Zambia Holds Historic LE Convention
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A historic literature evangelist convention was held in Ndola, Zambia, from December 20-24, 2011. On Friday, December 23, Nelson Simweemba, the Zambia Union Conference publishing director, organized a mass distribution of the missionary book When God Said Remember by Mark Finley. Nearly 200 literature evangelists (LEs) and leaders sang and marched with banners near the Copperbelt Zambia Field office. Police officers blocked off the street in front of the building to make this possible. It was very impressive. Within an hour, nearly 1,500 copies of the book were distributed.

On Sabbath morning the LEs and leaders were assigned to visit 30 area churches. The objective was to share the joy of canvassing and attract new people to the publishing ministry. The churches provided lunch for everyone, who then returned to the convention center for the afternoon meetings, which included honoring and pinning those who had given at least 10 years of faithful service to the publishing ministry.

The grand finale for the convention was held on Sabbath evening. Gifts and recognition were given to champion LEs. Among the gifts were major kitchen appliances and living room and bedroom furniture. To everyone’s surprise, the union also gave away two brand new cars to their top LEs. The excitement was unbelievable!

We praise God for the wonderful work He is doing in Zambia.¶

Literature evangelists marching during convention
Nigeria Conducts Publishing Seminar
by GC Publishing Ministries Department

More than 40 union, conference, and mission administrators gathered at Babcock University in Nigeria to attend the Publishing Administrative Seminar conducted by the West-Central Africa Division and the General Conference. The North-Western Nigeria Union Mission is the first union to hold this type of seminar this quinquennium.

Starting in 2012, the North-Western Nigeria Union Mission reorganized its territory from five conferences to 13 administrative units. Oyoleke Owolabi, the union president who was formerly division publishing director, organized this seminar to enroll all the field units to build up their publishing program. He reported the following:

“This program will bring a new dimension to the holistic and systematic growth of the publishing work in the North-Western Nigeria Union Mission. Eight new ABC/HHES outlets will be opened between now and December, leading to a total of 13. Each conference will recruit 50 additional literature evangelists (LEs) between now and November, making a total of 650 LEs. The division has chosen Lagos, Nigeria, as the site for urban evangelism in 2013. In view of this big event, union leaders intend to recruit 500 LEs to work in Lagos.”

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**HHES Program:** We have a vigorous full-time Home Health Education Service (HHES) program that resulted in 425 baptisms. Also, 251 students took the printed word to hundreds of thousands of homes during the summer.

**GCP:** We are enthusiastic about the Great Controversy Project (GCP). In cooperation with the GCP committee, the Review and Herald and Pacific Press are currently printing 2 million copies of the book for West Africa.

**Family Bible:** For the very first time, the Review and Herald produced a large family Bible for sale by literature evangelists and by Adventist Book Centers. We have already shipped 42,000 copies all over the world.

**Vibrant Life:** The popularity of the documentary “Forks Over Knives” created an opportunity for outreach. We published a special issue of *Vibrant Life* that ties in to the movie. So far, about 300,000 copies have been sold. We also have rights to distribute the DVD. Churches often show the DVD to attract community members, then follow up with the magazine.

Reading Through the Bible Together
by Revival and Reformation Committee

The study of God’s Word has three major components that lead to revival:

1. **It provides a foundation for true revival.**
2. **It stimulates, fosters, and sustains true revival.**
3. **It counteracts false revivals.**

Church members are encouraged to read or listen to one chapter of the Bible each day beginning April 17, 2012, the first day of Spring Meeting.

The reading plan begins with world church President, Ted Wilson, joining the division presidents in reading Genesis 1 Responsively. The presidents will conclude the initiative by reading Revelation 22 during the 2015 General Conference Session in San Antonio, Texas.

“I would like to invite every church member to join the worldwide family of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in reading one chapter of the Bible a day... As we prayerfully read and meditate upon God’s Word, we each will be led to a renewed experience with the Savior as we look forward to His soon second coming.”

Ted N. C. Wilson

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