donations for the children's hospital.

When Schulz visited his young nephew at the Mary

Bridge Children's Hospital, he also talked with other young patients and felt compelled to do something for them.

"I knew I could do something to help," he explained when asked why he was willing to make the effort. "Some others aren't able or willing to do it. Thinking about helping the kids was what made me want to finish the race."

Auburn Adventist Academy is proud to have students like Schulz who go the extra mile to make a difference in people's lives. Find out more about Mary Bridge Children's Foundation at www.firstgiving. com/zackschulz. •

Jondelle D. McGhee, AAA GLEANER correspondent



Public Vs. Private School

The Debate for Innocence

I visit public schools a lot to see my "church kids," and I've come to appreciate all the committed, hard-working educators. In fact, my wife works for the Anacortes public school system and my sisterin-law teaches at a public high school.

The public vs. private school debate is a hot topic not only in our Orcas Island community, but in other places too. Politics aside, allow me to give you one reason for Adventist Christian education: restored innocence.

Public education suffers from one fundamental challenge: Americans have created a high school educational system that does not support and cannot restore innocence back into our youth. Innocence is a lost value in our pop-culture.

Many Washington state school districts are using Search Institute's 40 Developmental Assets to teach values such as honesty, sense of purpose and restraint. I applaud those districts | sets that contribute to restor-

contradictory values to have an equal presence in our school culture does not lend itself to an effective transfer of assets.

A Christian school, on the other hand, can and should effectively teach important as-

"Innocence is a lost value in our pop-culture."

who have adopted this system. Unfortunately, these assets will never be taught effectively because by definition, public schools must also adopt virtually every other value out there, including pluralism, individualism and materialism. Allowing these

ing innocence. Kids should never have to experience the things they do in many of our public schools. They should not have to grow up dealing with obscenity and sexuality before they are ready. Of course, negative behavior

is present in every school, public or private, but we can easily forget that having an Adventist Christian school is a huge gift to our community because it provides a place where students can be motivated to live out renewed innocence.

This is why I believe every parent—whether Christian or not-should consider Orcas Christian School (or any of the 22 other Adventist schools in western Washington) as a great option for the education of their children. Let's not take this option for granted. •

William Hurtado, Orcas Island district pastor

New Chapter, Same Purpose

Northwest Christian School Prepares for New Facility



Academic excellence, says Principal Marshall Merklin, is what makes Northwest Christian School a place to build hearts and minds.

After serving the Puyallup community as Nelson Crane Christian School for more than 50 years, the eight-grade school recently changed its name to Northwest Christian School.

Along with the name change, the school is also getting a new building. On June 15, the groundbreaking ceremony was held, officially launching the school's "Cornerstone Campaign" to raise \$10 million over the next two years.

"We are truly excited to build this brand-new campus and better fulfill our mission," said Marshall Merkin, school principal.

While the school's main focus is their students, they also want to reach out to the community through additional educational opportunities and extracurricular activities.

"We're about helping people, and this is just one part of our ministry," said Kieth Noll, Puyallup Church pastor.

The new Northwest Christian School facility is expected to be ready in the fall of 2009. The campus will eventually include the Puyallup Church. Visit www.nelsoncrane.org for more details. •

Nicola McDonald, communication and fundraising consultant



Puyallup pastor, Kieth Noll, explains at the Northwest **Christian School ground** breaking, that a school facility is an important cornerstone in the community and provides opportunities for outreach.



Conference News

'If I Ever Decide to Become a Member...'

If I ever decide to become a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church, Pastor, you are the one I will want to talk to, OK?"

These words were spoken 20 years ago by Warren Jeffries to Gary Ellis, Chehalis (Wash.) Church pastor. Jeffries recently called Ellis, who is now retired, reminded him of the story and asked for a pastoral visit. Ellis called Chester Schurch, the current Chehalis Church pastor, and together they visited Jeffries, and his wife Carolyn, in their home near Onalaska, Wash. While visiting they discovered that the Holy Spirit has been working in the Jeffries' life during the past 20 years, and they were recently convicted that they should become members of the Adventist church.

There were challenges: Jeffries' health keeps him housebound and on oxygen. Jeffries' has never been baptized before, though his wife had been many years ago. Their question was, "Does Warren have to be immersed to become a member of the Chehalis Church?" The pastors reassured him that although baptism by immersion is the general practice in the Adventist church for someone desiring membership, the Bible provides examples of situations, such as the thief on the cross, where traditional baptism was not possible.

The church board decided to accept Warren and Carolyn Jeffries into church membership by profession of faith. On Sabbath, July 7, the Jeffries' picture was published in the bulletin, and during the church service Schurch told their story and then called the Jeffries' via



On July 7, 2007, Warren and Carolyn Jeffries were accepted into membership at the Chehalis Church by profession of faith.

his cell phone. The Jeffries were able to state to the congregation via speaker phone their testimony of faith in Jesus as their Savior. The congregation gave a hearty "Amen" when the pastor asked who would like to accept them into membership.

The Chehalis Church is already blessed by these two new members, and will be finding ways to stay connected to them through regular visits in their home. •

Lana Fletcher, Chehalis Church clerk

A Stitch in Time

Ministry Stitches Handiwork for Mission Field



Fancy Work Friends, in the Bellingham Church, lovingly give boxes full of handmade things for the caregivers who work in Romanian orphanages. Bellingham Church recently began Fancy Work Friends as a way for people with knitting, crocheting, embroidery, needlepoint and quilting interests to work on projects, learn a new skill and develop friendships.

When club leaders Donna Fuller and Nancy Ingersoll started brainstorming service projects for the club, they remembered Christian recording artists, Jim and Katie McDonald, and the images they presented, during a church concert, of orphans cuddling handmade blankets in Romania.

As the club researched needs, they discovered that caregivers rarely have something extra-special made just for them. With the goal to fill one box for caregivers, it quickly grew to two boxes. Before long, the boxes were filled with 15 scarves, 14 pairs of slippers, several hats, gloves, a small quilt, a small pillow, hot

pads, and some fleece jackets and hats, all lovingly made, happily donated and shipped to the McDonalds to share in their mission travels.

The ladies involved in the project were: Pamela Gardiner, Haylie Gardiner, Lucille Van Horn, Nancy Ingersoll, Donna Fuller, Rita Van Horn, Wilma Mittleider, Patricia Munro and Janice Jonsson.

Nancy Ingersoll, Bellingham Church communication leader

U n i v e r s i t y



Each home at the orphanage in Uruapan will house 12 to 13 children.

Ministry in Mexico WWU Graduates Reach Out Across the Border

The walls are cardboard. They sleep on nail-studded 2x4s on top of buckets. Sticks hold up thin plastic—trash bags, basically—and people live under them. It's really dark. Light comes in from holes in the material."

This is how 2007 WWU graduate Cheryl Romans describes the living conditions at the labor camps she visited in Tejido, Uruapan, on the Baja peninsula of Mexico.

Both Romans and fellow 2007 WWU graduate Tiffany Penhallurick participated in a WWU-sponsored mission trip to the Mt. of Olives Children's



Nissa Ham, summer 2007 student missionary to Uruapan, holds a sleeping child.



Cheryl Romans (left) and Tiffany Penhallurick help build the first orphanage building in 2006.

Village in March 2006. The experience for both was so moving that they began talk of doing more mission work.

One after another, doors closed, and they became discouraged. They wanted something more isolated than Uruapan, but nothing was working out. Romans decided to take another look at Uruapan, and went on another mission trip with WWU in March 2007.

"The two e-mails she sent me from Mexico made me cry," says Penhallurick. "She said, 'We have to come here."

Although both Romans and Penhallurick would no longer be students and therefore could not participate in the Student Missionary program offered by WWU, they were

determined to go. They began preparing to cover the costs on their own.

Jeanne Vories, WWU Student Missions director, was ecstatic to hear of their determination. "Most graduates want to start careers and make money," she says. "These girls are amazing."

In efforts to raise funds, they organized yard sales, helped at the WWU International Food Fair, sent more than 90 letters, and gave sermons at churches. Everything had to come from donations or their own pockets.

"We took turns panicking about it," says Romans. "But we also took turns encouraging each other."

On Aug. 31, they left College Place and began the long drive to Mexico in a personal

vehicle. They are relying on their savings and continuing donations for their work in Uruapan. They hope to stay at least through April.

Although the orphanage currently has only one completed building, there will eventually be 10 homes on the 12-acre complex, each home housing 12 to 13 children.

Nissa Ham, junior preoccupational therapy student, chose to spend her summer serving at the orphanage. "When I first got here, I worried a lot about doing things exactly right," she says. "God has shown me that it isn't about doing things perfectly. It's about sharing the gifts He's given me with the kids."

The children have left a lasting impression on all three girls. "When you see the kids, something changes," says Romans. "When I look them in the eyes, I know this is definitely where God wants me to be."

Ham agrees. "At the end of the day, when I'm exhausted, a kid will come and give me a hug and kiss and say goodnight," she says. "That's when I know why I'm down here. God wants me to continue His work. This ministry is just getting started." •

Becky Beddoe, WWU GLEANER correspondent

Becraft 60th

Bob and Betty Becraft celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in June with a family dinner at their children's home in Netarts, Ore. They have been members of the Tillamook Church since 1998.

Robert Becraft married Betty Stout on June 15, 1947, in La Sierra, Calif. They met in grade school. Bob was from the Pacific Northwest and the son of a pastor who moved frequently. Betty graduated from La Sierra Academy in 1945 and was visiting the La Sierra Store where she met Bob again, right before he was discharged from the military. Bob returned to college after their marriage and completed his degree in 1950 with a major in religion and business. After graduation Bob worked as an x-ray technologist for many years while they lived in Fresno, Redding, Yreka and Shingletown, Calif. He retired in 1965 while living in Shingletown.

While living in these areas Betty completed her degree in nursing. She worked for Mercy



Hospital in NICU in Redding for 15 years and retired from there.

The Becraft family includes Jim and Susan Becraft of Netarts; Tom and Bonnie Becraft of Walla Walla, Wash.; Susan and Lee Long of Tillamook, Ore.; Tim and Noriko Becraft of Portland; and DeAnn and Stan Williams of Sweet Home, Ore.; 14 grandchildren; and a greatgrandchild.



Jesse 65th

Claran and Marge Jesse celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary with their Glide (Ore.) Church family on April 21, 2007.

Claran Jesse married Marjorie Andersen on April 23, 1942, in Glendale, Calif. Claran graduated from Auburn Academy, Walla Walla College and received his M.D. from the College of Medical Evangelists (which later became Loma Linda University). Claran started the orthopedic department at Loma Linda University. Marjorie graduated from Emmanuel Missionary College and got her nursing degree from the White Memorial Hospital. Claran and Marge have served in Thailand, the Philippines, Tawain and South Vietnam. They retired in 1979 and moved to Roseburg, Ore.

The Jesse family includes Carol and David Follett of Roseburg; James and Kay Jesse of Loma Linda, Calif.; Claran and Cherise Jesse of Redlands, Calif.; 5 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Love 90th

Frances "Frankie" Love had a weekend of celebration for

her 90th birthday on July 20 as family members arrived with hugs of happiness for a lady who has long focused on doing things to bless others.

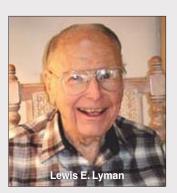
Frances Carrier was born in Portland, Ore. She graduated from Yakima Valley Academy where she met Forest Lamberton of Brewster. Their 40 years of togetherness began in 1936. As her husband built homes and their kids reached their early teens, she registered at Spokane Community College to fulfill a dream—nursing. After graduating with an L.P.N., she worked at Deaconess Hospital in Spokane and later at Walla Walla General Hospital. When they moved "home" to Brewster, she worked for more than 20 years at the Community Medical Center. She did not realize how valuable those nursing skills would be-and so necessaryuntil Forest was diagnosed with cancer. Forest died in 1976 after much TLC from his favorite nurse. In 1984, she married Ed Love and inherited a whole new family to cherish. Ed died in 1996.

Frankie's family includes
Celia (Lamberton) and Eberhard
Hiob of Okanagan Falls, British
Columbia, Canada; Lowell
and Ruth Lamberton of Bend,
Ore.; Reva (Love) and Melvin
Kimmell of Prosser, Idaho;
Sandy Love of South Lake
Tahoe, Calif.; Darla (Love)
Keeley of Kermit, Texas; 4
grandchildren and 10 greatgrandchildren.

Lyman 100th

Lewis E. Lyman celebrated his 100th birthday at an open house on May 13, 2007, held at his son's home in Santa Barbara, Calif.

Lewis was born in Stockton, Calif., on May 9, 1907, and married Vera Hollis in San Francisco on Aug. 1, 1937. They began their married life as singing evangelists in California and continued that tradition across the North Pacific Union Conference. They also pastored churches in Washington and Oklahoma. In 1950 they teamed up with Don and Lillian Spillman to become part of the Spillman-Lyman evangelistic team, holding meetings throughout the Northwest for the next 12 years. In 1962 they again went into full-time pastoring in Washington. They were serving in Puvallup when they retired in 1972 and moved to Santa Barbara, Calif., where Lewis served as the associate



pastor of the Santa Barbara Church for several years. Vera passed away in 1992, and Lewis continues to live independently in the Santa Barbara home they built together.

The Lyman family includes Nona and George Nordby of Bellevue, Wash.; George and Cynthia Lyman of Santa Barbara, Calif.; 4 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

McLemore 50th

Ed and Barbara McLemore celebrated their 50th anniversary on July 29, 2007, with family and friends gathered at Prosser, Wash., where they are active in the Prosser Church.

Ed McLemore married Barbara Patterson in Tieton,

MILESTONES

Wash., on July 27, 1957, at the Patterson home. High school sweethearts, they lived in Tieton and Naches for the first part of their married life, then on to Seattle and the Kent area. Then to Enumclaw were Ed worked as plumber and owned his own business; he was also a rancher on the Crown E Ranch for several years raising Charolais cattle. Barbara was a homemaker. They moved to Prosser, Wash., in 1975 where Ed worked in his business.

The McLemore family includes Julie and Don Schlaman of Yakima, Wash.; Tom and Cindy McLemore and Robert McLemore, all of Prosser; 6 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Torkelsen 60th

Max and Ardis Torkelsen were honored on their 60th

wedding anniversary with a full weekend of family celebrations in Portland, Ore.

Max Torkelsen married Ardis Carle Feb. 8, 1947, in Austin, Minn. The two met as students at Maplewood Academy in Minnesota, which is why they have a special place in their hearts for Adventist education. Ardis went on to take nursing, doing her training at Porter and Boulder Sanitariums in Colorado while Max served in the U.S. Army in Germany during World War II. They married when he returned. They both graduated from Union College in Lincoln, Neb., and Max later received his Masters in Educational Administration from Colorado State University. Max worked for the Adventist church as a pastor, teacher and administrator in North Dakota, Colorado and Arizona. He was

educational superintendent, executive secretary and then president of Central California Conference, and president in Southeastern California and Nevada-Utah. He came to the North Pacific Union as executive secretary in 1970, and returned in 1976 to serve as president until 1980 when he became a vice-president of the General Conference. Ardis worked side by side with Max during their years of pastoral ministry, and practiced nursing in several settings, including being director of central service at (Portland) Adventist Medical Center. Most importantly, she focused her time and attention on managing their home and raising their three children. Later she enjoyed traveling with him on some of his overseas assignments for the General Conference. Upon retirement in



1990, after nearly 40 years of service to the church, Max and Ardis settled in Walla Walla. In 2006 they moved to Portland in order to enjoy more time with family, and are currently members of the Sunnyside Church.

The Torkelsen family includes Max II and Linnea Torkelsen of Spokane, Wash.; Myrna and Roy Smith of Redlands, Calif.; Monte and Darla Torkelsen of Boring, Ore.; 7 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Family BIRTHS

BAILEY—Madison Mae was born Nov. 2, 2006, to Shane D. and Tara R. (Dunn) Bailey, Orting, Wash.

BROWNING—Malcolm E. was born March 24, 2007, to Ed and Kristen (Jarnes) Browning, Spokane, Wash.

CARPENTER—Patrick Joseph was born July 14, 2007, to Daniel and Casey (Rodgers) Carpenter, Albany, Ore.

CASWELL—Hannah Elizabeth was born May 25, 2007, to Richard and Becky (Lundquist) Caswell, Pendleton, Ore.

CRAIG—Daniel John was born Aug. 13, 2007, to Kyle and Tess (Saruk) Craig, College Place, Wash.

CUMMINGS—Grayson Andrew was born Oct. 16, 2006, to Craig

and Vanessa (Vogt) Cummings, Kirkland, Wash.

DAWES—Addison Nicole was born June 4, 2007, to Todd and Jenny (Davis) Dawes, Mount Vernon, Wash.

FACKENTHALL—Isabella Hope Laurén was born March 17, 2007, to Peter and Joy (Muth) Fackenthall, Bellingham, Wash.

GATES—Halle Monet was born May 26, 2007, to Tim and Stephanie (Beasley) Gates, Burlington, Wash.

GINGRAS—Aiden T. was born July 10, 2007, to David and Sheila (Highsmith) Gingras, Ronan, Mont.

GUEVARA—Albert Joseph was born July 19, 2007, to Francisco and Mina (Malinowski) Guevara, Medford, Ore.

HUNOLD—Martina J. was born June 4, 2007, to Dwight and Christina (Gingras) Hunold, Grand Forks, N.D.

JORGENSON—Dylan Bret was born July 6, 2007, to Brian K. and Ammy J. (Bechtal) Jorgenson, Laclede, Idaho.

KELLEY—Briley Mae was born June 30, 2007, to Brian and Emiley (Hurley) Kelley, Gresham, Ore.

KUEST—Tirian Maximus was born July 25, 2007, to Jason and Gina (Grice) Kuest, Ferndale, Wash.

MEHARRY—Abigail Elise was born Aug. 1, 2007, to Shaun and Amanda (Wentz) Meharry, Medford. Ore.

MITCHELL—Dominic Jacob was born July 9, 2007, to Jeremy

and Rebecca (Trotier) Mitchell, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

PATZER—Elianne Grace was born Aug. 11, 2007, to Troy and Renée (Hibbs) Patzer, Spangle, Wash.

RITER—Vienna Elizabeth was born June 27, 2007, to Benjamin and Janella (McGhee) Riter, Olympia, Wash.

SCOTT—Myra Rose was born July 12, 2007, to Cary C. and Ellen (Albacete) Scott, Gresham, Ore.

TAYLOR—Adin Coy was born July 24, 2007, to Brian and Megan (Rader) Taylor, Burlington, Wash.

VAN ASPEREN—Melindy Jayne was born March 19, 2007, to Leigh and Mary (Hurst) Van Asperen, Colburn, Idaho.

BOCKSNICK-FYANT—Mindy Bocksnick and Brian Fyant were married June 16, 2007, in Ronan, Mont. They are making their home in St. Ignatius, Mont. Mindy is the daughter of Dorothy Bocksnick. Brian is the son of Art Fyant and Dian Jenkins.

BROADIE-WEATHERSPOON-

Trista Broadie and Ivorie Weatherspoon were married Aug. 5, 2007, in Portland, Ore. They are making their home in Vancouver, Wash. Trista is the daughter of Curt and Trish Firebaugh. Ivorie is the son of Leon and Naomi Weatherspoon.

CLARK-WALKER—Tiffany
L. Clark and Corey J. Walker
were married July 20, 2007, in
Medford, Ore., where they are
making their home. Tiffany is
the daughter of Larry and Joanna
Bacon and Shane Clark and Jody
Jensen. Corey is the son of Steve
and Nan Walker.

EMSLIE-MACKE—Tiffany Emslie and Greg Macke were married March 14, 2006, in Blackfoot, Idaho. They are making their home in Shelley, Idaho. Tiffany is the daughter of Martin and Dianne (Pullen) Emslie. Greg is the son of Jerald and Victoria (Curtis) Macke.

FANDRICH-CROSBY—Rebekah Fandrich and Justin Crosby were married July 15, 2007, in Boring, Ore. They are making their home in Portland, Ore. Rebekah is the daughter of Mickey L. and Nancy D. (Kokinos) Fandrich. Justin is the son of Gale W. and Sharon R. (Plummer) Crosby.

FLECK-NIELSEN—Karyelle Fleck and Erik Nielsen were married July 22, 2007, in Portland, Ore. They are making their home in Burlington, Wash. Karyelle is the daughter of Rick and Sharon (Wecker) Fleck. Erik is the son of Virgil and Karen (Wat) Nielsen.

GIBSON-CATALANO—Deborah A. Gibson and David J. Catalano were married July 22, 2007, in Naples, Fla. They are making their home in Altamonte Springs, Fla. Deborah is the daughter of Robert and Marilyn Gibson. David is the son of Donald and Maxine Catalano.

MAHURON-KIRKWOOD—Anna Mahuron and Keola Kirkwood were married July 18, 2007, in Coos Bay, Ore. They are making their home in Waddell, Ariz. Anna is the daughter of James and Susanne (Gallman) Mahuron. Keola is the son of Steven and Colette (Smith) Kirkwood.

MORAN-HALE—Joy Moran and Rick Hale were married July 14, 2007, in Portland, Ore., where they are making their home. Joy is the daughter of Terrene Trexler. Rick is the son of Robert and Willita (Erwin) Hale.

PRESS-BUSS—Wendy K. Press and Matthew A. Buss were married July 15, 2007, in Tillamook, Ore., where they are making their home. Wendy is the daughter of Ron and Dori (McCoy) Press. Matthew is the son of Ken and Jean (Easling) Buss.

REISWIG-KISSER—Brooke Reiswig and Shaun Kisser were married July 22, 2007, in Anacortes, Wash. They are making their home in Berrien Springs, Mich. Brooke is the daughter of Ken and Debbie (Opitz) Reiswig. Shaun is the son of Derald and Teresa (Evans) Kisser.

SVENSON-SNYDER—Karin E. Svenson and Loren V. Snyder were married July 15, 2007, in Medford, Ore., where they are making their home. Karin is the daughter of Robert and Dorothy Svenson. Loren is the son of Vinton and Irma Snyder.

VanGILS-RIVAS—Veronica VanGils and Todd Rivas were married June 17, 2007, in Loveland, Colo. They are making their home in Fort Collins, Colo. Veronica is the daughter of Eddie and Esther VanGils. Todd is the son of Henry and Donna Rivas.

WILLIAMS-FORSTER—Cheryl Williams and Jacob Forster were married June 15, 2007, in Spangle, Wash. They are making their home in Pullman, Wash. Cheryl is the daughter of Grant and Cynthia (Dobson) Williams. Jacob is the son of Kent and Jean (Erwin) Forster.

AT REST

BRANDEL—Bettie (Rand) Emery Eddings, 86; born Jan. 11, 1921, North Bend, Ore.; died July 8, 2007, Albany, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Carmen Emery, Corvallis, Ore.; and a grandchild.

CLOW—Elaine, 91; born March 29, 1916, St. Elmo, Ill.; died Aug. 1, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash.

DANIELS—Salenia, 15; born April 14, 1992, Spokane, Wash.; died May 24, 2007, Rockford, Wash. Surviving: mother, Abigail (Gilbertson) Rosa Daniels, Fairfield, Wash.; brothers, Daniel Rosa and Junior Daniels, both of Spokane; Dominick Daniels, Fairfield; sister, Roxanna Rosa-Cooper, of Colorado; and grandfather, John Gilbertson, of California.

DAWES—LouElla L. (Koorenny), 76; born Feb. 22, 1931, Harvey, N.D.; died Aug. 13, 2007, Corvallis, Ore. Surviving: husband, John, Lebanon, Ore.; sons, Gary, Beaverton, Ore.; Larry, Aumsville, Ore.; Barry, Radcliffe, Ky.; daughter, Terri Dawes, Grandview, Wash.; brothers, Ray Koorenny, Huntsville, Texas; Laverne Koorenny, Milton-Freewater, Ore.; Floyd Koorenny, Redlands, Calif.; sister, Donna LeFore, Milton-Freewater; and 3 grandchildren.

ENGELHART—Virginia R. (Hilderbrand), 76; born April 13, 1931, Brainerd, Minn.; died April 25, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, Bernard; daughter, Kelli Leen, Walla Walla; and 3 grandchildren.

FERGUSON—Sylvia N. (Minks), 84; born June 15, 1922, Loveland, Colo.; died May 17, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, James R.; sons, David, Glendale, Calif.; Robin, College Place, Wash.; 3 grandchildren and a greatgrandchild.

GEPPERT—Marvin G., 75; born June 1, 1932, Portland, Ore.; died July 19, 2007, Portland.

Surviving: daughter, Judi L. Geppert, Huntington Beach, Calif.; brothers, August H. Jr., Boring, Ore.; George, Portland; Carl, Tillamook, Ore.; and sister, Kathleen Hoffman, Portland.

HEUSSER—George K., 90; born June 22, 1917, Hoquiam, Wash.; died Aug. 3, 2007, Hillsboro, Ore. Surviving: wife, Gladys (Beusekamp); sons, Dave, Anchorage, Alaska; Don, Beaverton, Ore.; daughter, Peggy Hering, Hillsboro; sisters, Ruth (Heusser) Wade, Salem, Ore.; Vera Bliven, McMinnville, Ore.; Elsie (Bliven) Smith, Hagerstown, Md.; Eilen (Bliven) Cade, Tangent, Ore.; 6 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

ATREST

HOFFMAN—J. Reynolds, 91; born Dec. 24, 1915, Glide, Ore.; died June 29, 2007, Glide. Surviving: wife, Lois (Schulz), Mohnton, Pa.; son, Bryan, Rodeo, Calif.; daughter, Karen Walker, Whitinsville, Ma.; and a grandchild.

HOLLOWELL—Newton, 99; born Dec. 25, 1907, Alexandria, Ind.; died May 21, 2007, Miles City, Mont. Surviving: stepsons, Del Carey, Volborg, Mont.; Randall Carey, Bothell, Wash.; stepdaughters, Irene (Carey) Gresens, Helen (Carey) Jones and Betty (Carey) Barthelmess, all of Miles City; Peggy (Carey) Barrett, Entiat, Wash.; and 29 step-grandchildren.

JACKSON—Audrey M. (Anger), 72; born April 19, 1935, Port Huron, Mich.; died Aug. 20, 2007, McMinnville, Ore. Surviving: son, Brian M., Flagstaff, Ariz.; daughters, Debra L. Bryson, Amity, Ore.; Gayle R. Hill, Medford, Ore.; brothers, Ernest E. Anger, Mancelona, Mich.: Albert B. Anger. Gainesville, Texas; Donald K. Anger and Roger C. Anger, both of Mancelona; sisters, Ethel L. Hoig, Mancelona; Joyce K. Matthews, Lexington, Mich.; Janet G. Blair, Coloma, Mich.; and 5 grandchildren.

LOGAN—William H., 90; born Jan. 21, 1917, Goodrich, Wis.; died July 30, 2007, College Place, Wash. Surviving: wife, Mildred V. (Bovee); son, Patrick, College Place; 2 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

LOOMER—Edna (Pierson), 72; born Oct. 9, 1934, Niobrara County, Wyo.; died Aug. 1, 2007, College Place, Wash. Surviving: husband, Donald R.; sons, Todd, Wenatchee, Wash.; Rodney, College Place; brothers, Eugene Pierson and Don Pierson, both of Wyoming; sisters, Donnabell Peckham, of Nebraska; Ruby Scheller, of Colorado; Maysie Helms and Eunice Horn, both of California; and 2 grandchildren.

MAY—Eleanor M. (Hansen), 88; born June 4, 1919, Seattle; died July 20, 2007, Seattle. Surviving: son, LeVern, Port Orchard, Wash.; brother, Roy Hansen, Bremerton, Wash.; sisters, Margo Humphrey, Bellevue, Wash.; Millie Grole, Lake Forest Park, Wash.; 2 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

MCCARTNEY—John, 96; born Nov. 30, 1910, East Wymess, Fife, Scotland; died Aug. 15, 2007, Portland, Ore. Surviving: wife, Hazel (Toombs); son, Verland, Woodland, Wash.; daughters, Maylene Russell, Portland; Heather Leno, Clackamas, Ore.; Nancy Teale, Washougal, Wash.; 16 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

MITCHELL—Irma L. (Hurd), 81; born Dec. 19, 1925, St. Helena, Calif.; died July 23, 2007, Central Point, Ore. Surviving: husband, Eugene; sons, Clinton, Modesto, Calif.; Ray, Medford, Ore.; foster son, Walt Graham, Highland Park, Colo.; daughter, Kathleen Mitchell, Central Point; brother, Alvin Hurd, Colton, Calif.; 9 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

MORTON—Mary J. (Wisbey), 85; born July 3, 1922, East Rosewell, Idaho; died Aug. 16, 2007, Vancouver, Wash. Surviving: daughters, Sally Cressman, Beaverton, Ore.; Sue Morton, Battle Ground, Wash.; 10 grandchildren and 3 greatgrandchildren.

NEUMILLER—Alvina (Beck), 87; born March 16, 1920, Temvik, N.D.; died July 19, 2007, Boring, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Marilyn Renk, Boring; and 2 grandchildren.

PAHN—Melissa J. (Leary), 52; born Aug. 13, 1954, New Orleans, La.; died July 29, 2007, Cape Horn near Washougal,

Wash. Surviving: husband, Andrus, Vancouver, Wash.; sons, Trevor and Christopher, both of Vancouver; parents, Clarence "Jack" and Elsie (Shirey) Leary, Lodi, Calif.; brother, Kevin Leary, Mammoth Lakes, Calif.; sisters, Jenanne Benjamin Rodriguez, Granville, Ohio; and Shawna Unser, Sun Valley, Idaho.

PARKS—Robert E., 84; born Feb. 13, 1923, Summerville, Calif.; died March 9, 2007, Gresham, Ore. Surviving: wife, Ardena (Mote); son, Gary, Salem, Ore.; daughter, Betty McMurry, Sonora, Calif.; and 5 grandchildren.

PORCIELLO—Edith M. (Curtis), 81; born Jan. 18, 1926, Santa Ana, Calif.; died Aug. 6, 2007, Lincoln City, Ore. Surviving: son, Tony, Lincoln City; daughters, Maren O'Malley, Lincoln City; Tina Miller, Chiloquin, Ore.; 4 grandchildren, 6 greatgrandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

PRITEL—Philip A., 96; born Oct. 12, 1910, Butte, N.D.; died July 19, 2007, Vancouver, Wash. Surviving: wife, Betty (DeMerice) Leeson; stepson, Tom Leeson, Vancouver; sisters, Emma Coffin, Watkinsville, Ga.; Alice Livadney, Harrah, Okla.; and a step-grandchild.

REED—John L., 91; born April 15, 1916, Fairbury, Neb.; died July 20, 2007, Aberdeen, Wash. Surviving: wife, Rosemary (Anderson); and brother, Lyle Reed, Walla Walla, Wash.

SALERNO—Dorothy C. (Sanchez), 99; born June 30, 1907, Stockton, Calif.; died Jan. 14, 2007, Caldwell, Idaho. Surviving: son, Kenneth, New Plymouth, Idaho; 2 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

SHORT—Dale M., 73; born Jan. 5, 1934, Albany, Ore.; died June 15, 2007, Yacolt, Wash. Surviving: wife, Dora A. (Robinson); son, Darrell,

Amboy, Wash.; daughters, Della Short, Boise, Idaho; Deborah Minick, Calhoun, Tenn.; and 4 grandchildren.

STANFILL—Bunnie I. (Gilman), 70; born Aug. 1, 1936, Walla Walla, Wash.; died July 28, 2007, Walla Walla. Surviving: husband, Bob; sons, Matt, Amboy, Wash.; Joe, Silver Lake, Wash.; and 3 grandchildren.

TININENKO—Rose I. (Kapustensky), 90; born Jan. 29, 1917, Raleigh, N.D.; died July 9, 2007, Sandy, Ore. Surviving: sons, Florian, Deer Lodge, Mont.; Robert, Longview Wash.; Calvin, Grand Forks, N.D.; Dalton, Punta Gorda, Fla.; daughters, Lucretia Creitz, Sandy, Ore.; Carol Lilley, Bend, Ore.; Elaine Bechthold, Windsor, Conn.; Wilma Fisher, Post Falls, Idaho; 15 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

UTTER—Mary E. (Moore) Walker, 90; born Feb. 24, 1917, Bethel, Okla.; died June 27, 2007, Medford, Ore. Surviving: sons, Kenneth Walker, Rochester, Texas; Leon Walker, La Pine, Ore.; stepsons, Fred Utter and Mike Utter, both of Portland, Ore.; Alan Utter, Vancouver, Wash.; daughters, Louise Nogle and Sybil Engle, both of Yuma, Ariz.; Ruth Fischer, Sandy, Ore.; Cindy Martin, Trail, Ore.; 18 grandchildren, 11 step-grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and 20 step-great-grandchildren.

WATSON—Roger E., 78; born April 16, 1929, Milwaukie, Ore.; died July 26, 2007, Forest Grove, Ore. Surviving: wife, Mary L. (Nally), Gaston, Ore.; son, Brian E., Gaston; daughters, Corinne L. Nieman, Gaston; Roma R. Clewell, Carson City, Nev.; and 5 grandchildren.

WHITE—Kenneth L., 75; born Aug. 28, 1931, Seattle; died July 22, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: brother, Paul A., Bradenton, Fla.



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NORTH PACIFIC UNION

Offerings

Oct. 6—Local Church Budget; Oct. 13—World Budget: Voice of Prophecy*; Oct. 20—Local Church Budget; Oct. 27—Local Conference Advance; Nov. 3—Local Church Budget.

Special Days

Curriculum Focus for the Month—Adventist Heritage†

Oct. 6—Children's Sabbath; Oct. 7–13—Health Education Week (Vibrant Life)*; Oct. 20-Spirit of Prophecy Sabbath*; Oct. 27—Pathfinder Sabbath*; Nov. **3–25**—Native Heritage Month; **Nov. 3**—Stewardship Sabbath.

- * Special Materials Provided
- † Curriculum resource materials are published in NAD church resource journals-Sabbath School Leadership, Celebración, Célébration, Kids' Ministry Ideas, and Cornerstone Youth Resource Journal

Legal Notice

North Pacific Union Conference Association official notice is hereby given that a Regular Membership meeting of the North Pacific Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists is called for 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2007, at the North Pacific Union Conference office in Ridgefield, Washington. The membership is comprised of the members of the North Pacific Union Conference Executive Committee. The purpose of this Regular Membership meeting is to hear reports and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Jere D. Patzer, President Gary W. Dodge, Secretary

WALLA WALLA UNIVERSITY

Sept. 29—Kraig Scott Organ Recital, 6 p.m., University Church: Oct. 21—Leonard Richter Piano Recital, 7:30 p.m., University Church; Oct. 25—String Orchestra Concert, 7:30, Fine Arts Center Auditorium; Oct. 27—Academy Church, 10501 S.E. Market St., the West Linn Adult Center, Brass Festival concert, 7 p.m., Portland, Ore. University Church.

OREGON

Fall Revival

Sept. 30-Oct. 13—Sharon Church invites you to their Fall Revival featuring Pastor David King of New Jersey at 7 p.m. on Thursdays. All events are at the church at 5209 N.E. 22nd Ave., Portland, OR 97211. See their website for sample sermons at www.sharonsda.net. For more information, contact (503) 287-7649, fax (503) 287-8688, or sharonsda@qwest.net.

Milo Homecoming

Oct. 5-6—Milo Adventist Academy homecoming will honor the classes ending in "3" or "8." For more information, contact Greg Margart, alumni president, at (707) 443-6488 or gregorynecslc@aol. com or Randy Bovee, principal at (541) 825-3200 ext. 3313 or randy. bovee@miloacademy.org.

Adventist Single Adult Ministries (ASAM)

Oct. 7— Swimming pool party sponsored by the Beaverton Adventist Singles, noon to 3:30 p.m. Bring swimsuit, towel and some snacks to share. This activity is at an indoor pool located at: Cherrywood Village, 1417 S.E. 107th, Portland, Ore. For information, contact Tom Terry at (503) 684-7971, tom. te@verizon.net, or Charlotte Miles at (503) 579-9549. www. beavertonsda.com, then to the singles web page. Maps will be made available at the website above. Oct. 20—Audubon hike, Portland, Ore.

Oregon SAGE Events

Oct. 13—Worship and movie, Medford Fellowship Hall. For information, call (541) 665-0637. Oct. 14—Cranberrian Fair, Long Beach Peninsula. For information, call (509) 343-9548 or (360) 326-8996.

Sunnyside Musical Vespers

Oct. 13—Carl Parker and friends, 5:30 p.m., Sunnyside

Missing Members

The Salem Central Church is seeking information regarding the following missing members: Frohna Andersen, Leo Debock, Ernest Duffield, Michael Duffield, Estella Hill, Karen Maxwell, Domingo Mendez Jr., and Tara Townsell. If you have information regarding any of these members, please contact Charlene Bennett at (503) 581-5213 or charbenn@ hotmail.com.

Hillsview Trio Concert

Oct. 20—Please join us at the Estacada Church for a 3 p.m. Sabbath afternoon concert with the Hillsview Trio. For more information, contact info@ hillsviewtrio.com.

CVCS Alumni Homecoming

Oct. 20—Central Valley Christian School, Tangent, Ore., invites you to its 50th homecoming celebration. Sabbath services at the school will begin at 10 a.m., potluck lunch at noon, followed by an afternoon program. For questions, call the school at (541) 928-7820.

Northwest Adventist Single Adult Ministries Conference

Nov. 2-4—Staying Vertical in a Horizontal World at the Canby Grove Retreat Center south of Portland. Join other single Adventists from all over the Northwest as we worship and share the ministries of featured speakers Jim and Carolyn Sutton along with special guest speaker Nancy Van Pelt, special musical meals, and organized social members. activities following the meetings. For more information, contact the Oregon Conference Family Life Department at (503) 850-3500.

Mission Trip Reunion

Jan. 26, 2008—Ron and Nancy Franzke cordially invite everyone who has participated in a mission trip with them from 1990 until information, call Louanna 2007 to a reunion at 6 p.m. in Henderson at (509) 927-0109.

1180 Rosemont Road, West Linn, Ore. Light refreshments will be served. This reunion is being held in conjunction with Mission Sabbath sponsored by Ohana Christian Fellowship of Seventh-day Adventists. Reunion participants may R.S.V.P. to ronnanfranzke@ yahoo.com or call (503) 655-

Your Bible Speaks Missing Members

Your Bible Speaks Church is missing the following members: Doug Ingram, Nita Ingram, Lanel Jackson, Homer Jackson, Kalvina Johnson, Katie Johnson, Nyla Johnson, Shirley Johnson, Hillary Kelly, Lisa Knight, Ja'Nat Lee, Makhosazana Mathuthu, Sithembile Mathuthu, Deanna McCrary, Steve McCrary, Lucille McDonald, Brandon McKnight, Brian McKnight, Diana McKnight, Patricia Means, Denise Muliro, Li Norris-Romine, Colleen Norris-Romine, Karey Norris-Romine, Shadey Norris-Romine, Mario Norris-Romine. If you have any contact information for these missing members, please contact Pattric Parris at (360) 991-7372.

UPPER COLUMBIA

Missing Members

Colville Church is seeking the following missing members: Shauna (Sisson) Kosky, Paul Mund, Michael Oswald, Jim Redwine, Nancy Schoessler and Emil Sikorsky. Please contact JudyAnn Hoerler at jjhoerler@ usa.net or (509) 684-8345 if you presentations, delicious catered have any information about these

Regeneration Workshop

Oct. 5-7—An Adventist Regeneration Workshop will be conducted by Pastor Hall Gates at the Otis Orchards Church. Regeneration is a Christcentered, 12-step program to help compulsive-addictive behavior and its dysfunctions. For more



The GLEANER is pleased to 5. Twelve contest-winning announce the immediate opening of its 2008 Nature Photography Contest. Winning entries will be selected to 1) appear on page 2 of the GLEANER magazine next year or 2) be featured for one week on the front page of the www.GLEANERonline.org website during the year. The deadline for entries is 5 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2007.

The GLEANER will be accepting digital photos as well as slide transparencies, but several contest rules will apply to both media:

- 1. Photographers may submit a maximum of 15 vertical images.
- 2. Only images of nature scenes taken within the states of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington will be considered.
- 3. Photographers should be prepared to supply model releases for any recognizable people appearing in winning entries.
- 4. Winning entries from past years are no longer eligible for submission.

- images will be used in the print edition of GLEANER, with payment of one-time-use rights of \$80 per photo.
- 6. In addition to the 12 photos selected for print, 52 photos will be selected to appear on the www.GLEANERonline. org Web site in low resolution each week during the year, after which the photo may be seen in archival form for four weeks before dropping off to make room for the next featured photo. Any requests for high-resolution versions of these photos for any other purpose will be forwarded to the photographer.
- 7. Entries should be mailed to or delivered to 5709 N. 20th St., Ridgefield, WA 98642, during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Fridays, 8 a.m. to noon.
- 8. All slides and CDs will be returned by regular firstexpense or may be picked up in person by the photographer during regular GLEANER

are announced, unless the photographer notifies us not to return a CD.

Digital Entries

- 1. If submitting photos taken with a digital camera, ensure that your camera captures at least three megapixels. Further, make sure that your **Slide Entries** resolution" mode and the image is recorded at the "largest JPG size." The file should be several megabytes 2. The photographer's name must in size!
- 2. Files other than JPG will not be accepted. Virgin JPG files should be saved at the highest possible resolution. Avoid degrading the image 3. Full contact information should by re-saving a JPG file to the same filename.
- 3. Submit photos on a CD that is clearly identified "2008 Images of Creation Photo Contest" along with the photographer's name.
- class postage at GLEANER 4. Use the title of each photo as its filename on the CD to facilitate future correspondence about that image.

office hours after the winners 5. Full contact information should also be contained in a cover letter that accompanies the entries: name, mailing address, day and evening phone numbers, and e-mail address. Include a typewritten list of all the titles you are submitting.

- camera is set to its "highest- 1. Only original 35-millimeter slides will be considered. Slide duplicates will be disqualified.
 - appear on the slide mount along with the photo title to facilitate future correspondence about the image and avoid loss or confusion.
 - be contained in a cover letter that accompanies the entries: name, mailing address, day and evening phone numbers, and e-mail address. Include a typewritten list of all the titles you are submitting.
 - 4. Entries should be placed in a plastic slide page and protected in a large manila envelope.

Young Women's Retreat

Oct. 5–7—Heaven's Court is the theme of the upcoming Young Women's Retreat at Camp MiVoden. Each young woman is a beautiful creation of God and He desires her to be present in His heavenly court

Jill and Brian Sprinkle, have a passion to share the love of the Lord with young people. For information, contact UCC Women's Ministries at (509) 838-2761, ext. 504.

Disaster Response Training

Oct. 14—A Disaster Response forever. The main speakers, Training class will be held from the facilitator and the topics will feature Barbara Neher

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the UCC will include domestic violence, office. For more information, sexual abuse and addictions. To contact Cheri Corder at (509) 838-2761, ext. 621.

Men's Forum

Oct. 20—A special Men's Adventist Community Forum will be held at the UCC **Service Events** office. Doug Ammon will be

register, please call Polly's Place Network at (509) 838-2761 by Oct. 10.

Oct. 21–25—ACS meetings

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from Kentucky, founder of the **WASHINGTON** It's My Very Own program. This ministry involves making fabric bags and filling them with personal care items which are given to children taken from their homes by police or CPS during, for example, drug raids. The meetings are 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. followed by a potluck in each of the following locations: Sunday, Oct. 21, Bonners Ferry, Idaho; Monday, Oct. 22, Wenatchee, Wash.; Wednesday, Oct. 24, Pasco, Wash.; Thursday, Oct. 25, Deary, Idaho. For more information, please contact Cheri Corder at (509) 838-2761.

Christian Women's Retreat

Oct. 26-28—Ever Rising Andrews Academy is the theme of the Christian Women's Retreat to be held at Camp MiVoden. Author Kate Arnette will be the stress, relationships, children, revitalize your life. Register by **Oct. 17**. For information, call Upper Columbia Conference Women's Ministries at (509) 838-2761, ext. 504.

Washington SAGE Events

Nov. 11—Representatives meeting; Nov. 11-Museum of Flight tour and lunch at Bamboo Gardens, Seattle; Dec. 18—Canadian Brass Concert at Benaroya Hall, Seattle; Dec. 25– **Jan. 11**—Help build Path of the Just at La Sierra University, Calif.; tourist days at Rose Parade; San Diego Zoo; Disneyland. CHILE MISSION TRIP CANCELED. For information, see www.sagewashington.com or contact Joan Libby at (253) 681-6008, joan. libby@wc.npuc.org, or 32229 Weyerhaeuser Way South, Federal Way, WA 98001.

WORLD CHURCH

Homecoming

Oct. 19-21-Alumni of **Emmanuel Missionary College** Academy, Andrews University featured speaker. Seminars on Academy, and Andrews Academy, plan now to join us parenting and more will be for special services on Friday available. Come to this retreat to evening and all day Sabbath. Classes ending in "3" or "8" will be honored. For more details, contact the Academy Alumni office at (269) 471-6140, or acadalum@andrews.edu.

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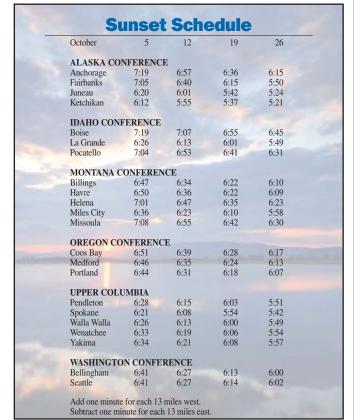
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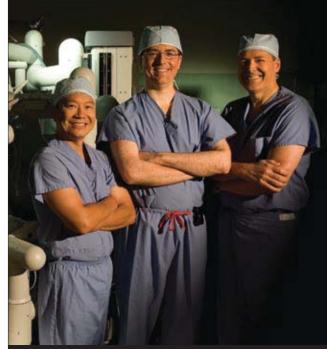
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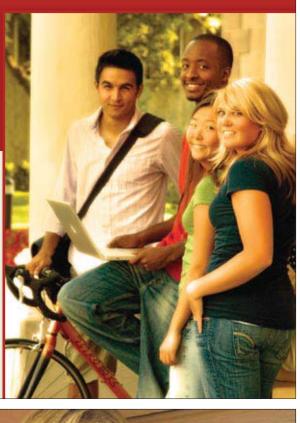
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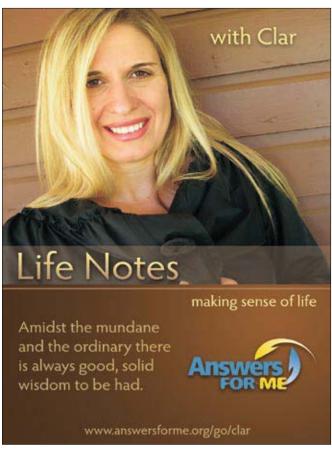
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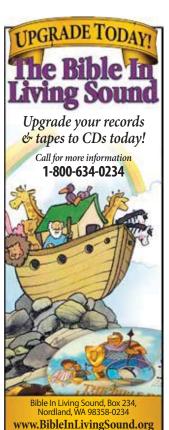
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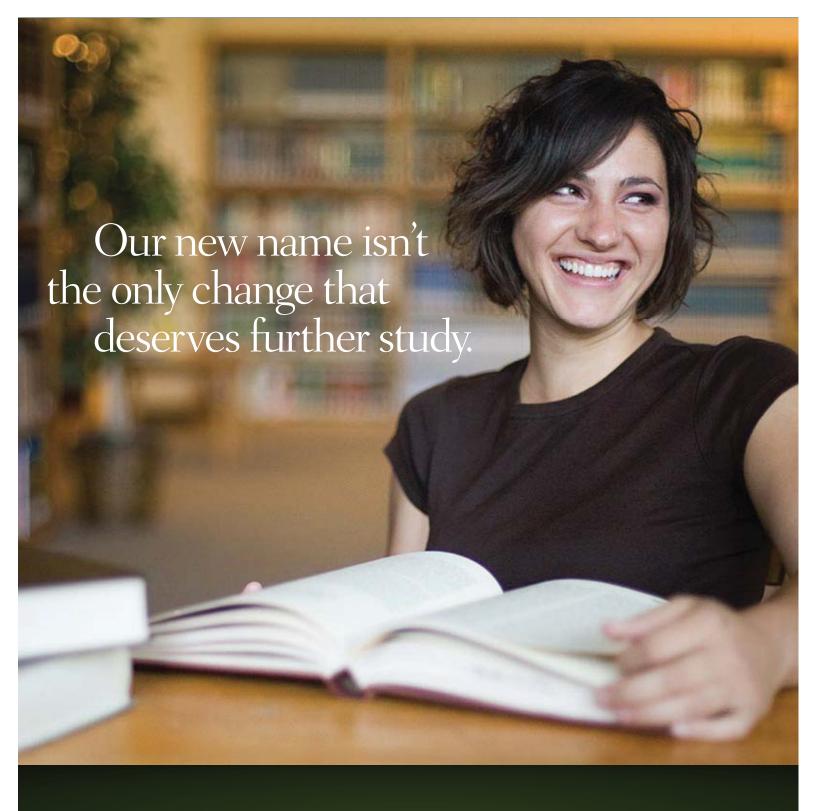
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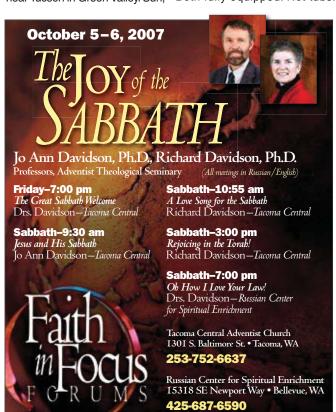
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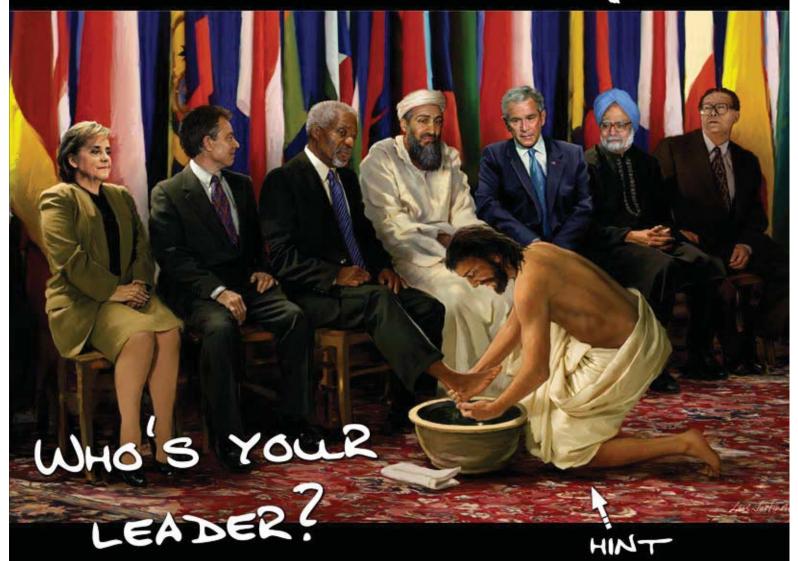
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