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Crocodile Pastor's Fearless Baptism

Despite signs warning of crocodiles, Pastor Lindsay Sleight baptised David Henderson (pictured) in the Mossman River, Qld, late in 1993.

Long-time Daintree resident, Jim Hill, was able to guarantee there were no crocodiles in that stretch of the river at that time, but warned that attempting a baptism in other sections without expert advice was suicidal.

David married his friend Elaine Fischer on December 5, the first wedding to take place in the new, debt-free Mossman church.

The Essence of It All



Recently, while lingering in the kitchen without intent (except, perhaps, for the chocolate biscuits), my wife asked me to pass her the vanilla essence. As I handed her the little bottle of strongly scented flavouring, I found myself wondering why it was called "essence." Must be something to do with "essential," I concluded. The dictionary, I discovered, said something about a distillation of essential liquids.

Reading on, other definitions caught my attention. "The indispensable quality," "That which makes a thing what it is," "Reality underlying the appearance." And with a further philosophical twist, "Absolute being."

By now the vanilla essence was largely forgotten. I was thinking of some other essentials—myself, my life, my church, my understanding of the gospel of Jesus, and the difference between the real and the apparent in all of these.

So what is the essential factor in Christianity and in being a Christian? What is Christian reality? Can that indispensable distillation which gives it and its representatives such a distinctive flavour be isolated and defined?

To be sure, it is too easy to mistake appearance for the real thing. Mirages in the desert are only one example. In terms of Christianity we frequently judge by the external and the apparent.

We often draw our conclusions on the basis of confessional statements, or feel good when we multiply words, sometimes missing the essence altogether.

After several years along the way and frequent, reflective thinking, I have come to the conclusion that the essence of Christianity is not believing (vital though that is) but *being*. It is living, not theorising. Real Christianity is not simply thinking or talking about religious ideas, however important or profound such ideas may be—God, sin, salvation, prophecy, the sanctuary, the future, or whatever. The ideas and thoughts of Christianity must give birth to life. Essential Christianity is *being*.

This is not to say that believing and confessing are unimportant. Quite the

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reverse, in fact. Our thoughts and beliefs and the words they generate should attest to an inner reality. Usually, with true Christians, they do. But sometimes, unfortunately, they do not.

The eternal "I AM," the Absolute Being, the One in whom we, as believers, have our own being (Acts 17:28) wants us to understand that *being* is what it's all about. If thoughts and words do not result in actions (read life-style), then the thoughts and words may as well not have happened.

The essence of Christianity then is *being*. True Christian personhood is seen in the individual whose inner self is

authentically Christian. That inner self results in a way of life, a way of living. It results in a personality which gives evidence of the invisible reality within, making them what they are.

Where does it begin and where does it end? It begins, of course, with Jesus. A well-known contemporary Christian apologist states, "The essence of Christianity is Christ." That is unequivocally true. It is a fundamental that cannot be surrendered or amended.

Christianity without Christ is like a frame without a picture, a body without breath, a shadow without substance. It is the Christ in Christianity that makes it what it is. He is the essence, the indispensable reality. This is where it begins.

But there is something more. Speaking of this Jesus, another writer says: "The final distillation of Christian experience is personal. God is a person, in the form of a man—who was known and loved in his short earthly life. He left behind him such a fragrance of personality. . . ." Jesus was *what* He was on account of *who* He was.

If it begins with Jesus, so attractive in His personality to succeeding generations around the world, it ends with His followers. It is this very Christ who makes His disciples authentic Christians. Their authenticity, like His, is evidenced by the kind of persons they are. This, in reality, is true Christian *being*.

It calls to mind that oft-quoted statement, "The strongest argument in favour of the gospel is a loving and lovable Christian" (*The Ministry of Healing* page 470). Just another way of saying, I suppose, that it's not what we say that really counts, but what we are. In essence, that is.

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Deserves a Place

The editorial "Camels, Needles and Us" (December 4) deserves a place in all magazines and news media in the Western world where, as the writer points out, people are grossly self-indulgent at all levels of society.

The writer says we have the responsibility of sharing our good fortune with the destitute and I heartily concur.

The wealthy and the powerful of this world would be aghast at such a hypothesis and, unfortunately, as they and their ilk have dominance, it will be that way until the great day of God Almighty when all *things* will be as dross.

James Westhope, NSW

No Assurance

Although few would argue "that the SDA Church receives its heritage from the Reformers" ("Jesuit Influences," December 11) this in itself can never be a substitute for the reality and practice of Christianity in the '90s. Neither is this heritage an insurance policy against such ideologies as were propounded by the Trentian Council (beginning in 1545), where "Perfectionism was advocated . . . monasticism was developed for the perfecting of the saints . . . justification depend[ed] on sanctification" and, subsequently, "there couldn't be any assurance of salvation until perfection had been reached."

While we pale at the thought that these tenets be even considered within our ranks, I would suggest that although they haven't been accepted explicitly many have (and are) unwittingly subscribing to them. Surveys indicate that many are unsure of their salvation and their standing in the judgement. The preoccupation with perfectionism and the nature of Christ by many within our church—both past and present—suggests that the spirit of monasticism (perfecting the saints) is alive and well.

Kendall Clarke, NSW

Misplaced Theology

I heartily applaud Errol Webster's article "Jesuit Influences." It was well written and informative. It may be, however, that the article's significance lies in what the author *didn't* say.

Although the Adventist Church has long claimed to be an heir of the Reformation, our theology hasn't always matched that claim. Some within

the church would most likely align itself more closely with the positions taken on justification at the Council of Trent rather than that of the Reformers. This element usually claims that we are saved by a works-faith package (our faith saves us because it produces good works) rather than because we believe and accept the merits of Christ.

Thus they maintain a position that is the opposite of Luther in 1517 and, within our own ranks, Jones and Waggoner in 1888.

David Martin, NSW

Helpful Book

Throughout my 60 years as an Adventist the subject of the nature of Christ has been constantly discussed.

Of all the material I have read, I have found Thomas A Davis's book *Was Jesus Really Like Us* to be by far the best and most balanced. I would recommend it to all.

(Mrs) Ivy Harker, Qld

More on Prophecy

Regarding the letter "More Prophecy" (November 27), it is of interest to note that our traditional interpretations of Bible prophecy were not given by Mrs White even though she makes mention of them in her testimonies—an exception is Uriah Smith's interpretation of Daniel 12 on which she is mysteriously quiet.

It seems that God may have left the

door of prophecy ajar for us, that we might see and understand more truth than we perceive possible. The problem is, is the church ready for this truth? I fear not.

John Rothery, NNZ

Keep Separated

It disturbs me that the work of Ellen White is so often bundled together with the canon of Scripture known as the Old and New Testaments. The Bible stands supreme as the all-authoritative Word of God. It has no equal. Not only must the prophet be tested by it, but his or her word also (see 1 Thessalonians 5:20, 21.) A failure to do so could well lead to disastrous consequences.

I agree with "More Prophecy," that the New Testament era—the age of spiritual gifts—will provide a constant stream of prophets for the edification of the church. To focus on one prophet as suggested by "Focus on the One" (Letters, December 18) is not sound theology.

May I suggest that we re-examine the gifts of the Spirit, including prophecy, in the light of Joel where he predicts that prophecy and other gifts will be as plentiful in the church as there are people in it (Joel 2:28, 29).

Simon Wiersma, Tas

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AGM for AAA

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Adventist Aviation Association of Western Australia Inc. will be held at the Western Australian Conference office, Station Street, Gosnells, on Sunday, February 6, 1994, at 6.00 pm. Reports will be given by the president and treasurer, and office bearers will be elected for the ensuing year. Members are requested to bring a plate; drinks will be provided.

WORLD CHURCH

Burundi Death

The first death of a church member due to the bloodshed in Burundi between the Hut and Tutsi tribes has been reported. In northern Burundi the wife of one of the pastors was killed and dismembered. Church leaders have been able to assess the situation in all parts of the country except the northern provinces, where violence continues.

Israeli Baptisms

Fifteen people were baptised into the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Israel recently. The ceremony was held in the Jordan River. The new members come from Israel, Ghana, Romania and Argentina. The membership of the Adventist Church in Israel is still small, with 200 people attending weekly Sabbath services.—*ANR*

ADRA Tops Poll

ADRA (the Adventist Development and Relief Agency) in Sarajevo received the highest rating in a recent poll. Among the Muslim population ADRA is rated second after UNHCR, with Merhamet (a Muslim aid agency) and Catholic Caritas rating third and fourth. The Serbs rate ADRA as the most appreciated aid agency, the Croatian population rated ADRA second after Catholic Caritas. The findings were published in *DAS*, an independent Sarajevo publication.—*ANR*

US Freedom Act Important for SDAs

US President Bill Clinton will soon sign an act into law that many denominations, including the Adventist Church, has been pushing for. The bill is significant because it restores the long-standing "compelling interest" test used to determine when government may legally restrict the exercise of religion, reports Gary Ross, the General Conference liaison officer to the US Congress. The test had been struck down in a 1990 decision. The legislative victory, significant for those whose religious behaviour is unintentionally jeopardised by laws applying across the board, was difficult. Initially obstructed by US Catholics, who contended that the act had pro-abortion implications, it was delayed further when some state attorneys-general claimed the bill would facilitate too many demands from prison inmates. Adventists in the US were "seen, felt and heard," say congressional staff, as they lobbied their legislative representatives with phone calls, faxes, letters and personal visits on this issue, Mr Ross commented.—*Adventist Review*

Sarajevo Aid News

The Adventist community in Sarajevo continues to provide an effective postal service to citizens of Sarajevo, according to a recent report from Rade Nikolic—director of ADRA (Adventist Development and Relief Agency)-Sarajevo. The winter months will provide additional challenges, when sub-zero temperatures and a lack of water and electricity will create greater needs for aid. The Trans-European ADRA office is currently coordinating shipments of food, clothing and medicines that will reach Sarajevo before Christmas.—*ANR*

Muslim Outreach

More than 1000 Turkish-language Bibles and 500 copies of *Steps to Christ* were distributed at an evangelistic series in Bulgaria. The series was conducted in Turkish by Pastor Turker Olcer of Berlin, Germany, and featured comparisons of the Koran, the Bible and Christianity.

Cambodian Update

The Cambodian government has granted the Seventh-day Adventist

Church full legal recognition in Cambodia. Several properties have already been registered to the new church corporation.

GC Death

Former General Conference Vice-President and Secretary of the General Conference, Pastor Walter Beach, died at home on December 10 after an extended illness. He was 92 years old. Pastor Beach was the father of General Conference religious liberty director Dr Bert Beach.

RE at Academy

An Adventist is conducting religious education classes at the Military Aviation College in Szolnok, Hungary. These lectures are the first of their kind in a Hungarian military establishment since the second world war. The Hungarian Ministry of Defence invited Dr Jenő Szigeti, president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Hungary, to teach the course. Dr Szigeti is also a well-known church historian in Hungary. "I was quite surprised to receive a call from the Ministry of Defence, but

"SAN" Fund-Raising Calendars



Souvenir 1994 calendars, with pictures of the Sydney Adventist Hospital from 1911-1940, are now available for just \$A10 (includes postage and handling). All the proceeds are going to build Jacaranda Lodge, providing housing for family members of hospital patients who live a distance from the hospital. To order, phone (02) 487 9747, or visit the hospital's Public Relations department. Pictured are Carlene Bagnall (standing), who arranged for the printing, and her mother Violet Letham.

gladly accepted the challenge. I am happy to share my knowledge with 40 officers," said Dr Szigeti. The officers at the academy will learn about the history of Christianity and the difference between different denominations in Hungary.—ANR

Angola Aid

Ten of a scheduled 450 tonnes of foodstuffs and other relief goods have arrived in Huambo, Angola, according to Peter Kunze, ADRA's (Adventist Development and Relief Agency) director in the Euro-Africa Division. "This should provide a year's provisions for 10,000 people in Huambo, Angola's second-largest city," he said. About 670 tonnes of foodstuffs will be sent to Luanda, Angola's capital, where ADRA will also provide eight sanitary stations.

Maranatha

Maranatha Volunteers International (MVI) undertook the largest project in its 24-year history in Guatemala during 1993. Volunteers built 50 new church buildings, three new schools (each designed for up to 400 students), 11 staff

Indian Church

Pictured is the completed Tailevu Indian church, which is on the Fulton College compound, Fiji. The church was built by volunteers, who were also working full-time repairing Fulton College buildings damaged by Cyclone Kina early in 1993. Funds were provided by the church members and other private donations.



Photo: D Davis

homes, an agricultural facility at an orphanage and secondary school operated by "International Children's Care," and completed the construction of 75 church buildings begun by local congregations. As part of their overall program, MVI provided each congregation with \$US500 to help each congregation hold an evangelistic program. In addition, during 1993, some 1716 Maranatha volunteers completed 34 projects and worked on 85 buildings.

NEWS EXTRA

Briton Imprisoned

A court in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) has sentenced a British citizen to a six-month prison sentence after he was arrested when handing out Christian literature to Iranian Muslims. According to a British official, Ray Amey was imprisoned after he lost an appeal against a conviction for promoting Christianity as a superior religion to Islam. Proselytising by non-Muslims is outlawed in the UAE. Mr Amey will be deported after serving his sentence.—The Times

Church Subscription

A Church of England vicar in Britain is proposing membership fees to save his Gloucester church from bankruptcy. According to The Times,

Reverend Derek Sawyer wants to introduce "pay as you pray" admission fees because worshippers don't put enough into the church collection plates. "The church is rapidly going out of business. Perhaps the only way forward is to say you can only belong to a church if you pay a subscription," he said. He proposed to the parochial church council that a family would pay 12 pounds a week, singles 7 pounds and poorer families 5 pounds. The recommended rate for the retired, unemployed and students is 3 pounds a week. The vicar is known for unorthodox recommendations. In 1992 he suggested that people bring their own bread and wine to save money.

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Avondale Appointments

Janelle Skene, Geelong Adventist Primary School in sole charge. **Julie-Ann Cooke**, Mildura Adventist Primary and High School, Vic, to teach English and Social Studies. **Peter Dose**, assistant accountant at Kilsyth Branch, SHF, Melbourne. **Leanne Higgins**, Palmerston North, NNZ, to teach upper primary. **Victor Acuna**, Melbourne, Vic, to work with Richard Arya-Bishop as a ministerial intern. **Teena Sullivan**, Gilson College, Melbourne, Vic, to teach Maths and Science. **Horace (Alwyn) Evans**, Papua New Guinea Union Mission as assistant treasurer. **Karen Tame**, Albany Adventist Primary and High School, WA, to serve as Junior High teacher 21 hours a week and also to perform secretarial duties. **Craig Rudge**, Lilydale Adventist Academy, Vic, to serve as Art, Industrial Technology and PE teacher.

CHURCH CALENDAR

February 12	Family Worship Day
February 19	Stewardship Day
	RECORD Offering
March 5	Evangelism Sabbath and Sabbath School Community Guest Day

Family Is a Verb

by Bryan Craig

The word "family" is not a label to describe *who* we are, but a way of describing *how* we care about one another.

In church one Sabbath, while waiting for the worship service to begin, I looked around at the families that make up our congregation. It surprised me.

I've grown up with the idea that family means mum and dad (who've only been married once) and their kids. More than half the families in the church didn't fit into that category. A large number were either single parents with children or remarried families, where one or both parents had been married before, and were now blending together two previous families.

I was more surprised to see how many single adults there were in the congregation. Some have never been married, others are widowed and live alone, and a number are presently separated from their partner.

Families these days come in all shapes and sizes, which means we have had to redefine what we mean by "family." Some predict that the radical social and economic changes in our world will probably result in the death of the family.

Family researchers are in no doubt about the importance of the family. They believe that "the family unit is central to society because it is the place where social behaviour is constructed, interpret-

ed and transmitted from one generation to another."¹

The Biblical Concept

As a Christian family counsellor, I often wish I could turn in my Bible to a "Book of the Family." Unfortunately, the Bible gives little explicit instruction on family. Most is implied in stories and letters.

We learn something about sibling rivalry from Cain and Abel; the effect of lying and deceit from Jacob and his sons; the tragedy that resulted in Eli, a father who was so busy doing God's work that he couldn't manage his own family. We observe the dysfunctional behaviour of King David's family—a direct consequence of marital infidelity, incest, murder and unresolved conflict.

We may also be informed by the parenting received by Timothy and John the Baptist and the outrageous wilfulness of a teenager named Samson.

In the Old and New Testament, there is no word that corresponds to our idea of the traditional nuclear family. The concept of family conveyed in the Bible seems to relate more to what we might call the "extended family," or "kinship," where the emphasis is on how we treat and value one another regardless of our marital status.

This concept, according to Dennis Guernsey, grows out of an understanding that the word family in Scripture is used "primarily as a verb rather than a noun."² It suggests the word "family" is not so much a label we use to describe

who we are, but a way of describing *how* we care about one another.

The early church operated as an extended family ("the family of God," 1 Peter 4:17, NIV), made up primarily of kinfolk, but also including people who related to each other as "brothers and sisters."³

When Paul wrote to Timothy, he encouraged him to see the church functioning as an extended family, nurturing, supporting and caring for all its members—young and old—and especially the widows who were alone and in need (1 Thessalonians 5:1-8).

Paul elaborates further on the kind of behaviour appropriate for God's people as they function as a family. He calls on the "whole family" (Ephesians 3:15, NIV) to build relationships with one another that show we're united with Christ and care deeply about each other. Such relationships, he suggests, are built on:

1. Unconditional acceptance and genuine respect for one another (Ephesians 4:2).

2. Tolerance of each other and a gracious accepting of "differentness" (Ephesians 4:2, 3, 7).

3. Open, clear communication where one seeks to speak the truth in love, affirming and building others up according to their needs (Ephesians 4:15, 29).

4. Honesty—putting off falsehood and speaking truthfully.

5. Resolving conflict and anger (Ephesians 4:26, 31).

6. Expressing forgiveness for each other, just as in Christ God forgave you (Ephesians 4:32).

7. A loving, caring attitude (Ephesians 5:1, 2, 5).

8. Mutual submission based on love and commitment (Ephesians 5:21, 31).

Paul provides us with a meaningful sense of what it means to be family to one another. Sociologists and family



The International Year of the Family

The objectives of the Adventist Church this year include creating in Adventist churches a "family of God" experience in healing grace and Christian fellowship; empowering Adventist families for effective disciple-making and witness; and motivating families and churches to reach out and meet the broad spectrum of family needs in the communities around them.

The Symbol

The official United Nations emblem for the International Year of the Family was designed by a Swiss artist. It depicts a heart linked to another heart and sheltered by a roof—a symbol of life and love in homes that give warmth, caring, security, togetherness, tolerance and acceptance.

researchers agree that these characteristics are the basic building blocks for all relationships, learned first in our families and then reflected in how we relate to each other in the wider community.

No marriage, family or church can remain healthy if some of these circumstances are missing in their interaction with each other.

In this International Year of the

Family, it is appropriate we seek to understand more fully the significance of what it means to be family. And, as Dennis Guernsey says, "if family is primarily a verb, then all that the church teaches regarding relationships is legitimately family ministry."⁴

Ministering to families is about integrating into the church a relational dimension that enables the people of God to function effectively. □

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My Favourite Passage

by Robert S Folkenberg

The writings of Ellen White have enriched and guided my life and ministry for many years. Many passages stand out in my experience, but recently one in particular has become my favourite. You find it in a letter to Lizzie Innes:

"The message from God to me for you is 'Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out' (John 6:37). If you have nothing else to plead before God but this one promise from your Lord and Saviour, you have the assurance that you will never, never be turned away. It may seem to you that you are hanging upon a single promise, but appropriate that one promise, and it will open to you the whole treasure house of the riches of the grace of Christ. Cling to that promise and you are safe. 'Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.' Present this assurance to Jesus, and you are as safe as though inside the City of God" (*Manuscript Releases*, Vol 10, page 175).

Lizzie Innes was going through a severe personal trial. Suffering and afflicted, she was tempted to doubt God's love. The evil one pressed in with many anxieties to destroy her peace, trying to make her feel that she was unworthy for the heavenly Father to acknowledge as His child. "But do not believe his suggestions for a single moment"—this was the word of the Lord for her (page 174).

Feeling Crushed?

I wonder how many Seventh-day Adventists today feel like Lizzie Innes. Some of us feel crushed under physical affliction, loss, or a tragedy that struck suddenly. With the loss of our health or a loved one, we are tempted to think that God has forsaken us.

Some of us feel crushed by the record of our lives. When we think of our sins against God and against others, of the wasted years, of how far we have fallen short of God's ideal for us and even still fall short, our chances of making it through to heaven seem remote indeed.

God's message of assurance to Lizzie Innes is for us also. He invites us to trust Him, to take Him at His word. He accepts us through Jesus His Son. We have nothing to offer, nothing but our need and His promise to accept us. But that is enough: "For no matter how many promises God has made, they are 'Yes' in Christ" (2 Corinthians 1:20, NIV).

Did you notice these incredible words in the passage above? "*Present this assurance to Jesus, and you are as safe as though inside the City of God.*" Here is salvation guaranteed—not through some achievement, not through any act that wins God's approval. This is salvation guaranteed by claiming the promise of God, who keeps His word.

What wonderful news! What a liberating message! What words to set us free from fear and doubt!

Feelings Can Confuse Us

Now, the evil one will seek to keep us from this assurance of salvation. He will try to use our feelings to put us on a foolhardy, presumptuous course, or to discourage us.

Feelings are treacherous—they can mislead us completely as to our standing with the Lord. I have known people going directly against the Lord's commands—for instance, leaving their spouse for another partner—who have said, "I have never felt so close to the Lord." But how we feel or do not feel can never set aside or change a "Thus

saith the Lord." What matters isn't whether we think the Lord is blessing or not or we are experiencing a "high," but whether we are walking in the light of His Word.

Our assurance of salvation in Christ comes from *His* promise, not our feelings. We love Him and trust Him, and His salvation changes our life. It does not condone sin and worldliness; it brings victory over sin, temptation, and bad habits. Assurance of salvation sets us free to live life to the full, as we walk with Him by the power of the Holy Spirit (John 10: 10).

Rise Above It

Not only may our feelings lead to false confidence, but they can discourage us. Worn down by toil, sickness and care we may conclude the Lord has cast us off. That was apparently so with Lizzie Innes. Mrs White countered Lizzie's negative feelings with: "You are not to examine your feelings and put any dependence upon your emotions, for they may be as varied as the wind, but take to your heart this one promise and you will find it a passport to all the rich treasures of heaven. You are precious to the heart of Christ and He speaks, saying unto you, 'Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest' (Matthew 11:28). There is no perhaps or maybe about this promise. The 'I will' of Christ is an assurance that cannot be made any stronger" (page 175).

I pray that every Adventist may find the joyful, confident life in Jesus that comes only from genuine assurance of His salvation. □

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Life in Adventist Retirement Villages

by Percy C Harrold

These places provide a feeling of family and a sense of security to all residents.

Annie Sanders, a resident of Ilam Lodge Rest Home, New Zealand, knits blankets for needy children. She's 106.

"It gives me something to do," she says. Mrs Sanders reads without glasses and asks for biographies, "not all that other rubbish."

Frank Slade, another Ilam resident, will be 100 in April. His memories cover service as a signalman in the Battle of Jutland in 1916 and he remembers morse code and semaphore perfectly. He also recalls the days of the suffragettes and happily sings "Never Get Married to a Suffering Suffragette." He was formerly the head gardener of the prize-winning Sanitarium Health Food Company gardens in Christchurch.

These are just some of the personalities who live in Seventh-day Adventist residential facilities for those in the retirement-age bracket. Whether the need be for hostel accommodation (serviced accommodation), nursing home accommodation or self-contained units, these are all provided in 20 different locations in the South Pacific Division. There are more than 1400 residents in Adventist retirement villages throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Ilam Lodge Rest Home, the home of Annie and Frank, is a stately homestead set in pretty gardens in Christchurch. It combines the grandeur of Edwardian architecture with comfortable living and modern amenities.

Coronella Retirement Village at Nunawading, in the eastern suburbs of Melbourne, was the first aged-care complex to be operated in this division. It is close to the city and public transport, but retains a semi-rural atmo-

sphere. Coronella has three levels of care: independent-living units (recently rebuilt and updated), a 64-bed hostel and a 27-bed nursing home (soon to be increased to 30 beds).

Currently under construction are resident-funded units on land adjacent to existing buildings. Excellent services and facilities are available at Coronella, including nursing care, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, podiatry and hair-dressing.

Bethesda Adventist Home and Hospital is situated in the heart of Auckland and caters for residents from all over the North Island of New Zealand. A resident, Rene Holland, has written the following: "I feel the presence of the Lord at Bethesda. This makes for a most friendly and homely atmosphere. We can be very thankful to God for our rest homes and hospitals. They certainly have the expertise and equipment to care for the really ill among us."

Yeppoon complex, is being established at Yeppoon on the coast east of Rockhampton, Queensland. Self-contained units and a hostel with serviced units is already creating considerable interest and providing care for those wishing a safe, secure environment.

Although each retirement village complex is owned and operated by the local conference, the division has appointed me as the Adventist Retirement Village Coordinator. I visit Adventist retirement villages when needed and help organise and chair the annual Adventist Retirement Village Conference.

This conference, held each July, provides a forum for hostel senior staff to share their knowledge and expertise. The networking at this conference improves the quality of life for the residents.

Most residents of our retirement vil-



Photo: J Rabbe

The Tapestry Lady

Pictured is Beryl Gurney of Elizabeth Lodge Hostel, Normanhurst, New South Wales. Beryl provides inspiration to fellow residents and staff members alike with her infectious enthusiasm and unfailing cheerfulness. Though challenged by the constraints of a wheelchair and a disabled arm, Beryl has created more than 60 tapestries.



Photo: L Olsen

Mrs MacKenzie in Action

Pictured is Mrs Mackenzie enjoying a game of bowls at the Rossmoyne Adventist Retirement Village in Western Australia.

Mrs MacKenzie's son confided that since his mother joined other residents playing carpet bowls, her conversation changed dramatically from personal ills and concerns to her involvement in the village activities and to inquiring again of her grandchildren. The fellowship of living among friends, an activities program with continuing involvement in church life, are positive benefits gained by many who live in Seventh-day Adventist retirement villages.

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lages in Australia and New Zealand live in their own units or homes in attractive surroundings. From the deep valleys of Warburton, the hill-tops at Alstonville and the sunny splendour of the Gold Coast, Adventists are choosing to retire with others whose beliefs are similar.

It is amazing what some residents do. Editorial work on a newsletter, raising funds for equipment, providing meals for someone temporarily disabled, taking a neighbour shopping, being involved in a working bee, practising with the local church choir and being grandma and grandad to visiting children. All this is part of a day's work for many retirees. □

Percy C Harrold is the Adventist Retirement Village Coordinator for the South Pacific Division.

Family and Security

Pastor Bert Grosser and his wife, Edna, have been carers of the elderly for many years. Currently they are supervisors at the hostel in Kings Langley, west of Sydney. "It has been my privilege to visit and find friends in almost all of the Adventist Retirement Villages in Australasia. There is one thing that comes through loud and clear. These places provide a feeling of family and a sense of security to all residents.

"We must congratulate our church for this provision. It ministers to a segment of our society where a sense of security is most vital. Most residents in these places have given much in mission and money to the church's goals. While most of our villages were established by lay initiatives, they are now strongly supported by our administration from the division down through to the local conference."



Photo: J Golding

Residents Involved in Fire Drill

At Victoria Point, on the southern shores of Moreton Bay (Qld) the early warning of fire alarms and evacuations sirens gave a jarring reminder to residents of the emergency drill. Within minutes fire engines, ambulances, police vehicles, emergency service personnel, media representatives and spectators converged on the village to witness the biggest and first emergency fire drill for Redlands Shire.

Part of the crowd included some of the 300 residents of the Adventist Retirement Village at Victoria Point. Acting as victims, staff and residents gave the whole procedure a reality we would never wish to experience. The exercise proved that prevention is better than cure and a number of measures have already been taken to ensure that all necessary precautions have been made.—John Golding



Photo: W Fowler

Melody Makers Perform Live Music on Sundays

These three men are residents of Coronella Retirement Village, Victoria. Called "The Melody Makers," every Sunday they perform for residents at the village. The man seated in the centre had played no musical instruments until he took up the drums with this particular group. They occasionally perform for other retirement villages in the area.

Youth Evangelism Success in Melbourne



More than 1500 youth attended the concluding program of a youth evangelism series conducted in three Melbourne suburbs.

Melbourne's week of youth evangelism drew 2300 people to the Sidney Myer Music Bowl on December 11, culminating in a worship service and concert celebrating youth commitment to Christ.

Three American pastors and their support group, 35 people in total, paid their own way to Australia to present three separate regional youth evangelistic meetings in the outskirts of Melbourne from December 3 to 11.

The south-eastern (Springvale) region speaker was Pastor Ron Edmunds, youth director of the Allegheny East Conference, and his theme was "On the Edge." The western (Footscray) region speaker was Pastor

Norman Knight, pastor of the Vallejo Berea church, California, and his theme was "It Ought to Make Sense. . ." And Pastor Don McPhaul, formerly national director of marketing for Capitol and EMI records and now pastor of an east coast church, spoke at the eastern (Wantirna) region programs with the theme of "Lean on Me."

Each program was supported by teams of local youth presenting music and drama and who also worked as stagehands and greeters. Many took non-Adventist friends to the meetings.

The cost of the entire week's campaigns totalled \$A3000.

"Attendances in each of the regions were excellent, and numbers increased as

the week went on," says Sue Beament, acting Victorian Conference youth leader. "Each speaker was unique, and I believe placed in their region by God.

"I was thrilled. The young people ran their own meetings and had the chance to catch a vision for working for the Lord. They were totally focused in the programs.

"Youth hosted the day at the Sidney Myer Music Bowl. They were the musicians, the presenters, the dramatists. God worked through them. "Every concert item, whether it was the children's choirs, the soloists, the bands or the group that signed, were prayed over. We gave each item to the Lord and sought His guidance.

"The afternoon's concert comperes were also chosen for their spiritual commitment."

Pastor Knight said, "It was fantastic to see people recommit themselves to Christ at the regional meetings." Pastor Edmunds commented, "The sense of team spirit with the youth was thrilling." And Pastor McPhaul said, "I felt the Higher Power with the team; the spirit was sweet."

"We now have youth coming into the Victorian Conference office asking if they can help in the youth work. I am so happy to see them and to be able to work with them," reports Mrs Beament.

Don McPhaul's parting message to the youth as he spoke to them on December 11 was, "His grace is *more* than sufficient for you. So welcome home—today is the day you can return home." —Karen Miller

Action Taken on Church Name

In an "Open Letter" to the RECORD (June 19), Dr Ball reported on the misuse of the Seventh-day Adventist church name by several small groups. He said:

"Sadly, it appears that these groups have chosen to go their own separate ways. Even more regrettably they have chosen to use our church name in identifying their own groups. A number of these organisations have taken a further step and without authorisation from the church have legally registered the name 'Seventh-day Adventist Church' for their own use."

Despite Dr Ball's pastoral letter to each member of these organisations, they have continued to go their own separate ways. Furthermore, the organisations have continued to misuse the Seventh-day Adventist Church name. Accordingly the church (through its lawyers) notified the various state and territory commissioners who are in charge of the registration of the names.

The commissioners have agreed that such misuse is inappropriate and are taking action to ensure that it will not continue.—L Evans



Pastor Don McPhaul encouraged youth to "come home to Christ."

Long-serving Polish Pastor Retires



Pastor Eugene Majchrowski pastored the Adelaide Polish church for 18 years.

After 18 years pastoring the same church, Adelaide Polish (SA), Pastor Eugene Majchrowski retired. Baptised as an Adventist in Poland in 1943 at the age of 15 he later (1950) studied history at the Lublin Catholic University and theology by correspondence through the Seventh-day Adventist Polish Seminary. At 22 he married Czeslawa.

The seminary disbanded in 1953 due to communist pressure, and many pastors were imprisoned. Pastor Majchrowski was then called on to pastor churches in the Lublin area. He became a history lecturer after receiving his master's degree in 1955. From 1959 onwards he worked in full-time ministry in churches around Poland. He migrated to Australia in 1965.

Pastor Majchrowski was ordained in 1978 at the Victorian camp-meeting, Nunawading, and pastored the Adelaide Polish church until his retirement in 1993. During those 18 years he also edited the Australian Polish Adventist Magazine, was a member of the South Australian Polish Historical Society and president of a Polish migrant sponsorship committee. He is an active member in the organisation of the biannual Polish Adventist congresses in South Australia.—*Drusilla Nowicki*

Jews Study the Messiah

Two Jewish people accepted Jesus Christ as the Messiah during a health-screening program at Caulfield Town Hall, Victoria, late last year, according to Roger Dawkins, chairperson of the Israelite Heritage Institute of Australia (IHIA). The two requested Bible studies, while 132 people attended the program.

"Most Jews haven't rejected the Messiah," according to those of the IHIA, "they just don't know who He is."

The IHIA has, during 1993, presented various programs dealing with lifestyle and religious topics to members of the Jewish community. The institute was formed by a team of Adventist ministers and laity for the purpose of presenting the gospel and the soon coming of the Messiah to the Jewish people.

Currently there are two graduates from the Messiah study guide's correspondence course and eleven more have enrolled. The guides contain the concepts of the Messiah, both biblical and Talmudic, and are only available on personal request. Roger Dawkins has

visited a Jewish person in his home and he has accepted that *Yeshua* died for him.

Pastor Ross Parker, a Trans Australian Union Conference evangelist and IHIA executive member, presented the latest archaeological and historical discoveries from Jerusalem at the Caulfield Town Hall, illustrated by an audiovisual presentation of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Qumran. Pastor Darrell Croft, the Victorian Conference president and an IHIA executive member, chaired the question-and-answer segment of the seminar.

The IHIA commitment to the salvation of the Jewish people is supported by a letter written on 1910 by Mrs Ellen White: "The work for the Jews as outlined in the eleventh chapter of Romans, is a work that is to be treated with special wisdom. It is a work that must not be ignored. The wisdom of God must come to our people. In all wisdom and righteousness we must clear the King's highway. The Jews are to be given every opportunity to come to the light."

Open Adventist Reading in PNG

Open days in Papua New Guinea ABCs (Adventist Book Centres) netted \$A18,000 in Lae; \$A19,700 in Port Moresby; \$A17,000 in Goroka, Kainantu, Bena Bena and Kabiufa; \$A8,300 in Mount Hagen; and \$A7,200 in Madang.

The open day was advertised on radio and television, through handbills and ABC staff contacting customers.

ABCs, which began with one store in Lae in 1989, are now available to 70 per cent of the Papua New Guinea church membership. Since more than 10,000 people have joined the Adventist Church during 1993, there has been a growing need for books on doctrinal beliefs and requests by many for family and Christian home-making books in particular. Through the efforts of the ABC stores it is expected the people's need for further understanding of Christ and Adventism will be met.



Some 70 per cent of Adventists in Papua New Guinea now have access to Adventist books through Adventist Book Centres.

Photo: D. Oakland

Mullumbimby, NSW



Photo: D Jerrard

Pastor Frank Slade (pictured left) officiated as Jill and Neville Kamholtz became Seventh-day Adventists on profession of faith.

Camperdown, Vic



Photo: Camperdown Chronicle

A new foyer was made possible by the generous gift of Dorothy Bant, as a memorial to her late husband, Ron. The foyer is four times larger than the previous one, providing shelter, a place for fellowship and added Sabbath school class space. Pastor

Calvyn Townend, the then president of the Victorian Conference, and Pastors Lyn Uttley and Albert Peiz, as well as the local mayor, Syd Blyth, took part in the opening celebrations. Mr Bant had served as a member of the Victorian Conference Executive Committee, and was a church elder and lay preacher.

Masterton, NNZ

Neville Botham, with financial support from church members, aided cyclone-devastated Fulton College in Fiji. He repaired the dormitory roofs, installed 23 desks, helped lay the basketball court, oversaw the laying of the workshop foundations, helped supply a hot-water cylinder for the dispensary and two electric sewing machines.

Esperance, WA

Esperance Adventist Primary School students received first place for small school choirs in the three-day 1993 Esperance Annual Music Festival. This is the second year the students have won this award. The choir is led by Nicola Gallop. The Esperance church choir also won first prize in their section, led by Mrs Heather Slade.

Lower Hutt, NNZ

Rachel Seybe, Linda Lawrence and Maisy Hendra were baptised by Pastor Alan Foote late in 1993. Those baptised, the members of Lower Hutt and their pastor, Jake Ormsby, are pictured.



Brisbane Primary School, Qld

High distinctions in Maths and English were awarded to four students in the Queensland-wide Maths and English competition



Photo: K King

conducted by the University of New South Wales Testing Centre. This ranks the students in the top 1 per cent of the state. Pictured (from the left) are: Jason Raymer, Year 6, Maths; William Liao, Year 7, Maths; Anika Truscott, Year 7, Maths; Anne-Louise Leggereit, Year 6, English.

Stanthorpe, SQld

Some 50 members of the public attended the opening program of Pastor David Colheart, run in the New Start Centre, in Stanthorpe's main street. Ten people completed the



Photo: C Gaitskell

two-week series and three others are continuing with the Kenneth Cox video series. An archaeological display attracted some 800 people. Pastor Colheart is pictured with two visitors to the program.

Wanganui, NNZ

Vivienne Walker, a member for 18 years of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, its district secretary for nine years, the president of the Granville-Wanganui Branch and the national recording secretary since 1988, was recently honoured at her church. The WCTU is the longest-running women's organisation in the world.

Lismore, NNSW

Endless Praise visited Lismore and many other churches during 1993. "This is a treat that comes our way very occasionally," says Lloyd Coe, communication secretary. "We're very thankful they came to visit us."

Mount Isa, NA*

The Adventist Church was well-represented at the Mount Isa Civic Centre Radio 4LM Trade Expo. The Adventist Development and Relief Agency, Sanitarium Health Food Company's (SHF) Nutrition



Photo: B Blundell

Education Service and the Adventist Book Centre presented their work, sold books and signed people up for cooking classes. Pastor Bill Blundell thanked the people involved and Radio 4LM for their support.

* NA: The Northern Australian Conference includes north Queensland and the Northern Territory.

Anniversaries

Askin, Eileen and Allan, of Nelson church, South New Zealand, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, with family and friends. They were married at the then Sydenham church, in Christchurch, by Pastor Patching, and left by motorbike on their honeymoon. The Askins have four children, 15 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. R C Landall

Zealand), and Elizabeth Jane Sale, daughter of Pat and Valerie Sale (Tauranga), were married on November 28 in the garden at the home of the bride's parents. Craig and Elizabeth plan to reside in Hamilton, New Zealand. John Denne

Henderson—Fischer. David Henderson, son of David and Anne Henderson (Cooktown, Qld), and Elaine Fischer, daughter of Peter and Polly Fischer (China Camp), were married on December 5 at Mossman SDA church. David and Elaine plan to reside at Wonga Beach. Lindsay Sleight

Hitchcock—Harris. Dean Hitchcock and Lisa Harris were married on December 2 at Clifford House, Auckland, New Zealand. Dean and Lisa plan to travel overseas. John M Denne

Jackson—Mitchell. David Jackson, son of Ray and Shirley Jackson (Preston, Vic), and Jenean Mitchell, daughter of Kevin and Leonie Mitchell (Lennox Head, NSW), were married on November 13 at Ballina, NSW. David and Jenean have set up their home on the Gold Coast, Qld. Mel Lemke

Jones—Lunjevich. Brent Edward Jones and Marian Patricia Lunjevich were married on November 28 at Waitara SDA church, Sydney, NSW. Brent and Marian will give volunteer service in the Solomon Islands. Douglas Jenkins, Bruce Price

Keleivdta—Breznikar. Etuate Vosavaco Keleivdeta, son of Rusiate and Rota Keleivdeta (Morisset, NSW), and Karen Michelle Breznikar, daughter of Peter and Julie Breznikar (Cooranbong), were married on December 12 at Dora Creek, NSW. Vosa and Karen plan to set up their home in Morisset. Wilfred Pascoe

Newell—Campbell. Mark Newell, son of Bill and Val

Newell (Preston, Vic), and Sarah Campbell, daughter of Garth and Hilary Campbell (Montrose), were married on November 7 at the Wantirna SDA church, Melbourne. Mark and Sarah plan to set up their home in Melbourne. Kevin Geelan

Puckridge—Wingard. Clem Puckridge and Nancy Wingard were married on November 28 at the Port Lincoln SDA church, SA. They plan to set up their home in Port Lincoln. Grant Bladin

Saunders—Gracie. Todd Victor Saunders, son of Alan and Marilyn Saunders (Cooranbong, NSW), and Christine Ann Gracie, daughter of Gordon Starke (Elizabeth, SA) and the late Daphne Starke, were married on December 5 at Avondale Memorial church, Cooranbong. They plan to live in Sydney where Todd will take up his position as finance manager at Sanitarium Health Food Company head office and Christine will continue working as manager's secretary at Cooranbong Sanitarium. Brad Strahan

Tuaoi—Roberts. Tiitii Tuaoi, son of Tautiagi and Alovele Tuaoi (Christchurch, New Zealand), and Mary-Jon Roberts, adopted daughter of Erana Rapati (Roberts), were married on October 24 at the Galston SDA church, Sydney, NSW. They plan to set up their home in Sydney. Neone Okesene

Weddings

Cerny—Szymulka. Ladislav (Larry) Cerny, son of Ladizlav and Jana Cerny (Melbourne, Vic), and Halina (Helen) Szymulka, daughter of Sabina Szymulka (Melbourne) and the late Dionizy Szymulka, were married on December 5 at the Dandenong Polish SDA church. Larry and Helen plan to establish their home at Endeavour Hills. B G Whelan, M Ignasiak

Cosier—Curtis. Kevin Douglas Cosier, son of Noel and Hazel Cosier (Qld), and Deborah Jane Curtis, daughter of Marjorie Curtis (Beenleigh) and Raymond Curtis (Brisbane), were married on December 5 at the Springwood SDA church, Brisbane. Kevin and Debbie plan to set up their home in Brisbane. Peter B Cousins

Faeteete—Maua. Tavita Faeteete, adopted son of Leilua and Perise Faeteete (Mount Druitt Samoan church, Sydney, NSW), and Toa'i Toetu Maua, daughter of Faesese Maua (Mount Druitt Samoan church) and the late Toetu Maua, were married on December 5 at the Hoxton Park SDA church. They plan to set up their home in Sydney. Neone Okesene

Fisher—Sale. Craig Russell Fisher, son of Allen and Margaret Fisher (Normanby, Taranaki, New

Obituaries

Adamson, Victor, born July 11, 1914, at Invercargill, South New Zealand; died November 21 at Dunedin. He is survived by his wife, Margaret (Moeraki); children, Jim (Blenheim), Delwyn Gore (England), Alvin (Adelaide, SA) and Beryl O'Connor (Shepparton, Vic); and seven grandchildren. Brian Lawty

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Andrews, Ivy Lucy (nee Cooke), born May 8, 1900, at Marrickville, NSW; died November 3 in the Sydney Adventist Hospital and was buried at the Northern Suburbs Cemetery. Ivy was well-known to many for her long contribution to the Sanitarium Health Food Company cafe in Sydney, where she worked for over 30 years. She will be missed by her church family at Elizabeth Lodge. Ivy is survived by her stepsons, Glen (Adelaide, SA), Bryce (Gawler) and Kingsley (Lilydale, Vic); and niece, Iris McVeigh.

K W Andrews, E B Andrews, D J Silver

Bowd, Elma Esmá, born April 24, 1931; died November 19 at the Adventist Retirement Village, Kings Langley, NSW, and was buried at the Richmond Cemetery. Esmá had been a well-loved resident at the village for the past six years. She is survived by her

daughter, Narelle; two grandsons; and eight brothers and sisters.
Bert Grosser, Harold Hollingsworth

Bradford, John, born July 2, 1923; died November 23 at Cairns Base Hospital. John served in the army during the second world war. He took pleasure in reading his Bible and enjoyed attending church. He is survived by his six children.
Lindsay Sleight

Copland, Alwyn Martin, born February 20, 1934, in Auckland, New Zealand; died suddenly on November 26 while at work in Penrose, Auckland. Alwyn had been senior elder at Papatoetoe church for seven years and was evangelism director and elder at the time of his death. A member of the South Auckland Primary School board since the school's opening, he also served on the high school board. He is survived by his wife, Maureen

(Auckland); children, Grant (Auckland), Jenny Cameron (Brisbane, Qld), Lindsay (London, England) and Shelly (Sydney, NSW); and sister, Lorraine Rogers (Tumbi Umbi, NSW).

John M Denne, David Davies, John Bews

Courtney, Ruth Elizabeth, born July 12, 1912, at East Geelong, Vic; died November 15 in the Geelong Hospital. Ruth joined the SDA Church more than 50 years ago and was always supportive of the church and school. Ruth and her husband, Charles, were married in 1935. He predeceased her in 1989. She is survived by her children, Bruce and Rosemary; 13 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.
Craig Gillis

Day, Kathleen Myrtle, 83, died November 22 at Alexander Rest Home, Auckland, New Zealand. A foundation member and an active worker in the Otahuhu church, Kathleen held the positions of treasurer and church clerk.
John Veld, Jim Caird

Donahue, Aubrey Terrence, born August 7, 1951, at Mareeba, Qld; died November 22 on Palm Island and was buried in the Mareeba Cemetery. He attended school at Monamona then later travelled from place to place. He is survived by Elizabeth and Beverly; children, Cecelia, Samantha, Evol, Ernestine, Irene and Linda; three grandsons; grandmother, mother, eight sisters and two brothers.
Alwin Hilton

Fulcher, Charles Henry, born July 10, 1905; died September 23 at Mount Olivet Hospital. He married Phyllis Murphy in 1933 and they lived for 60 years at the same address in Camp Hill. Charlie was a friendly and outgoing person. After joining the SDA Church in 1936, he served as a deacon and Sabbath school superintendent at the South Brisbane church. From 1958 until his retirement in 1970, he was employed at the Sanitarium Health Food Company, Brisbane. He is survived by his wife; sons, John and Ross; their spouses; and three grandsons (all of Brisbane).
Peter C Raymer, Ron W Gray

Hall, Thomas Cloonan, born September 14, 1932; died November 22 at Freeman Nursing Home, Rossmoyne, WA. His early years were spent in South Australia. Tom will be remembered as a kind person, always considerate of others. He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Robert Gatti; and grand-daughter, Johanna (Townsville, Qld); and son, David (Perth, WA).
M A Chapman

Hollingsworth, Murray Hugh, born March 29, 1944, at Geraldton, WA; died November 13 in a car accident at Boyup Brook. He married Lynette Webster on September 9, 1968. Murray enjoyed sharing his faith with others, and helped those in need by employing them at his timber mill and farm. He is survived by his wife, Lynette; daughter, Sheree Hughes; sons, Dean and Clint (all of Perth).
Gary Webster

Isaac, William Frank, born July 18, 1918; died November 17 at Charters Towers, Qld. Frank was an Adventist of long-standing. His first wife, Violet Grace, predeceased him six years ago. He and his second wife, Gwen, had been married for 18 months. He is survived by his wife; and children, Carol Alt (Mullumbimby, NSW), Robert (WA), Roslyn Pugh (Charters Towers, Qld) and Kelvin (Gatton).
Dave Hamilton

Jenness, Lillian, born June 14, 1908, in Wellington, New Zealand; died November 3 at Stokes Valley, Lower Hutt. She joined the SDA Church in 1932 after attending a mission conducted by Pastor George Burnside. She is survived by her children Ron, Fay and Valerie; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.
Jacob F Ormsby, Peter Keene, Harry De Vries, Walter Spivey

Kosmeier, Evert, born November 5, 1913; died December 1 in Newcastle, NSW, and was buried at the Avondale Cemetery, Cooranbong. He was a third-generation Adventist, in a family that now has sixth-generation Adventists. He is survived by his wife, Tjaaktje; sons,



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Lacey, Pauline Lillian, born November 5, 1942, at Monamona Mission, northern Queensland; died November 19 at Cairns Base Hospital. Pauline spent her early years at Monamona, then moved to Mareeba. She was a member of the Kuranda SDA church. She is survived by three daughters and one son. Lindsay Sleight

Mills, Helen Mary Inskip, born June 20, 1904, at Swan Hill, Vic; died November 29 at Bendigo. She married Arthur Stanley Mills on October 22, 1925, at Avoca. He predeceased her in 1962. Helen joined the SDA Church in 1966 at Bendigo under the ministry of Pastor J B Conley. She is survived by her children, Elvie Hipwell, Althea McLean and Geoffrey; eight grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren. G Dean Giles

Parker, Fredrick Samuel, born February 29, 1920; died November 24 at Greenslopes Repatriation Hospital, Brisbane, Qld, and was buried in the Mount Basset Lawn Cemetery. Fred accepted the Adventist faith after completing a Voice of Prophecy correspondence course while serving his country in the second world war, and was a well-respected member of the North Mackay church. He is survived by his wife, Joyce; daughter, Eleanor Malczewski; son, Kevin; and two grandchildren.
R S (Bob) Borresen, W (Bill) Turner

Petherbridge, Lindsay, born April 4, 1906, at North Fitzroy, Melbourne, Vic; died December 7 at Drummoyne, Sydney, NSW. In 1931 Lindsay married Sylvia Winifred Peters in the Stanmore church where together they gave a lifetime of active service. In earlier years, Lindsay served on the Greater Sydney Conference Executive Committee. He is survived by his daughters, Shirley, Heather, Roslyn, Jennie; sister, Esther; and brother, Clyde. His wife predeceased him in 1988.
Des J Mowday, H Seenyon, John Lehner

Stiles, Edith Mary, born October 16, 1916, at Wanganui, New Zealand; died October 29 at Matamata. She was a gracious Christian woman who, for many years, faithfully supported her husband, Allan, in his colporteur work and leadership of the Te Awamutu church. She also served for some years as Dorcas Federation president. She is survived by her husband; children, Allan, Mary, Don, John, Ethel and Paul; 16 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
Jerry Matthews, Ken Bullock

Terry, John Thomas, born June 27, 1923, at Hamilton, New Zealand; died August 1 at Nowra, NSW. He and his wife, Merle (nee Hopkins), were baptised on October 17, 1992, at Nowra. Jack endeared himself to all who knew him and will be missed by them. He is survived by his wife; children, Laraine and John; and grand-daughters, Angela and Lisa. John Andric

Welsh, Dorothy Jean, born September 24, 1905, in Nhill, Vic; died November 26 in Nhill. Jean was the only church member who lived in Nhill. She diligently cared for the church and was a faithful witness in the community. Jean is survived by her children, Betty Freeburn (Melbourne), Lorna Davis (Casterton) and Herb (Nhill); six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. L Inwo Burns, Eric Pitt

Young, Alma Elizabeth Carmen, born July 16, 1913, at Mount Barker Junction, SA; died December 1 at Kressville Retirement Village, Cooranbong, NSW, and was buried at the Avondale Cemetery. A sincere Christian and loyal church member, Alma is survived by her daughters, Deidre Hawkins, Carleyn Pauling and Karrel Knight. S R Goldstone

men needed for a special fly'n'build to erect a four-classroom block at the Carr Memorial School in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, during February and March 1994. Please contact team leader, Robbie Erceg, (02) 653 1154, or Pastor Eric White, Volunteer Service Coordinator, (02) 489 7122.

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