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Niels-Erik Andreasen
President

A clever consultant once observed that the most effective strategic plan is: fire, aim, ready, for if you get off enough shots, one is bound to hit the

target. Silly as this may seem, it is practiced quite frequently. For example: marketing materials mailed to millions without regard for their possible interest in the product; public evangelism brochures aimed at whole populations many of whom may be completely puzzled by the content; college recruitment aimed at 18-year-olds some of whom may not actually qualify for admission, nor be able to afford it.

Andrews University is developing a new strategic plan to replace the one whose term has run out. And if anything this new plan is more focused than the one we had in the past. We do not wish to scatter our shots, but to get ready, then aim and fire very deliberately. The following excerpts from the strategic pillars in that plan indicate where Andrews is hoping to go with the blessing of God.

- “The University will engage every student in the search for a spiritual home and encourage each to a committed life of faith and a personal acceptance of the values of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, including a balanced and healthy lifestyle.”
- “Andrews University will seek to provide exemplary education and services to its student body. Graduates will be highly skilled and possess the attitudes and values sought after by employers, and graduate and professional schools.”
- “Through its academic and co-curricular programming, the University will encourage development of lifelong attitudes of compassion and care. In its priorities the University will model a community that puts service to others at the center of its operation.”
- “Andrews University places a high value on community, as evidenced by its residential expectations for undergraduate students. Students studying at a distance, whether as individuals or at a location, will find an identifiable place to belong in the Andrews University community.”
- “Andrews University is enjoying a time of expansion, particularly in distance education and international partnerships....Nevertheless the university continues to see its primary responsibility as the growth of its students: academically, physically and spiritually.”
- “Financial resilience at Andrews University will provide a healthy financial environment for the fulfillment of campus strategies. Such an environment will allow for reinvigoration of the physical environment and innovation in planning.”

The pillars represent goals that the University seeks to reach through a series of specific initiatives. These are too numerous to mention here, but a few will give you an idea of how strategic planning works initiative by initiative.

- Develop an ongoing continuous quality improvement process for evaluating and improving all campus services.
- Combine institutional research, assessment and accreditation functions.
- Develop a strong outcome-based general education program.
- Identify and develop a culturally diverse group of promising professionals for future faculty and staff needs.
- Increase the University endowments by \$15 million to a total of \$50 million.
- Build a health and wellness center for students, faculty, staff and community as part of a new focus on health and health education.
- ...And many additional initiatives about which we will say more at a later time.

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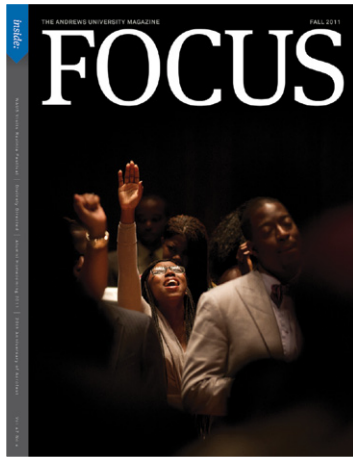
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Good coverage

Kudos on your cover! In a word, exquisite.

Happy New Year to all.

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Organizational changes announced by President

Full implementation anticipated this year

After extensive discussion and planning within academic administration, the following organizational changes in the University's academic programs have emerged. The changes have been approved by the Andrews University Board of Trustees and full implementation is anticipated during 2012.

School of Health Professions

The search for a dean of the newly-established School of Health Professions is under way. It is anticipated that for the time being the new dean's office will be located near one of the five currently existing departments which will become the School of Health Professions. This is a long-standing initiative that is now being implemented with a view to strengthening the health professions departments.

School of Architecture, Art & Design

The School of Architecture has been authorized by the board to expand its educational services by adding programs in interior design and construction management. Additionally, it will be the new home for the consolidated programs of digital imaging, photography, art and design, including the newly approved program in documentary film. In recent years the chair, faculty and students of these programs have been dispersed between the College of Arts & Sciences, College of Technology and School of Architecture. They will now be consolidated in one school with the expectation that this will bring more unity to these programs. Accordingly, the name of the school will change to School of Architecture, Art & Design.

Closing of the College of Technology

The College of Technology has changed in a number of ways over the years. For example, technology courses in auto mechanics, construction, wood and metal have closed. Other programs have changed into entities of their own, i.e., engineering tech into engineering; computer studies into computer engineering, now a part of engineering; and architecture into a school of its own. Two other programs have developed significantly in terms of new facilities and services, namely agriculture and aeronautics. In light of this, the

Department of Agriculture and the Department of Aeronautics will now relate directly to the Office of the Provost.

The Office of the Provost will be supported in this regard by an Assistant to the Provost, a position that is replacing the position of dean of the College of Technology. Verlyn Benson, who has served as the dean of the College of Technology, will assume this position. These two departments operate business enterprises, namely the Andrews Farm & Dairy and the

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Andrews Airpark. A center will be established to expand these economic and business enterprises both locally in Southwest Michigan and internationally, where the Departments of Agriculture and Aeronautics are already active. These external initiatives will relate to the Office of the President through a position of Assistant to the President, held by the same individual.

Such collaboration between educational institutions and their communities is common in our time and hold promise for the parties involved.

College of Arts & Sciences Becomes Smaller

Finally, the College of Arts & Sciences will become smaller. It will give up six departments: five to the School of Health Professions and one to the School of Architecture, Art & Design. However, it has added the Department of Engineering & Computer Science, which is closely aligned with the natural sciences and is expected to grow into a leading program. Moreover, the College of Arts & Sciences has become the new home for the master's in international development with 300-400 students, mostly off-campus. The College of Arts & Sciences will also continue to provide most of the general education and honors courses.

No organizational changes are proposed for the remaining schools of the University. However, their internal organization may well need some adjustment to prepare for the full impact of the Griggs University programs, many of which will likely become Andrews programs in the foreseeable future.

Spiritual life leadership

Realigning roles and responsibilities for Whitehead and De Oliveira

The Office of Campus Ministries, and the spiritual life and chaplaincy services it offers, plays a central role for students, staff and faculty at Andrews. The Center for Youth Evangelism (CYE) is an important resource and service center for youth ministry both on- and off-campus. A realignment of responsibilities for these two areas is under way as follows.

In recent years Ron Whitehead, executive director of the CYE, has served part-time in the Office of Campus Ministries with the title special assistant to the president for spiritual life. Japhet De Oliveira, director of the CYE,



Ron Whitehead

has also served part-time in the Office of Campus Ministries with responsibility for student missions and chapels.

"Following a number of conversations involving the two directors of the CYE, the vice president for Student Life, the provost and the dean of the Seminary, it has been concluded that the two part-time positions should become full-time, such that Japhet De Oliveira will work full-time in Campus Ministries as leader of that area, while Ron Whitehead will work full time in the CYE," says Niels-Erik Andreasen, president.

When this transition has been fully implemented, De Oliveira will head up

Campus Ministries and report to the vice president for Student Life. His exact title and time of transition are yet to be determined. Similarly Ron Whitehead will be full-time with the CYE, which at present is a separate corporation owned by Andrews (similar to WAUS). The university president chairs the board of the CYE. Its members include the presidents of the North American Division and the Lake Union Conference along with the dean of the Seminary, where the CYE plays an important role in the youth ministry degree program. Overall planning and staff



Japhet De Oliveira

assignments in Campus Ministries and the CYE may see some changes but they will be implemented so as to cause the least disruption in each area.

Andreasen notes, "As these various conversations noted above took place, Japhet De Oliveira articulated his strong passion for Campus Ministries, spiritual life and chaplaincy, while Ron Whitehead agreed that the resultant renewal will be good for both."

Additional details will become available as this transition begins its implementation. The timing of this decision is in response to both parties wishing to get planning for next year off to an early start.

Southeast Asia Tour

Alumni and friends of Andrews University are invited to join the following 2012 tour offered by Merlene Ogden, dean emerita of Andrews University:

Vietnam, Cambodia and the Mekong River

November 10-25, 2012

Pre-extension to Bangkok, Thailand November 7-11, 2012

This tour features:

1. A seven-night Mekong River cruise in a river-view stateroom aboard the brand-new River Saigon with guided on-shore visits daily. The ship has only 30 all-outside cabins, and we have reserved 28 of these cabins for Andrews alumni and friends. It could be an enjoyable "homecoming" tour.
2. Seven nights in deluxe hotels in Ho Chi Ming City, Siem Reap and Hanoi, with guided excursions daily.
3. A two-day visit to Angkor Wat Temple Complex.

Full information is available upon request to:

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Adventist Engaged Encounter

An enrichment weekend for engaged and recently married couples, offering couples the insights, tools and confidence to enrich their relationship and strengthen their love and commitment for one another. For many, attending an AEE weekend is one of the most significant experiences of their courtship or early marriage. The invaluable weekend experience is being held on the Andrews University campus. AEE will take place the weekend of **November 9-11, 2012**. For registration info, contact the Andrews University Undergraduate Leadership Program at **aee@andrews.edu** or **269-471-6636**.

Brueggemann offers keynote addresses for MLK Celebration

The world-renowned scholar and author speaks of the important roles of prophets and the Sabbath

“Prophetic Imagination: Breaking Through To A New Vision” was the theme for this year’s Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. celebration held January 12–17, 2012. The week-long celebration included guest speakers, delivery of a sermon given by Dr. King the day before his death, and presentation of the 2012 MLK Legacy of Freedom Awards.

Walter Brueggemann, a world-renowned Old Testament scholar and author, offered the keynote addresses. He first spoke to Andrews at University Forum on Thursday, Jan. 12, in

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Pioneer Memorial Church. His presentation, “The Prophetic Imagination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.,” validated Dr. King’s universal contribution to the important role of prophets as peacemakers and advocates of justice.

Later that afternoon, he addressed students in the Seminary Chapel with “The Revolutionary Practice of Sabbath.” As he

started his presentation, he mused, “Not sure I, as a non-Adventist, am qualified to speak to seminarians at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary about the Sabbath. But I’m a white guy invited to speak about Martin Luther King at this morning’s assembly, so I guess we’ll proceed!”

Brueggemann compared the Sabbath to the rest from Pharaoh’s tyranny provided to the children of Israel by the Exodus. There was no rest from Pharaoh’s drive to make more bricks until they left Egypt. Brueggemann shared his insights on how ignoring the Sabbath acknowledges a philosophy that the world relies on “my” work, instead of God’s provision.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, during the New Life Fellowship worship service in the Seminary Chapel, Seminary student Richard Means delivered “I’ve Been to the Mountaintop.” It was the last speech Dr. King delivered, on April 3, 1968, just one day before his death.

The recipients of the 2012 Martin Luther King Legacy of Freedom Award were Elaine Chaudoir, Jim and Gloria Hippler, and Richard White.

Elaine Chaudoir cares about her community of Berrien Springs and has dedicated her life to serving those around her. She is the recipient of numerous awards for her volunteer and civic efforts.

Richard M. White, a CPA and student at the Andrews University Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, has been helping families, churches and communities around him achieve financial stability for the past 16 years. His ministry combines principles of holistic stewardship with Christian leadership.

From 1990–1998, James Hippler, his wife Gloria and their children, Tonya and Jason, had volunteered on more than 20 different mission projects throughout Eastern Europe, and Central and South America.

In 2003, Jim and Gloria began to widen their mission focus to include Asia. They traveled to Nepal, India and the Philippines. Jim and Gloria also enjoy helping their local community.

Visit www.andrews.edu/news for more info on the recipients.



Far left: Walter Brueggemann spoke for University Forum on Thursday, Jan. 12

Left above: The recipients of the 2012 MLK Legacy of Freedom Awards were, L–R: Jim Hipper, Gloria (Gay) Hippler, Elaine Chaudoir and Richard White

Left below: Richard Means delivered King’s last speech, “I’ve Been to the Mountaintop,” at New Life Fellowship on Saturday, Jan. 14

CMRadio reaches out around the world

Operational for 10 years, it now has listeners on every continent

What was once a small online radio station operating off of just one computer in a single room, is now reaching out to encourage and inspire not only the campus and community of Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich., but listeners from all over the world.

Using a \$15,000 sponsorship from the North America Division of Seventh-Day Adventists Communication Department, CMRadio began as a ministry of the Center for Youth Evangelism at Andrews University in 2002. Originally focused on young adults, it was then known as AYRadio (Adventist Youth Radio) and housed on a single computer in a small office. It was quickly determined CMRadio had a ministry to share beyond campus. In 2005, AYRadio became CMRadio and moved into its permanent studio located in the Office of Campus Ministries in Andrews University Campus Center.

Yet, CMRadio reaches much further than just the area around Andrews. The station has listeners on every continent, from such varied places as Kenya, Australia, Japan, Argentina, the Bahamas, and the Netherlands. “It’s amazing how far CMRadio reaches!” says Richard Parke, a volunteer who serves as station manager for CMRadio. “You can listen to it anywhere in the world at any time. All one needs is an Internet connection and you’re immediately connected with Andrews.”

“CMRadio’s mission is to bring Jesus closer to the lives of its listeners through spiritually uplifting music and programming,” says Parke. The station plays current Christian



L–R: Lindsey Pratt, assistant station manager, José Bourget, chaplain for outreach, and Richard Parke, station manager

contemporary and gospel music, as well as music from some classic Christian artists like Michael W. Smith and Amy Grant.

CMRadio operates with the help of just a few committed volunteers. It is the only station that airs Andrews University Campus Chapel live throughout the school year.

CMRadio’s website also has interviews with artists who perform at the Howard Performing Arts Center such as Take 6, Committed and Sandi Patty.

In addition to providing Christian music, CMRadio offers several syndicated Christian programs including *20 the Countdown Magazine*, *Keep the Faith*, and *Walk the Way*. Sabbath morning programs include *Scriptural Pursuit*, *Your Story Hour* and live audio from the worship service at Pioneer Memorial Church. In February 2012, CMRadio added a new program to their lineup called *Under the Radar*.

“*Under the Radar* highlights some of the best undiscovered and under-appreciated tunes from Christian artists,” says Richard Parke, station manager for CMRadio. “Host David Trout shares stories, spiritual insight, and exclusive artist interviews to discover the depth of faith and creativity found in the music.”

The day’s song lineup is posted online, but listeners aren’t tied to a pre-selected playlist. “Listeners are able to request a song and within the next three minutes, it will play!” says Lindsey Pratt, assistant station manager and a theology student at Andrews. Pratt is one of only four enthusiastic volunteers who donate their time and energy to CMRadio’s mission of spreading the Word of God through the medium of music.

“It has been a blessing to work at CMRadio,” says Pratt. “There is so much inspiring music that anyone can listen to online for free.”

To learn more about CMRadio or to take the opportunity to listen in on your computer or mobile device, visit www.andrews.edu/go/cmradio.



AU Music Festival, Feb. 29–March 3
Featuring choral and orchestral students



March board briefing

Governance of Andrews Academy, capital improvements and Strategic Plan progress

At the March meeting of the University Board of Trustees members received a report and voted approval of extensive reorganization of academic units, including departments formerly in the College of Technology, the establishment of three new programs in the School of Art, Architecture & Design, and progress on the formation of the School of Health Professions (see p. 4).

Financial Administration reported that the 2011-12 Budget is favorably ahead of schedule at this point, and a good finish to

spaces for Department of Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology and further planned capital improvements to Lamson Hall bathrooms and Halenz Hall.

The Office of Development reported on the successful conclusion of Phase 1 of the \$250 million Legacy of Leadership campaign. Development staff is currently preparing to start Phase II.

The board also heard a progress report on the University's new strategic plan, prompting board members to initiate their prerogative to form a Strategic Planning Committee. The board opted to participate in the central University Strategic Planning Committee.

The new Board Compensation Committee has been established to consider and make recommendations regarding employee benefits and salaries, and prepare a spring audit of employee compensation. The new committee includes all previous members of the board Finance Committee, excluding any University employees. The committee will consider salary parity with other institutions, and wage ranges for faculty.

In agenda items relating to Griggs University, the trustees approved the formation of two boards: a Griggs University board to be chaired by Ella Simmons; and an advisory board for Griggs International Academy (K-12), chaired by Larry Blackmer, NAD director of education.

A proposal to change the structure of the Andrews Academy governing board received approval. The Academy will be governed by a much smaller 14-member board, which replaces the current representational Academy Council.

After considerable discussion, the first-ever Board Policy Manual was voted, with the understanding that the manual would continue to be refined. The manual will aid in development of board governance expectations, as well as clarifying the make-up and function of our board with accrediting bodies.

Other business included the approval of faculty and staff appointments, and a new resolution affecting the University's oversight of benefits for employees of the Center for Youth Evangelism.

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the fiscal year is expected. The board voted a 4.5% tuition increase for the 2012-13 school year and faculty remuneration was amended from 2.5 to 2.25%, with the expectation that the budget will be based on 97% of the current budget. Other budget items approved were several capital expenditure requests for projects under \$50,000, as well as larger projects including renovation of Bell Hall

Cardinal Classic sets a new participant record

More than 450 coaches and athletes participated in the three-day event

Thirty-two high school basketball teams from Adventist academies across the country competed in the Cardinal Classic at Andrews University from Feb. 9 through Feb. 11, 2012.

"I was very pleased with the number of Cardinal Classic participants this year," says Dave Jardine, director of student activities & athletics at Andrews. More than 450 coaches and athletes participated in the three-day event, setting a new participant record. Games were held at Johnson Gym on the Andrews campus, Andrews Academy, Berrien

Springs High School, Berrien Springs Middle School, and Lakeshore High School. The Andrews University Jr. Cardinals (Boys V) won the boys' trophy while the Ozark Adventist Academy Ladyhawks won the girls' trophy. On the last day of the competition, Andrews University Gymnastics gave a performance for the teams and their supporters.

"It's a tremendous opportunity for us to reach out to our Adventist youth and let them know what Andrews has to offer academically, socially and, most importantly, spiritually," says Jardine.



Far left: The Ozark Adventist Academy Ladyhawks

Left: The Andrews University Jr. Cardinals

Winter 2012



Clockwise from top left: Elisabeth von Trapp, Sunday, November 13 ■ Wind Symphony Holiday Concert, Saturday, December 3 ■ Second Sunday Concert, Jason Gresl, Sunday, January 8 ■ Fusion, Friday, January 13 ■ AU's Got Talent, Saturday, January 21 ■ Faculty Recital, Carla Trynchuk & Chi Yong Yun, Saturday, January 28 ■ Southwestern Michigan College Brass Band, Saturday, February 11 ■ Second Sunday Concert, Martha Council-Vargas, flute and Richard Steinbach, piano, Sunday, February 12 ■ Young Artist Concert, Sunday, March 4 ■ Ernie Haase and Signature Sound, Saturday, March 10

HOWARD

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Calendar

Visit howard.andrews.edu for an updated schedule of upcoming events. Schedule is subject to change.

University Symphony/ Sinfonietta Spring Concert

Saturday, April 14, 2012, 8 p.m.
\$5 adults, \$3 students & seniors, Free, children 12 & under

The Andrews University Symphony Orchestra presents their final concert of the season as the 90.7 WAUS Member Thank-You Concert. They are performing Beethoven's 7th Symphony and the Brahms Violin Concerto, with Carla Trynchuk.

Howard Series: Canadian Brass

Sunday, April 15, 2012, 7 p.m.
\$35 reserved seating, \$30 AU faculty and staff, \$10 AU students

Boasting an international reputation as one of the most popular brass ensembles, Canadian Brass has four decades under their belt. With a discography of over 90 albums and an extensive world-wide touring schedule, Canadian Brass is an important pioneer in bringing brass music to mass audiences everywhere.

Wind Symphony Spring Concert

Sunday, April 22, 2012, 4 p.m.
\$5 adults, \$3 students & seniors, Free, children 12 & under

The Andrews University Wind Symphony, under the direction of Alan Mitchell, present their final concert of the season.

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Werner Pressnitz hangs up his hammer

But still plans to work part-time on campus and volunteer at Camp Au Sable

Werner Pressnitz is retiring as the assistant manager for Plant Service after 27 years of service at Andrews University. Pressnitz was born in Austria in 1946, and emigrated to the United States in 1958. He began a four-year apprenticeship in carpentry in 1966 in Denver, Colo.; but in 1968 enlisted in the U.S. Navy Reserve. Pressnitz served two years in active duty in Vietnam and the Pacific. In 1972, he completed his apprenticeship.

Pressnitz began working at Plant Service in 1985 as assistant paint foreman. In 1987, he began working in the carpentry shop as a carpenter. Three years later, he was promoted to carpentry foreman, a position he held for seven more years. In 1998, Pressnitz again became painting supervisor. In November 2007, Pressnitz became the assistant manager for Plant Service, a position he has held since then. Pressnitz was also instrumental in setting up the Andrews University booths at the General Conference Sessions over the years.

His work in the carpentry shop gave him “a sense of accomplishment,” he says. “By

the end of the day, you could look back and say, ‘I made this.’” Paul Elder, one of Werner’s colleagues and manager of Plant Service, remembers Werner as “a very dependable worker that has been blessed with many talents. He was always conscientious in whatever project he was involved in. He believed in the highest quality of work, yet was able to have fun in the process of striving for that perfection.”

Elder also recalls a lighter side of Pressnitz, who loves to play racquetball. Pressnitz has continued to play racquetball, as well as volunteer some time at Plant Service.

Werner plans to stay busy in his retirement, by volunteering during the summer at

Camp Au Sable and working part-time at Transportation or Plant Service. Now that he and his wife are both retired, they hope to travel to the Grand Canyon, Glacier National Forest and Austria.



Werner Pressnitz (left) is congratulated by Paul Elder, manager of Plant Service

Debbie Michel receives award from MCC

For commitment to community service and service learning

Debbie Michel, associate professor of communication, was honored with the Michigan Campus Compact’s Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Award for Andrews University in a ceremony on Jan. 30, 2012. The ceremony took place at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center at Michigan State University.

The Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Award is presented to the faculty and staff of MCC members who exhibit an exceptional commitment to community service and service learning. Each MCC institution selects their own award recipient based on the individual’s efforts to encourage or provide opportunities for student involvement in service-learning or community service.

Michel won the award for her Group Dynamics and Leadership class, in which students work with community and nonprofit organizations. In groups of four or five,

students choose a project and a goal based on the needs of their organization and work throughout the semester to meet that goal. Student projects have been varied, including raising funds to support missionary projects and gathering donations for organizations such as Invisible Children. “It’s truly a satisfying experience,” says Debbie Michel.

Her students agree and are pleased by the opportunity to gain real world experience in Michel’s classes. “Professor Michel is motivator, mentor, spiritual guide and teacher

all in one,” says Megan Jones, a senior public relations major who took Group Dynamics in fall 2010. “She is able to see potential in her students and pushes them to places they never thought they could go.”



Debbie Michel (left) with Renee Zientek, executive director of MCC

Charles and Ruth Tidwell retire

Serving a combined total of 30 years at Andrews University

Charles and Ruth Tidwell are retiring from their positions after 15 years of service each at Andrews University. Ruth is retiring as an administrative assistant for the Department of Accounting, Economics & Finance in the School of Business Administration. Charles retires as the dean of Affiliation & Extension Programs, as well as an associate registrar and a professor of international business and communication.

Charles was director of off-campus programs for the School of Business Administration before becoming dean of Affiliation & Extension Programs. He also served as interim dean of the School of Business Administration on two occasions, and regularly taught in the School of Business Administration and for the master’s in International Development Administration Program.

Born in Lincoln, Neb., Charles attended Atlantic Union College in Massachusetts, where he received a Bachelor of Arts in English and history in 1967. He completed his master’s degree in English from Andrews University in 1968. In 1983, he received his doctorate in English literature from the University of Calgary, Canada. Charles grew up in India where his parents were missionaries for the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He and Ruth married in 1967.

Before coming to Andrews in 1996, Ruth worked as assistant to the librarian and school nurse at Hong Kong Adventist College. Before she and Charles moved to Hong Kong in 1984, she worked as a registered nurse at hospitals in Red Deer, Alberta, Canada; Stoneham, Mass.; and Edmore, Mich.

Before coming to Andrews University in 1996, Charles served for 12 years as vice president and academic dean of Hong Kong Adventist College; for seven years as associate professor of English at Canadian Union College; and for nine years as an English and history teacher at South Lancaster Academy in Massachusetts and Cedar Lake Academy in Michigan.

Charles published a number of articles on pedagogy issues in intercultural communication and made regular referred presentations at annual conferences of the



At the retirement reception for Charles & Ruth Tidwell held August 31, 2011, a contest was held to select the “favorite Tidwell ties.”

National Communication Association. He is a board member of the Adventist Accrediting Association and has served as an evaluator for AAA site visits to 20 different Adventist colleges around the world, as well as a board member of the *Journal of Adventist Education*.

Charles and Ruth will be staying busy in their retirement. Charles holds a part-time appointment as advisor for the South African cohort of the Master of International Development Administration, taught yearly at Helderberg College in South Africa.

Sue Schwab retires following 21 years of service

Coordinated Andrews’ conversion to Banner

A retirement reception was held for Sue Schwab on Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2011, in the Undergraduate Learning Center student lobby. Sue is retiring following 21 years of service to Andrews where she worked as a Banner support specialist for ITS. Sue first came to Andrews in 1980 to work at the Andrews University Press while pursuing a second degree in architecture. In 1985, she took a job at Walla Walla College, where she worked until 1993.

She returned to Andrews University in November 1993 as administrative assistant to Jerry Thayer. In June of 1994, Schwab was hired to coordinate Andrews’ conversion to a purchased enterprise management system called Banner. Sue planned and directed the

conversion of the university’s student-related systems: admissions, academic records, student housing, student accounts receivable, and financial aid. When the conversion was completed, the position of Banner Support Specialist was created for her, and she continued to support these systems until her retirement in 2011.

In retirement, Sue plans to spend much less time glued to a computer screen and much more time enjoying her three grandsons and the natural world of God’s creation. She is taking landscape design classes and hopes to apply those skills at home in the spring. Reading, quilting, art, music, long-deferred home projects, volunteering and travel are all on her agenda.



Sue Schwab

CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE

The annual Faculty/Staff awards night, “Celebrating Excellence at Andrews University,” was held Sunday, March 4, at the Howard Performing Arts Center. Each year at this event faculty and staff are given recognition through the Years-of-Service Awards, Excellence in Service Awards, Spiritual Life Award, the Daniel A. Augsburg Excellence in Teaching Award and the Siegfried H. Horn Excellence in Research & Creative Scholarship Award.

Alayne Thorpe, dean of the School of Distance Education, served as the emcee for the night. “You may be surprised to see me up here because I’m a newbie,” Thorpe said. “But that’s indicative of how welcoming Andrews is.” She then gave special note to the Years of Service awardees in the 5-, 10-, 15-, 20- and 25-year categories who, together, have dedicated a total of 1,250 years of service to Andrews University.



Golden Cardinal Award: Front Row, L-R: Jeanette Bryson (Best Transitional Office), Shandelle Henson (Best New Research Proposal), Dave Mason (Best Dave in a Hairnet) Back Row, L-R: Richard Choi (Best British Accent), Andrews Airpark (Best Budget Reduction Idea)
Not pictured: Ivan Davis (Best Excuse for Not Attending Awards Event), Mark Sater (Best Snow Removal Device), Best Name for Griggs/Andrews Integration

This year’s entertainment was the Golden Cardinal Awards, a humorous award that highlighted an aspect of the culture at Andrews University. These awards were purely for entertainment purposes. The eight different Golden Cardinal Award categories were: “Best Excuse for Not Attending Awards Event,” “Best Budget Reduction Idea,” “Best New Research Proposal,” “Best Dave in a Hairnet,” “Best Transitional Office,” “Best Name for Griggs/Andrews Integration,” “Best Snow Removal Device,” and “Best British Accent.” For example, the nominees for “Best Budget Reduction Idea” included: Air Andrews for corporate

travel needs; trading iPads for slates and chalk in Cabinet meetings; installing cans with string to replace traditional phones in Financial Records; use of felts to teach graphic design courses; supplementing the toilet paper supply with old magazines and bulletins; and becoming a Mac computer campus to eradicate the repair costs associated with PC’s. The award in this particular category went to the Andrews Airpark for the Air Andrews travel solution.

Dining Services catered an hor d’oeuvres buffet with an Italian-themed menu including house-made bruschetta, breaded cheese ravioli and Sicilian pizza squares. A dessert buffet was available after the program and offered guests Italian delicacies and a tower of fresh fruit.

Excellence in Service Award Recipients

Marvin Budd, database administrator at ITS, is appreciated for his attention to detail and concern for the safety and accuracy of Andrews’ data. He is very attentive to his work and often is the one who notices a system problem on a weekend or holiday and helps to get it resolved. When Marvin served as secretary of the AU Staff Senate, his attention to detail and desire to follow procedure and order was impeccable. He also has a deep concern for those members of the community who are hearing impaired, and can often be found signing the church service on Sabbath.



Excellence in Service Award: L-R: Marvin Budd, Mimi Weithers-Bruce
Not pictured: Dean Snow

Dean Snow, manager of Custodial Services, has been praised over and over again by faculty and staff for his untiring commitment to duty, his hands-on management, can-do spirit, and on-time scheduling. Over the last 12 months, Dean and his crew have worked out the logistics of moving departments

from place-to-place, cleaned up construction messes, and moved departments into their new spaces. This was done with efficiency, aplomb and a cheerful “no-problem attitude.” Dean also shows a mission-driven commitment to his work, serving the community on the local fire department, and being actively involved in his local church.

Mimi Weithers-Bruce, executive assistant to the provost, is always ready with a smile and an answer. She fields difficult questions with constant professionalism, and if she doesn’t know the answer she will find it. Mimi is known for assisting with projects on the third floor, meeting challenges and being part of the solution. In the words of the provost, “Mimi is reliable, personable, responsible and loyal. It is my great pleasure to work with her.”

Daniel A. Augsburg Excellence in Teaching Award Recipients

Eight faculty members received the Daniel A. Augsburg Excellence in Teaching Award. This award recognizes faculty whose teaching reflects the high standards of excellence modeled by Dr. Augsburg in his 60 years of teaching at Andrews University. Augsburg’s leadership, academic rigor, breadth of knowledge, teacher-scholar role, along with care and concern for students, exemplify the best of faculty endeavors. Faculty from each school nominate and choose their individual candidates.

Rudi Bailey, professor of educational psychology, school psychology, and special education and chair of the current Department of Educational & Counseling Psychology, pushes students to excel with enthusiasm and dedication. His students refer to him as a “top teacher” and his faculty respect his teaching contributions. They also regard him as an invaluable mentor to doctoral dissertation students. As a prolific researcher, over the last two and a half years he has presented more than 20 times to field-related distinguished organizations. Additionally, he sits on a number of University committees, including the Institutional Review Board. As IRB chair, he significantly contributes to the research of the entire university.

Bruce Bauer, professor of world mission, is a respected missiologist who embodies academic excellence and servant leadership. He has chaired the Department of World Mission for more than a decade, moving it forward in positive and valuable ways while simultaneously reflecting what it means to be a Christian scholar, teacher and leader. A competent



Daniel A. Augsburg Excellence in Teaching Award: Front Row L-R: Martin Smith, Tiffany Summerscales, Marcia Kilsby, Herbert Helm Back Row L-R: Rudi Bailey, Glenn Russell, Bruce Bauer, José Goris

teacher of ingenuity, imagination and innovation, his presence in and out of the classroom inspires students to excellence. Bruce is a respected author who has contributed to professional and scholarly journals of renown. He also organized two semi-annual Adventist Mission in Africa Conferences, and his visionary leadership contributed to the formation of several cohorts and concentrations in the DMin program.

Through his vast experience and knowledge of business and international relations, **José Goris**, professor of management, inspires his students. What especially prepared him for teaching the business capstone course is his wide range of knowledge of business administration, educational administration, organizational theory, and policy, accounting, management, leadership and consulting services. Added to this is his cross-cultural exposure and understanding, gained from having taught in many countries in Inter-America, Africa, Europe, South America and the Caribbean. What tops everything is best stated using the words of his students: “the professor’s individual interest and attention to me both inside and outside the classroom,” “Christian concepts were integrated into everything, and the Bible was used as a teaching tool just like our textbook.”

For 25 years, **Herbert Helm**, professor of psychology, has been integral in teaching a number of the core courses in the psychology major. One of his greatest contributions to teaching has been his part in integrating undergraduate research into the curriculum. Herb has shown the breadth

of his skills as an educator in the statistics classroom with undergraduates, working with graduate students in overseas international development projects, and providing guidance on study tours in Peru and Africa. Herb has also played a leading role in mentoring new faculty and in assessing quality and outcomes of the curricula.

As chair of the Department of Medical Laboratory Sciences and associate professor, **Marcia Kilsby** is dedicated to her profession both at Andrews and in the world at large. As a scholar practitioner, Marcia has endeavored to share her expertise and has made significant contributions both domestically as well as internationally to very needful areas of the world such as Somalia, Haiti and North Korea. As a teacher, she demonstrates a breadth of knowledge highly coveted in the profession, while always remaining approachable and caring for the students' individual needs. She is well-known for going out of her way to give personal attention to solving problems.

Glenn Russell, assistant professor of religion, is a teacher with a pastor's heart whose care for his students goes far beyond the classroom, evidenced by the fact that the Andrews University Student Association voted Glenn as their 2007 Teacher of the Year. As expressed by a freshman in the assessment of the class God and Human Life, he is "a wonderful, inspiring instructor, who genuinely cares for his student's spiritual and relational development. I hope to take more classes from him." He teaches from a rich life experience of service and ministry. Glenn has a great ability to balance a strong sense of care with a firm commitment to maintaining principle. He is highly valued as a colleague from whom to seek advice and ideas to enhance one's teaching.

As a professional architect, **Martin Smith**, assistant professor of architecture, is able to connect what he is teaching to the profession in a very real way, whether in a beginning design studio or an advanced course where technologies are integrated through successful design. In addition to this, Martin has been successful in integrating mission and service projects into the architecture program, giving students the opportunity to learn while providing valuable service to others. These projects range in scope from small to large, reaching from the campus of Andrews University to Berrien County, throughout Michigan, Indiana and Texas. Most recently, he worked with his students to restore the University chapel and prepare a new master plan for the Adventist University of Haiti.

Arriving in 2006, **Tiffany Summerscales**, assistant professor of physics, ramped up quickly into a star quality, master teacher. She includes a wide variety of innovative tools to help students gain a great physics experience in her summer physics classes. Besides meticulous advising, Tiffany

includes students in her own NSF-supported research giving them experience in sophisticated analysis, in one-to-one collaboration with professionals, and in presentation of results at national meetings preparing them well for graduate school and solid careers in science. She also chairs the Program Development and Review Committee, vice-chairs the Undergraduate Council, is a longtime member of the Honors Council, Faculty Representative for the Goldwater Foundation and valued Senior member of the LIGO Academic Advisory Council.

35 Years-of-Service Award Recipients



35 Years-of-Service Award: L-R: Thomas Baker, Joseph Warren

Since joining the Andrews Academy faculty in 1976, **Thomas Baker** has vigorously promoted the importance of academic rigor and critical thinking, particularly in the form of articulate, concise written composition, referring often to good writing as the "currency of the realm." He encourages all of his students to take the more difficult subjects and has consistently elevated the level of classroom instruction. Baker has variously taught modern languages, English, history and religion. He also oversees the German-English exchange program and directs the plays at Andrews Academy. As chair of the Academic Affairs Committee for the last 10 years, he has consistently elevated the importance of a well-rounded education and has worked diligently to ensure a curriculum that prepares students both for this life and the life to come.

Joseph Warren, associate professor of English, has influenced countless students during his 35-year tenure at Andrews University, teaching courses in composition, technical writing, African-American literature, and genre studies. A student reflected on the "personal touch" Joe brings to his classes, how he treats and teaches his students, how he knows his students' names and provides feedback

on assignments. Joe graduated from Oakwood College with a bachelor's in English, and went on to earn both his master's and doctoral degrees from Ohio State University, emphasizing in eighteenth century, American, and ethnic literatures. He regularly serves on the Martin Luther King Jr. planning committee, and has served as the sponsor of the local Sigma Tau Delta chapter. He is considered the "elder statesman" by his colleagues in the Department of English.

30 Years-of-Service Award Recipients



30 Years-of-Service Award: L-R: Tari Popp, Ruth Gardner, Jeane Robinson, Robert Schwab

Ruth Gardner, postmaster and manager of Andrews Central Mail Service, has been faithfully delivering the mail since 1991. Prior to working at the post office, she worked as an insurance clerk from 1981-1990. She arrived at the post office as an office clerk, and then became postal supervisor. Ruth efficiently combines work with fun; she is known around the office for enjoying practical jokes in order to relieve the pressures of deadlines and heavy workloads.

Tari Popp, director of Planned Giving & Trust Services, has worked at Andrews since her graduation in 1981. Her first job was as a Trust Accountant and she also worked as a Trust Officer before becoming director. Chuck Simpson, a colleague from the General Conference, says: "...Tari has blossomed as the consummate Planned Giving & Trust Services professional. Beginning from a narrow set of duties as accountant to department director, she blesses donors with grace and charm; competently teaches and trains; insightfully contributes to NAD-level discussions; and always represents the best of Andrews University and her Savior, Jesus Christ." Trustees and colleagues appreciate her professionalism, organizational and people skills, discretion and graciousness.

Robert Schwab, chair of the Department of Management, Marketing & Information Systems, professor of management

and graduate advisor, is greatly appreciated by his colleagues, especially for his careful attention to quality. Teachers in the classroom next door can hear his enthusiasm for his subject matter. That same enthusiasm carries across all that Bob does—whether in the classroom, in committees, or in personal conversations. Bob started his teaching career at Andrews in 1976. He earned a PhD from the University of Oregon in 1980 and continued at Andrews until going to Walla Walla University to chair the business department from 1985 through 1993. Bob is also well-known for his high pointing hobby. He has conducted initial site investigations and authored over 350 trip reports for the national COHP database and website.

Jeane Robinson wears many hats. In the various capacities she has served for both Financial and Plant Administration, she has affected all areas of University life. Her duties have varied from mundane to complex projects. From general secretarial duties to furnishing and maintaining copiers all over campus, from student and firms account billings to coordinating interiors of new buildings on campus. She has worked with almost every department on assisting in improving working spaces for employees and learning spaces for students. Results of her work can be seen in layout, furnishings and decorations in all of the building on campus. She has also mothered and mentored many students in her capacity as a student employer.

Siegfried H. Horn Excellence in Research & Creative Scholarship Award Recipients



Siegfried H. Horn Excellence in Research & Creative Scholarship Award: L-R: Duane McBride, Curt VanderWaal, Jiri Moskala, Steve Hansen

This award was established to recognize lifetime scholarship achievement of Andrews University faculty members. Award recipients, who must be associate or full professors and full-time employees for a minimum of five years, were selected by the membership of the Scholarly Research Council.

Arts, Humanities and Education: For 25 years, **Steve Hansen**, professor of art, has worked in the mediums of painting, sculpture and now primarily clay. His artwork has appeared in nationally recognized scholarly journals such as *Ceramics Monthly*, *American Craft Magazine* and *Niche Magazine*. His works appear in academic textbooks such as *Extruded Ceramics* and *The Teapot Book*. Steve has exhibited in galleries across the U.S. and in Australia, his work appears in several museums across the country, and he has participated in over 60 individual and group exhibitions. Steve has won several “Best Ceramics” awards at national juried exhibitions. His exhibitions include the internationally recognized Grand Rapids ArtPrize, and more significantly his multi-year participation in the world’s foremost fair of contemporary decorative arts and design called SOFA.

Pure and Applied Sciences: **Duane McBride** is currently research professor of sociology, chair of the Department of Behavioral Sciences, director of the Institute for Prevention of Addictions, a visiting fellow of the Institute for Latino Studies at the University of Notre Dame, and an adjunct professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health at the University of Miami. He has obtained a number of external research grants, frequently chairs national grant peer review committees, and provides research leadership for both junior faculty and students.

Duane helped develop a four-course research sequence for majors, which since 2005 has resulted in over 40 student presentations at professional conferences, six of which were award winners, as well as nine papers co-authored by students in peer-reviewed journals. He has published 10 books, 32 book chapters, and 76 journal articles covering a breadth of research interests, including topics such as drug policy, drug-crime relationship, the evaluation of substance abuse and criminal offender justice treatment programs, and the epidemiology of AIDS in injecting-drug-using populations.

Religion and Theology: **Jiří Moskala**, professor of Old Testament exegesis and theology, joined the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary faculty in 1998 after completing his second doctoral degree. He holds a bachelor’s, a master’s and a Doctor of Theology from the Protestant Theological Faculty of Charles University in his native Prague, Czech Republic. As professor of Old Testament exegesis and theology, he is heavily involved in scholarly activities. Jiří is a member of six professional societies and has served as a leader of the Adventist Theological Society.

During only the last five years, he has edited one volume, published 10 refereed articles in scholarly journals, 14 professional articles, and 13 chapters in edited books. He has read 47 scholarly papers and preached numerous sermons in many countries. Jiří is dedicated to scholarship and to

sharing the biblical message we believe in with people all over the world.

Professional Programs: **Curtis VanderWaal** is research professor of social work and chair of the Department of Social Work. He graduated from Andrews University with a major in health psychology in 1986, received his MSW from the University of Michigan, and earned his doctorate at Case Western Reserve. He has worked on a wide variety of research projects, and is known for his analytical and scholarly ability. Curt has published in some of the highest impact journals in the public health, social work and behavioral science fields, and performed pioneering research looking at how drug policies affected communities, community drug use rates and the impact of various policies. Curt is also a great mentor of students, helping them to present and publish research and impact the field of social work.

Spiritual Life Award Recipient

Ante Jeroncic, assistant professor of theology, has been a member of the Andrews University faculty since 2006. His commitment to scholastic excellence encourages his students to emulate him. One student said, “Dr. Jeroncic is one of the most important influences on the formation of my spiritual and intellectual self. His challenge to students to investigate why they hold their beliefs significantly impacted my conversion to Christianity by showing the way to a Christ-centered hermeneutic without pushing me away. Intellectually, he expected me to achieve my full potential and expected nothing less. This helped me improve greatly as both a thinker and a believer.”

The Spiritual Life Award is awarded to any employee, faculty or staff who has made a significant contribution to the spiritual life of campus. Names are considered and voted by the Spiritual Life Committee.



Spiritual Life Award: Ante Jeroncic with his wife Debbie

25 Years-of-Service Award Recipients



Front row, L-R: Nancy Miller, Loretta Nave, David Steen Back row, L-R: John Baldwin, Allen Wellborn, Mari Aker, Duane McBride Not pictured: Dennis Willis

10 Years-of-Service Award Recipients



Front row, L-R: Marlene Murray-Nseula, David Mbungu, George Agoki, Rudi Bailey, Alina Dumitrescu, Arlene Bailey, Willyta Wamack, Barbara Huset, Katie Wolfer, Irlacy Rodrigues Back row, L-R: Judith Fisher, Larry Onsager, Stephen Payne, Dan Agnetta, Larry Bothe, Jeanette Bryson, Duane Habenicht Not pictured: Maryann Burns, Jennifer Burrill, Shandelle Henson

20 Years-of-Service Award Recipients



Front row, L-R: Richard Choi, Susan Zork, Carla Trynchuk, Ann Marquez, Steve Nash Back row, L-R: Stephen Zork, Dianne Staples, Robert Zdor, Jim Ford Not pictured: Dianne Barnum, Terry Robertson, Shirley Freed, Larry Ulery, Sharon Dudgeon, Gary Gray

5 Years-of-Service Award Recipients



Front row, L-R: Kimberly Coleman, Amy Maydole, Brynja Davis, Natalie Johnson, Bonnie Steele, Yeny Quea, Kathryn Hickerson, Suzanne White-Wein, Laura Bowlby, Barbara Reid Middle row, L-R: Cynthia Papendick, Faith-Ann McGarrell, Dalry Payne, Kemmoree Duncombe, Robert Moore, Nathan Carroll, Lynette Quinty, Lawrence Schalk, June Madrigal, Tiffany Summerscales, Tom Michaud, Elaine Navia, Robson Marinho Back row, L-R: Christian Lighthall, Ruben Munoz-Larrondo, Fares Magesa, Ruben Perez-Shulz, Randal Mack, Theodore Quinty, Brian Manley, Jeffrey Smith, Kevin Wein Not pictured: Diana Adame, Glynis Bradfield, Buddy Chapman, Janet Chase, Arnaldo Contreras, Donald De Groot, Japhet De Oliveira, Tevni Grajales Guerra, Patricia Hinman, Bradly Hinman, Dwight Huslin, Ante Jeroncic, Robin Johnson, Angelica Munoz, Anton Pellegrini, Kristine Walker-Fraser, Michelle Wallis, Gary Wood

15 Years-of-Service Award Recipients



Front row, L-R: Leigh Everhart, Sylvia Gonzalez, Carletta Witzel, Lionel Matthews Middle row, L-R: Pedro Navia, Melchizedek Ponniah, Randy Graves, Tom Lowing, Mark Moreno Back row, L-R: Kurt Frey, Marvin Budd, Marc Ullom, Ron Whitehead, Bruce Wrenn, Ken Logan, Stan Beikmann Not pictured: Sari Butler, Michael Carpenter, Rod Church, Ricardo Norton

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one project

Reset. Refocus. Jesus. All.



by Keri Suarez

I arrived in Seattle a day early for the One Project so I could spend some time with my brother and sister-in-law, who had driven up from Portland. After visiting Pike's Place Market, seeing the Underground City and stopping at a few destination stores, we found ourselves just walking through the city enjoying the atmosphere.

Coming upon an intersection, we saw a commotion in the street. A man appeared to be groping a woman who was trying to shake free of his embrace. She shook him off and he crumpled to the ground. "Someone call for help. I'm going to church!" she shouted as she stormed off, leaving the man lying in the street.

No one moved. "She was going to church?" I thought to myself, "Yet she's leaving a man laying in the street. What in the world was going on?"

Others just stopped and stared. A few cars passed by, slowing down, but not stopping. The man was moving and he tried to stand, but something was wrong with his leg. He couldn't stand on his own.

I walked over to him. He was more than twice my size. "Sir, I need you to get out of the street. You're going to get hit by a car."

He tried to stand and fell again. He was drunk. He looked at me and reached for my hand to help him stand.

"Sir, I can't help you up. You're going to

end up pulling me down and hurting us both. I need you to roll out of the street. Can you do that?"

He was at the curb, but still in the street. "Sir, I need you to roll up onto the curb. You need to get out of the street."

"Can you help me up? I just need to get up," he muttered.

"You're hurt and you're drunk. If I try to help you stand, you're going to pull me down. Let's get you onto the sidewalk."

He rolled up and laid there for a moment. "I really want to get up," he said.

"I'll make you a deal. Count to 10 and then you can stand," I said in an attempt to keep him occupied until help arrived. The

ambulance lights were now visible in the distance.

He counted to ten. "There, can I get up now?"

"No, not quite yet. Let's see if you can count backwards from 10," I instructed.

By the time he got to five, the paramedics and police had arrived. Within seconds, we were back to our walk through the city.

"Someone call for help. I'm going to church!" Her words played over and over in my head. She likely was well acquainted with this man and given the circumstances surrounding his state of sobriety, it's likely that this instance was one in a string of many. Yet the harshness of her actions—someone

else deal with the problem at hand because she needed to make an appearance at church—stung close to home for me.

As we continued to walk the streets of Seattle, my mind kept returning to the man in the street. He was left to lie there, struggling on his own because no one felt compelled to step in and lend a hand. There was an utter lack of community. In many ways, my church experience was much like the man in the street—I've been a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church my entire life although it has been years since I felt any sense of community from my church. I repeatedly felt cast aside, unworthy and utterly alone. All I wanted was to feel as though I wasn't alone.

I've struggled for years to figure out where do I belong? Where, or perhaps better yet, who is my faith community? Who are the faces and what are the experiences I'll be able to give my young daughters during their spiritually formative years? What am I looking for? The church I was at always left a stale taste in my mouth. From the tangible pieces, such as decaying, moldy carpet in the children's rooms to the request in the bulletin to only enter the sanctuary at certain parts during the order of service, to the feeling you get when week after week, year after year, you're greeted at your home church of ten years with, "Welcome! Thanks for visiting us this Sabbath!" When we are seated in

Jesus. All.



the pew, my daughters look at me and say, “Mommy, do we have to stay?” Something is horribly wrong with this scenario. I’m not going to force an experience down their throats that isn’t a positive one. At a place where we don’t really belong.

Pastor Japhet De Oliveira had invited me to attend the One Project in Atlanta in 2011, but the pieces just didn’t fall into place. I was interested, but I didn’t really understand what it was all about. Two days spent with a group of people focused on Jesus. Were there workshops? Focus groups? A curriculum of some sort to follow? It just didn’t quite make sense to me.

The One Project started in room 602 of a Holiday Inn in Denver. Seven men were part of its inception: Alex Bryan, senior pastor at the Walla Walla University Church; Japhet De Oliveira, director of the Center for Youth Evangelism and chaplain for missions at Andrews University; Dany Hernandez, pastor for collegiate and young adult ministries at Forest Lake Adventist Church; Eddie Hypolite, associate youth director for the

South England Conference, UK; Sam Leonor, pastor for LaSierra University; Tim Gillespie, pastor for young adult ministries at Loma Linda University Church of Seventh-day Adventists; and Terry Swenson, campus chaplain for Loma Linda University.

“Jesus loves me, this I know, is the deepest theology we can ever know.”

For two days, they prayed, fasted and shared in communion, all while reflecting upon a simple statement: Jesus. All. From this time together, the One Project was born. In the winter of 2011, the One Project drew 172 people to Atlanta. The focus was solely upon Jesus.

Fast-forward to Seattle, February 2012. This time, the pieces fell into place. I was one of nearly 700 people from all corners of the nation and some from around the world who

gathered to spend two days celebrating Jesus. All. I was there. I was fully on-board. But I still didn’t get it. At this point, I was simply along for the ride.

During De Oliveira’s opening words, something he said really struck me: “Here we will have real community, not just the appearance of it.” But I didn’t know all these people, nor would I have a chance to get to know all of the nearly 700 sitting in the Westin conference rooms. “Wouldn’t that be amazing though?” I thought to myself.

As De Oliveira continued, a second statement hit me even harder than the first. “Jesus loves me, this I know, is the deepest theology we can ever know.” “So simple. Perhaps too simple?” I thought to myself. I quickly shook that latter thought away. “Ridiculous. Jesus’s love IS simple. HE makes it easy; we are the ones who try to make it so hard.” It’s a precept I’m determined to instill in my children—a relationship with Christ should be just as, if not exponentially more so, comfortable and rewarding than any human relationships we possess.

At this point, I was hooked. Something felt so right about being there. Jesus wanted me there. He had paved the way for me to take part in the One Project in Seattle. He had a purpose for me in this experience. As those two days unfolded and each speaker came and went, I soaked in every word.

“We have met Jesus in Sabbath School, but He rarely inhabits our ecclesiology, our pulpits...” stated Tim Gillespie. As he continued, he firmly grounded his message in John 12:23: “But Jesus answered them saying, ‘The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified.’”

Alex Bryan addressed both the long-standing and recent directive in the Seventh-day Adventist Church to avoid listening to or dialoguing with anyone outside of the Seventh-day Adventist Church theological family. Bryan pointed to one of the most prevalent books in Adventist churches around the world—the Seventh-day Adventist hymnal.

“From the writings of monks to the desires of American slaves, from anonymous to famous people, folk songs and classical music, boys and girls, white and black, people from all different cultures throughout the history of Christianity...600 of the 700 hymns in the Seventh-day Adventist hymnal are not from a Seventh-day Adventist,” Bryan stated. Then, he posed these questions, “Would it be a better book if it were only Baptists? Or Methodists? Or Seventh-day Adventists? Would it be a better hymnal if we took *Amazing Grace* out because it wasn’t written by a Seventh-day Adventist? No!”

Eddie Hypolite, whose very presence in a room is enough to command the attention of all, gave an impassioned plea: “The Adventist message doesn’t need defending; it needs living.”

While there isn’t room on this page to adequately encapsulate the profound truths and lessons each speaker shared, each one resonated so harmoniously with where I’m at in my spiritual journey; it was as if Jesus had specifically led their study to ensure they were able to address each subject I needed to hear.

The speakers were undoubtedly thought-provoking and engaging, with topics all central to the theme of Jesus. But it was at the tables where community began to form. I found myself at a table with two individuals I was acquainted with from Andrews and four others who were, at that point, complete strangers. When the first speaker was done and it was time to engage in dialog with those at my table, I was hesitant to say the least. I saw a range of generations sitting around that table. My fear was that my married, mother of two in her 30’s perspective on these topics would be in such stark contrast to theirs that our dialog would not be a healthy one.

I was abundantly wrong. As words began to come out of my mouth, I saw seven pairs of eyes attempt to meet mine as if to say, “It’s okay. Say what is on your heart and mind.” The sense of community and collegiality that exuded from my table was overwhelmingly positive. This is why I had come. This is what I had been looking for.

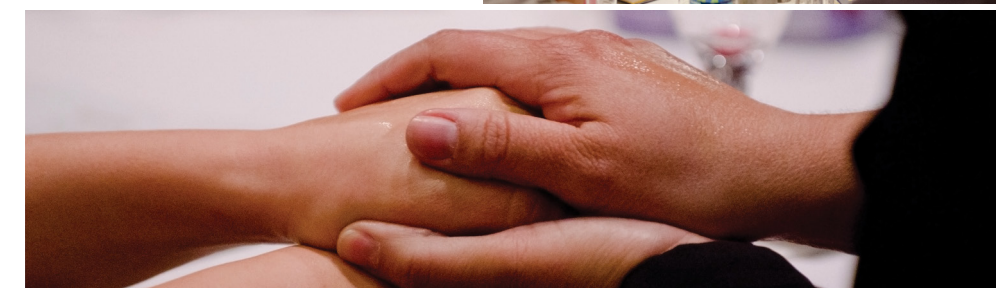
I want community. I want to know that when, not if, I stumble, my faith community will be there to help me stand again and point me back in the right direction. I want a community where all ideas may not be met with full agreement, but they are welcomed with an open mind. I want a community where doctrine illuminates my path, not defines it. I found that community at the One Project.

For me, the One Project was a time to re-set and re-focus. It peeled away the dried outer layers of Seventh-day Adventism that have collected and gone dry during the course of my life. Layer by layer, misconceptions and misperceptions of who I thought I am supposed to be and what I thought my church was supposed to look like were stripped away. Underneath I have rediscovered the core—my core—Jesus loves me, this I know. Jesus loves me—a sinner. An imperfect being in a crumbling world. What better way to glorify the One who gave His life for me than to embrace His community of believers as my own and emulate the love of Christ? So simple, just as it should be. Jesus. All. ■

Keri Suarez (BA '01) has served as the media relations specialist for the Office of Integrated & Marketing Communication since 2008. She is glad to have found a church community at OnePlace, a new church on campus.

Visit www.the1project.org/watch.html to view the Seattle presentations and more.

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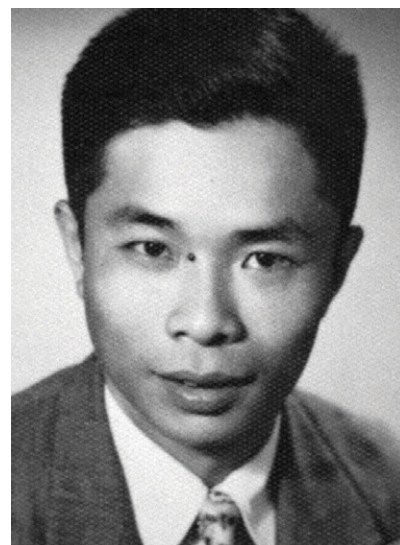


THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS

by Samantha Snively

Sereivudh Ly grew up in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, in a middle-class family of seven children (three boys and four girls). His father was a public servant; the family was comfortable and happy. And then in April 1975, when Ly was 13, the Khmer Rouge took power in Cambodia. Ly and his family lost everything. He and his siblings were sent into the jungle to live with their grandmother on a small plot of land.

After the Khmer Rouge and Pol Pot took power in 1975, they began a program of ethnic purging and totalitarian violence that lasted for four years. More than 156,000 Cambodians died in the civil war in 1975, half of them civilians. By 1979, when the Vietnamese entered the country, more than 1.7 million Cambodians and ethnic minorities in Cambodia had been executed or died of starvation and disease. Among these numbered four of Ly's siblings and both his parents.



Several years later, Ly found himself in a refugee camp in Thailand. He didn't know where his family was buried; fleeing to the camp was "just taking a risk," says Ly. He spent the first year in the camp as an unregistered refugee. "I'd trapped myself in a prison," he says. Once he entered the refugee

camp, it was dangerous to leave. In his camp, over 300,000 people crammed into a four-kilometer square plot of land covered with bamboo and thatch dwellings. Each person was allotted a small amount of food and 15 liters of water a day; the camp was filled with violence and fighting over resources by



In happier days before Sereivudh was separated from his family in March 1975.

day and murder and other atrocities by night. "I was full of anger and bitterness," recalls Ly. "I didn't want to live anymore."

Every so often, Seventh-day Adventist student missionaries, pastors from the United States, Australia, New Zealand and Canada would come to the camp to conduct clinics and evangelize. Ly became accustomed to making fun of the Christians, until one American Adventist pastor stood out from the rest. "He was kind, loving and sacrificial. I wondered why he would leave his country to come to work in the camp," he says. Curious, Ly began to talk to the American Adventist pastor and to read some books from the

Bible—Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, and the Gospels. "I kept asking, if God was as good and loving as the Bible says, why would He allow these atrocities to happen," Ly remembers. Reading about the war between God and Satan helped him understand somewhat, "I still struggled with anger, but I began to practice forgiveness."

Within the Khao I Dang refugee camp, the Seventh-day Adventist church also conducted English classes. Sereivudh was one of the hundreds of students who attended the classes, held in the church. Judy Aitken, founder and director of the Adventist Southeast Asia Project, was

working at Khao I Dang when she met Ly. The English classes used the Bible as a textbook, and Aitken remembers watching Ly "find peace in believing and knowing Christ's love and salvation. God gave him peace and hope in his life that he had never had before," she says. Ly continued to study the Bible, and he was baptized as a Seventh-day Adventist in 1984.

For the next four years, Ly worked as an English teacher and a pastor in the refugee camp. In 1988, a couple from the Christian Reformed Church sponsored him to resettle in Canada. He was asked to help interpret the pastor's sermon

Opposite left: Sereivudh Ly's father, before 1975

Opposite right: Sereivudh is pictured standing at the far left. He and the two sisters standing beside him survived. His father, mother and other four siblings were all slaughtered by the Khmer Rouge.

I WAS FULL OF ANGER AND BITTERNESS... I DIDN'T WANT TO LIVE ANYMORE.

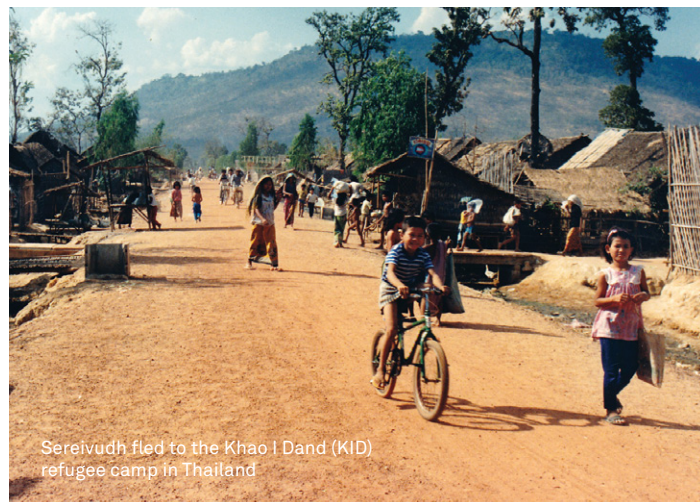
FORGIVENESS IS NOT REMORSE; IT IS NOT PARDON, RECONCILIATION, OR FORGETTING; FORGIVENESS IS NOT CONDITIONAL.



Sereivudh carries a box of Bibles in the refugee camp. He is wearing the only set of clothes he owned at the time.

Below left: Sereivudh with his wife Vandy, oldest son Samuel, daughter Selena and youngest son Stephen at his graduation

Below right: Sereivudh Ly is congratulated by President Niels-Erik Andreassen after receiving his Doctor of Ministry degree



Sereivudh fled to the Khao I Dand (KID) refugee camp in Thailand



Sereivudh Ly was baptized as a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1984

Theological Seminary in 2001. He then moved to Ontario to simultaneously pastor the St. Thomas and Woodstock churches. Five years later, he began pastoring the Belleville Seventh-day Adventist Church. In January 2011 he was called to be the associate pastor at the Mount Zion Filipino Seventh-day Adventist Church located in Downsview, Ontario.

Since the beginning of his ministry, forgiveness had always interested him. “I noticed that even the people in my own congregation had trouble forgiving. To be a good pastor, you have to be able to forgive and to impart that knowledge to your congregation,” says Ly. Because of his own struggles with forgiveness, Ly wanted to learn guidelines of biblical forgiveness that pastors could implement in their own ministry. To do

this, he returned to the Seminary at Andrews University to work on a Doctor of Ministry degree. Ly completed his dissertation, “A Model of Forgiveness: Development and Implementation at the Belleville Seventh-day Adventist Church, Ontario, Canada” in the winter of 2011. In it he outlines a four-phase model for practicing forgiveness.

“Forgiveness is not remorse; it is not pardon, reconciliation, or forgetting; forgiveness is not conditional,” says Ly. Rather, forgiveness is based on love—both human love and the love of God. According to Ly’s model, forgiveness is ultimately a choice we must make, but one that we make according to the example of God and with His love. In his dissertation and the seminars that have evolved from it, Ly offers advice on how to practice forgiveness. His four-step

model is based around the word “LOVE.” Forgiveness begins by **Longing** for God’s love and forgiveness to overcome anger and hurt; then **O**beying God’s commands by choosing to forgive. After the choice to forgive comes a **V**isualization of God’s peace and love, which creates empathy toward the offender. The “LOVE” model completes with the subject **E**xemplifying God’s forgiveness by becoming a forgiving person.

He remains in close contact with Judy, who remembers his incredible faith in God while finishing his doctorate. “He persevered in completing the degree though he was involved in full-time ministry with family responsibilities as well,” she says. “He followed the Lord’s leading in writing his dissertation on the subject of Christ’s forgiveness so that he could bring help in the form of forgiveness to his Khmer people who have suffered so much during Pol Pot’s Communist Regime in Cambodia.”

Since returning to Belleville, Ly has implemented his model in his own church with positive results. He hopes to teach in a college or university someday in the future, to help his own church grow to a true understanding of forgiveness and to develop a forgiveness-oriented community in other churches. He also hopes to write a book using his own life experiences as an illustration of his model. ■

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for Cambodian people who were sponsored by the Christian Reformed Church. He maintained his Adventist beliefs as well; he attended the local Adventist church on Saturdays, and would translate the pastor’s sermon for the Cambodian church on Sundays. During the week, Ly worked in the auto industry.

When Ly arrived in Canada, he called Judy Aitken to get the address of the local Seventh-day Adventist church. By then, he and Aitken had developed a close relationship,

and Ly asked if he could call her “mother.” “I was happy to accept him as my son and continue to encourage him in his walk with God,” Aitken recalls. When Ly shared that he felt God’s call to become a minister, Aitken encouraged him to attend Canadian Union College.

After arriving in Canada, Ly had been offered a scholarship to attend a non-Adventist college on the condition that he would return and work as a pastor for four years. That was when he heard the call of

God to join the ministry. He reasoned that if he was teaching people the truth of Christ, he would rather teach the truth in the true church. He applied and was accepted on probationary admission to Canadian University College (then Canadian Union College) in 1992. He graduated with a BA in 1996, and was employed to pastor at the Edmonton Central and Ryley Seventh-day Adventist churches. He came to Andrews University in 1999 and earned his Master of Divinity from the Seventh-day Adventist



Regional events

Apopka, Florida

Sunday, January 8, 2012



Riverside, California

Tuesday, January 31, 2012



Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Tuesday, February 7, 2012



Tami Condon (BS '91) with James T. Lee (MBA '94)

Chicago, Illinois

Thursday, February 9, 2012



Arlington, Texas

Wednesday, January 25, 2012



Newport Beach, California

Sunday, January 29, 2012



Seattle, Washington

Sunday, February 12, 2012



Seattle, Washington

Monday, February 13, 2012



L-R: Vanja Horonic (BFA '07), Adriana Monsalve (BFA '08), Tommy Panigot (att.)

Clackamas, Oregon

Saturday, February 18, 2012



University of the Southern Caribbean, Trinidad

Thursday, March 8, 2012



The Office of Alumni Services, in collaboration with the University of the Southern Caribbean, hosted an alumni dinner in USC's main auditorium. More than 100 alumni joined us for this special event. Alumni from the Andrews affiliated MBA and educational psychology graduate programs were in high attendance. Also in attendance were USC faculty members who studied at Andrews University, recent graduates of the Andrews/USC affiliated undergraduate programs, USC administrators and the USC Alumni Association president. Pictured above, L-R: Tamika Reyes (BS '11), Sharon Persad (BS '11) and Yolandé Francis (BS '11).

Loveland, Colorado

Sunday, March 18, 2012



Ardis (att.) and Richard (MDiv '65) Stenbakken

Denver, Colorado

Tuesday March 20, 2012



Lolita Reed (BA '93, MDiv '96) and family

Alumni vs. Students Hockey Game/Open Skate

Saturday, February 25, 2012



SAVE THE DATE

September 27-30, 2012

Alumni Homecoming Weekend

Honor Classes: 1932, 1942, 1952, 1962, 1972, 1982, 1987, 1992, 2002

Periodically check website for updates: alumni.andrews.edu/homecoming

Alumni calendar of events

For more information visit us online at www.andrews.edu/alumni/ or contact the Office of Alumni Services at 269-471-3591 or alumni@andrews.edu.

May

- 6 **Spring Commencement Services**
8:30 a.m.—Graduate
11:30 a.m.—Undergraduate
Pioneer Memorial Church
Berrien Springs, Mich.
- 20 **Arizona Regional Event**
12 p.m.
Season's 52 at Biltmore Fashion Park
2502 E Camelback Rd, Phoenix, Ariz.

June

- 16 **Wisconsin Regional Camp Meeting Event**
5 p.m.
Andrews University Cabin
Camp Wakonda, Westfield, Wis.
- 16 **Indiana Regional Camp Meeting Event**
5 p.m.
Indiana Academy, Cicero, Ind.
- 23 **Michigan Regional Camp Meeting Event**
5 p.m.
Fellowship Hall, Cedar Lake Church
Cedar Lake, Mich.

- 23 **Lake Region Camp Meeting Event**
5 p.m.
Camp Wagner, Cassopolis, Mich.

July

- 11 **Alumni Board of Directors Meeting**
4:30 p.m.
Conference Room, Griggs Hall
Andrews University
Berrien Springs, Mich.
- 28 **UP Michigan Regional Camp Meeting Event**
Immediately following lunch
Camp Sagola

August

- 1 **Alumni Board of Directors Meeting**
4:30 p.m.
Conference Room, Griggs Hall
Andrews University
Berrien Springs, Mich.
- 5 **Summer Commencement Service**
9 a.m.—Graduate/Undergraduate
Pioneer Memorial Church
Andrews University
Berrien Springs, Mich.

- 6 **NAD Teacher's Convention/Tennessee Regional Event**
6:30 p.m.
The Old Spaghetti Factory
160 Second Avenue N
Nashville, Tenn.

- 9 **ASI/Ohio Regional Event**
6 p.m.
We look forward to meeting with local alumni and those who will be attending the ASI Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio.

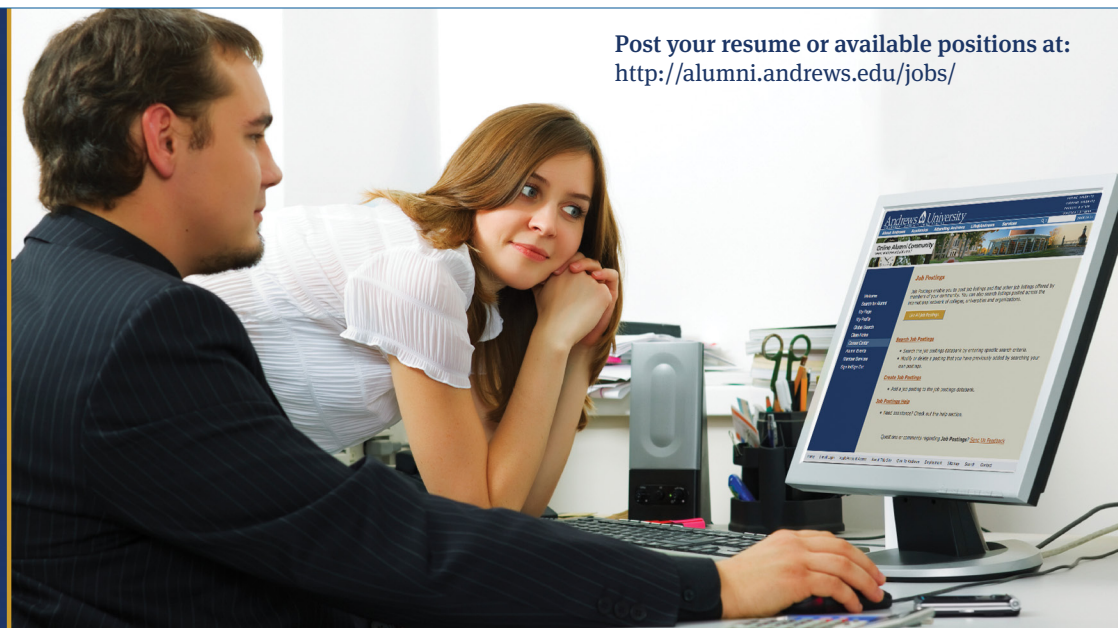
- 19 **Lend-a-Hand Move-In**
Residence Halls, Andrews University
Berrien Springs, Mich.
Sign up to help new students during this meaningful Orientation tradition. Two-hour shifts available throughout the day.

Please Note: Locations and times are subject to change. As the date of the event you're interested in gets closer, be sure to double-check the alumni website or call the office for updates.

RSVP for an event

RSVP for the above gatherings online at AU&ME, our alumni community: alumni.andrews.edu/rvsp.

LOOKING FOR A JOB OR QUALITY EMPLOYEES?



Post your resume or available positions at: <http://alumni.andrews.edu/jobs/>

Who are alumni?

If you've attended, worked or taught at Andrews University we consider you alumni! And if you're a parent or a potential student considering Andrews, you're invited to be our honored guest at any of the above alumni gatherings.

L-R: Marge (Fowler) Allen (BA '61), Dale Twomley (BS '61, former faculty), Helen (Herzog) Roberts (BS '61), Jim Davidson (BA '51), Edith (Metzger) Applegate (BA '58)



Would you be interested in serving as a local host for an alumni gathering? Or maybe you'd be willing to sponsor an event in your area? How about serving on our Alumni Board of Directors? Connecting with students as a mentor? We'd love to hear from you! Email alumni@andrews.edu or call 269-471-3591.



Carmen, Liana, José & Rodrigo Vega

1950s

Donald D. Rice (MA '57) writes from Fort Payne, Ala., where he lives with his wife, June, whom he married June 6, 1955, when they were attending La Sierra College (now La Sierra University). They attend the Ownbey Chapel SDA Church in Ider, Ala. Donald and June adopted six babies: Dawn, Dean, Dennis, Daniel, Douglas and Deborah. Donald tells the story of their daughter, Dorothy.

"June was a prisoner of war in the Phillipines during WWII. She was starved greatly, and had been unable to conceive. After we were married almost 15 years, I learned of the ABCs of prayer from Glenn Coon, and I prayed the prayer of reception. I asked for a baby for my wife and me. I believed in the Lord Jesus. I quoted Psalm 127 where it says that a man's children are like arrows in his quiver and happy is the man whose quiver is full of them. I said, 'Lord, I have six adopted babies that we love greatly, please put an arrow into my quiver.' I thanked the Lord for a baby of our own. In two months my wife was very sick. The doctor said she was dying of a fast-growing tumor. I said that she was pregnant. I had faith in His promise. Sure enough, in seven more months I held my only-begotten child. We named her Dorothy. She weighed 9 lbs. 11 oz. Dorothy means Gift of God. Over the years we served as the General Conference's unofficial adoption service. We both had worked or were working in Adventist hospitals. We were offered 186 more babies to adopt, and found Adventist homes for all of them.

My favorite job for the Church was in the 60s and early 70s when I was pastor, school nurse and taught Bible doctrines, biology and world history at Adelphian Academy in Holly, Mich.

Over the past 54 years we have been foster parents to 182 foster children. We have two babies at the present time [we will be 80 in the spring]. We are licensed for the next two years, so we are continuing to care for babies.

The Lord has helped me to start two new Adventist churches—in Toms River, N.J. (after a tent effort) and another in Fort Myers Shores, Fla. (from having cottage meetings in my classroom). I enjoy teaching Sabbath School every week and still preach when asked."

1960s

After 23 years (1988–2011), **José E. Vega** (BA '68) retired from service as a professor of education at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls in June 2011. While at this institution he served as an assistant dean in the College of Education and a faculty member in the Department of Teacher Education. José received an MS in education from SUNY-Albany in 1974, and in 1980 he earned a PhD in education from the University of Illinois-Champaign-Urbana. He began his career in higher education in 1979 at the State University of New York-New Paltz. Prior to his work in Wisconsin, José worked for the Department of Higher Education of New Jersey. José is married to Carmen I. Coballes-Vega, who is still working as a provost and vice president for Academic Affairs at Hostos Community College in New York City. José and Carmen were blessed with two children: Rodrigo E. Vega, a graduate of UW-Oshkosh, Wisc. and Liana C. Vega, a graduate of the University of Oregon.

1970s

Valerie Lee (MA '73), was named vice president for outreach and engagement at The Ohio State University in March 2012. Valerie joined the Ohio State faculty in 1991. She joined the Office of Academic Affairs as interim vice provost for Minority Affairs in April 2010. Later in the year, the Board of Trustees confirmed her as vice provost and chief diversity officer and renamed the Office of Diversity and Inclusion.

Valerie's administrative service is extensive. She was elected to serve as chair of the Department of Women's Studies from 2000–2002, and chair of the Department of English from 2002–2009. The English department is one of the largest units at Ohio State.

For a number of years she chaired the University Diversity Council. She also was chair of the University Senate's Faculty Compensation and Benefits Committee. In addition, she has served on the Senate's Diversity Committee and on more than 50 other university-level committees.

Valerie received the University's Faculty Award for Distinguished University Service in 2006.

She has taught at all levels of the undergraduate and graduate curriculum and was a recipient of the Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching in 1993. The author of two monographs and one textbook, scores of journal articles, and book chapters, she specializes



Amy Floraday



The Bradley Family

in black women's literary studies, critical race feminism, multi-cultural pedagogies, law and literature, 20th century American Literature, and folklore.

She earned a BA in English and French from Atlantic Union College, an MA in English from Andrews University and a PhD in English from The Ohio State University.

1980s

Angela M. Bryan (BS '87) graduated with a BS in dietetics from Andrews University and a master's in public affairs, with a concentration in human services administration, from Indiana University. She currently works for USDA Food and Nutrition Services. Angela just published a book entitled *The Fine Wine of Aging*. It reveals how to slow down the aging process by practicing what she calls "the 7 habits of forever youthful people." Her goal is to promote healthful living.

Jerry L. Thacker (EdD '87), superintendent of the Penn-Harris-Madison School Corporation, was chosen 2012 Indiana State Superintendent of the Year by the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents.

Winners are chosen by other superintendents who consider the qualifications and accomplishments of area colleagues. This year's competition also considered the candidates' ability to exert instructional leadership using limited resources.

Thacker has been superintendent of Penn-Harris-Madison School Corporation since 2006. During his tenure he has expanded AP course offerings, maintained its summer school and added a course in Chinese at Penn High School. He served as superintendent of Logansport Community School Corporation from 1998–2006.

Thacker is a graduate of Bethel College. He earned his master's degree at Indiana University-South Bend and his doctorate at Andrews University.

2000s

Amy M. (Wright) Floraday (BS '05, BBA '05) recently joined the Detroit office of Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP, as an attorney in its Commercial Law, Bankruptcy and Reorganization Department. She previously worked at Latham & Watkins LLP in Chicago, Ill. Floraday will assist clients in due diligence matters and drafting of transactional documents for the purchase of distressed and non-distressed assets. Floraday earned a JD from the University of Michigan Law School. In addition, she is a graduate of the John Nevins Andrews Honors Program at Andrews University where she earned a BS in Mathematics and a BBA in Economics, summa cum laude. She has been admitted to practice in Michigan, Illinois and the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

Sarah (MSA '06) and **Marius Asaftei** (MDiv '06) moved to the Tampa Bay area of Florida in January, where Marius is now the senior pastor of the East Pasco Adventist Church in Zephyrhills, Fla. Sarah is still working for the General Conference, and has also started a media production company (skaMEDIA productions, Inc). Their two children, Tristan and Sophie, "are growing too fast and loving the warmer weather. Sarah's parents, Tom and Kathy, agreed to move with us as well, so we have the privilege of keeping three generations together."

After teaching for 20 years in Adventist education, **Gary Bradley** (PhD '08), is now an assistant professor of math/science education at the University of South Carolina Upstate. He enjoys teaching and mentoring student teachers. He recently had an article published in the *Adventist Review* (12/15/2011). He is married to **Stella Duncan Bradley** (att.) and has two children, Allison (10) and Zachary (8). As a family they enjoy playing music together and exploring nature. They are looking forward to Jesus' soon return.

Births & Adoptions

To **Jason** (BA '02) and **Rachel** (BSW '03) **Maldonado**, a son, Jakobi, born on January 14, 2012, in LaGrange, Ill. He joins 2-year-old brother Jackson.

To **Denise Fournier** (BS '99), a daughter, Michelle Grace, born on June 7, 2011, in Berrien Springs, Mich. Michelle joins big brother Isaac, 8-years-old.

Deaths

Muriel Belle Stevenson Pusey (CERT '32, BA '42) died Jan. 4, 2012, in Niles, Mich. She was born to Robert Bruce and Alberta Stevenson on August 4, 1911, in Ashley, Mich.

Muriel graduated from Cedar Lake Academy in 1929, received a Bible Worker Certificate from Emmanuel Missionary College in 1932 and a BA, majoring in elementary education and biology, from EMC in 1942.

She taught in Cedar Lake, Gobles, Muskegon and Lansing before marrying **Alson Pusey** (BA '42) in 1946 when he returned from serving in the Army at the end of WWII. They lived in Lansing, New York, Virginia and Pennsylvania while Alson was teaching in church schools and Muriel stayed home raising two children. They also spent eight years in Maryland where Alson worked in construction. In 1961 they moved to Muskegon, Mich., and taught in the public school system at Phillips School until their retirement.

Muriel was active in Sabbath School, VBS, Pathfinders and Community Services well into her 80s. She was an avid birder and belonged to the Western Michigan Audubon Society. Her life list includes several hundred birds. She also enjoyed taking nature photography. The past ten years she lived with Alzheimer's and resided at the Shangri la Adult Foster Care Home in Berrien Springs.

She is survived by her daughter **Karen Pusey Mann** (BS '71, MAT '79) and **James L. Mann** (CERT '72, BET '78); son **Galen Pusey** (BS '72) and **Rita (Fox) Pusey** (BS '72, current staff); five grandchildren: **Sabrina (Pusey) Riley** (BA '96) and **Stephen Riley** (BS '01), **Erin Pusey** (Arnall) **Payne** (BS '01), **Andrea Pusey** (BS '02, NADEI staff), **Lowell Mann** (BT '05), and **Larissa Mann** (BS '06); three great grandchildren: Asher and Josiah Riley, and Emily Payne; her sister, **Laura Maxine**

Mosher (DIP2YR '36, BA '41); and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brother, Harry Stevenson, her husband, Alson, in 2009, and a great-grandson, Caleb Payne.

James "Jim" I. McNeill (BA '68) of Pasco, Wash., 64, died Sept. 26, 2011, from cancer.

Jim grew up on a small farm in Maryland. His surgeon father died when he was 13 years old, propelling him to the position of man of the house. For his freshman year of college, Jim lived at home, attending Columbia Union College. He transferred to Andrews University the following fall, majoring in physics while taking preparatory courses for medical school.

Two weeks after graduation he married **Margaret "Peggy" Walker** (BA '68) and they moved to Loma Linda, Calif. After graduating from Loma Linda University School of Medicine, Jim took an ophthalmology residency, also at LLU. He later completed a corneal and external eye disease sub-specialty under corneal specialist, Herbert E. Kaufman, at the University of Florida in Gainesville.

Although Jim never planned to be a professor of medicine, he taught in the LLU School of Medicine's Ophthalmology Department for 16 years. At the age of 33, he became chair of the Ophthalmology Department, a position he held for ten years. In 1993, he was invited to join Pacific Cataract and Laser Institute in Kennewick, Wash., and continued as a surgeon there until April 2011 when he became ill.

Jim was an avid pilot and enjoyed giving rides in his Super Cub to whoever liked to see the beauties of the fields and farms of Eastern Washington from the air. He served on the board of Tri-City Junior Academy for many years and also loved the Sabbath School class he helped facilitate at the Richland Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Physics was a lifelong passion. He wrote for *Wavelength*, May 2001: "Andrews University is a very special place to study the sciences. Many academics would say that a school allowing creation to be considered must be painfully narrow. I have been listening to the words of Richard P. Feynman (*The Pleasure of Finding Things Out*, etc.) and I just finished a book by Phillip E. Johnson (*The Wedge of Truth*). It amazes me how scientific giants will choose to limit their consideration of nature by not allowing a creative God. This basic axiom of natural evolution is not

scientifically valid. In addition, no random genetic change has ever been shown to increase information—an essential step in natural evolution. Please value the privilege of a physics education at Andrews."

Jim is survived by Peggy, his wife of 43 years; son James and wife Mendi and granddaughters Rose and Esther of Bellevue, Wash.; son Nathan of Gainesville, Fla.; son Seth and wife Corrairie of Gainesville, Fla.; son David and wife Shaunda of Durham, N.C.; sister Judy Coe of South Windsor, Ct.; brother Don McNeill of Clarksville, Md.; and sister **Jeanine McNeill** (BS '79) of Riverside, Calif.

Alfeo Nikundiwe (BA '66) was born in Kihurio, Tanzania, on June 6, 1940. He passed to his rest on June 22, 2011.

After graduating from Andrews with a BA, majoring in zoology, he continued with his studies at the University of Michigan, East Lansing, where he received his MS and PhD.

In 1972, he returned to Tanzania and joined the University of Dar es Salaam where he became a lecturer in the Department of Zoology, teaching embryology, developmental biology and animal physiology. He quickly rose up the ranks to associate professor and then full professor.

Alfeo began taking administrative roles as head of the department in the late 1970s and became the dean of the Faculty of Science in the early 1980s. During his tenure as dean, he established a science workshop, and through grants equipped it to be used for repair of scientific equipment. He was appointed director of the Marine Research Institute located on Zanzibar Island in the mid-1980s.

A few years later Alfeo was given a higher post as the Head of Institute of Lands and Urban Development. He developed the three-year college into a university four-year college and sought collaborative linkages that allowed that university to offer MS and PhD degrees in a sandwich program with a university in Sweden. By the time he retired from administration, he had developed the college to be able to offer competitive degrees and train local architects and other specialists in land and urban development.

He returned to the classroom doing the job he loved most, teaching and supervising graduate students, until he passed away. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, six children, three grandchildren, and a host of colleagues and friends.

Arthur Richards (BA '50), 90, of Arcadia, Ind., died March 13, 2011, at his home.

He attended Cedar Lake Academy and Broadview Academy. His education was interrupted by three years of U.S. Army service during WWII. After the war he graduated from Andrews Academy and then earned his BA in music from Emmanuel Missionary College.

Art worked at Wisconsin Academy, drove semi trucks, and was employed at Worthington Foods. His great passion was music and he was a church pianist and organist for more than 60 years. He taught private piano lessons in his home in Worthington, Ohio, and was an avid composer and writer.

Art is survived by his wife, **Sibyl Partain Richards** (BA '45), one daughter, **Mary Ann (Richards) Smith** (BS '81) and three

grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, John William Richards.

Leonard Edward Bornstein (BS '58) was born in Cranston, R.I., on March 20, 1936, and died Nov. 14, 2008.

Len was fluent in French and played varsity basketball during high school. At the influence of his brother, Len decided to go to Andrews University in Michigan. He opted for pre-med courses and majored in chemistry. During college he joined the Adventist Church.

Len chose Loma Linda University for his medical training, and spent a summer in Nicaragua serving as a medical missionary. After medical school he joined the U.S. Air Force where he served in a family medical practice in Pennsylvania. After completing his military service, Len moved to California and joined the Bergman Medical Group in

Montebello. He married Bernice Smith in 1966 in Glendale, Calif., and worked with the Bergman Medical Group for 30 years. He and Bernice raised three children, sons Bill and Mark and daughter Krista, in Whittier, Calif.

Through the years he held many church offices including youth leader, Sabbath school teacher and elder at the White Memorial and then Whittier Adventist churches. He traveled to Mexico to do medical work for many years, and maintained board certification in family practice medicine throughout his career.

In 1995 Len and Bernice moved to Texas, where he felt as much a missionary as a physician. Len retired from medicine in December 2005 but continued part-time work through 2006 when he was diagnosed with Stage 4 colon cancer. He and Bernice moved back to California to be near their children during the last two years of his life.

Valerie Phillips (staff), assistant to the dean for University Towers, passed away in her home on Dec. 18, 2011. The cause of death was hypertensive cardiovascular disease. She was 56.

Dean Phillips dedicated 31 years of her professional career to Andrews University. She joined the Andrews family in 1980, first as an assistant dean and, since 1986, as an associate dean of women for Lamson Hall. In August of 2011, she transitioned from Lamson Hall to serve as assistant to the dean for University Towers.

Born March 7, 1955, in Stoneham, Mass. to Richard and Beth Phillips, Valerie graduated in 1972 from Union Springs Academy in Union Springs, N.Y. She studied behavioral science, religion and English at Atlantic Union College, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in 1978. While in school, she was a volunteer at Worcester Memorial Hospital in Worcester, Mass. In 1978, she took an assistant chaplain position at Battle Creek Sanitarium and Hospital where she stayed until 1980.

In 1980, Arlene Friestad, who was then dean of women at Lamson Hall, invited Valerie to speak at the first annual Womanhood Week at Andrews. Dean Friestad was so impressed by Valerie she invited her to join the residence hall staff at Lamson Hall.

Dean Phillips not only ministered to the ladies in her care at Andrews, she shared reflections and insights gained from her experiences as a regular columnist for the *Adventist Review*.

Valerie was known for her warm and compassionate spirit, her quick wit and exceptional wisdom, and care for her students. At the 2011 Faculty/Staff Awards Event at Andrews University, Valerie was



honored for 30 years of service. In her award tribute, Frances Faehner, vice president for Student Life, said of Valerie, "Among her many unique gifts, Valerie makes an intentional effort to note and remember the special interests (favorite food, collections, etc.) of her residents. She is known for countless acts of unexpected kindness that are especially meaningful to students missing the comforts of home and family."

Following Valerie's passing, students and alumni alike recalled her infectious happiness, continual smile, and endless devotion to the students in her dorm. Michaela Jeffery, an alumna who returned to Lamson Hall in 2011 as the Womanhood Week speaker, remembered her genuine care for the well-being of her girls: "She was able to see what was good in people,

celebrate that, and help refine the other stuff." Current student Sonia Perez wrote that Valerie "could touch both your heart and mind with the wit and wisdom of her words. She could make you laugh, smile, blush or cry. In the memorable beauty of her life she will leave a hole in the hearts of many. I was honored to have her as a mentor and friend."

Dean Phillips is survived by two sisters and one brother.

A celebration of Valerie's life was held at Pioneer Memorial Church on Saturday, Jan. 21, 2012.

Donations may be made to the Valerie Phillips Scholarship Fund at Andrews University, c/o Mary Nell Rosenboom, Office of Development, 8903 U.S. Hwy 31, Berrien Springs MI 49104-0660. Online donations may be made at www.andrews.edu/services/development.

Elly Helen Economou (former faculty), 83, died Thursday, Feb. 9, at Lakeland Regional Medical Center in St. Joseph, Mich. A private burial service was held on Thursday, Feb. 16, at Rose Hill Cemetery in Berrien Springs, Mich. A memorial service in celebration of her life was held on Saturday, March 24, at 4 p.m., in Pioneer Memorial Church on the campus of Andrews University.

She devoted her entire life to serving the Seventh-day Adventist Church and provided exceptional teaching at Andrews University full-time for 31 years and part-time for an additional two years after her retirement.

Elly Economou was born May 6, 1928, in Thessalonica, Greece, to George and Helen (Vrettopoulos) Economou. Most of her primary and secondary level studies were acquired at home under the guidance of private tutors. She spent six years in the Greek-French “Ecole d’Etudes Secondaires et Supérieures” of her native Thessalonica, where she graduated with special awards. She began higher education at the Anatolia Greek-American College and finished with honors. She came to the United States in 1962 and earned a BA in 1966 from Pacific Union College, Angwin, Calif., majoring in biblical and modern languages.

For graduate studies she came to Andrews University, where she earned a master’s degree in biblical languages in 1967. In 1972, she began post-graduate studies at the University of Strasbourg, France, where she deciphered a number of papyri dating back to approximately 300 B.C. for the National Library of Strasbourg. Before completing her PhD in December 1975, she also did research at the Ecumenical Institute of Bossey, Switzerland, and the archives of the World Council of Churches in Geneva. The title of her dissertation was “The Greek-Orthodox Church and her Relations with the Heterodox Churches.” It was characterized as a monumental work by the jury, which unanimously voted for its publication as a valuable contribution to the Ecumenical Movement.

Elly was fluent in English, French, German, Italian and Spanish as well as modern Greek. She also had knowledge of 10 other modern and ancient languages. She began her teaching duties at Andrews as an instructor in the University’s modern languages department and joined the Department of Religion & Biblical Languages in 1976.

She was a member of many professional organizations, including the Society of Biblical Literature, the Adventist Language Teachers Association, the American Association of University Professors, the American Academy of Religion and the International Religious Liberty Association. Economou was listed in a number of publications including the *Dictionary of International Biographies*, *World Who’s Who of Women in Education*, *World Wide Academy of Scholars*, *Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans*, and *Who’s Who of Women*.



As a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church of her native Thessalonica, Elly served as an interpreter, youth leader, secretary, treasurer and writer. During her lifetime, Elly translated into Greek several religious books, including the *Conflict of the Ages Series*, and a number of other publications. She also wrote *Beloved Enemy*, her life story, published in 1968.

Elly was known for her exemplary generosity, evidenced by her legendary hospitality to thousands of students, community members and international guests over the years. She was an inspiring combination of the biblical Mary and Martha, known for both her love of learning and her joy of feeding guests in her home. She traveled extensively around the world, visiting 80 countries; observing and studying the cultural and historical backgrounds of other peoples, as well as their languages. She also enjoyed reading, writing, embroidery, photography and music.

Elly was predeceased by both of her parents. Her father George was an officer of the Greek Army and her mother Helen lived with her for many years at their home in Berrien Springs until her death in April 1994. Her brother Andreas, who still resided in Greece, died in October 2011. She is survived by her cousin Vasileios Papageorgiou, his wife Charikleia (Stergiou), and their son Dan Paris and daughter Evdokia. A large host of former students, faculty and staff colleagues, and friends will miss her. “Rest well, until the resurrection morning.”

Donations may be made in Elly’s honor to the Elly Economou Endowed Scholarship Fund at Andrews University, c/o Mary Nell Rosenboom, Office of Development, 8903 U.S. Hwy 31, Berrien Springs MI 49104-0660. Online donations may be made at www.andrews.edu/services/development.

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The Architecture Missions Group (AMG) in the School of Architecture, Art & Design led by Martin Smith, assistant professor of architecture and director of AMG, and Melody Johnson, contract faculty, facilitated a trip to the Adventist University of Haiti, Jan. 15–24, 2012. The campus was severely damaged in the January 2010 earthquake. The trip centered around two main projects: restoring the Seminary Chapel and developing a master campus plan. Restoration of the Seminary Chapel will be completed in a few phases with the first phase being rebuilding the front façade. The Seminary Chapel was built in 1955 and is one of the oldest buildings on campus.

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