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LITTLE CHILDREN SUFFER

R. K. WILKINSON, Principal, Pacific Adventist College

JESUS said these last days would be times of famine and pestilence. In spite of the wonders of modern medicine and technology, His words are sadly true. The world recession and the associated high level of unemployment is making life difficult for many even in the favoured, developed countries. But for many in the less-developed countries, life continues to be burdened with hunger and sickness day after toilsome day. Many of the innocent sufferers are children.

Recent estimates indicate that about 40,000 children die each day. Of these:

About 20,000 die each day from starvation.

About 14,000 die each day from diarrhoea (and the associated dehydration).

Other major causes of child death are measles, malaria (last year some 3,000 children died from malaria each day in Africa alone) and whooping cough.

Of the children that survive, many are malnourished. It is estimated that about one in five of the world's children (some 500,000,000) are badly malnourished, to the degree that mental and physical development suffer.

Yet, strangely, the world is not short of food. Last year some 1,400 million tonnes of grains were produced—enough to feed one and a half times the world's population. The problem is one of distribution. The main grain-producing countries keep the grain to feed to animals. It takes about sixteen kilograms of grain to produce one kilogram of beef. But beef producers can pay more for grain than the poor countries can, so it is the animals that are fed. Less than 50 per cent of the families of the world can afford to spend seventy-five cents or more on each day's food; at the lower end of the scale, the average Bangladesh family can only spend eighteen cents for a day's food. How sad that man's greed and perverted taste deprives innocent children of their daily bread!

Diseases that affect children are also largely preventable. It has been estimated that 75 per cent of the disease affecting humanity relates to the need for clean water and sanitation. The World Health Organisation estimates that it would cost about 27 billion dollars to provide clean water for most of the world's people. That is a lot of money, but does not seem so much when we realise that it is only about 25 per cent of the amount spent on alcoholic drinks each year, and about 4 per cent of the annual expenditure on armaments.

It costs ten cents to immunise a child against measles—yet thousands die from measles each day. It costs about the same amount to treat a child for dehydration from diarrhoea—yet the cruel death-toll continues. It seems that most people place their own ease and pleasure well above the need to relieve another's suffering; or is it just that we lack the opportunity to help?

Caring for others is a Christian reaction. Jesus has predicted that His followers *will* feed the hungry, and care for the sick and the needy (Matthew 25:35, 36). Let us pray that God will give us not only the heart desire, but also the opportunity to help care for His little ones, as He would. ■

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Editorial

SPACE-AGE GOSPEL



"CHRIST WAS A VISITOR FROM SPACE, SAY YOUNG," declared the heading of a news item in the Melbourne Age a few days ago. The AAP-Reuter release, which emanated from London on March 29, states, "The theory that Jesus Christ was an alien from outer space is held by many younger pupils at Britain's independent schools, according to a report today."

"Elijah's departure in a chariot of fire placed him firmly among the space-age prophets, and Jesus' ascension was just another blastoff," the report by Framington Institute for Christian Studies said.

"Its conclusions were based on essays on 'What I Believe' written by thirteen-year-old boys at one hundred fee-paying schools."

At first glance, the beliefs of these kids appear "way out." But on reflection, it is gratifying and refreshing that in an era of intellectual cynicism and materialistic scepticism which seeks to whittle Jesus Christ down to just an ordinary man, or to dismiss completely His actual existence as a figure in history, these space-age youngsters see in Jesus Someone more than a mere human. Is the idea of His being a visitor from outer space really all that far removed from the traditional position of the Christian church? It is summed up so beautifully by J. B. Phillips: "If New Testament Christianity is to reappear today with its power and joy and courage, men must recapture the basic conviction that this is a Visited Planet. It is not enough to express formal belief in the 'Incarnation' or in the 'Divinity of Christ'; the staggering truth must be accepted afresh that in this vast mysterious Universe, of which we are an almost infinitesimal part, the great Mystery, whom we call God, has visited our planet in Person. It is from this conviction that there spring unconquerable certainty and unquenchable faith and hope. It is not enough to believe theoretically that Jesus was both God and man; not enough to admire, respect, and even worship Him; it is not even enough to try to follow Him. . . . The modern intelligent mind, which has had its horizons widened in dozens of different ways, has got to be shocked afresh by the audacious central Fact that as a sober matter of history God became one of us."

It is true that the thirteen-year-olds say nothing about the Incarnation. But the mode of Christ's entry into our sphere of existence is not

here the point at issue. The fact that is a source of relief and satisfaction is that they see in Christ Someone who came among us from outside our domain. "An alien from outer space"? Yes! "He came unto His own, and His own received him not." John 1:11. "To this sin-darkened earth He came to reveal the light of God's love. . . . He chose . . . to step down from the throne of the universe, that He might bring light to the benighted, and life to the perishing. . . . Christ set up His tabernacle in the midst of our human encampment. He pitched His tent by the side of the tents of men, that He might dwell among us, and make us familiar with His divine character and life. . . . Since Jesus came to dwell with us, we know that God is acquainted with our trials, and sympathises with our griefs."—*The Desire of Ages*, pages 19, 22, 23, 24.

One can but pray that these children of the space age will be led on to take the next step—come to know Jesus as their personal Saviour! Thank God they see in Him One greater than a man! Let us pray that they will come to recognise that it was for them He came! "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." John 1:12.

As for Elijah, for decades infidels have been trying to discredit stories like that about Elijah's translation as Hebrew mythology! Now the space-age kids are reinstating him as one of their space-age heroes!

Christ's ascension is seen by them as a "blast-off." The concept may leave us stunned, but at least they're seeing Christ's ascension as being "for real"—something which even liberal Christian theologians have tried to "spiritualise" as having only a symbolic and not a literal meaning!

Without our realising what has happened, it might well be that God is working through space-age fascination to lead the hearts of these youngsters back to an understanding and acceptance of the truths of the Bible. Could it be that in spite of the leavening influence of the intellectuals, who have rejected the Bible and its teachings, the gentle wind of the Spirit is blowing into the lives of these children of the space age? If so, let us be prepared to exploit the situation and move in where the Holy Spirit is leading and working!

Geoff Garne

See the August issue of *Signs of the Times* for a fuller treatment of the space-age obsession, with a leading article on E.T. Be sure to get a copy for yourself and one to pass on to someone else. ORDER NOW through your Lay Activities secretary!

A Continuing Story

NAT E. DEVENISH, Field Promotions Officer, Adventist Media Centre



Jeff Rout, his wife Glenys and their daughters (left to right) Karen, Shelee and Bronwyn.
Photo: N. E. Devenish.

FOR SOME YEARS Mr and Mrs Jeff Rout received the *Signs of the Times* from an unknown donor. For most of those years, Jeff, a robust tanker driver, threw each of those editions in the bin. Finally, however, he found an item of interest and began reading the *Signs* on a regular basis.

A faithful literature evangelist called at the Rout home, and Mrs Glenys Rout purchased a set of *The Bible Story* for the children. Later, the whole family became viewers of the "It Is Written" telecast.

Brother Stan Koczwara, a faithful layman from the Para church in Adelaide, called at the Rout home in response to Jeff's request for some of Pastor George Vandeman's free book offers. Stan extended an invitation to the Routs to attend the Para church. The invitation was accepted, and Jeff and Glenys requested Bible studies. After a period of time, they were baptised.

Jeff and Glenys Rout love to share their faith by visiting viewers of the "It Is Written" telecast. Jeff became convinced that God wanted him to go to Avondale to train for the ministry. Having had only a limited high school education, he knew there was a possibility that he might not pass the mature-age entrance examination. Jeff and Glenys took the matter to the Lord in prayer and asked that if it was the Lord's will for them to move to Cooranbong, that Jeff would pass the entrance examination.

On the day of the examination, towards the end of last year, about 1,000 of our church members in Adelaide also upheld Jeff in prayer.

Jeff passed the mature-age entrance examination, the family home was sold within a week and the Routs moved to Cooranbong. Today Jeff is a theology student at Avondale College. The decision by Jeff and Glenys to be part of the gospel ministry has opened new, unforeseen doors of potential, and in terms of lives touched and souls saved, only God can possibly know the result—a result based on the foundation of an "It Is Written" program.

Why not introduce someone to that same television program this week? It might just be the beginning of another "Rout Story."



Dare Greatly

It is not the critic who counts;
Not the man who points out how
the strong man stumbled,
Or where the doer of deeds could
have done better.

The credit belongs to the man
who is actually in the arena;
Whose face is marred by dust and
sweat and blood;

Who strives valiantly;
Who errs and comes short again
and again;

Who knows the great
enthusiasms, the great
devotions,

And spends himself in a worthy
cause;

Who at the best knows in the end
the triumph of high
achievement;

And who at the worst, if he fails,
At least fails while daring
greatly;

So that his place shall never be
with those cold and timid souls
Who know neither victory nor
defeat.

—Theodore Roosevelt.

Youth Feature . . .

Transformed

AUDREY LOGAN

God longs to restore His image in us and take us to a place of honour in heaven.

SOMEONE had spilled a bottle of ink on it years before. It had become the repository for pots of paint, old brushes, and assorted screwdrivers. "Look at that old table," commented Mary to Kate. "It's just an eyesore; I'm going to throw it out."

Mary had taken her friend into the garage to see the new extension to that building. Kate stopped in her tracks, took a closer look at the offending table, and said, "Don't throw it out—I think it may be valuable. It could be a Hepplewhite."

"What," cried Mary, "you're joking!"

"I'm not," replied her friend. "Get an expert to look at it."

Mary lost no time in calling in an expert. He examined the scratched and battered object. Straightening up, he announced, "You've got a genuine Hepplewhite here." He named his purchasing price.

Mary's eyes opened wide. "If it's a Hepplewhite, then I'll never sell it."

No longer was it destined for oblivion. It became the *piece de resistance* of the family, an object to be admired and treasured, a tribute to its maker's skill and care.

How like us! We may be scarred and battered by sin, but beneath that marred exterior lies a being made in the image of the Great Designer—our God. He longs to restore His image in us and transport us to a place of honour in heaven.

The table designed by the great George Hepplewhite had no choice in its destiny, but we have. With minds capable of thoughtful response, we can choose whether we will permit Christ to restore us to the image in which our first parents were first created.

You and I are of infinite value. After all, think who made us. ■

Audrey Logan is a freelance writer and minister's wife living in Cardiff, Wales.

EXPERIENCES FROM THE BRISBANE RIVER CAMPOREE

I SAW GOD'S HAND—4

J. T. BANKS

We needed a public-address system that had at least 1,000 watts. We had 400 watts, but that seemed to sound inadequate. In fact, many of the camporee committee had serious doubts about the volume and quality of the sound.

The South Queensland Conference Youth Department has a good Bose sound system—but 400 watts only. We approached the Bose agents in Brisbane to see if there was any advice or help that they could give for another 600 watts. They made it quite clear that they only sell or repair Bose equipment and don't hire, as sales for used equipment are "not on."

And so as we retold the story of our need, Mike, one of the salesmen, said he thought he could help. But how? "Leave it to me," was his reply. Well, that's all very well for a small program, but this was the Pathfinders coming from the north, south, east and west. This was "no ordinary show." Mike, please be more definite!

On the last telephone call to the company we heard that Mike was "away on holidays until the New Year." And that reply was the last thing we wanted to hear.

Other preparation activities pushed the PA system further away from our thinking, but we still had hope. Nothing more—just hope that, somehow, some way, something would eventuate on Sunday, January 2. This was the day we had suggested to Mike that we needed the equipment.

As we rushed around, buying food for the team, equipment from here and there, we wondered if Mike had received our letter with directions and dates, and even wondered if he was back from leave. It was a rainy Sunday and the odds were certainly not in our favour, but God was with us.

While we were away, Mike had arrived at the camporee site with all the equipment that we needed, and more—extra cable and two extra pairs of loudspeakers!

Even better—there was no charge, not even one cent, for the \$5,000-worth of brand-new, matching Bose equipment loaned to us.

Remarkable? We say a miracle! ■



PRAISE THE LORD, was the North New Zealand Camp motto. These three men, who all came from Hobart, have something in common to praise the Lord for. From the left, they are, David Woolley, Glyn Litster, and Harry de Vries.

David and Harry were school chums at the Moonah Adventist School, and Glyn was their headmaster during the years 1955-57. This year at the North New Zealand Camp was the first time that all three were together since 1957.

Harry was a Presbyterian when he attended school, but was baptised in Papua New Guinea in 1967 as a direct result of

those three years at Moonah; which goes to prove our church schools play a big part in the conversion of pupils.

These three men are still each working for the conversion of souls to Christ. David is general manager of the Signs Publishing Company, Glyn is headmaster of the Auckland Adventist High School, and Harry is a lay preacher in the Wellington region. Harry enjoys speaking to his business clients about the soon coming of Jesus.

"Praise the Lord for the Moonah church school and all our church school teachers," says Harry.—Janice Brooks, Lower Hutt, North New Zealand.

ORDINATION IN NEW ZEALAND'S NORTHLAND

DESMOND B. HILLS, President and Ministerial Association Secretary, North New Zealand Conference

NEW ZEALAND'S Northland includes the historic and scenic areas above the Hibiscus Coast, which is just north of Auckland. Cape Reinga, the Ninety-Mile beach, Waitangi and Bay of Islands are just a few of the outstanding attractions of Northland that tourists flock to each year. Nestled in the Northland are five Seventh-day Adventist churches: Kaikohe, Kaitaia, Dargaville, Whangarei and Te Kao—the most northern church in New Zealand. The total membership of the church in the Northland is just under 500 members.

The church and school at Kaitaia were burned down last year, but there are now larger and more serviceable buildings on the property. The school has been operating in new prefabricated buildings from within a few weeks of the fire, but the church and hall is still being completed.

It was very appropriate that one of the first services in the new Kaitaia church was a regional meeting incorporating an ordination service. This was held on Sabbath afternoon, March 26, when Brother Dennis Hankinson was ordained to the gospel ministry.

The new church in Northland was packed for the church service and ordination service at 3.30 p.m. Visitors for this special occasion included Pastor and Mrs Keith Hankinson from Melbourne, Pastor and Mrs D. B. Hills, Mr and Mrs K. E. Watts and Mr M. R. Smith from the conference office. A former church pastor, Pastor R. J. Lewis and his wife, and the newest minister of the conference who comes from Kaitaia, Brother Ken Curtis and his wife, were also present. The district director for the Northland, Pastor R. H. Sills and his wife, were present, and the district director, who is also pastor of Whangarei and Dargaville churches,



Pastor J. K. Hankinson, Ministerial secretary, TAUC, welcomes his son, Pastor D. A. Hankinson, to the ranks of the gospel ministry. Mrs Beverly Hankinson stands by her husband's side.

preached the ordination sermon.

Pastor Dennis Hankinson is the son of Pastor Keith and Sister Shirley Hankinson, and Beverly Hankinson's parents are Brother and Sister Doug Thompson of Maryborough, Queensland.

Pastor D. Hankinson commenced his ministry in the North New South Wales Conference, caring for the Ourimbah, The Entrance and Lightning Ridge churches, but has also served as a volunteer in England. He commenced his ministry in the North New Zealand Conference in March 1980, and served as an assistant Youth director prior to his

appointment as pastor of the Kaitaia and Kaikohe churches. He is very interested in youth ministry and evangelism.

North New Zealand, perhaps, has more licensed ministers that most conferences in this Division. At present there are twelve, and in the past two years seven licensed ministers have been ordained. The ordination prior to Pastor Hankinson was Pastor L. Rice's, who is now enrolled at Avondale College in the MA Theology course. The young ministers in North New Zealand give a vibrancy to the team, and all have a strong conviction to evangelise and to see the church grow. ■

BUSHFIRE APPEAL CONCERT

R. A. REID, Principal, Oakleigh SDA School, Victoria

WHAT COULD we as a school do to contribute to the Victorian Bushfire Appeal? This was the question raised in a recent staff meeting of the Oakleigh Seventh-day Adventist School in Melbourne. After considerable discussion, it was decided to seek local council approval to sing in the Oakleigh Shopping Centre Mall, while our secondary students collected donations from the public.

Permission was obtained, and Thursday, February 24, from 12 noon to 12.45 p.m., was the date and time selected for our public concert.

Prior to the concert date each student designed a poster alerting the public to our concert, and teachers found a willing response from businesses when they asked them to display a poster in their window.

Mrs Wendy Marks and Mr Graham Coles prepared the school choir for the concert. The children sang beautifully, and \$316.41 was collected in just forty-five minutes. This included over \$30 in donations from the children and parents connected with our Infant department.

The concert was advertised over various local radio stations, with a particularly warm response from Radio 3AW.

It is our prayer that the money raised will benefit those victims of the recent Victorian bushfires, and that those members of the public who heard our children sing of the love of Jesus may respond to that love in a decision for Him. This, indeed, is Christian education in action! ■



Arthur Zastanwnik (Form 2) presents an item on his piano accordion as fellow choir members look on.

Photo: R. A. Reid.

The Church Walking with the World

AUTHOR UNKNOWN



THE Church and the World walked far apart
On the changing shore of time;
Tho World was singing a giddy song,
And the church a hymn sublime.
"Come, give me your hand," said the merry World,
"And walk with me this way,"
But the good Church hid her snowy hand,
And solemnly answered, "Nay;
I will not give you my hand at all,
And I will not walk with you;
Your way is the way of eternal death,
And your words are all untrue."
"Nay, walk with me a little space,"
Said the World with a kindly air,
"The road I walk is a pleasant road,
And the sun shines always there.
Your way is narrow and thorny and rough,
While mine is flowery and smooth;
Your lot is sad with reproach and toil,
But in rounds of joy I move.
My way, you can see, is a broad, fair one,
And my gate is high and wide;
There is room enough for you and me,
And we'll travel side by side."

Half shyly the Church approached the World,
And gave him her hand of snow;
And the false World grasped it, and walked along,
And whispered in accents low,
"Your dress is too simple to please my taste;
I have gold and pearls to wear;
Rich velvets and silks for your graceful form,
And diamonds to deck your hair."

The Church looked down at her plain white robes,
And then at the dazzling World,
And blushed as she saw his handsome lip
With a smile contemptuous curled;
"I will change my dress for a costlier one,"
Said the Church with a smile of grace;
Then her pure white garments drifted away,
And the World gave in their place
Beautiful satins, and fashionable silks,
And roses and gems and pearls;
And over her forehead her bright hair fell
And waved in a thousand curls.

"Your house is too plain," said the proud old World,
"I will build you one like mine,
With kitchen for feasting and parlour for play,

And furniture never so fine."
So he built her a costly and beautiful house—
Splendid it was to behold;
Her sons and her daughters met frequently there,
Shining in purple and gold.

Tho Angel of mercy flew over the Church,
And whispered, "I know thy sin";
Then the Church looked sad, and anxiously longed
To gather her children in.
But some were away at the midnight ball,
And others were at the play;
And some were drinking in gay saloons,
So she quietly went her way.

Then said the World in soothing tones,
"Your children mean no harm—
Merely indulging in innocent sports,"
So she leaned on his proffered arm,
And smiled, and chatted, and gathered flowers,
And walked along with the World,
While countless millions of precious souls
O'er the fearful brink were hurled.

"Your preachers are all too old and plain,"
Said the gay World with a sneer;
"They frighten my children with dreadful tales,
Which I like not for them to hear.
They talk of judgments and fire and pain,
And the doom of darkest night;
They warn of a place that should not be
Mentioned to ears polite!
I will send you some of a better stamp,
More brilliant and gay and fast,
Who will show how men may live as they list
And then go to heaven at last.

"The Father is merciful, great, and good,
Loving and tender and kind;
Do you think He would take one child to heaven,
And leave another behind?"
So she called for pleasing and gay divines,
Deemed gifted, and great, and learned;
And the plain old men that had preached the cross
Were out of her pulpits turned.

Then Mammon came in and supported the Church,
And rented a prominent pew;
And preaching and singing and floral display
Soon proclaimed a gospel new.
"You give too much to the poor," said the World,

"Far more than you ought to do;
Though the poor need shelter, food, and clothes,
Why need it trouble you?"

"Go, take your money and buy rich robes
And horses and carriages fine;
And pearls and jewels and dainty food,
The rarest and costliest wine.
My children, they dote on such things;
And if you their love would win,
You must do as they do, and walk in the way
Which they are walking in."

Then the Church drew tightly the strings of her purse,
And gracefully lowered her head,
And simpered, "I've given too much away,
I will do, sir, as you have said."
So the poor were turned from her door in scorn,
She heard not the orphans' cry;
And she drew her beautiful robes aside
As the widows went weeping by.

So they of the Church and they of the World
Journeyed closely, hand and heart,
And none but the Master, who knoweth all,
Could discern the two apart.
Then the Church sat down at her ease and said,
"I am rich and in goods increased;
I have need of nothing, and naught to do,
But to laugh and dance and feast."
The sly World heard her and laughed within,
And mockingly said aside,
"The Church is fallen, the beautiful Church,
Her shame is her boast and pride."

A voice came down from the courts of heaven,
From Him who sat on the throne:
"I know thy works and what thou hast said,
But alas! thou hast not known
That thou art poor and naked and blind,
With pride and ruin enthralled;
The expectant bride of a heavenly Groom
Is companion of the World!
Humble thy heart, confess thy sin,
Let shame now cover thy face;
Or else, alas! I must cast thee out,
And blot thy name from its place." ■



Royal Oak Dedicated

MARY FAIR, Communication Secretary, Royal Oak Church, North New Zealand

THE DEDICATION of Royal Oak Church, Auckland, New Zealand, took place on April 3. Pastor Hills, president of North New Zealand Conference, preached the dedicatory sermon. He stressed that the church must be functional in the community. The Member of Parliament for Onehunga, Mr F. Gerbic, and Counsellor Aitken of the local Council also spoke, expressing their encouragement and congratulations. Pastor Laurie McMurtrie and a number of former members returned for the occasion. Pastor Way, the present church pastor, offered the dedication itself.

Here is our recipe:

Royal Oak Church Building Fund	
1975	1983
\$2,000	\$430,000

Royal Oak members can testify to God's blessing. Pastor McMurtrie and his wife led us forward in faith and prayer and work. One of Pastor McMurtrie's early prayers was unanswered—the one that asked for some large donations. He was glad of this later, for the congregation grew spiritually as trust grew in the Lord's leading. Many of us have transferred as work called us elsewhere, but the bond of sharing and caring, forged between us, will never be broken. As some had to leave, others came and the work carried on. Many hours of dedicated voluntary labour have been given; many and various have been the projects undertaken; many the sacrificial offerings uplifted.

We are grateful for the privilege of taking part in this work. We are happy in our fellowship. With the dedication of our church, we dedicate ourselves to the work of God in our community, and to the hastening of His kingdom. ■

Sabbath Is for Family

ROBERT H. PIERSON

"REMEMBER to pick up the dry cleaning, and don't forget I have church board meeting tonight," Harvey called from the bathroom. Lorna searched the cupboard for some cold cereal. There wouldn't be time this morning to fix anything else. She had agreed to accompany Kevin and his first grade class on a field trip today, and she wasn't even dressed yet. She would just set out some food, and everyone would have to serve themselves as they were ready.

The blow-dryer hummed as Lorna put the finishing touches on her hair. "See you later," Harvey blew her a kiss. "But don't count on me for tea—got to get that rattle in the car checked right after work. Don't worry if I'm not home till after board meeting."

Unless I miss my guess, this little scenario plays frequently in our homes. We are all so busy, so involved in "good" things, that it's very hard to find time for each other. God knew it would be this way, and He left us some very special help with this problem. Listen: "The Sabbath and the family were alike instituted in Eden, and in God's purpose they are indissolubly linked together. . . .



God's love has set a limit to the demands of toil. . . . In His own day He preserves for the family opportunity for communion with Him, with nature, and with one another."—*Education*, pages 250, 251.

So no matter what a week may bring, Sabbath is for family. At least every seven days there is time, just for each other. And it's a good thing, for love is spelled T-I-M-E. Make the very most of those hours! ■



The diligent efforts of the early administrators of the Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital made a fine foundation of practice and of community recognition. Dr M. M. Freeman and Matron E. M. Shannon are pictured with a group of maternity nurses. Today an average of 100 babies per month are brought into the world in the hospital.

It must always be remembered that many auxiliary staff, not necessarily directly in the healing profession, have been employed over the years at the "San." Here pictured is the victorious tug-of-war team of 1920, made up of the "hands," the men who were involved in maintenance, looking after the dairy and the chores involved with outside activities like the garden and orchard.



The Way

THE SYDNEY SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL was opened in 1903, its creation, location and function having been determined by the direct counsel of Ellen G. White, who lived and worked in Australia from 1891 to 1900. The hospital has grown and prospered in its work and witness from its commencement to the present time, and is now one of Australia's largest independent private hospitals. The institution has grown as a result of the blessing of God upon the labours of many dedicated men and women over several generations.

We take this opportunity to pay tribute to the men and women who have served in this institution during its eighty-year history. Without the commitment of Christians in service, the aims and fundamental objectives of the hospital could never be met. Over the eighty years the objectives have been:

- To witness for God
 - To relieve sickness and suffering
 - To waken a spirit of inquiry
 - To disseminate light
 - To advance reform
 - To prepare a people for the coming of the Lord
- During its history the SAH has not only been a training ground for workers, but has given

SYDNEY Adventist Hospital Festival is planned for June 10 to 12, 1983. All former hospital staff, and their families, are especially invited. The program commences on Friday at 7 p.m., on the theme of **PRAISE**, the main feature being the La Campanella Handbell Choir under the direction of Judith Stanton, visiting from Melbourne.

Sabbath school and church service will be a special time, giving **GLORY** to God for His leading in the past eighty years of the hospital's history. On Sabbath afternoon we will be giving **HONOUR** to former staff of the hospital, and Saturday evening gives opportunity for **FELLOWSHIP**, as a special concert program is being planned.

Sunday's program includes tours of the hospital in the morning and a smorgasbord luncheon. The general public will also be invited to join us.

Theme for the **HOME**COMING Festival weekend is **PRAISE, GLORY, HONOUR** and **FELLOWSHIP**. Come and enjoy a wonderful time with friends and work associates from former days.

We Were

employment opportunities within a Christian environment for Adventist personnel from all walks of life. Opportunities for research and experimental work leading to health have been given and taken. The SAH contributed greatly to the development of the college of the Adventist Church throughout our vision.

Methods may change with demands, circumstances with time, but the objectives and the character of the ministry of the Sydney Adventist Hospital will never change, because they have been laid down by tradition and established by a record of successful enterprise.

The weekend of June 10 to 12, the SAH is holding a special homecoming festival at the hospital. We invite former staff of the institution to be present with us on this special occasion. Ten years ago exactly, June 10, 1973, the present structure was opened by His Excellency, the Governor of New South Wales, Roden Cutler. As we face the future, the management and staff of the hospital ask for the prayers of God's people, that His Holy Spirit will continue to be poured out without measure and that many souls will continue to be led to a closer walk with our Saviour. ■



The laboratory at the old Sydney "San," 1954. Mrs Joan Crowhurst at the microscope, nurse Dawn Gersbach answering the telephone and Mrs John Kirk treating a patient. In the old "San" many of the staff were involved in non-nursing procedures and their service over the years has certainly been appreciated.



The photograph shows the "San" of the 1940s. This wooden structure stood for seventy years as a hill. Many of the former staff and people in the community remember the institution with great

Graduation Class, 1930

Back Row: Pastor Mervyn Ball, Myrtle Ball (Mrs Sharpe), Pastor David Ferris. Middle Row: ? James (Mrs H. Swaine), Edith Condish (Mrs D. Ferris). Front Row: Martha Moncrieff (Mrs M. Ball), Ila Richards (Mrs Victor Rudge), Lena Lewin.

For almost all of its eighty years the hospital has been actively involved in the training of nurses, many of whom have served the church at home and abroad.



WINDOW ON THE WORLD

NEWS BRIEFS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

SDAs Broadcast in Uganda

RADIO Uganda and Uganda Television have offered the Seventh-day Adventist Church approximately four hours of air time each week to present the Adventist message.

To enhance this local ministry, Solomon Wakabi, Communication director for the Central Uganda Field, has requested from the respective producers recorded programs, including Your Radio Doctor and Music Scrapbook, from the Voice of Prophecy, and Your Story Hour, featuring Uncle Dan and Aunt Sue.

In order to produce local programs, Pastor Wakabi will need second-hand tape recorders and tapes not available locally. Anyone interested in supplying such equipment should write to: Bill Edsell, Communication Director, Eastern Africa Division, PO Box 14756, Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa.

Government-operated Radio Uganda broadcasts national and regional programs from Kampala, the capital city. Programs are in English, Swahili, French, and various tribal languages. Television transmissions now reach a 320-kilometre (200-mile) radius from Kampala. In 1979 there were an estimated 80,000 television sets in the country.

—Victor Cooper.

SDAs Requested to Invest in TV Ministry

SURVEYS reveal that some 204 million people in the United States are not reached by religious television programming. This number represents approximately 94 per cent of television-viewing households.

Accepting the challenge that such statistics represent, the Seventh-day Adventist Church has commissioned Faith for Today to prepare creative programming for the general television audience.

According to Dan Matthews, telecast director and speaker, Faith for Today is developing a spectrum of specialty programs to be targeted to specific audiences such as youth, young families, night owls, senior citizens, and others.

New concepts are being adopted, including a lifestyle series, and the production of Seventh-day Adventist "commercials" in a new young-people's program.

Recently, as I sat with the Faith for Today board of directors, I was convinced that there is a new day ahead for our church's use of the media.

—Lowell Bock.

Danish Minister Ingathers in Greenland

ANDREAS Nielsen, a retired minister from Denmark, is one of the world's Ingathering champions. In 1982 he collected 120,000 Danish kroner (\$13,000), the major portion of which was received in Greenland.

Although Greenland is the world's largest island, its population is sparse because most of its surface is covered by a sheet of ice up to 4,000 metres deep. The 50,000 inhabitants live along the coastal areas, where Pastor Nielsen went faithfully from house to house, making each visit a spiritual contact. Adventists operate a clinic in the town of Godthaab, where there are now four Seventh-day Adventists.

—Alf Lohne.

Quiet Hour Assists in Korean Campaign

WHEN The Quiet Hour provided 30,000 Bibles and 60,000 sets of health lessons, city evangelism in South Korea witnessed a new day during a nationwide crusade held recently.

The lessons and Bibles were delivered to the five missions (now conferences), and leaders from all the missions met in Seoul to lay plans for evangelism. The target areas were the cities. As soon as signs of spring began to show, local churches formed action teams, bands of eight to twelve members who accepted the challenge of reaching out to the territories assigned to them. Colourful health lessons were used to find persons who might be interested in joining a study group.

Then members conducted hundreds of Bible seminars, hosted by churches, members, and even interested non-Adventists. In most cases little groups gathered on the warmed floors of homes. Participants went through the various topics using Bibles provided by The Quiet Hour listeners.

Next, pastors conducted satellite crusades throughout Korea, with interested persons from the study groups invited to attend.

Then the major campaigns began. LaVerne and John Tucker conducted two series in Seoul. Peter Jack, now Lay Activities director of the Far Eastern Division, held crusades in Daejeon and Pusan. His multimedia presentations featured archeological and Biblical topics. J. H. Zachary, division Ministerial secretary, conducted the fifth crusade, held in Kwangju.

Three thousand and seven hundred persons joined the Adventist Church during the six-month evangelistic thrust. Currently the union is planning additional crusades to reach the masses in the cities of Korea.

—J. H. Zachary.



28 Colporteurs in Single Church

ACCORDING to the South Brazil Union's Publishing director, Pastor Osvaldino Bonfim, the Canudos church appears to have established a significant record. Twenty-eight full-time literature evangelists are working and representing a church with a membership of 200 persons. They serve in the area of Campo Gaucho, and all are taking part in the missionary projects of the church.

Pastor Bonfim and his administrators are determined that the entire membership of the church shall be involved in part-time and free-time evangelism.

—General Conference Publishing Digest.



Sheryl MacDonald of Papatoetoe, left, had her blood pressure taken by Auckland Adventist Hospital nurse Wendy Millist.
Photo: Manukau Courier.

Local Interest in Health Program

MANUKAU COURIER, April 5, 1983, Auckland, NZ

MORE than 500 people took part in a health assessment program held at the Papatoetoe town hall recently. The testing proved so popular more assessors had to be engaged on the first day of the three-day community service.

At one stage the town hall doors were closed for two hours while a queue of people waiting to take part in the program was cleared.

The program, designed to measure the vitality of one's lifestyle, was sponsored by the health department of the Papatoetoe Seventh-day Adventist Church in association with the Auckland Adventist Hospital.

The program involved six simple tests—ideal weight, vital lung capacity, resting pulse rate, blood pressure, chemical dependencies and questions on lifestyle. It was designed to check fitness, and was not a diagnosis for illness.

The coordinator of the program, Pastor John Denne, said he felt sure all the work put into the program would produce happier lifestyles for South Aucklanders.

"It is amazing how many young people are ruining their health with bad habits, and on the other hand how people in their eighties and nineties are remarkably fit," said Pastor Denne.

He said the health assessors found people were not exercising enough, did not drink enough plain water, lacked knowledge of balanced diets, ate fatty rather than lean meats, ate too much sugar and did not have enough fibre foods such as wholemeal bread, bran, fruit and vegeta-

bles in their diet.

Pastor Denne said many people had joined the ranks of non-smokers and many more were intending to. People were also realising the need to be more responsible in the consumption of alcohol.

He said the National Heart Foundation, the Cancer Society, South Auckland Alcohol Services and the Alcohol Advisory Council had provided video equipment, posters and information brochures for the program.

"The Health Department was very pleased with what was being done for the community," said Pastor Denne.

He said the health program may become an annual event. Participants on the program had requested it be run again next year.

Two further programs are being planned to help people improve their lifestyle. A "5-Day Plan" to help smokers who want to kick the habit begins on April 10.

A nutrition and vegetarian cooking series begins on April 6. Both programs will be held at the Adventist Community Hall, Wentworth Avenue, Papatoetoe. ■

As a postscript to the article, I should like to add that eighteen people attended the 5-Day Plan, of which 80 per cent will have successfully defeated the narcotic nicotine. A Stay-Stopped program will reveal the exact number in the near future when they attend together with others from past programs who have been invited.

Also the Nutrition Series is proving to be very successful, as we are currently seeing an attendance of between fifty and sixty ladies each week, of which thirty or so are non-SDA.

—Mrs P. Hunt, Communication Secretary,
Papatoetoe Church, North NZ.

HEALTH-WISE

A Spreading Teenage Epidemic

ALLAN R. MAGIE, PhD, MPH

ONE million. That's how many teenage pregnancies there were in the United States in a recent year. Of these 600,000 gave birth. The others sought abortions. This means that one out of every five babies born in America are born to mothers under the age of twenty—and many unmarried.

Teenage pregnancies are a growing problem in other countries as well. Sexual attitudes have changed. Adults have become more tolerant of the premarital sexual behaviour of young people. Once considered by most as antisocial behaviour, pregnancy outside marriage is today an increasingly accepted practice.

In the United States nine out of ten teenage mothers keep their babies, most of them ending up on welfare. Some place their babies out for adoption. The fathers, also usually teenage, although they are often the ones who persuade their girlfriends to have the baby in the first place, will not usually contribute any financial or moral support.

Herein is perhaps a clue to this epidemic of youthful mothers. Pregnancy may be looked on as an achievement ushering in adulthood. It may even signal a rebuke of authority. And to many teenagers pregnancy has become today's status symbol. Some seem even to have a psychological need to be pregnant. This may result from not being loved at home. Or the pregnancy itself is considered a route to freedom and independence. Many young mothers feel that they can support themselves and their offspring on the small amount of money available from welfare. Unfortunately for them, it just isn't possible. They often turn to prostitution for support, sometimes abandoning their children in the process. Others ask relatives to care for the infants while they work.

There's little question that sex education is needed. Not only by the teenagers, but for parents as well. Parents often are viewed as models by their children. If parents have a strong bond of commitment in marriage and enjoy a healthy relationship, their children will have confidence in their moral attitudes. They will listen to advice and feel comfortable in the home.

Contraception is not the answer. Neither is abortion. Teenagers, like those of all ages, must be made aware of the fact that they are individually responsible for their actions. Children should be more than the accident of two people gratifying their passion; they should be the planned product of the union of two individuals who have decided to blend their lives in one purpose. ■



"Jock" and Ann Penman.
Photo: A. M. Penman.

Sixty-One Years for Penmans

BROTHER PENMAN arrived in Sydney, from Scotland, in April 1921. His fiancée, Ann Mackie, arrived from Scotland just one year later, and they were married in the Church of Christ Church, April 1, 1922, the day she arrived. They settled in Weston, New South Wales. They were baptised into Christ in 1923 by the late Pastor Sidney Watson. "Jock" and Ann became charter members of the Kurri Kurri church, where he served as a deacon, then elder. He also spent a year as a literature evangelist in the Grafton area.

They moved to Lithgow in 1930, where Jock served as elder until 1942. Ann served as organist during those twelve years. Brother and Sister Penman then moved to Bulli, on the south coast of New South Wales. Here they both served the church as elder and organist respectively, in the then Thirroul church. Because of advanced years and the onset of sickness, they went into retirement. At present Brother "Jock" is eighty-seven years of age and Sister Ann is eighty-five years.

For fifty years Brother Penman preached the message and taught in the Sabbath school. They both love the third angel's message, and still enjoy talking of it to those who visit them.

Recently they celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary, receiving telegrams from the Queen, prime minister, premier, etc, as well as friends and neighbours.

They have two sons, Bill, who is an elder in the Wollongong church, and Alex, who at present is serving as the pastor of the Albury church.

A Centenarian for Rossmoyne

TODAY I saw 100 candles burning on a birthday cake, and telegrams from Her Majesty the Queen at Buckingham Palace, the Governor-General of Australia, the prime minister, Mr Trobridge—Governor of Western Australia, and our premier from Western Australia.

We at Sherwin Lodge, Rossmoyne, Western Australia, were celebrating the 100th birthday of Miss Edith Markey on April 5, 1983. She has now joined the ranks of the very elite group having lived 100 years.

It was wonderful to see Miss Markey's three sisters sitting with her. The afternoon was spent with the coming and going of many relatives and friends, the receiving of bouquets of flowers, gifts and the reading of telegrams, and the cutting and sampling of a lovely birthday cake.

The photo shows Miss Markey with Matron Cheryl Bell and one of her many bouquets of flowers.

We all wish Miss Markey much of the Lord's blessing and continued good health, and a home in the new church.



Miss Markey — 100 years old.

SAH Chaplains' Dinner

L. LAREDO, Public Relations Officer, Sydney Adventist Hospital

THIRTY-FIVE ministers and their wives from almost all denominations enjoyed a special time of fellowship at the annual Chaplains' Dinner held at the Sydney Adventist Hospital on April 12. The Chaplaincy department was ably supported by a dozen ministers from our own church, from in and around the Wahroonga area.

Invitees regularly visit patients in hospital from their congregations. On this occasion special guests included Rev and Mrs Coleman, chaplain of Gladesville Hospital, and Rev and Mrs Fowler, chaplain of Royal North Shore Hospital, St Leonards.

Several of the ministers present were new appointees to their congregations, and appreciated the opportunity to meet with other ministers in their own areas.

Dr Tom Ludowici, senior chaplain, Sydney Adventist Hospital, said: "We are grateful to God that the Sydney Adventist Hospital is a focal point in our community, and through the Chaplains' Dinner we have an opportunity to extend our hospitality to the clergy in this area. This annual occasion allows us to get alongside of these men and women of other denominations, and share with them as we create bonds of Christian love that will extend into the kingdom of heaven."

An excellent relationship has been built up over recent years by our hospital chaplains with ministers of other faiths. Inspiration for this development comes from the pen of inspiration, where Ellen White in the following words encourages us to draw near to ministers of other faiths.

"Our ministers should seek to come near to



Staff chaplain Pastor John Shaw (left), with Rev Bryan Hoar, Pymble Baptist church; Captain Pam Hodge, Thornleigh Salvation Army, and Rev David Tsal, Wahroonga Presbyterian church.

Photo: L. Laredo.

the ministers of other denominations. Pray for and with these men, for whom Christ is interceding. A solemn responsibility is theirs. As Christ's messengers, we should manifest a deep, earnest interest in the shepherds of the flock.

"The wisest, firmest labour should be given to those ministers who are not of our faith. . . . Our ministers are to make it their special work to labour for ministers. They are not to get into controversy with them, but, with their Bible in hand, urge them to study the Word. If this is done, there are many ministers now preaching error, who will preach the truth for this time."—*Evangelism*, page 562.

1983 and Your Reading

W. W. FLETCHER, Assistant General Manager, Signs Publishing Company

IN OUR OVERALL church program this year, 1983 has been designated as Spirit of Prophecy Emphasis Year!

Among the great books of the Adventist book world are the set of books known as the Conflict of the Ages Series—*Patriarchs and Prophets*, *Prophets and Kings*, *The Desire of Ages*, *The Acts of the Apostles* and *The Great Controversy*. Any person interested in the Bible should have this set. These five books are as personal as the Bible. The set should be owned and read by every reader of the Bible.

The Conflict volumes will amplify the Scriptures and will increase the enjoyment of the Word of God. For many years Seventh-day Adventists have been seen as the "people of the Book." That doesn't mean we are to own all the modern versions—it means that we are to understand God's design for our lives. It means that we have to travel on the right path to the kingdom of heaven. These books are the safe guides.

Where can you find books like the Conflict of the Ages set to activate an interest in the Bible? Where can you find better material to give understanding of the Bible, from sin to salvation, from creation to re-creation? Where can you study the lives of great personalities of

old with clearer perceptivity? Where can you discover more beauty in the life, mission and character of Jesus Christ? Where are the closing events of world history more vividly pictured? Where can you encounter a larger challenge to practical godliness?

These books are not the Bible, or equal to the Bible. They are written to draw us to the Bible and to the God of the Bible, the God of heaven and earth—your God and mine.

Who needs to have their own personal set of the Conflict volumes?

1. **The long-time church member.** What a tragedy for the caring, sacrificing member to become side-tracked by fine-line doctrine or misguided counsel! Faithfully reading the Bible and the Conflict books will help keep the member on the mainline.

2. **The new church member.** Studying the Word of God and the Conflict books is a good way to become established in the faith of Jesus and in the message of love.

3. **The student** beginning the high school years. The Conflict volumes are needed all through the remaining school years, including graduate studies. If the student must attend public schools and colleges, it is even more important to have the Conflict books.

4. **The newlyweds.** Next to the Bible the Conflict of the Ages will do a fine work of helping the couple develop a home atmosphere where the angels will love to abide.

5. **Old-time and new friends of the church.** They will be pleased with the thoughtfulness of those who made the gift possible.

6. There are **special individuals in the community** who have made real contributions to the church. A gift of the Conflict set will be an appreciated event.

7. Many **librarians** in colleges and public libraries will be pleased to have the Conflict books on their shelves.

8. There are **parents** that start building Spirit of Prophecy libraries for their children long before the youngsters are ready for high school.

9. In English and Spanish-speaking overseas countries there are many **national workers** who cannot afford the Conflict books. Sets sent to union mission offices with a letter requesting that the books be given to local pastors will be gratefully received and acknowledged.

10. All the **other people** in the church who are without the stabilising blessing of these volumes.

Here is a suggestion for a little sticker to be permanently placed upon the front inside cover of all the books given by the church.

Dear

This book is a gift of love from the Seventh-day Adventist church, and comes with a sincere prayer that it will be a faithful guide in your search for the more abundant life.

Local Pastor Date

(This sticker will work with any book that the church may select.)

It is a worthy project for a church to make sure that the students going away to school, or going to school near home, the newlyweds and the newly baptised church members are given a set of the Conflict of the Ages. It is much more meaningful when the books come from the church, and with the pastor's signature.

The 3,772 pages of the Conflict of the Ages, among other Ellen White books, are available at a 20 per cent discount during 1983.

One of the most important aims of your Adventist Book Centres in 1983 is to encourage all new members gained during the year to obtain the Conflict volumes; and from now until the 1985 General Conference, every member gained in the 1,000 Days of Reaping to be made more secure spiritually by the owning and reading of the Spirit of Prophecy books. ■

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LONELY PEOPLE

NGARETA BYLUND

"Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad."
Proverbs 12:25.

MARY was at camp-meeting with her mother and father. All the tents were pitched in long rows, and Mary was enjoying playing between them with her friends after the meetings. Mary's tent was near the end of a row surrounded by other tents where people from different places were living.

One day, after the meetings had been going on for three days, mother hurried back to the tent to collect her Bible and hymnbook, ready for the next meeting. The man from the tent at the end of the row was walking slowly towards her, his hands in his pockets, and he was looking sad. Mother smiled at him and said, "Hello. Aren't the meetings wonderful this year?"

"Yes," agreed the man smiling a little.

"Where do you come from?" asked mother.

The man told her, and they continued to chat for a few moments, while the man became more cheerful. Then he said thoughtfully, "You know, you are the first person to speak to me since camp time began!"

Mother was surprised. "Don't you know anyone here?" she asked.

"Yes, I know the people from our church at home, but they all have their tents on the other side of the campground, and I've only seen them to wave to."

Mother felt sad. This poor man and his family had been living only two tents away from them, and mother had not noticed that they were lonely. She continued to talk to him and soon they were laughing and chatting like old friends. Daddy and the man's wife joined in too, and for the rest of camp-time they chatted often.

Mother and Father wondered just how many other lonely people there were around them too, and cheerfully smiled and called greetings to everyone they could.

GOOD FOOD

With Sally Hammond

LET'S move on now from super-modern, century 20, space-age cookery via the microwave, to a cuisine as ancient as time—that of the Orient. Few cultures have contributed so much to modern life, thought and taste, and yet have changed so little in themselves. Much Oriental food is vegetarian or close to it. Buddhist monks require meatless meals, and many of their followers do likewise, either from religious conviction or financial considerations. Whatever the reason, Asian recipes lend themselves particularly well to health-food variations. For starters let's try this unusual Malaysian salad with peanut sauce. It couldn't be easier!

MALAYSIAN SALAD WITH PEANUT SAUCE

1 tin fried beancurd
2 cups fresh bean sprouts,
blanched 1 minute
1 small cucumber, diced
1 large tin pineapple chunks
2 tomatoes, cut in thin wedges
4 hard-boiled eggs, in wedges
1 cup cooked green beans

Sauce:
2 tablespoons crunchy peanut butter
2 teaspoons soya sauce
1 tablespoon brown sugar
½ cup water
1 tablespoon lemon juice
Few drops tabasco (optional)

Mix all salad ingredients together and place in serving dish. Mix all sauce ingredients together. Pour sauce over salad and serve. Serves 4-6.

Weddings

Crowned or Crucified?

I stood alone at the bar of God—
In the hush of the twilight dim,
And faced the question that pierced my heart
"What will you do with Him?"
Crowned or crucified? Which shall it be?
No other choice was offered to me.

I looked on the face so marred with tears
That were shed in His agony;
The look in His kind eyes broke my heart,
'Twas so full of love for me.
'The crown or the cross,' it seemed to say,
'For or against Me, choose thou today!'

He held out His loving hands to me,
While He pleadingly said, "Obey!"
'Make Me thy choice, for I love thee so,'
And I could not say Him nay.
Crowned not crucified! this must be;
No other way was open to me.

—Florence E. Johnson.

BALL—MORRIS. On Sunday afternoon, April 3, 1983, Arthur William John Ball and Lenore Gai Morris were married in a moving outdoor wedding at the Yarrapinni Youth Centre near Kempsey, New South Wales, during a Philosda retreat. John and Gai met in this group and had their relationship grow at Cooranbong where John studies at Avondale College. Their children attended them both in the wedding, and we wish them all of God's blessing in their new life together. Graeme Loftus.

KRASZEWSKI—GUZIK. On the afternoon of Sunday, March 23, 1983, Yvonne Guzik and Andrew Kraszewski were happily united in marriage. Andrew is a recent convert to the church who was baptised after the last Polish mission in Dandenong. Yvonne and Andrew are both members of the Polish church in Dandenong. The atmosphere in the Oakleigh church, Victoria, was enhanced by songs delightfully performed by friends from Dandenong church. Many friends and relatives shared in this very joyful occasion. This day will forever remain in the memories of Andrew and Yvonne. We wish them God's richest blessing as they share their lives together and with Jesus.

R. Varzonek.

LINGARD—ROBBIE. Sunday, March 27, 1983, was the day chosen by Paul Lingard and Sue Robbie to exchange their marriage vows in the Southport church, Queensland. Paul is the eldest son of Mr and Mrs Lingard of Lithgow, New South Wales, and Sue is the eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Murray Robbie of Southport. A lovely sunny day, a beautifully decorated church and many friends and relatives combined to make their wedding day a joyous occasion for all present.

P. H. Starr.

(We have been advised that the date previously given for the above notice was incorrect.)

MARKEY—DAVIS. On Sunday, March 27, 1983, in the Bray Park Adventist church, New South Wales, Christopher Llewellyn Markey awaited the arrival of his lovely bride Lyndell Maree Davis who was escorted to the marriage altar by her father Allan, an elder of the Bray Park church. To celebrate the union of their lives in marriage a delightful celebration was convened at the Cabarita Gardens Restaurant where their relatives and friends took the opportunity to wish Chris and Lyndell the richest of God's blessing, long life and happiness. E. S. House.

PEET—OWENS. Sunday, April 24, 1983, saw Darryl Peet and Rhonda Owens join their lives in marriage. The service took place in the Dubbo church, New South Wales, and was attended by many friends and relatives. Darryl's parents, Mr and Mrs Ray Peet, come from Cooranbong, while Rhonda's parents, Mr and Mrs Max Owens, come from Dubbo. Darryl and Rhonda plan to establish their home in Dubbo. May God's blessing of peace and communion be with both of you, Darryl and Rhonda, as you set out in life together. M. Krieg.

WHITELAW—SHEPPARD. On Friday, February 25, 1983, at the Blackburn North Baptist church, Victoria, Ken Whitelaw and Robyn Sheppard were united in marriage. Ken is the eldest son of Bill and Bess Whitelaw of Kerang. Robyn is the second daughter of David and Gwen Sheppard of Vermont. Ken and Robyn will establish their home in Lakes Entrance. E. Totenhofer.

Till He Comes

ACLAND. Mrs Constance Annie Acland (nee Kennard) of Dulwich Hill, Sydney, New South Wales, died on April 24, 1983, in her ninetyeth year. She gave seventy years of loving, loyal and active service in our Stanmore, Marrickville and Ashfield churches. Soon after the termination of World War I, Connie was married to Cecil James Acland (Cecil predeceased his wife in 1975); two sons were born to enlarge and bless the family. Our loving condolences are extended to Jim and his family and Ken, his wife Beth, and their family. At the Rookwood Crematorium, we lovingly and tenderly committed this devoted mother to the care of the Master she loved, to await His call to life and immortality in God's everlasting kingdom. Ralph Tudor.

ADLAM. Valerie Constance Adlam was unexpectedly called to rest on March 11, 1983, at the age of forty-one years. Her sudden death caused great sadness to her family, church and many friends within the community and business world. The large attendance at the funeral was evidence of the high esteem in which she was held by all who knew her. At the time of her death, Sister Adlam was serving the New Plymouth church as church clerk and Pathfinder director. To her husband Neville, and children Angelina, Katherine, Janice, Denis, Andrew and son-in-law Thomas, we extend our love and sympathy. It was a tearful farewell at the Awanui Cemetery, New Plymouth, New Zealand, but through the darkness shone the light of the assurance of a beautiful reunion on the resurrection day. E. M. Greenwell.

JACKSON. Baby Nicholas Jackson was born prematurely on April 18, 1983, and lived for five hours. At a private family graveside service in Hamilton's Park Cemetery, New Zealand, his mum and dad, Carol and David Jackson, were reminded of the great love Jesus had for children and the promise that they shall hold little Nicholas again when Jesus returns. E. M. Greenwell.

LONGLEY. Mabel Longley was born in December 8, 1905, in Mexborough, England. Both she and her husband were baptised by the late Pastor Charlie Paap in 1928 in the Wanganui river at Taumarunui, New Zealand. She was the greatly loved mother of Ronald (deceased), Mrs Eunice Pitt (Melbourne) and Mrs Dorothy Griffin (Tauranga) and loved by nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She passed away peacefully at the Tauranga Hospital on Monday, April 25, 1983, in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection day. A. H. Waldrip.

MacFADYEN. Florence Annie MacFadyen quietly closed her eyes and fell asleep in Jesus at the Coorparoo Nursing Home, Brisbane, Queensland, on April 5, 1983, aged ninety-seven years. She came from England with her parents in 1906, and in 1915 she attended a mission in Brisbane conducted by the late Pastor J. W. Kent and accepted the Adventist faith, and has remained through the years faithful unto death. She and her late husband faithfully served in the Red Hill church, Brisbane, and together spent thirty years in the Southport church. She often spoke of God's goodness and the soon return of Jesus. Her two nieces tenderly cared for her during the closing days of her life. Keith Miller and the writer laid her to rest beside her husband in the Toowong Cemetery to rest until the resurrection day. Victor Novelty.

MORGAN. On March 22, 1983, Arthur Robert Morgan fell asleep in Christ, at his home in Nambour, Queensland. Arthur lived for his Lord and passed to his rest happy in the knowledge that he was a child of God. Mackay, north Queensland, had been his birthplace, and he lived there later in life as well as many other places. A lover of youth and supporter of them, he supported his church well. To his wife of almost fifty years, to Jeanette and Arthur, the children of this marriage, to the rest of the family and friends, the promises of the resurrection are more meaningful, as our brother was laid to rest in the Nambour Garden Cemetery on Friday, March 25. We wait in hope anchored firmly in the Lord. C. R. Wallace, H. G. Harker.

SIDEY. Miss Nellie Sidey passed away in Gordonvale, Queensland, on April 5, 1983, in her eighty-eighth year. She was a member of the Innisfail church for many years until ill-health forced her to reside in Gordonvale, where she lived with a nephew. A service was held at the Townsville Crematorium where her relatives were pointed to the hope of the resurrection in Jesus. A. K. Gersbach.

SMITH. On April 13, 1983, Brother Gordon Smith passed to his rest at the North Shore Hospital, Auckland, New Zealand. He was ninety-eight years of age. He was trained in treatments and massage at the Christchurch Sanitarium and later went to the Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital. He served in Papua New Guinea and later in Fiji. He later began treatment rooms in Sydney and Brisbane. Both his first wife and daughter Marion predeceased him. Brother Smith married his present wife, Vera, in 1937, and together they taught school and cared for the sick in the Northland area of New Zealand for many years. They then came to Auckland and taught in church schools. At the North Shore Lawn Cemetery we lovingly laid our brother to rest. Brother Robert Michaelson and Pastor F. Stokes shared the responsibilities with the writer. E. J. Brownie.

RETURN THANKS

Mrs Miriam Wegener and family (Roslyn, Andrew and Bryce), as well as their related families, wish to express their sincere thanks for the many messages of loving sympathy in attendance at the funeral, in floral tributes, cards, deeds, phone calls, and personal visits, at the time of the unexpected and sudden passing of their dearly loved husband and father, Max Wegener. Please accept this as our heartfelt personal thanks in response to the numerous messages received. Your love and understanding sympathy has been greatly appreciated. We look forward with hope to the dawning of the New Day.

THANKS

Mrs Audrey Watts of South Australia wishes to acknowledge, with sincere thanks, "very handsome recompense, further to the initial emergency relief amount, from the Australasian Division," following the loss of their home in the recent bushfires.

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AN SOS from SAWS! I'm told that "Division Disaster and Famine Relief Funds have been considerably depleted in recent months, with sizeable contributions to flood relief in Bougainville, drought relief in Victoria and South Australia, hurricane relief in Fiji, and hurricane relief in Tahiti. Please help replenish this important fund by giving generously to the Disaster and Famine Relief Offering, June 4."

IN NTH NZ a CODE envelope was received with a largish donation and a note: "All I had in my purse today. In a hurry, but I am praying for CODE." That's the spirit of giving.

DATE SET. The TTUC Steering Committee has set January 1 to 6, 1985, as the time for their next Youth Congress.

ASSOCIATE General Conference Youth director Pastor Dick Barron will visit this Division in January 1984.

WELL-KNOWN Australian actor and radio/TV personality Kevin Golsby was a recent visitor (May 3) to the Adventist Media Centre. Big news is that he was there to record the soundtrack for the Pathfinder film shot at the Pathfinder Camporee at Ipswich, Queensland. AMC producer Warren Judd advises that the film will be released soon.

MORRIS Venden will be in Sydney, July 1 and 2, for special Youth programs at the Burwood Girls High School. Sure to be well attended.

A VACATION Bible School workshop was conducted at Toowoomba, Sth Qld, on May 24, for interested members of the new Westridge church. Sabbath School and Lay Activities director Pastor M. Kennaway headed the team, which included members from other churches who had experienced the evangelising potential of the VBS.

ADVENTISTS are church builders! In Warburton we are even helping to build churches for other denominations. A gala concert in the Warburton church hall, Saturday evening, April 30, raised \$440 for the St Marys, Warburton, Church of England building fund.

THE UNIVERSITY of Newcastle conferred degrees on a number of graduates on April 30. Three of them, Eric Hokin, Wilfred Pinchin and David Webster, are members of our Avondale College faculty, and another, Roland Burnett, is a member of the staff of our Australasian Food Research Laboratories at Cooranbong. Wilfred Pinchin received a doctorate in Mathematics; David Webster, a doctorate in Physics; Roland Burnett, a doctorate in Biological Science, and Eric Hokin, an MA in Economics and Commerce. One interesting statistic resulting from the above: 3 of the 10 doctorates awarded in the area of Mathematics and Science were to Avondale graduates.

EVER LEARNING is the motto of Mrs Ivy Williams, a 53-year-old grandma who has just graduated (May 9) with distinction after a twelve-month, full-time course in Special Education for Secondary Teaching at the Nepean College of Advanced Education, Sydney. I well remember "Mrs Williams" from my school days at Wahroonga High School and Strathfield High School—I could say "a hard taskmistress," but in the interests of accuracy and diplomacy I must go on record as saying "a character—and a great teacher!"

HUSBAND Bob Williams has done his share of study too—and the result has been a well-researched Adventist guide to Mormonism. Bob's book has already proved itself invaluable in dealing with the sometimes confusing doctrines Mormons present. He is currently arranging another printing run for the popular book, and we hope to run a review of it in RECORD soon.

SAD news comes with word of the passing of Agnes Fulton Hare on April 25. Mrs Hare, wife of the recently deceased Pastor Eric Hare, was 89 years old and a link with pioneer Adventist missionary endeavour, particularly in Burma. It is with sadness that I think back to the frail, godly couple, who lived across the road from my parents' home in Takoma Park, Maryland, USA. Long retired, they would brighten at any mention of Australia and the Adventist family here.

AUCKLAND Adventist Hospital needs HELP! Health Education programs are growing too big for present staff to handle. Actually a good problem—especially if the call for help is well answered. Most programs are repeated every two months, so lots of ongoing help is needed. Coming up—5-Day Plan, June 12 (people needed to check blood pressures, etc, and a receptionist/registrar); Nutrition Course/Cooking Demonstration, starts June 7 (receptionist/registrar, food presentation and kitchen help needed). Last 5-Day Plan had fifty in attendance. Seventy-six registered for the last weight control course.

A NEW Breast Ultrasound Clinic has commenced at Sydney Adventist Hospital. The new machine produces high-quality images which help in locating breast cancers. SAH is indeed a high-tech hospital!

A WORD OF WARNING from the Division Health Department. Some Adventists in Nth NSW and Qld have been involved with selling and using a high-protein, liquid reducing diet Dr Rainda warns that the product contains desiccated liver of an unknown source and, being too high in protein, is similar to products in the US which cause liver and kidney failure and even death. It is not a balanced way to diet and certainly not recommended. An article will follow in due course.

DIAL-A-PRAYER is still very much alive. I don't know the phone bill for the four lines in South Queensland, but I do know that 27,000 calls were logged in the first quarter of 1983—6,500 in April. There is certainly a great need for spiritual comfort!

REVITALISATION was the theme of a regional Sabbath School Seminar held at Kallangur campground, Sth Qld, from May 6 to 8. The proper place of God's Word in our study and evangelistic outreach were also presented to the twenty-five participants as part of the revitalising process.

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