Dr Ben Carson is always asking the question: ‘Is there a better way?’ We must constantly ask this question when doing the work of God. You can’t pray for progress and fight change.

Recently, I read a Ministry magazine article entitled ‘The Great Cost of Refusing to Change’. The writer averrs that ‘to deny any change is to sabotage improvement’. Then he challenges us to practice occasionally what he calls the ‘Columbus syndrome’ — having the courage to sail forth into the unknown and find something new and challenging.

Some people will never be reached unless we go to where they are. This is why we must continue to promote vigorously house-to-house collecting as one method of doing Ingathering. While it is true that the annual ADRA-UK Appeal is primarily about raising funds, it is a golden time to contact people looking for hope in a seemingly hopeless world. One church made fifty contacts during the 2006 Appeal! It is also a great opportunity to contact and reclaim former Adventists. I know of two reclaimed members who were influenced by Ingatherers who knocked at their doors.

I have been involved in, and indeed commend, the various ways of raising funds during Ingathering, such as collecting from pubs and clubs and the SEC’s sponsored Run. I have even considered doing a sponsored swim. Nevertheless, whatever approach we use — and, yes, we must continue to explore new ones — we must not dispense with door-to-door collection. If we do, we will abandon an indispensable method of reaching parts of the population that other methods cannot and will not reach. Not even ‘the media’ can reach everyone. Not everyone, for example, has a TV.

‘The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into our neighborhood,’ is how The Message renders John 1:14. In order to reach us, Jesus had to come where we are. Going from door to door is essential if we are to reach many who escape our attention when we use other approaches to Ingathering.

There are members who actually take time out from their work to do door-to-door collecting. It is fun for them. In contrast, some find this method uncomfortable, but God’s work will involve leaving our comfort zones. We will always have to leave our suite and hit the street, as Jesus did when he came into our neighbourhood.

Surely it’s worth it, when we think of the 2007 ADRA projects. These include: * helping poor children on the streets of Peru, * the Special Needs Camp in Wales, * providing clean water in Togo, West Africa, * helping the educationally challenged in Papua New Guinea and * improving the lot of the poor in Madagascar. Even a cursory glance at the details reveal that ADRA helps people to help themselves.

Please put these dates for the ADRA-UK Appeal 2007 in your diary: 31 March – 15 April. And here are three tips to factor the element of fun into door-to-door collecting: a) collect with someone with whom you love to work; b) go to the same territory every year. My neighbours are almost waiting for me, because they are used to my coming. And c) set yourself a personal target. This makes collecting exhilarating!

Finally, there is another question you must ask besides ‘Is there a better way?’ ‘Ask for the old paths where the good way is, and walk in it’ (Jeremiah 6:16, NKJV).
THE CHIP REPORT
by Sharon Pratt-McDonald, Health Ministries director, BUC

‘Gospel workers should be able to give instructions in the principles of healthfulness. There is sickness everywhere, and most of it might be prevented by attention to the laws of health.”

(The Ministry of Healing, E. G. White.)

The 2006 CHIP (Coronary Health Improvement Project) summit in Sacramento, California, was an occasion where more than three hundred delegates gave attention to the laws of healthfulness. Trained to lead the ‘CHIP in Your Church’ programme, these delegates left equipped with the tools to enhance health and positively impact lifestyles. They also heard testimonies of community attendees becoming Activists through this programme.

Now approaching its eighteenth year, CHIP has taken centre stage across the world as a leading lifestyle and health improvement programme. It draws together healthcare professionals, faith communities, corporations, schools, business enterprises and outlets such as restaurants and grocery chains. Strongly research-based in its origins, clinical reports have highlighted its efficacy in numerous medical journals, and recognised its integrated medical, behavioural and public health approach as the answer to many of our largely lifestyle-related diseases.

CHIP is a community-based, 30-day, intensive educational lifestyle intervention which entails 40 hours of practical demonstrations, theoretical insights and teaching on healthy living, and the prevention and reversal of disease. It has been scientifically proven to reduce substantially high blood pressure, blood sugar, cholesterol, angina, digestive disorders and insomnia depression. It facilitates the reversal of narrowed arteries, helping to combat heart disease.

More than 40,000 CHIP graduates attest to the success of the CHIP lifestyle principles, having applied them to their daily lives with outstanding, uncontestable results. Individuals who have come through the programme, and reports from their physicians, have indicated results such as cholesterol levels dropping from 130% to as much as 40%, average weight loss of seven pounds in thirty days, diabetic and blood pressure medication reduced and even eliminated, better sleep and higher energy levels. There have also been favourable outcomes with some cancer diagnosis.

Dr Hans Driel, director of the Lifestyle Medicine Clinic at Loma Linda, California, is founder of the CHIP programme. He has over twenty years leadership experience in lifestyle medicine, working as lifestyle interventioneer, researcher, educator and speaker.

The CHIP programme is both comprehensive and supportive in its approach and includes the following:
- In-person health screens for total cholesterol, LDL, HDL, triglycerides and fasting blood sugar
- New lifestyle evaluations
- Personalised counselling
- 12 dynamic health and lifestyle challenges
- Dynamic Living workshop and workbook
- Nutrition foods cookbook
- Food demonstrations and samples
- Regular alumni support meetings

Under the caption ‘Equipping Churches for Effective Health Ministry’ the Adventist CHIP Association has developed CHIP as a health evangelism tool.

Their Mission Statement is to provide a church-sponsored, scientifically sound, community-based, faith-based programme that will:
- Bring healing to the victims
- Create lasting friendships for churches
- Stimulate the church’s God’s plan for health

Activists

It is an awful irony that the slave trade had its bicentenary in 2007, it is important that we note that Bret Harte’s was more than a sentimental story. Permit me to make my point with an old joke.

‘The baby had transformed the neighbour as much as the baby had transformed the community – the direction, the priorities, the life?’

The individual’s change of life-direction will sweep away injustice, hunger, poverty and the social systems that give rise to them. It does not absolve us from the need for activism. Where would the Abolitionist movement be if Granville Sharp, Thomas Clarkson and William Wilberforce had been quietists?

Happy healthy living!

Environmental wellness

Is your home making you sick? The Environmental Protection Agency estimates that 50% of all illnesses can be traced to indoor pollution, which is ten times more toxic than its outdoor counterparts.

Chemicals and harmful substances in the home have been linked to tiredness, headaches, allergies, skin irritations, depression, memory loss, confusion, respiratory problems, asthma, nausea, dizziness, changes in genetic structure, birth defects and cancer.

On the list of hazardous products are: chlorine-based bleach (for example, NaClO), ammonia, acrylamide, formaldehyde, petroleum solvents, abrasives, aerosol propellants, deodorisers, radon, pesticides, lead and high emissions from electro-magnetic fields (EMFs).

Anti-pollution plan

The following helps to create a healthy living space and prevent the build up of environmental toxins.

- Ensure your home is well-ventilated.
- Use naturally derived cleaning products such as free liquid solutions, baking soda, white vinegar, hydrogen peroxide, castile soaps, and other citrus soaps which are very effective and safer for the environment.
- Avoid over-exposure to electromagnetic fields.
- Don’t spend prolonged periods close to electrical appliances. Minimum safe distance is three feet away from operating appliances.
- Keep baby mobile away from infants’ heads.
- Take regular breaks from the computer.
- Limit the use of microwaves.
- Reduce the number of synthetic products in your home.
- Avoid cooking with aluminium utensils.
- Check personal care products for sodium lauryl, aluminium chlorohydrate and fluoride. Use harmless alternatives from health shops.
- Bring plants into your home for air purification.
- Spider plants are thought to remove harmful formaldehyde, and aloe vera plants may be effective in removing indoor pollutants.
- Get more sleep.
- Avoid excessive use of cars.
- De-clutter.

Lovern’t forget the power of Christ to make bad men good, and good women better. That power is at the heart of Christianity. It is called new birth. Few of us would doubt its reality.

But where does new birth end and the transformation of the individual – the direction, the priorities, the life?

The individual’s change of life-direction will impact his family, making him a better son, husband and father. The option to be a saint at church and a devil at home isn’t open to the Christian. You accept that, right?

Should a change of life-direction also impact the neighbourhood, the folks at work or school? Then a little child was born. In the presence of that Child men saw, as they had never seen before, the world that needed lifting up. The cry of the slave would not harmonise with the song of the angels…

After the 2006 CHIP summit in Sacramento in March, we plan to attend the launch in March and we hope to train up fifty leaders to become CHIP trainers. We are excited about this development and have committed our plans to God for his direction and blessing. Please pray for the success of this programme.

You can contact the Adventist CHIP Association at: Route 1, Box 4001, Sulphur, OK 73068, USA, Website: www.adventistchip.org Email: info@adventistchip.org

Seventh-day Activists

David Marshall

Happy healthy living!
Wolverhampton Pendeford opens church and learning centre

by Victor Hubert, BUC Communication sponsor

‘This building is testimony of what transformation can do,’ BUC president Pastor Don McFarlane said, after he and Wolverhampton Pendeford Adventist church and Dovecote Learning Centre officials cut the ribbon on Sunday 26 November, at the official opening of the Wolverhampton Pendeford Adventist church and Dovecote Learning Centre. Purchasing a pub, then gutting and re-designing the building as a place of worship for 200 people, means that the members and leadership of Pendeford now have an asset that, as Pastor McFarlane put it, ‘can help young people and older people to transform their lives through membership in the church.’

Councillor John G. Davis, Mayor of Wolverhampton City Council (WCC), officiated at the opening. After cutting the ribbon, he talked about the ‘reincarnation of a building’, and referred to it in terms of the biblical motto on the mayor’s badge: ‘Out of darkness cometh light.’ Sarah Underhill, the liaison between the church and the WCC, had worked closely with church pastor Richard Jackson, to help fund the redevelopment of the building. She said that it had been a good community project but that the ‘reputation then dipped.’ With joint funding from the WCC, the European Regional Development Fund and the various departments of the Adventist Church, she believes that the building will now ‘regain a focus for the community’.

Wolverhampton Adventists are gaining a reputation for taking over old pubs. Both the Great Brickkiln Street and Wednesfield churches have a similar heritage. However, the added attraction of this building is that the support of the WCC and the regional development fund has ensured that it will be much more than a place of worship. During the week, the church will be used by the council to help the long-term unemployed improve their skills and get back to work, to improve community links and to run various training programmes such as childcare and parenting. “It is an ideal arrangement,” Pastor Jackson states. “We have secured money from the council for this project. They will run the community programmes, but there will be no strings attached. Our obligation is simply to allow them to rent-taking tenancies with access during the week. They will close at noon on Fridays and won’t do any thing against the principles of the Adventist church. The church and the council work together to benefit the local community.”

NEC president Pastor Egerton Francis was among those impressed with the quality of the refurbishment, and the high standard of the sanctuary, the training rooms and the kitchen and toilet facilities. In his speech, he praised the members for their hard work. “This is your home,” he told them. In commending Pastor Jackson and the members for their vision, he stated, “May you be comfortable in your place of worship, but remember you are on a journey and you are here as a witness.” Pastor Francis also commented Mr Gill, the previous owner of the property, who wanted the former pub to become a house of prayer.

“It is twenty-five years since an Adventist group was started in Pendeford. That small number has grown and now more than seventy are in attendance. Increasing numbers of adults and children from the local community are also starting to visit and many of these were in attendance at the opening. As a ‘son of Pendeford’, Pastor Gary Gordon remembered the old pub and the historic dovecote behind it. Now, with a dove of peace reflected in the stained glass window behind the pulpit, he challenged that it should represent ‘the peace of God that this church can bring to the community’.

“The Cherish Team

On Sabbath 15 January, Manchester Central church had a day to cherish. Why ‘cherish’? Because ‘Cerish’ is the church’s ‘help team’ set up to give help to members and others in need.

The Cherish team organised the full day’s programme which was a joyful day of song and praise to the Lord. Sabbath School took the form of scripture readings by the children, interspersed with singing by the Praise Team, followed by Testimonies from members. The two sermons were presented by Pastor Raburah and Sister L. Brown. Manchester Central is well known as a standing music, praise and prayer, and this ‘Cerish Day’ gave opportunity for all age groups to participate in full voice.

Sabbath lunch is a regular feature at Manchester Central, but this day was exceptional, with a bevy of master cooks providing a wide variety of dishes to be treated upon. AVs was yet another feast, but of the musical variety. Children with their instruments, members singing solo and in groups, visitors from local churches, even professional singers, all joined to make this a day of glory to our Lord and of enjoyment to his children.

Another baptism at York

On 28 October, the York church welcomed Catherine Maxombebe into membership. Catherine started Bible studies with Pastor Afokoo while living in York, and continued them by correspondence after moving to study at Leicester University.

“You can acquire riches and you can have knowledge, but without Christ you really have nothing,” that’s why I’ve chosen to do this today,” Catherine said, after taking her baptismal vows.

A friend of Catherine’s, who had come to support her, was impressed with the service and the sermon. “I’ve never experienced anything like this before.”

Christmas baptism at Stanborough Park

On Wednesday 20 December, the British Union, ADJR and Adventist Discovery Centre office staff gathered together to thank Jean Menkins for thirty years of service at the Adventist Discovery Centre, formerly known as the Voice of Prophecy.

Jean was the youngest member of the team when she started work as receptionist in September 1977. This was before the days of the computer and, as Jean remembers, “All our work was done by hand.”

The computer came to the VOP in 1984 and Jean became registrar when Mrs Barbara Boner retired. Pastor Fretson Taylor was vice-president of Jesus Christ, then I...”

McFarlane thanked Jean for her faithful service over so many years, commenting on her singularly dedicated service to the organisation that she loved and worked for.

“Sabbaths to remember at Angaza

On 23 December, Angaza Sabbath school was led by people whose birthdays fell in that month. It was a beautiful and colourful morning.

James Ahadi, chair for the programme, gave his testimony. ‘My dad was a Muslim leader. One December, I met my Saviour and was kicked out of my family for the shame I had caused them. I became a member of God’s family. Then I...’

The Agape group have been meeting for two hours every Sabbath for some time. They have testimonies, Bible study and prayer. For 20-38 community children, every Saturday has been a time for social, emotional and spiritual enjoyment. The work of Bible studies and home visits on Friday evenings was the mainstay of the day’s success.

The baptism was conducted by Pastor Godwin Lukandaya and the three candidates were from one family. Karen and Anna are the chil-

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In addition to being the registrar, Jean has also served as manager for the Discover Bible School, which involved working with the local churches. She was also manager of the Health programme.

One of her achievements was to enable the in-house printing of Bible lessons such as ‘Great Teachings and Prophecies of the Bible’. ‘Start into Life’ and ‘Family Life’ lessons. She has helped to update the lessons, with the assistance of Richard Willis.

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days of Miriam Njamba and the third baptised was Aisha, Miriam’s great-niece. Ten more people came from a non-Adventist background.

Newcastle church associate pastor, Bransilav Mitrov, presented the candidates with a book and gave them words of encouragement.

STEPSHEIM: CHRISTMAS
Seven grace gifts for your marriage

by Karen and Bernie Holford *

1. The gift of patience — 1 Corinthians 13:4

Maybe there was a very good reason why the apostle Paul listed patience as the first quality of love in 1 Corinthians 13? In our crazy busy lives, take the time to slow down and give each other space to think, to reflect, to do things at different speeds, and to make the occasional mistake, is a generous, and yet sacrificial gift you can give each other.

When would your spouse appreciate the gift of your patience, and how can you show them that you are willing and happy to give them the space and time they need?

2. The gift of forgiveness — Ephesians 4:32

Forgiveness can be the most challenging gift we offer to each other. Sometimes we have hurt our spouse so badly that the process of forgiveness can take time, and we need to allow them the space to complete forgiveness at their own speed. If we have hurt our spouse, we also need to consider what we can do to help heal their pain, be mature enough to listen to them tell us how much we’ve hurt them, and then offer an apology. We may not be able to forgive each other, but we can truly experience a taste of God’s grace towards us.

What might you need to forgive your spouse for? How could you begin the process? What might you need to ask forgiveness for? Could you invite your spouse to describe how your actions hurt him or her, and begin to comfort them for the pain you have caused?

3. The gift of welcoming acceptance — John 15:18

Jesus gave us a moving example of humble service when he showed that he was willing to take on the lowly task of washing his disciples’ feet. We may not need to wash each other’s feet when we show that we are willing to do one of those tasks as a surprise? Washing up, cleaning toilets, washing the car, taking out the rubbish, etc.

What other ideas do you have? Try to do at least one act of generous service a week. And if your spouse does an amazing task of service for you, be quick to show your gratitude and appreciation.

4. The gift of loving words — Ephesians 4:29

Loving words encourage and inspire us. They are words that build us up and give us the hope and the strength to keep going on. Positive words help to counteract the damage done by the negative and critical messages from the media, our colleagues, fellow church members, or even the echoes of painful words spoken to us in childhood.

What words could you say that would build up your spouse? What prayers could you pray?

Someone has said that the secret of a successful marriage is leaving about three things a day unsaid. We don’t have to speak every thought that comes into our head. We don’t have to keep reminding the other person of things that they have or haven’t been doing. Tell them clearly, once, what you need them to do, and then give them the space and time to fulfil your request in their own way.

What words could you leave unsaid, and what difference might it make to your spouse if you did?

5. The gift of self-sacrificing service — Philippians 2:1-4

This year the General Conference Family Ministries department is focusing on grace in marriage, parenting and other family relationships. To download the sermon, children’s stories and seminars for both personal and church use, go to www.secadventist.org.uk, click on Departments and then click on family materials.

For the best website for information on marriage-related topics visit www.2-in-2-1.co.uk.

Karen and Bernie Holford

Dr KENNETH EDWIN THOMAS (1932-2006) d. 20 March

Dorothy Johnson, from Skelmorlie, died on Sunday 26 March. Dorothy was born at Kendu Mission Hospital in Kenya on 14 December 1932 to Frederick and Florence Thomas, British missionaries who had arrived in Kenya on 30 June 1931. Dorothy’s father, Rev. Dr Ken Thomas, British missionary who had accepted a call in 1928 to serve in Kenya in the British Red Cross Service. The doctor who administered at Ken’s birth was another long-time British missionary, Rev. Godfrey Madgwick, the brother of a better-known British missionary, Rev. Dr Richard Madgwick (1886-1982). Dorothy’s mother, Florence (nee Neale) Thomas, Ken grew up with her older brother, Dick, who at the time was living in Niger where he was an employee of the British Government. In 1964, when her parents were on furlough, her brother Dick, together with her father, moved to Kenya. Dorothy became one of two missionary boys (also Britons), down from the missionary family, who may have been sent to school in Kenya to receive language education in preparation for life in the mission field. In 1970, when the church set up a training at St Mary’s Junior School, Nairobi, it was agreed that Dorothy, together with two other boys, should be sent to a mission school. In 1975, her parents returned to the United Kingdom, where they joined other British missionaries who had previously been working in Kenya, and who together with Dorothy, lived in London. The family sold their house and rented in the town of Southgate, where the family stayed for some 13 years and then moved to the town of Hoddesdon, where Dorothy was educated in a grammar school. She was born on 19 November 1934, a few days after her half-sister, Joy had been born. Dorothy entered into the world of education in Hoddesdon College, where she was educated until 1950. She returned to Hoddesdon College to pursue her higher education in Hoddesdon College. She then completed her secondary education in the senior school of the founder members of the Worcester church in 1910. Together, Vera and Bill put their hearts and souls into keeping the church in life. In 1931 and 1932, the Worcester church had sadly lost its dearly beloved members. Vera was born and lived all her life in Worcester and was baptised when she was 19 years of age. Vera and Bill married in 1942, and together had two children, Hilda and Leonard (Bill). Vera was a faithful member of the church all her life and was one of its senior members. Vera was born at the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon in the town of Hoddesdon In 1959, Ken and Shirley moved once again to Andrews University, where he had been offered a post in the Mathematics department. He had always loved teaching, especially his favorite subject, and he got the rest of his working life to ministering in the spirit of his beloved father. In 1965, the Worcester church was divided, and Vera became the leader of a new church. Vera was a member of the Worcester church for many years and served as its secretary for many years. She was married to Bill and they had two children, Vera and Leonard. Vera passed away peacefully in her home at the age of 87. Vera is survived by her husband Bill and their four children, Hilda, Leonard, Vera and Bill. Vera would like to thank all the members of her church, the people of Christad and the NHS and Social Services for their dedication and loving support during this difficult time.

VERA (nee Oliver) BEE (1921-2006) d. 19 October


At the time of her husband’s death, Vera was born and lived all her life in Worcester and was baptised when she was 19 years of age. Vera and Bill married in 1942, and together had two children, Hilda and Leonard (Bill). Vera was a faithful member of the church all her life and was one of its senior members. Vera's husband was a military man who was stationed in various parts of the world, including in Africa, where they lived for many years. Vera was a member of the Worcester church all her life and had been a member of the church for over 50 years. Vera was a dedicated and loving member of the church, and was a devoted wife and mother. Vera was a member of the Worcester church for many years and served as its secretary for many years. Vera and Bill had two children, Vera and Leonard. Vera passed away peacefully in her home at the age of 87. Vera is survived by her husband Bill and their four children, Hilda, Leonard, Vera and Bill. Vera would like to thank all the members of her church, the people of Christad and the NHS and Social Services for their dedication and loving support during this difficult time.

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**Sexual orientation regulations**

Christian protesters made national news headlines on Tuesday 9 January as they demonstrated outside Parliament against new regulations to protect gay rights. These became law in Northern Ireland on 1 January 2007 and are due to be introduced in mainland Britain in April.

The law protects against discrimination in the provision of goods, facilities and services on the basis of sexual orientation, bringing it in line with similar bans on religious or racial discrimination. The rally coincided with a debate in the House of Lords in which a motion was put forward by Lord Morrow, calling for the Northern Ireland regulations to be annulled, so that they could, in turn, be amended to protect freedom of religion and conscience. Lord Morrow told peers, ‘The regulations make it possible for homosexual activists to sue people who disagree with a homosexual lifestyle because of their religious beliefs. They require religious organisations to choose between obedience to God and obedience to the state.’ The motion was defeated by 199 votes to 68 with Conservative peers being allowed a free vote, while Liberal and Labour peers were instructed to vote against it.

Thomais Cordrey, barrister and Public Policy Analyst with the Lawyers’ Christian Fellowship, states on their website, ‘These Regulations do not currently strike the correct balance between two competing rights. Christians have no desire to discriminate unjustly on the grounds of sexual orientation, but they cannot and must not be forced to actively condone and promote sexual practices which the Bible teaches are wrong. It is a fundamental matter of freedom of conscience.’

With the following link, http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/NISexual Orientation you can add your name to a petition to the Prime Minister. The deadline for signing up is 5 February 2007.

The full text of the petition reads as follows:

‘We the undersigned petition the Prime Minister to delay the passing into legislation of the Sexual Orientation Regulations for Northern Ireland. These Regulations should be withdrawn as they offend the vast majority of people in Northern Ireland across the sectarian divide. Will severely limit free speech in Northern Ireland. The School curriculum and assemblies must be entirely exempted. Could lead to Bibles being banned from Hospitals where the Word of God offers much succour. Christian teachers could be forced out of the profession, removing the bedrock of our system. They override the consciences of Christian teachers and are contrary to Article 9 of the European Convention on Human Rights. Gay rights activists have sought to ban University CUs and this will spread to schools.’

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Jesus performed many mind-blowing miracles of healing during his three-year ministry on Earth, yet he is recorded as saying, ‘The person who trusts me will do . . . even greater things.’ John 14:12.

So what happened? Has the power of God dried up? Do miracles still happen, or has modern medicine put an end to all that?

**Feedback**

New hymnbook needed

While the canon of the Bible is closed, surely our hymnal should not be. Since the last update in 1985, some excellent new songs have appeared.

Our hymnal has many excellent classics which we should never do away with. However, would it not be a good idea for a music committee to compile a small book of maybe 300-400 new songs that are in harmony with our beliefs? It could also contain some old classics that were dropped from the new hymnal, such as ‘Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus’.

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