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Death of Mrs. A. M. Job
   John M. Fowler <FowlerJ@gc.adventist.org> Nov. 19:
   Mrs. A. M. Job (nee Ramabai Rukmani Mudaliar) passed away in her home at SDA Maranatha Colony, Hosur, India, on November 10, 2013, and was laid to rest two days later. She was 92. Her husband, Pastor A. M. Job, predeceased her in February 2012. Ramabai, her sister (Mrs. M. Amirtham) and two brothers were born in Rangoon. The family was brought to the truth by Elder J. Phillips. They were part of the Sabbath School conducted in the home of Pastor M. S. Prasada Rao. After the passing away of her parents, Ramabai and her siblings were brought to India by Pastor Prasada Rao, and were placed in the Prakasapuram boarding school.

   In December 1935, Ramabai married A. M. Job and lived to celebrate 76 years of married life. After the passing away of her dear husband in 2012, Ramabai lived only in the shadow of her memories of her husband. Even though her children visited her continuously and provided her every possible comfort, including 24-hour care through two helpers, nothing can fill the void left by the death of her husband.

   Pastor and Mrs. Job spent all their married life in the cause of Adventist education in many places in Southern Asia Division, including Salisbury Park where he founded the first school, Kudikadu, and Spicer. Wherever the family moved, she chose to focus on raising a family on Christian values. She was blessed with the ability to converse in regional languages, sing in a choir, cook nutritious well-balanced meals, and was meticulous in sewing, knitting, and embroidery. She was able to bridge the gap of conversation by conversing with local and regional friends and neighbors in their native language (Tamil, Hindi, Marathi, Malayalam, Telugu, and English). She loved music and reflected this through playing the harmonium and singing soprano in the Salisbury Park church choir. After Pastor Job’s retirement, the two lived in Vellore where they enriched the church and CMC student life.

   Mrs. Job was blessed with good health throughout her long life, until the void left by her husband’s passing away and the frailty of age led her to rest in the hope of the resurrection that she accepted in Rangoon.

   Mourning her loss are her children and their spouses Alexander and Leela, Sarojini and M. M. Raj, Prabha and Vick, Jayakaran and Leela, 6 grandchildren (Gina, Lenox, Allen, Priya, Anu, and Shanthi) and 5 great-grandchildren (Raylen, Malia, Asha, Seth, and Yohan).

Adventism in Kerala to Celebrate Centennial Next Year
   Y. Selvamony <Yovan.Selvamony@gmail.com> Nov. 13:

   From: Y. Selvamony, President, South West India Union (Kerala)

   On behalf of the members and workers, I am happy to announce that we plan to celebrate 100 years of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Kerala in 2014. The Sabbath truth came to Kerala by literature evangelist Suviseshamuthu who
came to Trivandrum in the year 1914 and sold books entitled, "Which day is the Sabbath", "Who Changed the Sabbath", "Present Truth", etc, etc.

Mr. M. Abel who was a Salvation Army Captain was attracted to the books and purchased some and started studying. After carefully studying, he was convinced that the Seventh-day is the true Sabbath that God had made and blessed. He secretly made contacts with Seventh-day Adventist leaders in Prakashapuram, Tamil Nadu. Mr. Abel took baptism in Nazreth, Tamil Nadu and became the first Keralite to become Seventh-Adventist in the year 1914. He resigned his job as Salvation Army Captain and started to preach the Sabbath message and sold books in and around Trivandrum, Capital of Kerala. This marked the entry of Sabbath truth in Kerala. As a part of his work, Mr. Abel came to Vadacode, a place near Trivandrum, in the year 1915 and made contacts with some people there. As a result, Mr. Abraham, Mr. A. David, Mr. M. Joseph and a few others accepted the Sabbath truth. They have decided to start a Sabbath School in the compound of Mr. Abraham. Hearing the news that Sabbath School was established in Vadacode, Pastors G. G. Lowry, J. S. James and E. D. Thomas visited the place with Mr. M. Abel and gave all support for further work in Kerala. This marked the beginning of Seventh-day Adventist church in Kerala. God has richly blessed our work in Kerala.

Today, with fervent prayer and a deep sense of gratitude we celebrate the 100 yeas of Seventh-day Adventist Church in Kerala, from 1914-2014. Please mark your calendars to attend this once in a lifetime event in October 24 & 25, 2014 in Trivandrum, India. We have planned centennial projects in Kerala and those who wants to take part in this, please contact <yovan.selvamony@gmail.com> ~~~~~~~~~ III. Former VHS Students Earn Current Awards

Edwin Reynolds <reynolds@southern.edu> Nov 16:

I received the following news item from my brother David regarding a couple of VHSites who received awards for nursing in Oregon recently:

from David Reynolds <dreynolds@canby.com>

Over many years former students and alumni of Vincent Hill School have served God remarkably in many walks of life and around the world. Truly long after the school closed in 1969 Vincent Hill School continues to be "a light upon a hilltop" shining to all the world. Today, this was again demonstrated at the annual March of Dimes Oregon Nurse of the Year awards.

There were 364 nominees, 150 finalists, and 17 nurses received awards in different categories of nursing. Out of that number two of the awards recipients were former VHS students and classmates. Nancy Beck Irland won her award as the Nurse Educator of the Year, and David Reynolds won his award as the Charge Nurse of the Year.

The awards banquet took place at the downtown Portland Hilton Hotel in the Grand Ball Room with Nurses and executives from all over the State of Oregon. Sandi was able to accompany me [David] to the awards and got to visit with some old friends as well as David’s leadership team, who were all extremely well pleased.

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IV. Letters

1. Gerald M. Reynolds <gemreyn@sbcglobal.net>

There is more for which to be thankful. We now have two national workers in Mussoorie spreading the good News of God’s love for those mountain people. Interests are being cultivated such that it is anticipated that come the warmer months of Spring there well could be a baptism from among these interests. I say, Praise God for what Gospel Outreach is doing there in Mussoorie.

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2. Malkanthie Ballowe <ballowes@aol.com> Nov. 14:

It is with great pleasure that I wish a very happy birthday for Auntie Rose Pragasam of Loma Linda, California, who became ninety on November 13.

Her life was a blessing not only to her immediate family but to a host of others. The Auntie Pragasam was our neighbor in Sri Lanka, and as far as I can remember, has been a part of my life. Memories included her kindness toward anyone in need. If she knew of anyone in need of food, clothing, a place to stay, or anything else she was always there to lend a helping hand.

I personally can say that she was one of the angels in human form that helped me get settled in Loma Linda. My prayer is that the God you’ve served all your life will continue to keep you comfortable as you await His return.

Happy birthday, Auntie Pragasam.

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3. Florence Fernando <flofernando@icloud.com> Nov. 16:
   I was very sad to learn that Gnani Ruth passed away. I always remember her beautiful voice and smile too. One song that she sang was 'Far Beyond The Sun'. I could still picture her walking down past my room on Friday evening singing this particular song and this seemed to have set everyone in the mood for a blessed Sabbath. My deepest condolences to the family. May God grant each one of you the strength and comfort to bear your loss.

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4. Panchi Prasad Latour <panchilatour@gmail.com> Nov. 17:
   My family and I are seeking any audio recordings of Gnani our dear sister who passed away recently. We are trying to collect a few songs of her younger days at Spicer College. We would greatly appreciate if you could find an old tape of her singing and send it to us. Please contact Ruben and Panchi Latour. Ph. 204-694-3048 or email: <panchilatour@gmail.com>.

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V. Burma Vignettes-- Early Missionaries # 71, 72
   Mervin Myat Kyaw <mervinmk@yahoo.com.au> and his wife Nan are Karen Adventists who worked many years in Burma and Thailand and now live and work in Australia. He has written a manuscript covering Adventism in Burma from its very beginning to the present and of his work in Thailand.
   
   #71. Karl & Christa Hueck (Doctors)
   Doctors Christa and Karl Hueck arrived from Germany in January, 1960.
   Most of the obstetrics cases were turned over to Dr. Christa, and the paediatrics cases to Dr. Karl. They were a good team.
   
   #72. George A. Richardson (Doctor)
   Dr. George A. Richardson arrived Myanmar in August, 1949. Yangon Seventh day Adventist Hospital had just been opened in December, 1947. He and Dr. Eden M. Smith worked together so much so that the in-patient department was expanded to its full capacity.
   
   With the hospital work well established in Yangon, it was decided to undertake to train nurses there. This would involve providing dormitory and boarding facilities and classrooms, and enlarging the staff to include teacher, a preceptress, and alter helpers. It would cost a great deal, but it would make available at home the proper training for Myanmar's Adventist youths who wanted to serve as nurses. With large faith and unlimited willingness to work, the hospital's doctors and nurses launched the project and carried it on with commendable success. Drs. George A. Richardson and Eden Smith pioneered this enlarging of the medical work of the mission, assisted by Helfred Johansson, Emme Beirder, Elida Mann, Beatrice Gore, Margaret Roelke, Harriet Dinsmore as supervisor and instructors.

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VI. Attendees at Recent Lowry Memorial's Class of 63' Reunion
   1. Margaret Solomon <solomon.margaret7@gmail.com> Nov. 15:
   In response to my write up on our Lowry Class of 1963 reunion on Lowry Memorial College campus, several Southern Asians are wondering who the class members were. We were 27 class members when we finished our high school at Lowry. Of those four have deceased and only 13 were able to attend the Reunion events. From India: Florence Jeyabarathan, Mathupushpam Samuel, Ernest Deena Dayalan, Jacob Mathew, Shantharaj Daniel and Surendra Kumar. From the U. S.: Enoch Thomas, Devadas Moses, Leonard Simon, Rachel Varghese, Sathi Chelliah, Jeyamoni Singh and I, Margaret Solomon, who planned and delivered the reunion.

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2. More on Lowry's Class of '63's Reunion
   Margaret Nathaniel <margaretnathaniel@gmail.com> Nov. 31:
   Thirteen one-time teenagers, now grand parents, recently met in Lowry Memorial College campus. They were students of the class of 1963 to celebrate their Golden Jubilee reunion. I had the privilege of meeting a few of them who visited us at Hosur and they were beaming with joy for the wonderful time they had that weekend, all arranged by none other than our enthusiastic organizer, Mrs. Florence Jeyabarathan of Mount Zion Institutions, who was also one of those 13 students of former years.

   All Florence was talking and dreaming about months in advance was this event. She spent every spare moment in making phone calls contacting all her classmates, and all the sundry details for a good weekend together. They had
27 students in that class of whom 4 had been laid to rest. Majority of them went abroad and so half of them were able to gather together. They pooled in their resources for this high weekend's expenses and also arranged a delicious Sabbath lunch for 600 plus students of Lowry College. Only Pastor and Mrs. Devaraj were able to represent all their teachers. Mrs. Jagadeeson, unable to travel, watched the entire program by Skype.

One commented that when they got together they forgot they were grandparents and felt they were teenagers once again while their reminisced the 'good old days' Mrs. Jeyabarathan invited all of them to visit her home in Puducottai but only couple of them were able to make it, since the rest had other loved ones and friends to visit. She also brought an additional vehicle to transport all of them to various places during that weekend. I personally think it sure was worth all the effort put into it to organize this wonderful program which will remain long in their memories.

VII. Lakpahana Continues Renewal Growth
Merlyn Fernando <merlynfernando@yahoo.com> Nov. 20:

We saw with our own eyes! My wife, Betty, and I stood on our Lakpahana school property three weeks ago and walked through the campus with Brooke Sadler. We saw the administrative offices with life. Faces were smiling and present. A few sat outside the office to be served. We walked to and saw several classrooms where the new student desks were in place, with one room fresh with polyvinyl that they used newspaper to work on them. We saw the bakery with dough rising on the table and in rows of bread pans besides cupcakes. We saw the new bunk beds with foam mattresses on the beds. We saw the road to the poultry with fresh earth moved by heavy machinery done by road builders outside the campus as gratis. They were asked to consider paving all the roads! We saw the new poultry floor laid out waiting for wire meshing. Today money will reach the school account from an Adventist Hospital patient in Hong Kong for 500 chicks recently received there. We saw the banana and papaya gardens already laid out and protected with white plastic barriers to wild boar. We saw some of the areas cleared of tall grass and rejoiced for what we saw. We are still reaching others to join us with donations to make more renewal happen fast. Seeing what God has done is believing.

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