Openness and Honesty

Marriage counsellor, Willard Harley Jr., and others say that among the needs married women have that must be met in order to feel happy and contented in marriage is for their spouses to be open and honest.

The need for openness and honesty has to do with feeling secure, confidently knowing that what the man says is absolutely true and that he may be relied on. Any discovery of dishonesty or revelation of something hidden creates a sense of distrust, vulnerability and insecurity. The all-consuming question is “What else has he lied about?”

The need for openness and honesty is not unique to married women. It seems that this need is fundamental to humanity, especially as we look to our leaders. While we hope that our civil leaders will be open and honest with us, periodic revelation of their dishonesty and economy with truth has often disappointed us. Repeated low electoral turnout in Canada suggests that an increasing number of us are now disillusioned and cynical.

Our cynicism sometimes leaves us distrusting all leaders—even our religious and spiritual ones. Deep down, we want to trust them, but we remember our own untrustworthiness and recognise that our leaders are perhaps just like us—sinful human beings who, we assume, are not always willing to be completely open with us. Even when they are completely open and honest, we often remain suspicious, unwilling to accept that the account they gave us is true and undiluted.

In the upcoming conference session, July 3-5, 2009, the spiritual leaders of our provincial church will present a true and undiluted account of their four-year stewardship to nearly 900 delegates, representing every Adventist congregation in Ontario. It will be a time of complete transparency. However, only the delegates usually have the opportunity of receiving the reports of the officers and departmental directors.

In order to give account to the wider church, the conference officers have authorised, for the first time, the publishing of the reports in this special edition of Highlights so that every family in the conference may have access to them. While some of the reports are written just as they are in the delegates handbook, this edition of Highlights should not be considered as the official handbook. Whether in a summary form or the full report, their inclusion in this paper simply allows for greater participation in the entire evaluation process.

It is important to remember, however, that while we place our leaders under scrutiny, we should be careful that the standard we hold them to should not be higher than what we hold for ourselves. The holding of higher standards is something that leaders willingly take on for themselves, not what we determine for them. Yes, the evaluation of our leaders and the selection of some new ones are very important to our church, but they should create a sense of humility within each of us as we are reminded that all of us must stand before God and give an account of our stewardship (Romans 14:12). We must not lose sight of our own accountability to God even as we find fault with, or can give credit to, our leaders.

Any sense of pride or quickness to judge should quickly resolve into an earnest desire to pray for our leaders, recognizing that, like us, they are simply doing the best they can while occupying positions at which the Devil wants them to fail.

As we move to elect new officers and directors for 2009-2013, please join me in praying, throughout the entire four-year period, for the success of our leaders. Like Aaron, holding up the hands of Moses, let us lift up the hands of our leaders. Their success is the success of the entire church membership in Ontario.

Halsey Peat
President’s Report

Counting Our Blessings, Moving Forward

“God has given us the privilege and responsibility of being faithful in sharing the Good News of salvation through Jesus and His soon return.” – 1Cor. 4:2 (NIV)

This report will briefly summarize how the gospel and God’s work have advanced in the Ontario Conference during the last four years. Without question, the Ontario Conference is comprised of members and workers who sense the importance of sharing the Good News of salvation through their dedication and commitment.

Evangelism

At the end of the last quadrennial session, our membership stood at 24,489. By the close of December 2008, it had grown to 28,025 reflecting an increase of 3,536 which also represents a 14.44% growth.

We have given strong emphasis to Northern Ontario, where we partnered with It Is Written Canada to do one major series every year. This has greatly boosted growth through baptisms in the North and helped to fire the spirits of our members in those areas.

Each year, our churches and pastors across the conference engage in numerous evangelistic events, resulting in the totals cited above. For example, in 2008 the churches in the western section of Toronto held a joint series of meetings that were led by one of our young pastors, Omar Palmer. It resulted in over 200 baptisms.

Many of our churches have taken advantage of technology and are broadcasting the gospel through television, radio, and internet. A number of people have started attending church because of these ministries and some, praise God, have been baptized.

Churches Planted

Evangelistic growth has created new congregations. During the past four years, three churches have been organised and five new companies were established.

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Eighteen Branch Sabbath Schools (groups) are also in operation: Addington Highlands, Brooklyn, Cambodian, Cambridge, Luso-Brazilian, Cochrane, Elliot Lake, Emmanuel Spanish Toronto French, Good News, Lily of the Valley, London Spanish, Oakville, Tamil, Hope Spanish, Romanian Heralds, Toronto Heralds, Toronto Romanian, and Zimbabwean.

Finances

In spite of the recent global economic recession, the finances of the Ontario Conference have remained strong. The economic turmoil has seriously affected many of our members, and it is true we are not realizing the strong gains we have had in the past, yet through the faithfulness of our members to God, our conference has been blessed.

Derrick Nichols, President
Lois Zygowiec, Administrative Secretary
Tithe income for 2001-2005 was $82,717,720.00. However, the past four years, 2005-2009, showed a 23% increase with a total of $101,670,964.00. It is only the Spirit of God working in the hearts of His children that could result in such faithfulness.

**Church Building Investment Fund (CBIF)**

The CBIF has proved to be a great blessing for the conference. For the last four years alone, our members contributed $572,010.92. Since the program’s inception in 2001, $992,614.63 has been donated. Of this amount, 30% has been distributed equally among all churches. The remaining 70% was equally divided between 29 churches, enabling 13 of them to fully retire their mortgages or loans.

**Properties Purchased**

As membership continues to grow, and new congregations are planted, the challenge remains in providing adequate church buildings for them. Since 2005, the Ontario Conference approved the acquisition of 13 properties at a cost of $10,862,250.00. We are grateful to and highly commend our members who gave of their means to help provide places of worship and centres of evangelism.

**Christian Education**

I am pleased to report that Christian education is vibrant in this conference. Even with the many challenges faced by our educational system, we were able to open two new schools during the past quadrennial, making a total of eight schools operated by our conference.

Of the eight schools, Peel Seventh-day Adventist School building was destroyed by fire. Fortunately, the fire took place only a few days after the school had closed for the summer holidays. Immanuel Christian Reform Church of Caledon kindly allowed us to operate Peel School in their facility until the end of the 2009-2010 school year. We are very grateful to the Christian Reform Church of Caledon for their kindness.

Total enrollment of our eight schools is 890 pupils with 70 dedicated teachers providing training for our children and leading them to the throne of grace on a daily basis.

Most of our schools continue to struggle financially, and it is evident that the system needs overhauling. At the Thirty-first Quadrennial Session of the Ontario Conference, a decision was made to examine the overall operations of our educational system. We would like to see all churches in the conference, particularly those that are not presently supporting the system financially, join together in partnership with those that are to accomplish the work that God has impressed upon us. “Partnership in Adventist Christian Education” (PiACE) was launched to give study to this. A report will be brought to the upcoming constituency meeting. Special mention and gratitude must be given to Bro. Ron Francis for the enormous amount of time and effort given to the study and promotion of this program.

**Camp Meetings**

Over the past several years, the cost of having camp meetings has become increasingly expensive. Providing accommodations and amenities for almost 10,000 people is no easy task. Due to logistics and cost, the camp meeting has had to be curtailed to one day and is now held at the International Centre in Mississauga. The centre is air conditioned, comfortable and has adequate parking.

Recognising the huge geographical area of our conference and the difficulties posed by great distances for some of our members in travelling to camp meeting, we have strengthened the regional camp meetings. We provided more funding, included some of the regular annual Maranatha training workshops and made them a priority for our officers and some directors to attend.

**Information Technology**

Information technology has greatly improved. We have adopted the North American Division’s eAdventist.NET software for all our churches to facilitate the work of the church clerks. Our own financial software for church treasurers, Church Pal, developed by Raveen Pal, has been upgraded, allowing for much more flexibility and speed. All our workers now have conference e-mail addresses giving us the ability for quick communication among workers and saving some postage costs.

The increasing number of members who use online banking will soon be able to return tithes and make other donations online. We are currently working with the Royal Bank in setting up a program for online giving. Online giving has already been approved by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada.
New Pastors

We are blessed with a strong work force of dedicated pastors. However, it is a challenge to find new pastors for our unique multicultural composition. Also, one of our objectives is to accommodate, as well as possible, our own young men and women who have prepared themselves for ministry. We can thank God for providing the resources to make this possible, and since January 2005, forty-nine new pastors have been hired. Twenty-nine of these were replacement positions while the other fourteen were additions to the pastoral work force.

Pastors Ordained

Since 2005, we ordained thirteen pastors to the Gospel Ministry, namely:

- Didier Fourny
- Damson Oppong
- Gerardo Pasikatan
- Mirthell Mitchell
- Andrew King
- Jesse Anunciacion
- Luca Marulli
- Alex Golovenko
- Carlos Perrone
- Petar Caran
- Orlando Pule
- Lloyd Wilson
- Carter Stanley

James Anderson, Donville Cooper and Omar Palmer will be ordained at the upcoming camp meeting in July.

Seminary Students Sponsored

The following are individuals who were sponsored to the seminary at Andrews University:

- Donville Cooper
- Omar Palmer
- Allan Decena
- Luca Marulli
- Joseph Duchesne
- Dan Bates
- Daniel Reyes
- Frank Dell’Erba
- Fred Nichols
- Garth Dottin
- Marian Kossovan
- Rohan Smith
- Rudolfo Alvir

Older Workers

It is my privilege and honour to mention our retired workers who have given many years of service to the Ontario Conference. Some of these workers have also worked in different places around the world, and have added to the rich tapestry of beauty that is our conference. Thirteen workers retired during this last quadrennial:

- Stefan Bruggemann
- Leyanne Roschman
- Kathleen Mitchell
- Veronica Martin Batson
- Michelle DeSilva
- Brenda Gabriel-Knight
- Jacqueline French
- Lori Ann Purchas
- Robertha Greenaway
- Claude Bastien
- Verlaine Linrud
- Didier Fourny
- Alex Golovenko
- Carlos Perrone
- Petar Caran
- Orlando Pule
- Lloyd Wilson
- Carter Stanley

We salute these men and women for their faithful ministry, their courage, support, and dedication through the years.

Gratitude

I express my deepest gratitude to the Ontario Conference Board of Directors, my fellow officers and departmental directors for their constant and untiring efforts and commitment to the work of this conference. For the many long and late hours you have worked, and for the support you have provided to the office of the president. Thanks to our pastors, Bible instructors, teachers, and support staff as you took care of the flock, supported evangelism, and helped to mould the lives of our young people. To every member in this conference for your confidence in this administration, for your faith in the Third Angel’s Message and working to prepare others for the soon coming of our Lord and Saviour, thank you.

Moving Forward

In the fulfilment of the mission of our church, the planting of new churches across the province must continue. It is a huge challenge, but one that must be met. We must herald more clearly the Good News and cry aloud the soon return of our blessed Lord.
In gratitude to God for His ever-present help, I am glad to present to His church this brief summary that outlines major initiatives and activities pertaining to this office, undertaken during the past quadrennium. In so doing, I praise God from Whom all blessings flow.

Electronic-Based Operations

This quadrennium marks the conference's transition from a paper-based operation to an electronic-based operation, which has made it significantly more efficient and cost-effective. This involved the creation of conference-based e-mail accounts for all employees, congregations, institutions, first elders, clerks and treasurers, which greatly enhanced the transfer of information and the sense of inter-connectedness required in the twenty-first century.

Human Resources

Given the growth of the conference, it became advisable to create a Human Resources Office, connected with Secretariat, and to employ a full-time HR officer whose academic qualifications include a master's degree in Law and a post-graduate certificate in Human Resources Management. This progressive action has proven highly beneficial during the first two years of operation of the said office. One of the positive outcomes has been the production of a totally new and significantly more comprehensive employee handbook, which will be introduced at the next workers' meetings.

Letters Patent

Early in the quadrennium, we were able to see to completion the amendment, by way of update, of the Letters Patent, which is the official document of incorporation and registration of the Ontario Conference with the provincial and federal governments—a process that began under my predecessor, in the latter part of the previous quadrennium.

Conference Bylaws

A careful scrutiny of the existing conference Bylaws revealed a long-standing lack of compliance with the model Bylaws prescribed by the General Conference and the North American Division—a discrepancy that the Bylaws Committee has endeavoured to correct, as evidenced in the revised conference Bylaws that are being proposed for approval by the constituency at this 32nd session. Further to this, a number of additional amendments, proposed by the various ministerial districts, have been incorporated in the said document.

Protecting Our Children

In an effort to protect our children, as well as the good name and the assets of God’s church, enhanced emphasis has been placed, by way of conference policies and initiatives, on the need to secure police clearance for all conference employees and local church volunteers. To increase these groups’ awareness of the seriousness of this issue, the services of Cory Jewell Jensen were secured for the presentation of Child Abuse Prevention Seminars to pastors, teachers, local church leaders and church volunteers in various regions of the conference. Further to this, a Church Attendance and Participation Policy for Convicted Sex Offenders was adopted and voted by the Board of Directors for implementation where necessary.

Fostering Operational Unity

Acknowledging that an intrinsic part of the mandate of this office is to foster the operational unity and harmony of the church, specific
seminars were developed and presented to pastors and churches throughout the conference on the role and function of the Church Manual, and on the proper, mutually supportive interaction of pastors and church elders.

Regional Camp Meetings

Another significant area of enhanced integration between the local churches and the conference office during this quadrennium has been the new partnership that has been established between the headquarters and the various regions for the coordination, financing and implementation of regional camp meetings, thus strengthening the bond of unity between the conference leadership—administration and departmental directors—and the local districts. Currently, five regional camp meetings are held yearly, in the East, North East, South, West, and North West. Further to this, four "linguistic camp meetings" are held yearly or biennially, involving Filipino, Hispanic, Portuguese and, more recently, Zimbabwean members. Additionally, plans are being made for holding the first (and subsequent) Francophone camp meeting.

Evangelism

Without a doubt, evangelism is the primary mandate and raison d'être of every segment of God's work, including the conference administration and, within it, the office of the Secretariat. Prompted by a keen awareness of our mission to all of Ontario, a new partnership was conceived and subsequently established with It Is Written Canada for targeted evangelism in the northern cities of Ontario, which has resulted in measurable church growth and increased vitality for our congregations in those northern latitudes. Funds are set aside and a schedule is in place for the continuation of this outreach endeavour over the next quadrennium.

Membership Statistics

Statistically, the conference began the quadrennium with a membership of 24,489 and ended it with a membership of 28,025, reflecting a net increase of 3,536 members, which represents a net growth equivalent to 14.44%, for which we give glory to God. The largest contribution to this increase came through baptisms, which totalled 5,092 for the quadrennium: 1,010 in 2005, 1,724 in 2006, 939 in 2007, and 1,419 in 2008.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve God’s church in this capacity during the past quadrennium. As we move forward into the future, we are confident that He who began the good work in Ontario is able to complete it to the glory of His name. May His blessing always rest upon us all.
Treasurer’s Report

Faithfulness in Recessionary Times

Since the beginning of 2008, the world has been going through an unprecedented financial turmoil that has not been seen in generations. In spite of this, and all the uncertainties and instabilities that come with it, we continue to witness the unmistakable leading of God in the personal lives of His children, as well as in the financial operations of the Ontario Conference.

Consider this:

$ For the years 2005-2008, tithe increased 23 percent, or $18.95 million, over the previous four years
$ Ontario Conference constituents shared $26.25 million of tithe with the world field
$ God provided, through your faithfulness, $75.42 million of tithe for local conference needs

Of the $75.42 million of tithe, plus other income provided for local conference needs, more than $47.99 million, or 55 percent, went to strengthen ministry in the local church. Our schools benefited from over $16.95 million, or 19 percent.

Strengthening Ministry in the Local Church

$ Salaries of pastors and Bible instructors
$ Child evangelism (Children’s Ministry, Sabbath School, Adventurers)
$ Church buildings
$ Maranatha evangelistic training
$ Prayer ministries

Evangelism and Outreach

$ Evangelistic campaigns and outreach programs
Church planting
Personal Ministries training
Bibleinfo.com
Media Ministries

Adventist Education

$ Salaries for teachers
$ Educational subsidies
$ Training, curriculum and professional growth

Youth and Young Adults Development

$ Pathfinders
$ Youth leadership training
$ Camp Frenda
$ StormCo and other mission outreach
$ Campus Ministries

Strengthening the Family

$ Family Ministries
$ Women’s, Men’s and Single’s Ministries
$ Health education
$ Planned Giving and Trust Services

A Closer Look

For those who like details, here are a few:

As shown in exhibit 1, a total of $101.67 million in tithe income was received during the last four years. Tithe increase during the same period averaged 5.06 percent. However, the growth rate for each of the last three years was below the average, with 2008 registering the lowest. This can be attributed to the deteriorating economy. Tithe increase for all of Canada in 2008 was 2.79 percent.

Exhibit 1. Tithe Income

Exhibit 2: Ontario Advance
A total of $1.84 million was received during 2005-2008. These offerings are used for evangelism, Christian education, youth programs, and church/school buildings.

Exhibit 3: Mission Offerings

A total of $2.75 million was given over the last four years. These offerings are remitted in their entirety to the higher organisations and are used to meet the needs of the world mission field.

Exhibit 4: Financial Resource Allocation

The chart below shows how the financial resources were allocated. For every $1 of resource:
- 55 cents were spent to support ministry in the local church
- 2 cents for special services
- 19 cents for our children in our schools
- 7 cents for retirement
- 14 cents for support services, and 3 cents for the working capital reserve.

Other Important Highlights

- For each of the last four years, our internal auditors conducted a 100% audit of all churches and schools
- Our books are audited by the General Conference Auditing Services and by an external auditor. For the past four years, the auditors gave our financial statements a clean and unconditional opinion.
- Workshops for local treasurers and pastors are conducted regularly to improve their knowledge and skills
- In view of the recessionary times, cost containment measures have been put in place.

Appreciation

The achievements over the last four years would not have been possible if it were not for God's goodness and faithfulness. He has proven, yet again, that He can be relied on at all times regardless of the circumstances.

Our gratitude goes to all church members in Ontario for their generosity in supporting the work of the church and their unselfishness in sharing the means they have been blessed with.

Confronting the Challenge

The road ahead is fraught with challenges and uncertainties. Let us put our trust and confidence in God because He will never fail us.
Developing Cutting-edge Pastors

The aim of the Ministerial Department is to serve pastors, Bible instructors, their families and local church elders/company leaders in their effort to proclaim the everlasting gospel to the people of Ontario.

While the support of the proclamation of the gospel is primary, we do not forget the human needs of our pastors, Bible instructors and their families. Nurture, motivation, training, encouragement and pastoral care are provided for those who constantly give so much of themselves to their congregants.

Recognizing the tremendous demands placed upon the local pastor and the need for lay involvement in ministering to the congregation, we also nurture, train, motivate, and equip local church elders as they serve their congregations.

Pastoral Ministry: New Initiatives

Each congregation deserves the best pastor possible. During this quadrennial, we have taken new initiatives to develop cutting-edge pastors. One of these is, since 2007, a quarterly mentoring seminar/workshop was held for ordained pastors as well as for un-ordained pastors, where experienced pastoral leaders help to train younger or less-experienced pastors. While one of the purposes is to leave a legacy of ministerial excellence, it has also had the effect of experienced pastors gaining new and current insights from the younger pastors.

Pastors’ Evaluation

One of the important tools to help create cutting-edge pastors is an evaluation process. We have continued the practice of evaluating pastors who have served their congregations for more than two years. Feedback is given to pastors and, when necessary, steps outlined to assist them operate at their optimum.

Professional Growth and Development

Evaluations also inform us of the necessary areas to focus our efforts for professional growth and development. While these include the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual well-being and growth of our younger pastors, attention is given to personal and pastoral ethics, finance, and other topics relevant to the success of ministry. Various senior pastors and other leaders within the Ontario Conference are usually invited as presenters.

Another aspect of our support for our pastors and Bible instructors is our small lending library of books, CDs and DVDs. Moreover, whenever we receive books, magazines, DVDs, etc, from the North American Division, we give these to the pastors and the first elders.

Elders’ Workshops

During the quadrennial, nearly 36 elders’ workshops were conducted throughout the province. Since elders play a very active role in supporting the work of the local church, we attempt to equip them so that they can work to the best of their abilities.

Bible Instructors

For a long time, Bible instructors have been the unsung heroes of evangelism. We have endeavoured to include these hardworking people in the running of the church as well as in soul-winning.

To date, we have two full-time and two part-time Bible instructors who do a tremendous job in leading men, women, boys and girls of all ages, to the feet of Jesus and preparing them for the kingdom.

Retired Pastors

Finally, we want to remember our 22 retired pastors. We are very grateful to them for their outstanding contributions to the building up of the work in this great conference, and we seek to build on what they have done.

Ordination

Ordination of pastors to the gospel ministry is a pivotal event in the life of every pastor. It also continues to be one of the highlights of camp meetings in the Ontario Conference. Since 2005, sixteen pastors have been ordained, and we continue to prepare young pastors for ordination.
Church Growth

Our job description is simple: “Go... and make disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28:19 NIV).
Jesus expects us to grow numerically. However, spiritual growth is vital if numerical growth is to take place. The Ontario Conference has always placed emphasis on the importance of spiritual as well as numerical growth of the churches.

Evangelism (“Evangelizing”)
The evangelistic rallying call at the General Conference session in 2005 was to “Tell the World” that Jesus is coming soon. Every conference, mission, church and Seventh-day Adventist member is supposed to take that as their marching orders and reach the world with the gospel.

In our conference, we have called it “Evangelizing” because we believe that every Seventh-day Adventist Christian should breathe, eat and live evangelism. Everything a Seventh-day Adventist Christian does should be evangelistic.

The Past Four Years

During the past four years, the Ontario Conference has:
Spent over $500,000 annually on evangelistic meetings and events held by individual congregations or by groups of churches
Supported over 400 major evangelistic events in our province
Supported sowing events including health evangelism, community services, satellite evangelism and church planting
Baptised over 4,174 new converts. By year, these are:
2005 1,010
2006 1,724
2007 939
2008 1,419

Witnessed an increasing number of our young pastors successfully holding major evangelistic series, occupying roles often reserved for seasoned evangelists. Some of these young evangelists have also held evangelistic meetings in other conferences and countries.
While we give God thanks for what has been achieved over the past four years, we could have done better. In our congregations, we are still too reliant on the pastor or the evangelist to hold meetings and win souls. Too few members are actually engaged in active evangelism, even in churches that report significant numbers of baptisms.
A serious concern is for those churches where no baptisms have been reported since 2005. We exist in order to win souls for Christ.

Vision for the Future

There are over 12,929,000 people in Ontario and only 28,000 Seventh-day Adventist members. That is only 0.22% of the Ontario population. That means that for every 500 people, there is just one Adventist. We cannot do the same things in the same way and expect different results.
Realizing that evangelism in the twenty-first century is more challenging that it has ever been, we believe that new evangelistic methods have to be tried. Therefore, in this Year of Evangelism, and the subsequent four years, our goal is to yearly baptize at least 3,000 new members. To do this, we will:

$ Work with the Personal Ministries Department to emphasize revival and spiritual renewal
$ Strongly promote continual lay and personal evangelism
$ Transform Sabbath services into evangelistic services through uplifting worship
$ Market the churches in the community
$ Create user-friendly churches
$ Encourage and assist pastors in their efforts to provide training for their members
$ Request from each congregation a yearly evangelistic plan that includes sowing, reaping and discipleship. These will be reviewed by the Church Growth Committee
$ Work with pastors to identify areas where new congregations may be planted and facilitate their planting
$ Identify evangelistic resources and encourage congregations to make use of them
$ Highlight churches with successful evangelistic outcomes after using new and creative evangelistic methods.

The figure of 3,000 is just 0.03% of the North American Division goal of 100,000 new members in 2009. We believe that if every member prays for and works with at least one person, the goal would be surpassed more than a hundredfold. Once we see that it can be done, then we will be convinced that it can be repeated and improved on in subsequent years. Yet, it can only be done as each member responds to the commission of Jesus.

Since sheep produce sheep, it is incumbent on the shepherds to care for the sheep so that they will be more productive. The pastor cannot do it alone. Each member must seek to be a soul-winner.
The words of this song should be our motto: “Lord, lay some soul upon my heart and love that soul through me; and may I humbly do my part to win that soul for Thee.”

Errol Lawrence, Director
Judith Guarin, Secretary
Developing Spirit-filled Disciples

The Personal Ministries Department embraces three ministry areas – Personal Evangelism and Discipleship, Prayer Ministry and Prison Ministry.

Our aim is to develop Spirit-filled disciples, deeply committed to Jesus who, by their lives and witness, will lovingly share His message of salvation to others with the purpose of also making them His disciples.

Our approach has been to provide training, motivation, resources, and outreach opportunities. This objective is being realized through our annual flagship training program, the Maranatha Institute of Evangelism, and at the regional camp meetings, through retreats, convocations, and in individual churches.

Personal Evangelism and Discipleship

Strategic Planning
From October 2005 to March 2006 we engaged the churches throughout the eleven regions of the conference in strategic planning. Using the SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) method of evaluation and planning we challenged close to 75% of all congregations to set short-term to long-term evangelistic goals.

Maranatha
During the past quadrennial numerous participants from all across Ontario attended the annual Maranatha Institute of Evangelism for training and motivation in different ministry areas. Since 2007 we made Maranatha more accessible by taking a limited version to regions of the conference where its training workshops became an integral part of the regional camp meetings.

In April of 2007 approximately 100 leaders attended a personal ministries retreat at Camp Frenda.

The Next Four Years
$ To engage a minimum of 100 churches in lay evangelistic training and the conducting of evangelistic meetings
$ Build a network of lay preachers across the province who will offer training to church members and new believers
$ Establish an active Bible school in every church

Bibleinfo.com

Bibleinfo.com is a website that allows users to interact with a Bible specialist to find in-depth Biblical answers to their Bible-related questions. It also allows them to ask for prayer and receive Bible promises.

To date, we are the only conference in the Canadian field that uses Bibleinfo.com as a means of spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world. Through this outreach ministry we continue to impact the lives of hundreds of individuals who may not ordinarily sit in our pews.

In the past four years we have:
$ Answered 1,210 Bible questions
$ Distributed 55,000 pieces of literature
$ Distributed 4,600 copies of the book, Your Bible and You
$ Trained 25 volunteers to answers questions
$ Had display booths at MissionFest Toronto, camp meetings, and evangelistic meetings.

Training and recruitment
In February 2008, we held a major training and recruitment session for new volunteers. The work of Nancy Martin from Washington DC was especially beneficial. We are especially grateful to Pastor Dirk Zinner who initiated the program in 2000 and has continued to render invaluable service to this department.

The next four years
$ Recruit and train more volunteers, especially among youth
$ Regularly feature Bibleinfo.com at evangelistic meetings
$ Increase representation of Bibleinfo.com at denominational and other exhibitions.
The essence of Prayer Ministry is to help local churches to integrate prayer into the total life and fabric of the church, helping them to realize that prayer is more than just a spoke in the wheel but that it is the hub of the wheel.

In seeking to accomplish this goal a number of prayer conferences were held during the four year period:

In November 2008, the Prayer Ministry Network of the conference partnered with the Youth Department and jointly sponsored a teen prayer conference. This was the first of its kind and it attracted over a hundred teens and their parents. Its purpose was to help teens recognize the value of prayer and begin to experience its power in their lives.

Maranatha was another means by which we attempted to develop the spirit of prayer in our churches. Each year, approximately 70 persons attended the prayer workshops at Maranatha, with the intention of returning to their churches to share and possibly implement what they learned.

For the next four years, by God’s grace we will seek to:

$ Support churches through prayer
$ Keep the need for prayer in the forefront of every ministry
$ Continue providing opportunities for training and leadership in how to start, maintain and lead an effective prayer ministry in the local church
$ Support prayer rallies and conferences
$ Partner with the Youth and Young Adult Ministries to facilitate more teen and youth prayer initiatives

Our present age of financial uncertainty, physical insecurity and the search for life’s meaning offer the church new opportunities for reaching out to people with the certainty of eternal life through Jesus. By prayer we can touch people with the love of Jesus in a way that nothing else can do.

Prison Ministries

“I was in prison and you came to visit me...whatever you did for one of the least of these of my brothers of mine, you did for me” (Matt. 25:36-40, NIV).

The Ontario Prison Ministry Association of Seventh-day Adventist (OPMASDA) is committed to ministering to those in prison and their families.

With 100 active volunteers, under the leadership of OPMASDA president, Robert Levy, we have an active ministry:

$ Worship Services: Volunteers conduct weekly worship services with inmates in the various penal institutions throughout Ontario, and all detention centres in Québec.

$ Community Care: We provide clothing, food, and personal items for inmates. At Christmas, at some institutions, we hold a Christmas service and then distribute Christmas treats to the inmates.

$ After-care Services: Volunteers help returnees (ex-inmates) to be rehabilitated into the main fabric of society and provide worship opportunities for them. Through this ministry a young woman has accepted Jesus as her saviour and is encouraging others to do the same. In 2006, a team of volunteers from Toronto East and Apple Creek churches led a returnee to Christ through baptism. This young man was able to focus on a new career path.

$ Care for Families of Inmates: Children of inmates are close to the heart of prison ministry volunteers. Each year Apple Creek Church and OPMASDA sponsor a number of these children to summer camp at Camp Frenda.

Training Opportunities
Volunteers are always needed. During the past quadrennial we have promoted this ministry through:

$ Maranatha: At each Maranatha, OPMASDA provides training, motivation, and recruitment opportunities.

$ Prison Ministry Days: The annual convocation days and individual church prison ministry days are geared towards worship, fellowship, information, instruction, motivation and recruitment.

$ APMOA Convention: In July 2006, the Adventist Prison Ministry Organization and Affiliates (APMOA) Convention, had its annual meeting for the first time in Ontario, instead of in the United States. We were honoured that the Ontario Conference, OPMASDA, Mississauga and Apple Creek Adventist churches were able to participate in hosting this major event.

Eustace Williams, Director, Personal Mprayer, Prayer Ministries & Bibleinfo.com Juvey Puranen, Secretary
The Goal
The goal of Health Ministries is to enhance the physical, mental and spiritual dimensions of the health of our members and that of the communities of Ontario through health education and promotion.

During the past four years, Health Ministries focused on leadership that would have far-reaching effects. Equipping and empowering local leaders drove the choice of training events such as the Canadian and North American Health Summits, Maranatha training events, Adventist Health Screening (AHS), and Health Expo training sessions. Partnerships with other organisations such as Adventist Community Services (ACS) and Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) greatly strengthened health programming. Direct evangelistic initiatives include the week of health programs for the First Nations, CampFIT, Manitoulin Island youth trip, as well as numerous talks and workshops for churches and community groups.

Initiatives
Camp meetings/Maranatha workshops
- Regional camp meetings have expanded to include Maranatha-style training and health workshops.

Additional Training
- Health Summit North, September 2006, Montreal, Quebec
- Maranatha – Yearly training for Health Ministries leaders and team members
- Area church training, including interactive health seminars at church and community functions, school parent/teacher presentations and Pathfinder/Adventurer nutrition honour

Communication and Resources
We have completely redesigned our website, including CampFIT site, to make it easier to access useful information and resources. A resource library and catalogue have also been updated with new DVDs, presentations, workbooks and hand-outs from training events.

Future Development
The aging population, coupled with the emergence of chronic diseases in children, offers a full range of needs in regards to health. Even as others become aware of the Seventh-day Adventist Church’s infrastructure, they are impressed by the set up that allows each church the luxury of having its own Health Ministries leader and team.

As one observer puts it, God has given the Seventh-day Adventist Church a mandate for health. God has yet to reveal the extent to which we can be a part of His plan as volunteers, health professionals, and staff.
**Mission**
The mission of Sabbath School is to build faith through study of the Scriptures and to increase our knowledge of the doctrines and teachings of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The most successful Sabbath Schools include elements of outreach and soul winning.

**Objectives**
There are four major objectives:
1. Study of the Word
2. Fellowship
3. Community Outreach
4. World Mission Emphasis

**Services**
During the past four years, the Sabbath School Department has:

- Promoted its mission and objectives in the churches.
- Encouraged churches to enroll in the Sabbath School certification program where teachers can learn to be facilitators rather than lecturers.
- Certified over 300 Sabbath School teachers.
- Facilitated the completion of the advanced certification program for a number of teachers.
- Hosted Sabbath School rallies in the spring of each year for newly elected officers and Sabbath School teachers to gain insights into their new responsibilities and how to implement them during the year. J. Alfred Johnson, Sabbath School director of the North American Division, has been the keynote speaker at many of these events. He recommends new approaches for innovative Sabbath School interaction all of which should result in soul winning.
- Provided training for Sabbath School leaders at the annual Maranatha convention. Faith Crumbly from the Review and Herald and editor of the Sabbath School's magazine, LEAD, has played a key role at two of these events.

ADRA is an independent humanitarian agency established by the Seventh-day Adventist Church to offer assistance during times of disaster.

ADRA Canada's mission empowers the poor around the world and in Canada with resources, skills, and opportunities to live a better life with dignity and hope. ADRA Canada’s vision is a world without poverty.

**Purpose**
Ontario’s purpose is to link local churches with ADRA Canada, whereby churches are able to:
- Obtain available funding with which to perform community outreach.
- Obtain community outreach ideas.

$ Support ADRA Canada’s work nationally and internationally.

$ Promoted the annual ADRA campaign between September and December, encouraging every member to be involved in helping to raise funds for ADRA Canada. These funds ($846,460 in 2006) have helped ADRA Canada respond to a number of disasters in Thailand, China, the Caribbean and the United States.

$ Promoted the value of humanitarian work and encouraged churches and individuals to become involved in it.

$ Held yearly training for local church ADRA representatives. These events have been led by personnel from ADRA Canada.

$ Assisted in recruiting local church ADRA representatives to attend the annual ADRA summit in Alberta.

$ Promoted community partnerships between local churches and community groups and local governmental agencies for the common good of society.

**Challenges**
The assistance ADRA gives to churches for community projects is only a fraction of the total assistance that is required. Churches are hard pressed to fund the challenges they face in community service. The amount given to local churches, especially in light of how much local churches donate annually—$846,460 in 2006, and $1,147,084 in 2007—somehow needs to be increased.

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Wayne Martin, Director, ADRA & Adult Sabbath School
Verna Storaune, Secretary
Serving the Poor and the Hurting

Mission
The mission of the Adventist Community Services (ACS) is “to serve the poor and hurting in Christ’s name.” ACS is the domestic arm of ADRA that offers social relief to communities.

Objectives
The objectives of ACS are rooted in the mandate of Jesus who brought relief to the poor. He gave assistance to those who were cast down; He fed those in need and clothed the naked.

Services provided by ACS agencies in Ontario:
$ We have built on the existing structure of twelve geographical regions to provide outreach services for their respective communities. The primary request is for food supplied by food banks.
$ Health screening and vegetarian cooking: Since 2006, we have partnered with the Health Ministries Department and local churches in providing health screening programs and vegetarian cooking classes in their communities. An increasing number of churches are using health as a way to connect with their communities. Some have even offered the Coronary Health Improvement Program (CHIP), resulting in both Bible studies and at least one baptism.
$ We have encouraged, supported and given guidance to churches in their community services projects. Some of these include cloth distribution, operation of a thrift shop, provision of care kits for teen shelters, pregnancy centres, wellness centres, child obesity prevention programs, women’s shelter, computer and job training classes. Some churches work with recent immigrants to help them integrate into society. Others have applied for and received government grants, valuing tens of thousands of dollars, to provide educational and life-style programs to help curb teen violence in the Greater Toronto Area.
$ Oversaw the completion of the amalgamation of the east and west federations in the Greater Toronto Area to form the GTA Adventist Community Services Federation. The amalgamation process began earlier through the work of Pastor Hilton Garnett. The new federation provides greater opportunities for community leaders to network through the new website www.gtaacsf.org. The federation in Southern Ontario continues to create new pathways in community service. The eastern Ontario federation going through a period of reorganization. The northern federation is no longer operational due to reduced support in the region.
$ Training: Provided training for community services leaders through an annual Community Services convention, at each Maranatha training event and in local churches. In 2006 and 2007, we sponsored forty individuals to attend the ADRA summit held in Alberta in 2006 and 2007.

Touch of Love Ministry
Touch of Love Ministry is the feeding program arm of ACS in Ontario. Over 40 churches and companies actively participate in feeding the homeless and providing other much-needed services. Over the past four years, Touch of Love Ministry has:
$ Served over 50,000 families, individuals and organizations annually. These included sit-down meals, sack lunches, and suppers.
$ Conducted over 200 Bible studies resulting in some baptisms, including 13 in 2008.
$ Distributed over 5000 pieces of literature and clothing.
$ Referred over 1000 individuals to counseling agencies and pastors.
$ Started seven new feeding locations.
$ Solicited and received clothing and food donations from Costco, Pillays Bakery, and Sears—to whom we are eternally grateful, along with our committed volunteers from local churches.

Wayne Martin, Director, Adventist Community Services
Verna Storaune, Secretary
Family Ministries

Empowering families to live and grow in harmony with God and each other through training, networking and by providing ministry resources and programs

2005–2009 Initiatives & Outcomes:
- Resources:
  - Provide resources to conference workers, schools, ministry leaders and church members to assist them individually and their ministries
  - Updated lending library of over 700 DVDs and videos
  - Expanded Ontario Seminar Presenters’ Booklet

- Family Strengthening
  - To strengthen the marriages of Ontario Adventists and their community friends by encouraging a connecting environment of friendship, support and accountability in marriage maintenance and in times of crisis
    - Held annual Marriage Enrichment retreats
    - Couples Ministry: Lay Leadership couples supported couples ministry in local churches
    - Couples Mentoring Couples Leadership Training provided at 2007 Maranatha workshops
  - Annual singles conferences and retreats
  - Annual Singles Brunch
  - Community involvement projects

- Family Evangelism
  - To help families understand that their own family is their first mission field
    - Family worship seminars, 2008
    - To challenge families to role model to their children the application of the gospel commission in their own neighbourhood and circle of acquaintances
    - Tell Your Neighbour! Every Adventist home in Ontario making friends for Jesus through prayer walking, acts of kindness, shared recreation, hospitality, small groups, etc.
      - Promotion for, training in using, and subsidy for purchase provided for WIN! Wellness Homes of Hope
      - Offered WIN! Wellness leadership certification, May, 2009

- Single Adult Ministry (ASAM)
  - Build a strong community where Ontario Adventist singles can fellowship and encourage one another to discover and utilize their unique gifts
  - Annual singles conferences and retreats
  - Annual Singles Brunch
  - Community involvement projects

- Teen Pregnancy Prevention/Intervention (TPPI)
  - To educate and encourage teens to develop Christian values of sexuality including premarital sexual abstinence
  - Prevention education in local churches by lay ministry team

- Grief To Wholeness (G2W)
  - To provide resources for healing and empowerment for those experiencing the trauma of separation, divorce, or death
    - Provided resources to local churches for running 4-12 session programs on divorce care, grief care and depression recovery
    - Raise awareness in our church family of the impact of these losses and promote a supportive response
      - Lay leadership support in local churches
      - Promotion at most conference events

- Training & Networking
  - To provide training for family ministries and single adult ministries leaders
    - Annual Family Ministries & Singles Ministries leadership retreats, conferences and Maranatha workshops

- Local Church Presentations
  - Throughout the quadrennium, the director was involved in sermon and workshop presentations throughout the conference on a regular basis.
Women’s Ministries

Train, Equip, and Mentor
Women to Spread the Love of Jesus

2005 – 2009 Initiatives & Outcomes

Women In Mission (WIM): A Ministry for Every Woman
Stimulate the involvement of women in evangelism as a lifestyle and in public proclamation:
• Annual Women’s Evangelism Training conferences & retreats across Ontario – in English, French, Spanish, & Portuguese
• 2006 Women’s Evangelism Explosion: stimulated ten evangelistic series in Cornwall, Toronto, Brampton, and Richmond Hill with 32 women preachers, resulting in approximately 30 baptisms
• Tell Your Neighbour! 2007 to present: Challenging every Adventist woman in Ontario to make redemptive friendships
• Share Our Scripture (SOS): Challenged all Ontario churches to establish at least one Bible study group per church to nurture women in the Word and share with seekers in 2009. Nurture new members and growing members in developing a close relationship with God:
• Spiritual Growth Retreats – 2005-6 for new and growing members and their mentors

Stimulate the participation of women in compassionate outreach projects:
• Hope in the Park Community Fair, Allan Gardens, Toronto
• Literature distribution, interviewing people on the street, water bottle distribution - in Niagara Falls, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal in 2006
• Providing resources for teen pregnancy centre
• Spa and art programs given in women’s shelters, young parents home, seniors homes, health fairs, community centres and churches.

Young Women’s Ministries (YWM)
Discovering your potential in Christ!
Lay Leaders – Naudia Larrow & Nicole Dixon
To foster a strong community among Ontario Adventist young women, assist them to develop a close relationship with God, deal with their unique issues, and discover their potential in Christ
• Annual Young Women’s retreats & conferences
• Young Men/Young Women’s Conferences in 2007 and 2009
• Mentoring of young women for spiritual growth and leadership

To stimulate the involvement of young women in women’s ministries at the conference and local church level and the growth of young women’s ministries at the local church level through
• Young women serving in key lay leadership roles on Women’s Advisory Committees
• Networking and accepting of invitations for programs in local churches by our YWM Advisory team members in 2005-9.

To encourage young women to use their gifts to minister to others Outreach activities such as in-home spa treatments for the elderly, and assisting in the preparation of resources for struggling youth in Toronto, Mississauga, and Durham region

Women’s Retreats & Conferences
To strengthen sisterhood and promote spiritual renewal
• Annual women’s retreats / conferences
• Language Women’s Retreats at Camp Frenda

To provide leadership training for women’s ministries leaders and others
• Offered annual women’s leadership seminars and leadership certification modules at retreats, conferences

To educate on abuse awareness and healing
• Recommend that every church become a safe refuge for comfort and healing
• Distribution of abuse literature at every event and to all churches
• Offered annual Healing workshops at most conferences, retreats and some Maranathas.

Donna Jackson, Director, Family/Women’s Ministries
Kristen Bailey, Secretary
The mission of Men's Ministry over the last four years is found in the story of Naboth and his vineyard (1 Kings 21) when King Ahab saw Naboth’s vineyard and offered to buy it from him. To Ahab’s surprise, Naboth refused to sell it.

Over the last four years we have been applying the following lessons from Naboth’s vineyard to Men’s Ministry in Ontario:

1. Naboth refused to compromise his identity, regardless of cost. Men’s and Women’s Ministries have joined together to train both men and women to be people of integrity, as they evangelise at work and at home.

2. Naboth placed supreme value on his family’s heritage. In our training, we urged men to place supreme value on their families and live as spiritual leaders who raise godly children.

3. The land was a gift from God to Naboth and his family. We have endeavoured to bring men to a firm standing on the word of God and the special message that God has given the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Men’s Ministries has also co-sponsored two young men’s/women’s conferences in order to mentor our youth and young adults into active church and home leadership.

2010 Year of Lay Evangelism

Accept the Call
Tell Ontario Jesus Is Coming

Featuring 100 meetings in 100 churches

September 18 - October 9, 2010

In 2010, the Ontario Conference will be conducting 100 evangelistic meetings in 100 churches across Ontario. Training will be provided for registered lay preachers. Let your church be part of this extraordinary soul-winning initiative.

Register Now!

1st Training Session:
September 17-19, 2009, Downsview Church, Toronto

2nd Training Session:
August 26 - 28, 2010, Festival of the Laity

Tell Ontario Objectives

- Build relationships with the community
- Provide resources and services to the community
- Present the good news of Salvation to the community
- Nurture and integrate newly baptized members
- Regional baptisms throughout the Ontario Conference

For more information, please contact Pastor Eustace Williams at 905-686-5757 or 905-571-1022 x 110

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Personal Ministries & Ministerial Departments

Paul Llewellyn, Associate Director
Lila Oliveira, Secretary
Our Mission: The salvation of youth through Jesus Christ.

We understand Youth Ministry to be that work of the church that is conducted for, with, and by young people to have them saved in God’s Kingdom and serving the church and the wider community.

We are fulfilling this mission by encouraging our youth leaders to focus on salvation and service through:

Youth Ministry Training over the last four years has shifted from a one-day event in January to a free series of five training modules spread out over the whole year. Multiple training opportunities better prepare new leaders and provide ongoing support to all youth leaders across the conference.

Bible Bowl has seen an increase in participation by churches and teams. From less than ten teams four years ago, this year we are planning and praying for at least 36 teams to take part in the Ontario Championships.

The Earliteen Rally was started three years ago because of a dearth of training of Earliteen and Junior Youth Sabbath School teachers. High level teacher training by North American Division (NAD) personnel is offered. This event, the only one of its type in the NAD, also provides tweens with a rally geared for their unique life-stage needs.

The Young Men & Young Women’s Conference provides our youth with an opportunity to hear presentations on the serious topics of the end time. Held bi-yearly.

Conference Initiated and Supported Service Opportunities provide coordination for outreach. Through encouragement for service and provision of service opportunities, youth leaders and senior youth can engage those outside of the church walls as the hand of Christ. Projects like Service to Others Really Matters (STORM Co) to Manitoulin Island and Cochrane, Ontario and Federation of Adventist Youth (FAY) community clean up events, help others to know that the Adventist Church cares about the communities of our province.

Providing Resources is integral to the Youth Ministries Department. Our cornerstone resource, The Next Gen News (NGN) helps to keep youth, their leaders and pastors in the Ontario Conference connected and aware of ministries across the conference. This electronic newsletter of news from Ontario is now being picked up by leaders as far away as Australia. Anyone can receive this bi-weekly news to help in ministry.

Looking forward:

The future of Youth Ministry in Ontario is bright!

Evangelism will remain a top priority. We will encourage our youth to work with their churches in conducting more evangelistic series with age appropriate material. In 2011 our youth will be involved in coordinated evangelism across our conference.

The Internet will play a more prominent role in evangelism and training for youth and youth leaders. Through podcasting and webcasting, we will empower our youth and engage the world in the work of the Lord.

The Federation of Adventist Youth will continue to morph into a stronger organization to meet the demands of the next decade as youth become more involved in it. Guided by the Spirit of God and working with local church leaders, the FAY can be a vibrant force for uniting local AY Societies and helping youth leaders in planning and executing ministry for, with, and by youth to the communities around our churches and beyond.
Mission: To reach and support Adventist students on public college and university campuses while motivating and equipping them for outreach in the school community. In Ontario this ministry is known as the Adventist Ministries to College and University Students or AMiCUS (Latin = friend).

We are fulfilling this mission by encouraging our young adults to focus on salvation and service.

The Practice of Friendship and Service Evangelism is helping to make inroads on public campuses across Ontario. Students have reached out to their campuses and communities by hosting seminars in the areas of apologetics, creation studies and religious pluralism. Chapters have also held fund raising events for public social agencies as well as ADRA Canada.

Establishing a Church-based Model of Campus Ministries helps to ensure that the young adults are serving in the local church and being supported by the host members. Pastors are also now involved with the campus chapters and give support through conducting seminars, attending chapter meetings and advocating for students.

The Online Student Registry was set up to help our office keep in touch with our students after they leave home and their local church to attend school.

This registry was a contributing factor in a nearly 80% increase of students attending the AMiCUS Retreat this year.

The Number of Active AMiCUS Chapters has fluctuated between 6 and 8 over the last four years. This was caused by student turnover and heightened conference and local church involvement in campus ministries.

A NAD Video and Manual for Campus Outreach involved three of the Ontario AMiCUS chapters while being developed. The publication this year of this material is exposing other conferences to the work that our youth are doing through our church-based model of campus ministries.

The Online Student Registry was set up to help our office keep in touch with our students after they leave home and their local church to attend school.

A Resource Catalogue was developed by our department to assist Adventist Christian Fellowship, the campus ministries arm of the NAD Youth Ministries Department. This catalogue provides annotated reference on material in the field of campus ministries.

The Future:

We will communicate with local church leaders to urge all students to register with the conference student data base.

We will develop a ministry approach to aid our students who are in transition from high schools to colleges or universities. We want to help our students to be better prepared to cope with the demands of the postmodern and secular environments of public colleges and universities.

We will provide additional material and training for our students to enable them to evangelize their campuses more effectively.

We will establish at least another six chapters in Ontario in the next four years.

Cyril Millett III, Director, Youth/AMiCUS
Lila Oliveira, Secretary
Nature and the Bible

Since its beginning over 50 years ago, the mission of Camp Frenda has been to proclaim the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ through studying the Bible and nature in the context of wholesome social and recreational relationships. It is a place where our youth can experience a closer walk with Jesus in the beautiful handiwork of His care. Its mission remains the same today.

During the past quadrennial, in order to fulfill our mission, we made a diligent search for the most qualified staff possible—spiritual leaders. This is the most important aspect of Camp Frenda since our children need the best examples of leaders that have an intimate and real relationship with God. We thank God for providing the leaders who have made a profound impact on the lives of campers such as nine-year-old, Mackenzie:

“As you know it was Mackenzie’s first camp - only 9 years-old and I was wary to send her. I am so glad that I did, though... Her counsellor was fantastic - she still speaks highly of her - she still admires her spirituality and how she combined leadership with friendship with the girls.”

Number of Campers since 2005

Over the past four years, we have encouraged churches to use Camp Frenda as a base for evangelistic outreach. Some have sponsored children from their communities to attend for a week or two, only to have some of the same children visit the church after returning from camp. A number of children even became members.

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“Motel” became a bright and beautiful shower block with soon-to-be-installed changing rooms, commodities and sinks. In 2008, the main building has been sided to match Lakeview Lodge. None of these projects were possible without the kind help of our many volunteers and alumni.

Other evangelistic efforts include two annual banquets for our neighbours to introduce our them to our summer staff. Our rangers, cooks and camp director make it a priority to regularly visit them.

Each year we continue to upgrade facilities. In 2007, we started renovating and rebuilding the cabins. In 2008, the picture of beauty they are today, John and Pam Maatanen, and Sharon Aka.

For the last four years Camp Frenda has been fulfilling its mission.

“I just want to express my thanks that the Ontario Conference has the vision for Camp Frenda to be a powerful way to have youth choose God and for those who have chosen Him, to renew our relationship with our God...Camp Frenda is filling an important niche for the youth of Ontario... probably even more importantly now compared to twenty-five years ago when I was working there.”

Steven Atkins

We pray that Camp Frenda will function for the glory of God. We will endeavour to make Camp Frenda a place in which the Great Commission is carried on 365 days a year. During our off season (September-May), Camp Frenda is a place in which healthful living and biblical training can take place—please be a part of praying for this and making it a reality.
The past four years have been an exciting time for Adventurers and Pathfinders. The Little Lambs and Eager Beavers are part of the Adventurer Ministry. We sought to build on our rich church heritage. There are six classes in the Pathfinder Ministry: Friend, Companion, Explorer, Ranger, Voyager and Guide.

We support churches in their desire to help their children accept Jesus as their Saviour and remain Adventists for their entire lives.

We also provide leadership, training, networking and support for local Adventurer and Pathfinder leaders as they seek to mentor children from ages four to fifteen.

**Camporee**

Camporee is always a major event in pathfindering. Since 2005 we have held three camporees with an average attendance of 1150 Pathfinders and staff. Baptisms, march of witness and community events have been among the highlights at some camporees.

This year, August 11-15, 2009, we are planning to take over 1300 Pathfinders and staff to an international camporee in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

**Adventurers, Fun Days and Evangelism**

Regular Adventurer Fun days and Adventurer/Parent rallies attracted many Adventurers, their parents and friends to wholesome, enjoyable and happy events. Fun days often served as a means of attracting, into the Adventurer Ministry, children who are not from Adventist homes.

Numerous clubs have inducted, invested and later baptised some of these children. The majority of club members at Elliot Lake and North Shore Adventist churches are from the local community.

**Fifty-Three Pathfinder Clubs**

There are 53 registered clubs, spread across eight regions of Ontario where our children receive excellent leadership from well-trained leaders.

**Initiatives**

- March Break Honours Camp at Camp Frenda
- Come to Ottawa weekend where Pathfinders from Toronto joined with their counterparts in Ottawa every December.
- Christian Youth Sports Academy (CYSA) annual drill competition
- Created new drill manual for Canada-wide Pathfinders

- Drum Corps development
- Community outreach through anti-drug and anti-violence marches, health fairs, Canada Day parades.
- Music Camp
- Teach the Children Day Camp
- Evangelism through Touch of Love projects, singing at nursing homes, Pathfinder-led public evangelism series
- Leadership training, both conference and division led training.
- Prayer vigils—both half-night and all-night
- Support for smaller clubs in the north by larger clubs in Toronto

**The Future**

The best is yet to come for the Adventurer and Pathfinder Ministries in Ontario. There is a group of dedicated leaders who utilize their God-given gifts in these ministries. We are also expecting more pastors to join those who are already making Pathfinder Ministry a priority in their congregations.

Our challenge is to keep alive in the minds and lives of our youth the mission to love God supremely and to serve unselfishly.
Children Matter to God

Children matter! They matter to God and they matter to us. That is why we endeavour to honour them as multi-dimensional learners with God-given multiple intelligence, and use Biblically-based key themes and concepts to teach them about the love of God and lead them into a loving and productive relationship with Jesus Christ.

Since 2005, our objectives provided a focus on leadership to effect change beyond the local Sabbath School room. The expansion of camp meetings to regional and language camp meetings provided an opportunity to mentor local leadership. With a focus on equipping and empowering leaders, training for curriculum and program planning occurred collectively and also in local regions. The addition of a curriculum developer enhanced the programming provided for camp meetings. Vacation Bible School (VBS) programs experienced a boost as curriculum and materials used for camp meeting became supplements to existing programming.

Current Initiatives
Camp Meetings: Our provincial camp meeting and the five regional camp meetings saw unprecedented growth in program planning, implementation, attendance and evaluation. These camp meetings require yearly training and management of key leaders, staff, and volunteers.

Event Planning and Implementation:
• Children’s Leadership Training Conventions
  Integrated training – Children and Youth Ministries training, Maranatha training
• 2009 Partner
  Children and Health Departments, Focus: Children’s Health
• Local church- various area training as needed

Vacation Bible School
• Resource Planning assistance and subsidy

Children’s Evangelism
• Includes VBS programs, day camps, Sabbath School outreach
• Assist in individual church initiatives as requested

The future of any ministry related to children must also address the challenges of keeping children connected to the church.

Our children are tomorrow’s leaders, and they matter to us now.

Debra Carby, Director, Health & Children
Rose Marie Dunn-Kalynko, Secretary
Training Teachers/Developing Schools

Adventist education plays an integral part in fulfilling the Adventist mission. As early as 1899, the Ontario Conference opened two church schools in southern Ontario. Currently, the Ontario Conference Office of Education (OCOE) operates ten schools across the province, employs 70 teachers, and has 900+ students registered.

Our teachers
$ 100% have university degrees
$ 39% have graduate degrees
$ Receive regular evaluations
$ Receive professional development opportunities

Our Schools
$ Evaluated regularly
$ Two new schools opened (2007): Crawford Adventist Academy – East (Pickering) and London Advent Christian School, located in the North London Church
$ Thunder Bay Adventist Elementary School closed in June 2006

Ten-Year Enrolment Trends

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Initiatives
$ April 2007, first annual conference-wide Music Festival
$ New teacher day-long orientation
$ 2006 one day seminar for pastors interested in the possibility of starting a new school
$ Special needs training for 11 teachers
$ Placed two full-time resource teachers, trained in Orton-Gillingham reading instruction method, at Crawford and College Park schools
$ Emphasize French instruction
$ Encourage bilingual (French/English) schools. Since the fall of 2006 Ottawa Adventist School began a bilingual kindergarten. For several years at Peel Adventist School, French instruction has been offered beginning in kindergarten. CAA – Elementary has included French in its curriculum beginning in grade 3. During 2008-9, elementary physical education at CAA has been taught in French also, providing language instruction reinforcement for elementary students.
$ Since summer 2005, we have organized and hosted the SDACC French Multi-grade Curriculum development
$ In June 2007 the Outdoor Education programme was revamped and offered to sixth-graders for the first time.

Technology
$ The OCOE has a technology committee and a five-year plan for its schools.
$ All teachers are expected to have completed a course in integrating technology into the curriculum.
$ Ontario teachers and students all have access to World Book and Encyclopedia Britannica online both at school and at home.
$ All primary teachers access Reading A-Z to enhance their school’s supply of guided reading books.
$ Scholastic’s FASTT MATH was

“Adventist education is an evangelistic arm of the Adventist Church. It is evangelism . . . . Thirty percent of baptisms in North America come from Adventist education.”

Larry Blackmer
Vice-President for Education
North American Division (NAD)
The Planned Giving and Trust Services Department assisted our church members with their estate planning needs by preparing wills, along with powers of attorney for property management and personal care. During this quadrennium, 354 members prepared new wills while 97 members made revisions to their existing documents, at no cost to them.

Numerous seminars on estate planning were also held. Church members were encouraged to protect themselves in the event of mental incapacity with powers of attorney for property management and personal care. They learned how a will could help them:

- Distribute their assets according to their desires
- Address specific family needs
- Appoint guardians for minor children
- Establish trusts for children
- Prevent family conflicts
- Make a provision for God’s work
- Expedite the settling of their estates

When presented with the benefits of having a proper legal will in comparison to what would happen at death if there was nothing in place, most church members put forth every effort to prepare this important document, and expressed great appreciation for the services rendered.

A proper legal will has helped many of our members make arrangements for the needs of dependent family members while, at the same time, providing funds for the Lord’s work in Ontario.

The admonition given to us by Ellen White is “While they have sound minds and good judgment, parents should, with prayerful consideration and with the help of proper counselors who have experience in the truth and a knowledge of the divine will, make disposition of their property.” CS 330.

To ensure the security of your estate for your spouse, children and God’s cause, please contact the Planned Giving and Trust Services Department of the Ontario Conference at 1110 King Street East, Oshawa, Ontario, or call us at 905-571-1022.
Technology is becoming an increasing important tool in spreading the gospel around the world. The mission of the Information Technology (I.T.) Services Department is to assist the various departments of the Ontario Conference in using technology effectively in their various ministries.

**Website**
The Ontario Conference website (www.adventistontario.org) has gone through a number of significant revisions since its inception. It is completely database driven; each department is represented with its own web presence and includes a built-in content management system which allows each department complete control over the content of its site.

**Webcasting**
We broadcasted our first camp meeting live from the International Centre in 2007. Since then we have broadcasted a multitude of camp meetings and Maranathas. Our list of events that we broadcast live continues to grow and hundreds of individuals have enjoyed the benefit of watching those events live.

We are working on enabling churches interested in broadcasting their services live every Sabbath. A small number of churches already broadcast live each Sabbath, and we want to increase this number.

**Email Accounts**
To effectively communicate with all of our employees and church officers, we have set up our own mail server and created an email account for each pastor, teacher, elder, clerk, treasurer, Bible worker, and office employee. We currently manage approximately 950 email accounts.

**Connectivity and Accessibility**
Computers at Camp Frenda, the administration and directors can all connect to a virtual private network (VPN), allowing them a fast and secure connection to our server from anywhere in the world.

**Bibleinfo.com**
We set up our first Bibleinfo.com server a few years ago. Since then, our server has answered thousands of phone calls, providing answers to questions on over one hundred Bible topics.

**Training and Technical Support**
The I.T. Services Department provides day-to-day support and training to various ministries, directors, support staff as well as various events and seminars in both hardware and software applications.

**Network Administration and Security**
Keeping information safe, secure, and accessible is an ever increasing challenge faced by I.T. Departments in any organization. The I.T. Department provides a secure and efficient networking environment within the conference and effectively shield our network from malicious viruses, hackers, and other threats.

**Software Development**
In cases where off-the-shelf software is not suitable to meet our unique needs, the I.T. Department is responsible for support, maintenance, and development of proprietary church software applications. Some of the applications we have already developed, or are in the process of developing:
- Church Pal (Church Accounting Software):
- What started as an accounting package developed specifically for churches in the Ontario Conference, Church Pal is now used by most of the Adventist churches in Canada as well as churches in the United States and the Middle East.
- Developed entirely from the ground up right here in Ontario, a third major upgrade will be released this fall.
- Mileage reporting and vacation tracking. Employees will be able to log in to our website and submit mileage reports as well as track their vacations.
- Efficient Flow of Information:
- Efficient flow of information is crucial to any organization. Manual re-entry of information is error prone and time consuming and should be avoided wherever possible. eAdventist is a web based application written by the North American Division and used to track and update information about churches, members and officers. We have written custom software to take data from eAdventist.net and use it for mail/email lists, mail merges, and to automatically generate the conference directory and update our website. New email accounts are also automatically being created on our mail server based on the information entered in eAdventist.net. The diagram below depicts how data is entered into eAdventist and is used in various ways.

Looking Ahead
While keeping up with technology can be challenging at times, its role as a powerful and invaluable tool in our ministry cannot be denied. As technology evolves, we must continue to evolve with it. This Conference has made significant progress in this field in the past few years and we will continue to search for effective means of using technology to enhance the Lord’s work.

Raveen Pal, Director
Nikolay Velinov, Assistant
Communicating the Gospel

The Communication ministry of the Ontario Conference is dedicated to using all the resources of communications technology to reach the community with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We recognise that the gospel must be communicated to the world and that the church must continually demonstrate its relevance in order for people to be receptive to its message.

While this is expected at the headquarters level, it is especially important at the local church level. For this reason, we have held regional communication seminars where groups of local communication secretaries and interested pastors were brought together. These seminars, “Communicating the Gospel,” helped to create awareness of how the church can effectively speak to its community. Each seminar also included a segment on the principles of writing news releases for local media.

Support to local congregations in their effort to effectively communicate with their local communities remains a high priority for the Communication Department. Two specialised writing workshops, led by journalist Frank Campbell of Nepean Church, are examples.

Publications:

OCN --Introduced weekly email newsletter, Ontario Conference News, of local, national and international Adventist news items as well as promotion of local church events.

Ontario Highlights --Re-designed the quarterly print magazine, Ontario Highlights. It is now a four-colour glossy magazine of challenging editorials, various articles on health, stewardship, faith-building and practical Christian living, as well as conference and local church news.

Calendar --Created thematic four-colour calendar of conference events, sunsets times, and offering schedule. Made available to every family in each congregation.

Other Activities:

• Provided news releases to secular press and church press.
• Facilitated news from general Adventist media.
• Worked with secretariat to communicate with public entities regarding annual camp meeting, and creation of conference directory.
• In association with the Information Technology Department, we twice re-designed the website and in the process changed the name to www.AdventistOntario.org.
• Working with the Information Technology Department, initiated live broadcast via internet of conference events such as Maranatha and camp meetings. Intention of using this technology to provide provincial training so that participants from great distances do not have to travel to a central site.
• Provided written and photographic coverage to numerous conference and church events.
• Coordinated Messenger subscriptions
• In association with the SDACC promoted and coordinated the raising of radio towers in rural areas to re-broadcast Voice of Adventist Radio (VOAR) programmes across Ontario.

For the future, we intend to embrace other sources of communication technology, such as radio and television as opportunities and the means to do so arise.

Halsey Peat, Director, Communication/PARL
Sarah Gouda-Maka, Secretary
Free to Worship God

Of all the rights recognised by the people of Canada, there is none more important than religious freedom. The freedom to hold to our beliefs and to actively practice or not practice faith is the freedom which produces those other freedoms that we value so highly in our society.

The Ontario Conference Public Affairs and Religious Liberty (PARL) Department exists to:

- Ensure that its constituent members are accorded their fundamental right to freely hold to and practice their faith.
- Arouse public opinion and gain support for religious liberty.
- Educate public and government representatives and other policy makers through Liberty Magazine and other means to create awareness of the threats to principles of religious liberty.
- Support the defence of religious rights and privileges of all peaceful people of faith.
- Educate members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Ontario of their fundamental rights and how to preserve them.

During the Last Quadrennium, the PARL Department Has:

- Provided information and resources on the conference website. Resources include an easily accessible list of form letters that can be downloaded and used to request Sabbath accommodation when issues regarding Sabbath work or exams arise.
- Participated in numerous religious liberty events and programmes in local churches to create awareness of religious liberty.
- Provided support for members by representing their interests through letters to employers and educational institutions.
- Provided legal representation when necessary.
- Promoted the annual Religious Liberty campaign
- Supported local church PARL leaders and liaised with the PARL director of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada in the resolution of issues.

Discovery: Members who consistently demonstrate Christian virtues in the workplace become highly prized employees. Faithfulness to God is always rewarded.

Sacred Space

The Lord said to Moses, “And let them make me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them”. (Exodus 25:8)

In the sanctuary, there were various sacred objects including the Ark of the Covenant—the most sacred object where God manifested His presence on earth.

In the faith community, the church building, school, and community services centres are SACRED SPACES. From June 12, 2005, to the time of this report, several properties were sold for a total of $6,141,487 in order to relocate or to rebuild and upgrade the facilities. In the same period, church members of the Ontario Conference have established 13 additional SACRED SPACES through acquisitions and donation of buildings and lands to the value of $10,862,250.

The Church Building Investment Fund (CBIF) has demonstrated that all the church entities benefit when we all work together for the same cause.

My vision is that larger Adventist churches, such as those in large cities, will each concentrate on and “adopt” a much smaller, sister church in rural areas or small towns and help them to repair and upgrade their facilities. Often some of these smaller churches do not have the manpower to accomplish these tasks. It will guarantee encouragement and warming of hearts among fellow believers, and they will see the fruits of their labours in winning more souls for Christ.

Let us keep in focus the true mission and goals of the church in our own mission field, and we will see greater advancement in the work of the Lord in the Ontario Conference.

We thank the Lord and praise Him for His leading.
The church is made up of people, and the gathering of worshipers is the church. The church of God has ever been the object of His supreme regard. Therefore the church and people are of sacred value to God.

During 2005 to 2006, we managed to keep the insurance premium hike at a reasonable level from our insurers, Hallmark Insurance Inc. However, from January 2007, as rates began to escalate we moved our property insurance to Adventist Risk Management Inc. (ARM). During the transfer to ARM a significant change was made to re-value the replacement cost of the existing properties. This revaluation resulted in a higher premium. However, these measures were necessary to avert higher financial loss in the future.

Notwithstanding the increase in the premium, we have maintained the $500 deductible portion for the church over the last ten years.

Total property losses over the last four years amount to $1,471,447. (The main loss was Peel School, amounting to approximately $1,381,250 caused by fire vandalism).

The general liability premium coverage, paid by the Ontario Conference, amounted to:

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Our aim is to actively minimize unnecessary loss by providing active risk control measures for each church entity, and for each entity to actively monitor and maintain a safe environment at all times.

The transportation ministry continues to provide services for many of the Ontario Conference’s personnel, and for the needs of the other conferences across Canada. The challenge has always been the costs of gas, maintenance, and payroll. Over the last four years, the price of gas has been exorbitantly high, and yet we managed on average to maintain the ministry above the break-even mark.

There was an operating loss in 2005, (-$26,000) and 2006, (-$5,000). In 2007 and 2008, there was an operating gain of $29,000 and $5,000 respectively.

Eastern Ontario (May 15-17) and Western Ontario (May 29-31) regional camps meetings both chose to look from the temporal to the eternal with their themes. Eastern Ontario chose ‘Living God’s Vision’ as its theme, while Western Ontario selected, ‘Living Hope’.

The similarity did not end there. Both camp meetings had to contend with unfavourable weather.

In the east, it poured with rain on Sabbath, but nothing could dampen the spirits of nearly 2000 adults, youth, teens and children that arrived at Ottawa’s Lansdowne Park for Eastern Ontario Camp Meeting 2009. In the west, the 500-plus attendees survived the threat of rain but had to cope with the cool, strong winds that blew at their tent pitched on the grounds of Sarnia Church.

At both camp meetings, worshippers arrived to discover that the advertised preacher was unable to attend but quickly rejoiced as they listened to God speak through the substitute. In Ottawa, with typical Eastern Ontario hospitality, the members graciously embraced Elder Ernest Castillo, a vice president of the Eastern and Western Ontario Regional Camp Meetings Focus on “Living”

Ernest Castillo
North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists. His Sabbath morning exposition of Jesus’ prayer in John 17 was especially captivating and had a camper describing it as “the best presentation I’ve ever heard on John 17!” In Sarnia, the combined teens, young adults and adult worshippers immediately warmed to Pastor Japhet De Oliveira, director of the Center for Youth Evangelism at Andrews University. His ability to teach profound truth through side-splitting humour drew everyone into the tent, keen to hear the messages he brought.

While Western Ontario’s camp meeting brought teens, young adults and adults together, Eastern Ontario ran a separate full-featured teens and young adults programme that featured speaker, Dr. Herbert Goulding.

Goulding, a medical doctor from New York, has a passion for preaching and is keenly interested in the salvation of young people. His passion and interest were clearly merged in his two messages and one afternoon workshop in the teens and young adults section.

All 300 seats were filled for nearly all of Goulding’s down-to-earth, straight-talking, real-issues preaching that seemed to speak directly to his listeners.

While the messages were generally appreciated, it was the early evening concert in the teens and young adults section that seemed to have generated the greatest response from them. They were thrilled by the music and signing of local and visiting artistes. The dynamic and rhythmic performances by the youth choir from Ottawa French Church, Toronto Perth Avenue’s youth choir and an energetic and talented sign team had them spontaneously standing, clapping and moving, enjoying the moment and praising God.

Thirteen year-old Tiffany exemplified the mood:
“It’s really good! I was looking forward to it, and I’m looking forward to next year again because I really enjoyed it. I’m really pumped for it!” -- Tiffany, age 13.

In Sarnia, the concert was more subdued but no less enjoyable with memorable performances by musicians and singers from across the region. The congregation clearly enjoyed itself, and the mood was set for Pastor De Oliveira to preach his final message, “The Crowd or the Cross”.

A common feature of both camp meetings were the afternoon workshops.

In Ottawa, workshop presenters included Drs. John and Millie Youngberg, Beverly Edwards-Miller, Andrée Dupuis and Pastors Daniel Bhookun, Errol Lawrence, Floyd Spence and Eustace Williams. Pastor Williams also presented a workshop at Sarnia. He was followed by Pastor Cyril Millett.

As usual, the greatest excitement at both camp meetings was to be found in the children’s section as children immersed themselves in the numerous activities and lessons prepared for them.

Both camp meetings can be best summed up in the words of Ricky Lewis, a musician from Ajax Church of God who attended his first camp meeting in Ottawa. “My camp meeting experience was great. Everything was put together properly, and I must say that I’m very pleased. It was a good event.”

Halsey Peat
It’s camp meeting season! Since May, four of the eight camp meetings to be held in Ontario this year have already taken place. While seven of these are regional or specialized meetings, the province-wide camp meeting, to be held on July 4, is the conference’s flagship to which members from across the entire province gather to worship and to fellowship.

The July 4 camp meeting will return for a third consecutive year to the International Centre at 6900 Airport Road, Mississauga, Ontario. The air-conditioned International Centre with its spacious facilities provide ample room for adults, youth and children's programmes.

Dr. Derek Morris, pastor of the Forest Lake Church in Apopka, Florida, will be the speaker for the adult meetings. In addition to his ministry at his church, he is involved in media ministry and can often be seen preaching on Hope TV. He is author of Powerful Biblical Preaching and The Radical Prayer.

A song writer in his spare time, Pastor Morris has written and recorded six CDs with his wife, Bodil, that are heard on over 200 Christian radio stations in the USA. Their music is available at www.trilogyscripturesongs.com.

Anthony Fuller will be the speaker for the youth meetings. He is a recent ministerial graduate from Oakwood University in Huntsville, Alabama, where he has distinguished himself. While completing his final year, he found time to hold three evangelistic series as well as being the teen speaker at the week-long South England Conference camp meeting.

Fuller's reputation as a speaker who is able to effectively speak to the needs of teens, youth and young adults will be clearly seen as he preaches in hall 4A.

Meals

Members attending camp meeting have found it useful to carry their own meals for lunch and supper. No meals will be provided at the International Centre.

Please note that no food is allowed in any of the halls at the International Centre. All members and friends are asked to picnic by their cars or at one of the local public parks (Wildwood Park, 3430 Derry Road East at the corner of Derry Road and Goweray Drive; Humberwoods Park at Rexdale Boulevard and Humberwood Boulevard).

Live Broadcast

Main services and youth meetings may be viewed live via the Internet at www.adventistontario.org.

CDs and DVDs

CD and DVD recordings of the sermons will be available after sunset from the area where the ABC will be selling books. CDs and DVDs from Maranatha 2009 will also be available.

Programmes

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For hotel accommodations and directions to the International Centre, visit: www.internationalcentre.com/maps-and-directions