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--- I. Mrs. Nora Guild Reaches 102

Nora Guild Marsh <noradunnmarsh@yahoo.com> Sept. 6:

Some of your readers may be interested to know that I turned 102 years old last Sabbath, September 1. I thank God for continuing good health and spend much of my time reading good books. I also enjoy the SUD e-News every week.

--- II. Letters

1. P. K. Tamsang <ptktamsang@hotmail.com> Sept. 9:

   Congratulations to the Pakistan Union! It is so encouraging reading the SUD E-News dated September 6, 2012: History of Adventism in Pakistan written by Union President, Pr. Younis Noor Bhatti, the dedicated servant of the Lord. The ministry in a Muslim-dominated country is very difficult but as per the statistic, it gives us joy to read that many churches, educational and medical centre is established and many more are expected to be added soon in near future by the grace of our Lord. Yes! We all should pray for the excellent leadership of Pr. Y. N. Bhatti, President and give our full support. May our Lord shower raindrops of blessing in this Union as the work of the Lord is growing and saving thousands of perishing soul. Amen. -- Pastor P. K.Tamsang-India

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2. Charles Hellman <charmary32@gmail.com> Sept. 6:

   We enjoyed the history of our Pakistan work in the last newsletter....we spent 10 years at the Karachi Adventist Hospital and it was a very enjoyable time in our life. When we were there the Union membership was about 3000; we’re happy for the growth that has taken place. -- Chuck and Marilyn Hellman.

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III. Honoring the Morikones for Their Nepal Service

1. Chuck Jenson <chuckjenson@hotmail.com> Sept. 6:

   Sheer Memorial Hospital here in Nepal was blessed to have the Morikones at the helm for five years, ending just a couple of weeks ago. Lincoln Morikone served as hospital director and Druscilla as human resources director. They brought stability and positive changes to the hospital program in many ways. As they prepared to leave Sheer, new offices for the hospital leadership team were nearing completion. Though they would not move into the offices themselves, the Morikones unselfishly worked to better the working conditions of Sheer’s leaders. Both Lincoln and Druscilla were people of prayer, and the hospital campus was blessed thereby.

   Lincoln ministered without fanfare to young men each Saturday night, earlies who needed something to do. He cooked noodles for a group of eight or so and showed them a movie, acts of thoughtfulness the kids will never forget! I personally miss the occasions when Lincoln and I would play the guitar and sing uplifting songs together. Cathy Jenson, my wife, was called upon by the Southern Asia Division to be the interim director of Sheer, as division leaders look for a new full-time director. She has announced her intentions to serve in this capacity until the middle of December. In the meantime we are praying that God will provide the leadership the hospital needs. This institution, that has been a light
in Nepal for over fifty years, is dear to the heart of God, and we trust Him to continue to provide for its needs. As we pray, we are also looking for a surgeon! Also, as God has opened the doors of Nepal to more open Gospel work, we invite individuals or teams to consider coming to Nepal to do evangelism and to assist local congregations build church buildings. Do a trek among the majestic Himalayas as well! Contact me - Chuck Jenson, Nepal Field director - at <chuckjenson@hotmail.com>.

2. Rajendra Gautam <rajendra_gautam@hotmail.com> Sept. 6:

   Elder Lincoln, a man with a very nice sense of humor which always created a friendly atmosphere surrounding him, a strongly committed, God-fearing man who always valued local leadership which was a key to his successful tenure. I know he must be a satisfied man completing his term of service for the Lord in a country like Nepal with and amidst a lot of challenges yet who bids good bye with a satisfied and content feeling for his achievements. He arrived when the hospital was in one of its toughest time ever faced in the history. Scheer Memorial hospital is an institution of a pride to every Adventist in Nepal. There was a time just before Elder Lincoln arrived that the hospital would be taken by the government of Nepal and there would be no more a mission hospital. We were praying for a rescue of the situation and I believe God sent Elder Morikane to make the difference. Now, as he bids good-bye and passes his torch to Mrs. Cathy Jenson, we hope that she too will value the national leadership and through their help and support the continuation of the good work of spreading of the light that our hospital has been doing in the past will further strengthen and thereby support our church. Our prayers and support for sister Cathy Jenson continues as she leads out. Wishing the very best to her successful leadership.-- Pastor Rajendra Gautam

IV. Bob & Beth Burgess's Remarkable Recoveries

   Beth Burgess Miracle <bgmiracle@yahoo.com> Sept. 10:

   **Treva Burgess's 11 Days of Touch-and-Go After undergoing a routine cardiac catheterization to see if my mom, Treva Burgess, needed another stent, she experienced a small stroke. During the stroke evaluation it came to light that she had 95% blockage of her right carotid artery and needed immediate surgery. Having only 35% function of her heart and seven stents already, these two virtually back-to-back procedures under local and then general anesthesia severely taxed her body. Add to that aspiration pneumonia, and it was touch-and-go over the next 11 days in the hospital, but after Chaplain Grimstad and other Elders anointed her she began to recover.

   One nurse in ICU requested being transferred with mom to the cardiac wing so she could continue caring for her there. She witnessed the anointing and told us she had a strong feeling at the time that mom was going to live. Elder Grimstad also stated he had the same feeling after the anointing. She celebrated her 83rd birthday in the hospital, and the thoughts that she wanted to see her granddaughter Michelle get married in December and her grandson Mark graduate from PUC in June are spurring her on her road to recovery.

   When I wheeled her into ICU to see dad (see Bob Burgess's Miraculous Recovery below), she received a standing ovation from the nursing staff, who were delighted to see how well she was recovering after hear near brush with death.

   **Bob Burgess's Miraculous Recovery

   On July 4, the day my mom was released from the hospital to a nursing home for further recovery, my dad suffered a heart attack. Failing to recognize the symptoms, he waited a day-and-a-half before asking my brother to take him to the hospital. Consequently, he blew out his mitral valve and nearly died on the operating table as the doctors work feverishly to replace the valve and do a triple bypass at the same time. He was in a drug-induced coma for five days, but thanks to many prayers from around the world is well on the road to recovery as he prepares to celebrate his 85th birthday the end of this month. His cardiologist who examined him on 09/05/12 said "It is an absolute, utter miracle that you are alive." He and mom are now both back at their Calistoga home continuing their recovery.

V. Gospel Outreach Worker for Mussoorie and Mussoorie Villages

   James Campbell <jcampbellm@sbcglobal.net> Sept. 6:

   We have just received the good news that Dr. Gerald Reynolds, whose parents were missionaries in Najibabad about 90 years ago, has a great burden for the Pahari (Mountain) people in Mussoorie and the Villages behind Mussoorie. Dr. Reynolds attended Vincent Hill School at the same time as Gerald Christo and others. Dr. Reynolds has offered to provide the stipend for one Gospel Outreach worker to be located in Mussoorie or in a suitable village behind Mussoorie.
We are very happy to receive this proposal for Gospel Outreach Workers for Mussoorie and Mussoorie Villages. We are grateful to Dr. Reynolds for this project. May God bless his plans and guide him accordingly.

There are other Vincent Hill School and College graduates who may be pleased to sponsor more Gospel Outreach workers for the Mussoorie area. If we can find the sponsors, we will ask the Upper Ganges Section be ready to request 5 Gospel Outreach workers to open new villages in the Mussoorie Hills?

(The average cost to sponsor a Gospel Outreach worker across the 10/40 window is $150 per month. The exact amount for India, specifically the Mussoorie area, may be about $110 per month. (Amount to be confirmed by Gospel Outreach.) ~~~~~~~~~ VI. Youth Revival Meeting in Fateh Garh Churian, Punjab

Gladwin Mathews <adventministries@gmail.com>

Just a couple of weeks are left for this big event that has been planned for the young people of Fateh Garh Churian, Punjab and the churches surrounding this town. I am so excited about this. Attached please see the flyers.

The Lord has been good and things are working well as planned. I would like to request you to kindly keep this event in your prayers. We wish to reach out to the youth of other non Adventist denominations and the youth of other communities too. It is challenging but the Lord will help us.

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VII. Spicer College Expands Affiliation With Andrews University

Rajendra Prasad <rajendraprasad2000@yahoo.com> Sept. 12:

With the 10-year long affiliation from Pune University being withdrawn due to several technical challenges, Spicer Memorial College has been seeking alternate avenues to continue to facilitate its students get marketable degrees but from a reputable Adventist university this time. And where else can it go but to the flagship of Adventist education in the world, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan, USA, with which it already has been enjoying a 30-year old affiliation for its masters programmes in Business (MBA from 1982-1992), Education (MA and M Ed) and Religion (MA).

In response to its request for affiliation of its several undergraduate programmes in arts, commerce and science, a high level delegation from Andrews University including its illustrious President Dr. Niels-Erik Andreasen, Provost Dr. Andrea Luxton and Finance Vice President Mr. Lawrence E. Schalk joined by the General Conference Vice President Pastor Lowell C. Cooper was on the Spicer campus September 4-6, 2012 to thrash out a solution for our problem. They were joined by the top leaders of the Southern Asia Division (SUD)-President Pastor R. John, Executive Secretary Dr. Gordon E. Christo, and Treasurer Pastor G. S. Robert Clive on Sept 5 and Education Director Dr. G. Nageswar Rao on the 6th. Joining them in the active deliberations were the College President Dr. Justus Devadas, Vice President for Academic Administration Professor S. Rajendra Prasad and Vice President for Financial Administration Professor Rathnasamy Jegam who had already exchanged vital information with the Andrews team days before their arrival.

Dr. Cooper, Dr. Andreasen and Dr. Luxton were warmly welcomed by the faculty and students during the combined chapel period on 4th morning by huge and pretty bouquets, after which Dr. Andreasen addressed the gathering highlighting the vision and mission of Andrews university and what it means to thousands of its students worldwide. Later after Mr. Schalk joined them they were taken on a campus tour, covering the vital areas like the recently renovated library, classrooms, laboratories, hostels, cafeteria, church, student centre, high school, etc. And the next 3 days were spent in intense discussions among themselves, and with members of the President's Council, the deans and registrars in small groups regarding the feasibility of affiliating the programmes requested, in terms of the faculty, facilities, and finance needed.

As an interlude in their heavy engagements, the guests were invited to join the college faculty for the Teachers Day programme presented by the college students on the evening of September 5 in the main auditorium. After the welcome by the Academic Dean Dr. Roy Jemison Injety on behalf of the students, Pastor Cooper gave a short but sweet message about the role of the teacher in the students' life and Dr. Andreasen offered the dedicatoriy prayer. Then the students enthralled their teachers and guests with words of welcome in several foreign and Indian languages, glamorous speeches, inspirational songs, thoughtful skits, energetic dances and finally a captivating mime skillfully presented by the MA Education students. Then finally as a fitting end they invited the faculty in groups and lastly all the guests on to the stage, with a beautiful rose and a pen each and draped everyone with a traditional shawl of honour. At this touching moment when the Vice President for Academic Administration was invited to toast a vote of thanks, he profusely thanked the students for this great event of honouring their teachers with their magnanimous gesture of appreciation through speeches, songs, skits, and shawls, and even hinting that their tributes were too lofty to be true and that he had offered silent prayers to the Lord Almighty that He would forgive both the students and faculty, the
former for saying things that were not actually true about them, and the latter for enjoying them. However, he continued that the students had set a goal, a benchmark, for their teachers to reach and promised them that they would certainly try to reach their ideals but cautioned them nevertheless that they should not look up to their teachers as their role models, with all their defects, deficiencies, and faults, but should always and only focus on the Master Teacher Himself Who left behind a template regarding the caring, compassionate and concerned approach to the students using innovative, interesting, and intelligent methods of teaching, and, partnering with Him in the joint venture of redemption and salvation. After a fitting prayer offered by the Executive Vice President Pastor Noble Pilli for all the students and faculty, the faculty and guests were escorted to the lobby of the Science Block for a refreshing dinner comprising of hot coconut rice, green peas khurma, curd salad, ice cream and cake. Then the guests were ushered to their hotels, tired after this long day but excited and perhaps a bit mesmerized about this generous gesture of being so greatly honoured by the students in India.

The audit team was however back the next morning ready to put their thoughts together in a draft and invited the administrators of the College and the Division for presenting it. After getting a green signal from the Division President Pastor R. John that the Division will come forward to support the College in this noble venture, the Andrews University team supported by Pastor L. C. Cooper from the General Conference expressed their happiness in reaching a positive consensus about granting affiliation in a-time-bound sequence subject to the fine tuning of their proposal and satisfactorily meeting their concerns and challenges by the College Board by December 2012 so that the new Andrews University –affiliated programmes could be started on this campus from June 2013. With this glad note the committee dispersed with the closing prayer of Pastor R. John only to be re-united for a buffet lunch in the downtown Pride Hotel. Then they were escorted to their hotels and later to their respective airports in Pune and Mumbai for their return journey after a semblance of elation about the "Mission Accomplished", with the déjá-vu of long "affair" or rather "engagement" with Spicer finally showing signs of "marriage".

Surely the presence of the Lord was hovering over us in our tumultuous decision of joining hands with Andrews University in educating our youth for eternity, for His glory and honour. May His will be done!

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