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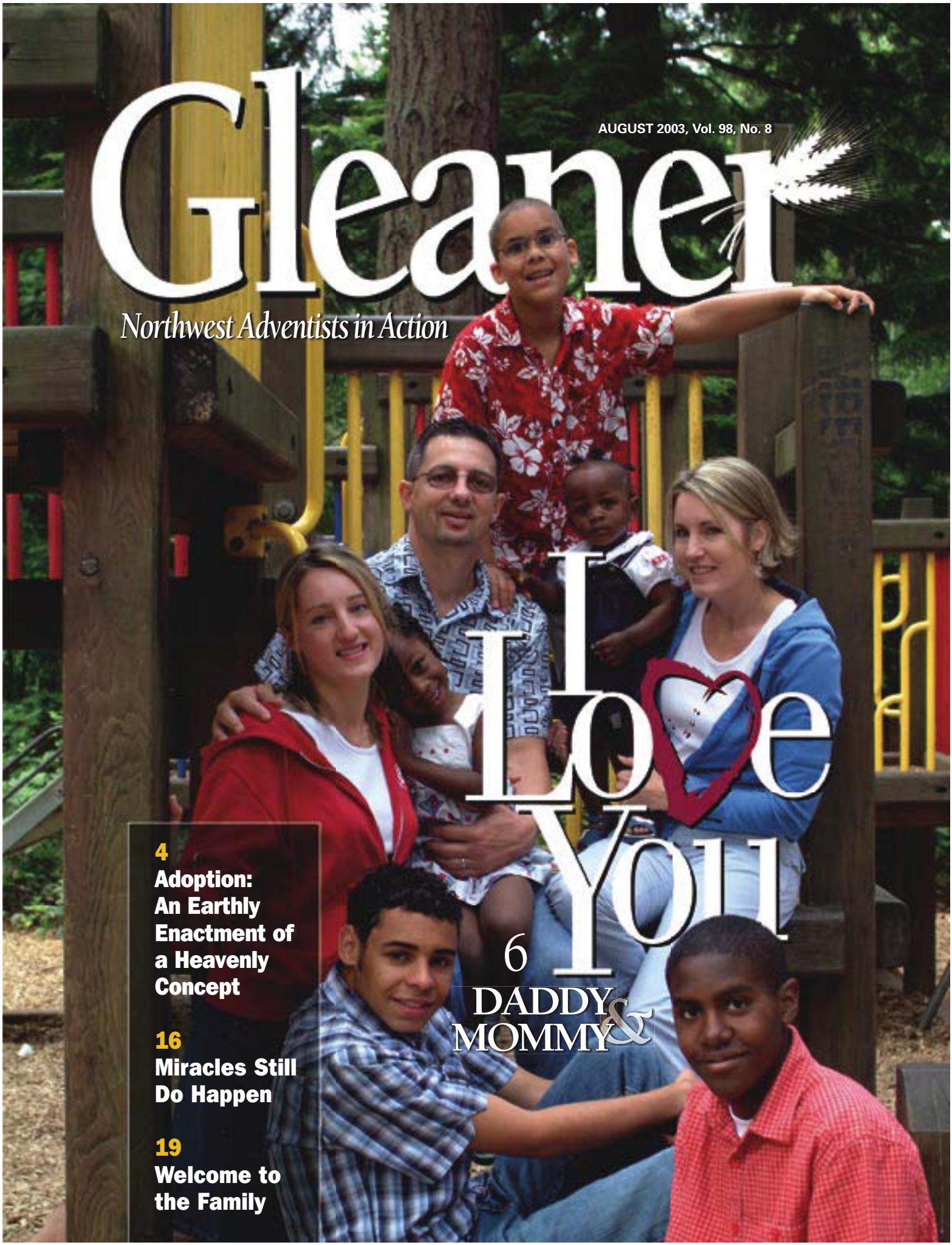
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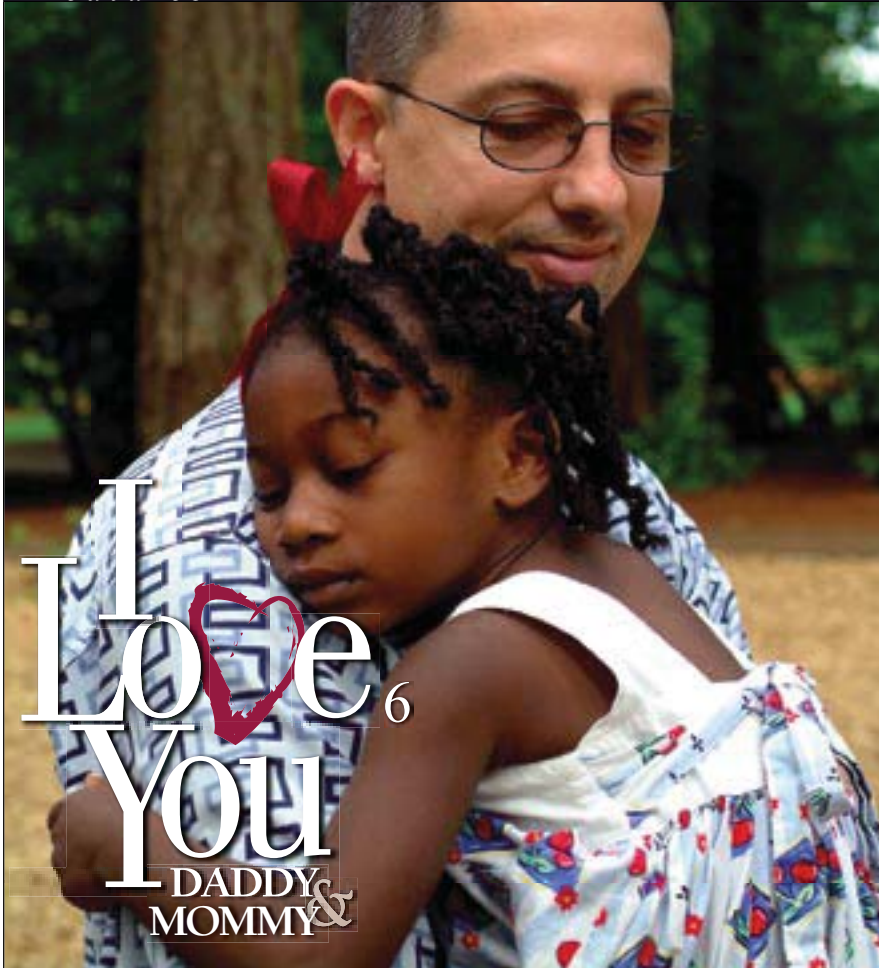


*“How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!
It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion.
For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.”*

PS. 133:1, 3 (NIV)

A little green tree frog poked his head out of a dahlia one early morning, just in time for Ralph Pieuser to snap his picture. Pieuser used a Canon EOS, perched on a tripod, with a 28-135 Canon lens and Fuji Provia 100 film.

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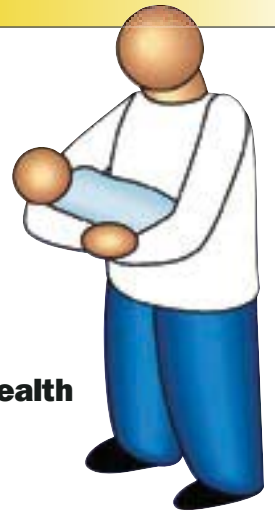
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Adoption

An Earthly Enactment of a Heavenly Concept

B Y J E R E D . P A T Z E R



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Our family will never forget the day in 1985 when we headed to the airport to pick up our new little girl. Two excited “big” brothers stood eagerly in the concourse, one carrying a Cabbage Patch doll and the other a teddy bear. Sue had her camera out and ready while I tried to look like adopting a baby was no big deal. Anxiously we watched as the passengers left the Guatemalan airplane. Finally we saw them: Alcyon and Ken Fleck, founders and directors of International Children’s Care, and that dark-eyed, 17-month-old little pixie we named Carissa. By the time we left the airport she was walking hand-in-hand between her brothers. God was connecting our hearts in a miraculous bond that would last throughout eternity.

Recently the four of us sat and watched as Carissa walked down another aisle. This time she was in an academy graduation gown and for a moment that airport experience seemed not so long ago.

Since Sue and I joined the great adoption fraternity, we have learned that there is an amazing number of Adventist Christians who are personally

involved, in one way or another, with adoption. Actually, we probably shouldn’t be surprised. After all, the Bible tells us specifically that we should take care of the orphans (James 1:27). And Ellen White reminds us that if we do that we will be especially blessed (*Christian Service*, p. 163-4). And then the Apostle Paul tells us that “in love God predestined us to be adopted as His sons [and daughters]...according to His pleasure...” (Ephesians 1:5). That wonderful analogy becomes even more real when a family experiences the joys of earthly adoption.

Our family has learned much in the last 18 years—not just about a little girl that needed a home and a home that needed a little girl. But even more about a heavenly Father that loves us so much that He expanded His cosmic family to include us. He has even let us take His name as Christians. Adoption is truly a heavenly blessing that His earthly children can experience here and now.

As you read the special feature beginning on page 6, I know your heart will be touched. •

Did You Know?

Fun Facts

- Out-of-wedlock births now account for one-third of all births in the U.S.

Source: 2000, National Vital Statistics

- 30 percent of Americans feel that adoption is the most appropriate action for unmarried teens faced with an unexpected pregnancy compared to 8 percent for abortion.

Source: 2000, Wirthlin

- There are between one and two million infertile and fertile couples and individuals who would like to adopt.

Source: 1999, Adoption Factbook III

Pregnant teens:

- are seven times more likely to choose adoption when they receive services that provide counseling and information on adoption to all clients than those who receive services from a program where adoption is not addressed with all clients.

The Best Option



- are six times more likely to choose adoption when parents of teens are included in counseling services.
- are six times more likely to choose adoption when asked to compare their life if they parented with their life if they choose adoption.

Source: 1999, Adoption Factbook III

Adopted adolescent children:

- have high self-esteem, as high or higher than their peers.
- are as deeply attached to their adoptive parents as their siblings who are not adopted.
- have adoptive parents who are strongly attached to them and 95 percent of adoptive parents of adolescent children report strong bond and attachment.
- through their adolescent years have adoptive parents who are 2.5 times more likely to stay married than married couples with children who have not adopted.

Source: 1994, Search Institute



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sunset times customized just for you. Move your cursor over each day, and a new sunset time will automatically appear. It's a great way to stay in sync with the rest of your Adventist family across the Northwest.

I Love You DADDY & MOMMY

BY JULINE BODNAR
AND MERV BEST

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Beginning in the 1950s under the guidance of Le Ellen Bradshaw, Adventist Adoption and Family Services is today a full service adoption agency affiliated with the North Pacific Union Conference. It is now widely known as Christian Family Adoptions, a division of Adventist Adoption and Family Services, providing service to all persons and organizations without regard to sex, color, creed, age, religion or national origin.

“I love you, Daddy and Mommy.” It’s been said that parenting is the toughest job you’ll ever love, but somehow hearing “I love you” makes it all worthwhile. But what

if a family doesn’t have any children, wants more or cannot have any children of their own? Adoption can be one of the answers.

Infant Adoption

Jim and Wendy wanted to

adopt a baby. “We mailed in a pre-application to Christian Family Adoptions (CFA) and received a large application form with many papers to fill out,” they explain. “What a daunting task. We started filling it out and then went back and re-read the cover letter. It said to expect a two- to three-year wait, and we wondered how the Lord would answer our prayer for a little one.”

Wendy received a call from a CFA social worker who wondered if Jim and Wendy had received the application form. Wendy explained that they were considering some other agencies because they were discouraged about the wait. The CFA social worker said they were low on applications from Adventist couples, that a baby girl had been born that morning and would they be interested?

After a very tense and

exciting week during which the detailed application form was completed in record time, Jim and Wendy were holding their beautiful baby daughter in their arms. “It was love at first sight! We named her Jessica Leah-Renee,” Wendy says. “What an awesome experience—we highly recommend it!”

Jessica is almost five years old now and is doing great.

Where Do the Babies Come From?

CFA receives many calls and e-mails each week from young people facing unplanned pregnancies, people desperate to know what to do, what their options are and how to face their friends and family. Our case workers help by educating them on options and walking them through the process—whether they choose to parent or to find an adoptive family for their child.

Take the case of Lori* who

Jim and Wendy with their adopted daughter Jessica. “Jessica is almost five years old now and is doing great. We frequently gaze at her in amazement, wonder and with tears of joy. We marvel at how God answered our prayers.”





With a love for kids, Merv and Dorrie have two “homemade” children and with CFA have added five more through the special delivery of adoption.

found out she was pregnant just weeks after her boyfriend had broken up with her. Through the next few months, Lori weighed the pros and cons of parenting and adoption with a CFA counselor. When Brian,* the baby’s father, expressed an interest in helping her plan for the child, they learned together that 90 percent of teen marriages resulting from a pregnancy fail within the first five



years. Since they had already decided they were not good as a couple, they explored Lori parenting alone.

When faced with the many disadvantages and learning that 70 percent of convicts in prison have been raised without fathers, they wanted more for their child. Though a painful decision, Lori began planning the adoption. She was able to help pick the

family who would love her daughter. Through CFA, Lori and Brian were able to keep in contact with the family and watched their daughter grow into a beautiful, secure and loving young lady.

Special Needs Kids

Special Needs Children (SNAC) are kids in state foster care who are available for adoption. Although many infants make up this group, most are over five years of age and have at least one of the following attributes:

- 1) brothers or sisters waiting for adoption with them,
- 2) physical/emotional/mental challenges, or
- 3) ethnic/racial/cultural minority status.

In Oregon and Washington alone, there are more than 1,200 SNAC children waiting to say “I love you” to a dad and mom! Though much effort is often required, SNAC children can truly be special blessings. Recently, an adoptive father wrote us about his seven children, five of whom came through adoption. Some are boys, some are girls; some are black, some are mixed; some are special needs...all have wonderful and unique stories of God directing them to their adoptive family. His 16-year-old son wrote this about one of their recent “gifts”:

“In July, God brought Karlisha Rose into my family.

Who would have thought that one little two-year-old girl could bring so much noise, clutter, joy and smiles to our home?...It brings me so much joy to hear her sing sweet little songs, and it feels so good when she gives me a chubby-cheek hug. It has been challenging, though, to have a little tyke around the house. She has fits, she screams and she is great at making messes. Fortunately, God has blessed her with four older brothers and one older sister (ages 9-21) who love her just the way she is. I count it a blessing to have been adopted. I have parents that love me and truly care for me. To me, my adoptive parents are my real parents. They are the ones who have invested time and energy into training me and loving me. They are my heroes!”

We’ve All Been Adopted

Paul, in the first chapter of Ephesians, conveys the pleasure that our heavenly Father experiences every time He adopts another son or daughter into His family: “Praise be to God...For he chose us in Him before the creation of the world to be

holy and blameless in His sight. In love He predestined us to be adopted as His sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with His pleasure...”

We at CFA consider it our privilege to direct Christian fathers and mothers into a lifelong commitment of sacrificial and joyful service—the adoption of children into their homes—and to help support and love young people faced with tough decisions as they make the best choice for themselves and their child. •

* pseudonym

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Fresh Start

Silent Night, Holy Conscience

Dr. Frederic Loomis faced the most difficult decision a physician could ever make—whether to allow a deformed baby to live or die. He had only seconds to decide.

Dr. Loomis had delivered hundreds of babies, but this one was different. The infant lay in a breech position, promising at best a difficult and dangerous birth. One of its feet stretched only to the knee of the other leg. Furthermore, it was missing a thigh. The mother, a frail person visiting the sterile delivery room for her first time, was not aware of the grossly deformed child struggling to survive.

Dr. Loomis closed his eyes; at his fingertips squirmed a pitiful creature yet unborn. Would not the most loving thing be to detain the birth long enough to cause the child to be stillborn? He agonized within himself. Will this kid not be considered a freak, a twisted burden to its delicate mother? How can I justify playing a part in such a cruel drama? Surely no one will ever know if I spare this family from inevitable pain.

The doctor, through the baby's cord, felt its heartbeat—dancing in rhythm to his own wildly racing heart. As Dr. Loomis continued to prevent the birth, he felt the normal foot pressing for passage into the world. Suddenly, he could no longer justify “playing God.” Instead, he would trust God to care for this child against

what seemed to be impossible odds. Dr. Loomis delivered the infant into the world, which, he sensed, would be very unkind.

In the years that followed, Dr. Loomis often second-guessed his decision. He watched the anguish of the family as desperate parents sought in vain to find some correction for their child's deformity. Even after they moved away, Dr. Loomis continued to lament the burden that he had saddled upon the family. Their heartache, he often told himself, was his fault.

In time, however, Dr. Loomis would find peace. It came at an unexpected time and place—the hospital Christmas party. Typically, it was during the

holiday season when his pain seemed most severe. He could not shake the image of that unfortunate child from his mind. While the world celebrated the greatest birth ever known,

Dr. Loomis obsessed over the saddest birth he had ever known. At this particular party, the most heavenly music filled the room. The sadness seemed to dissipate as the rich tones of “Silent Night” washed Dr. Loomis' anguished spirit.

Following the

concert, a woman approached him. “Doctor,” she said excitedly. “You saw her?”

Dr. Loomis studied the woman's face, wanting to recognize her but unable to recall the memory. “I'm sorry. I should know you, but you may need to help me.”

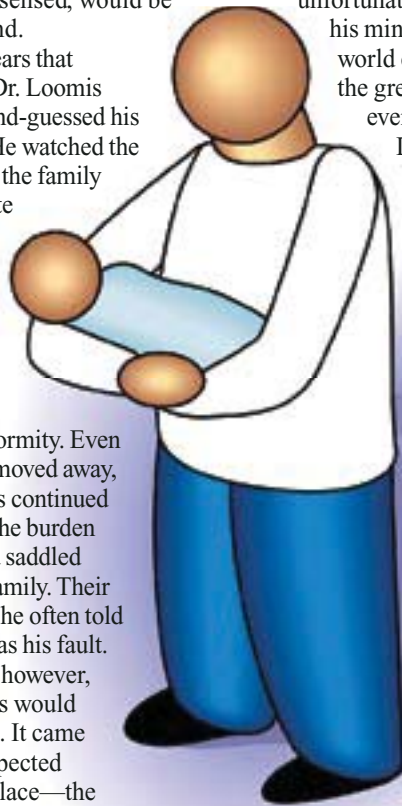
“Don't you remember the little girl with only one good leg, 17 years ago?”

Remember . . . it was the one thing in his life that he couldn't forget! In disbelief, he listened to her story. “That baby was my daughter, doctor. And I saw you watching her play the harp tonight! She has an artificial leg. She's doing well.”

At her mom's bidding, the lovely harpist walked toward them. With sappy eyes, Dr. Loomis enveloped the girl in his arms. “Please,” he said in a tightening voice, “please play ‘Silent Night’ for me one more time.”

The young lady returned to her harp and played his request with poise and perfection. As she played, Dr. Loomis reflected on the incredible gift of life. He thought about the sanctity in every person. And he exhaled 17 years of questions and wondering whether or not it was wise to grant a baby its life. •

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NPUC SCHOOLS

All Seventh-day Adventist schools in the North Pacific Union Conference, including Walla Walla College, admit students of any race to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school and make no discrimination on the basis of race, color, ethnic background, country of origin, or gender in the administration of education policies, applications for admission, scholarship or loan programs, and extracurricular programs.

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Dillingham Adventist School	P.O. Box 969, Dillingham, AK 99576	(907) 842-2496	Lorraine Carpenter	1-8
Golden Heart Christian School	P.O. Box 82997, Fairbanks, AK 99708	(907) 479-2904	Barbara Quaile	1-8
Juneau Adventist School	4890 Glacier Hwy., Juneau, AK 99801	(907) 780-4336	Nancy Linder	1-8
Mat Valley Adventist School	P.O. Box 3229, Palmer, AK 99645	(907) 745-2691	Ken Nelson	K-9
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Adventist Christian Academy	P.O. Box 50156, Idaho Falls, ID 83405	(208) 528-8582	Carrie Tow	1-8
Baker Valley Adventist School	42171 Chico Road, Baker City, OR 97814	(541) 523-4165	Gary Laabs	1-8
Boise Valley Adventist School	925 N. Cloverdale Rd., Boise, ID 83713	(208) 376-7141	Allan Sather	K-8
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Desert View Christian School	P.O. Box 124, Mountain Home, ID 83647	(208) 580-0512	Dannia Birth	1-8
Eagle Adventist Christian School	538 W. State Street, Eagle, ID 83616	(208) 938-0093	David Pitcher	K-8
Enterprise Adventist School	P.O. Box N, Enterprise, OR 97828	(541) 426-8339	Dan Webster	1-8
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Salmon Adventist School	400 Fairmont, Salmon, ID 83467	(208) 756-4439	Mark Law	1-8
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Valley Adventist Christian School	1275 Helena Flats Rd., Kalispell, MT 59901	(406) 752-0830	Jodie Watson	1-8
Valley View Adventist School	264 Highway 200 S., Glendive, MT 59330	(406) 687-3472	Pennie Wredberg	1-8

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Canyonville Adventist School	P.O. Box 1155, Canyonville, OR 97417	(541) 839-4053	Ed Hollister	1-8
Central Valley Junior Academy	31630 SE Highway 34, Tangent, OR 97389	(541) 928-7820	Julia Dewey	K-10
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Clara E. Rogers Elementary School	P.O. Box 428, College Place, WA 99324	(509) 529-1850	Jim Weller	K-8
Colville Adventist School	139 E. Cedar Loop, Colville, WA 99114	(509) 684-6830	Laurie Hosey	K-10
Cornerstone Christian School	P.O. Box 1877, Bonners Ferry, ID 83805	(208) 267-7822	Dennis Shelton	1-8
Countryside Adventist School	W 12209 Coulee Hite Rd., Spokane, WA 99204	(509) 466-8982	Reid McCrary	1-8

School Name	School Address	Telephone	Principal	Gr.
Farmington Adventist School	P.O. Box 187, Farmington, WA 99128	(509) 287-2601	William Hager	1-8
Goldendale Adventist School	P.O. Box 241, Goldendale, WA 98620	(509) 773-3120	To be selected	1-8
Grandview Adventist Jr. Academy	106 N. Elm Street, Grandview, WA 98930	(509) 882-3817	Sandra Olson	1-8
Harris Junior Academy	3121 SW Hailey, Pendleton, OR 97801	(541) 276-0615	Leonard Quaile	K-10
Hermiston Junior Academy	1300 NW Academy Lane, Hermiston, OR 97838	(541) 567-8523	Tom Maher	K-9
Lake City Junior Academy	111 Locust Ave., Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814	(208) 667-0877	Twila Brown	K-10
Milton-Stateline Adventist School	53565 Crockett Road, Milton Freewater, OR 97862	(541) 938-7131	David Gillham	K-8
Mission Native American School	46576 Mission Road, Pendleton, OR 97801	(541) 276-6530	Sandra Burrows	1-8
Moses Lake Adventist School	1601 W. Valley Road, Moses Lake, WA 98837	(509) 765-4632	Ray Cummings	K-9
Mountain View Adventist School	7799 Nahahum Canyon Rd, Cashmere, WA 98815	(509) 782-1499	Nancy VonBergen	1-8
Omak Adventist Christian School	P.O. Box 3294, Omak, WA 98841	(509) 826-5341	Jennifer Hoffpauir	1-8
Palouse Hills Adventist School	3148 Tomer Street, Moscow, ID 83843	(208) 882-0350	Jim Drake	1-8
Peaceful Valley Christian School	32084-D Hwy. 97, Tonasket, WA 98855	(509) 486-4345	June Graham	1-8
Pend Oreille Valley Adventist Sch.	33820 Highway 41, Oldtown, ID 83822	(208) 437-2638	Earl Brockman	1-8
Sandpoint Junior Academy	2255 W. Pine Street, Sandpoint, ID 83864	(208) 263-3584	Donivan Andregg	1-10
Silver Meadow Adventist School	P.O. Box 208, Kingston, ID 83829	(208) 682-4983	Laurinda Toews	1-8
Spokane Junior Academy	1505 W. Cleveland, Spokane, WA 99205	(509) 325-1985	Don Bryan	K-10
Spokane Valley Adventist Sch.	1603 S. Sullivan Road, Veradale, WA 99037	(509) 926-0955	Pat Frey	K-9
Tri-City Junior Academy	4115 W. Henry, Pasco, WA 99301	(509) 547-8092	Anthony Oucharek	K-10
Upper Columbia Acad. Elem. Sch.	3025 E. Spangle-Waverly Rd., Spangle, WA 99031	(509) 245-3629	Paul Jenks	1-8
Valley Christian School	270 Mission Road, Thorp, WA 98946	(509) 964-2112	Jeff Wallen	1-8
Whispering Winds Adventist Sch.	5384 Rd. K N.W., Quincy, WA 98848	(509) 787-4982	Sandra Burrows	1-8
Yakima Adventist Christian School	1200 City Reservoir Road, Yakima, WA 98908	(509) 966-1933	William Hinman	K-10

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Auburn Adventist Academy	5000 Auburn Way South, Auburn, WA 98092	(253) 939-5000	Keith Hallam	9-12
Orcas Christian School	P.O. Box 669, Eastsound, WA 98245	(360) 376-6683	Roger Worley	1-12
Puget Sound Adventist Academy	5320 108 Ave., NE, Kirkland, WA 98033	(425) 822-7554	Doug White	9-12
Baker View Christian School	5353 Waschke Road, Bellingham, WA 98227	(360) 384-8155	Anthea Ratliff	K-8
Buena Vista Elementary School	3320 Academy Dr., SE, Auburn, WA 98092	(253) 833-0718	Gregg Wahlstrom	K-8
Burien Adventist School	14237 Des Moines Way S., Seattle, WA 98168	(206) 246-8433	Sue Keating	K-8
Cedarbrook Adventist School	P.O. Box 460, Port Hadlock, WA 98339	(360) 385-4610	Carol Klontz	K-8
Cedarhome Christian School	28505 68th Avenue NW, Stanwood, WA 98292	(360) 629-5340	Sherri Seibold	1-8
Cypress Adventist School	21500 Cypress Way, Lynnwood, WA 98036	(425) 775-3578	Lowell Dunston	K-8
Enumclaw Adventist School	P.O. Box 950, Enumclaw, WA 98022	(360) 825-3735	Bruce Schmidt	K-8
Forest Park Adventist School	4120 Federal Avenue, Everett, WA 98203	(425) 258-6911	Jim Beierle	1-8
Grays Harbor Adventist School	1216 State Rt. 12, Montesano, WA 98563	(360) 249-1115	Kerry Tretheway	1-8
Kirkland Adventist School	5320 108 Avenue, NE, Kirkland, WA 98033	(425) 822-7554	Doug White	K-8
Kitsap Adventist School	5088 NW Taylor, Bremerton, WA 98312	(360) 377-4542	Rita Callahan	K-9
Lewis County Adventist School	2104 S Scheuber Rd., Chehalis, WA 98532	(360) 748-3213	Keith Lindsey	K-10
Morton Adventist School	P.O. Box 819, Morton, WA 98356	(360) 496-5468	Carleen Jones	1-8
Nelson Crane Christian School	904 Shaw Road, Puyallup, WA 98372	(253) 845-5722	Richard Wilson	K-8
Olympia Christian School	1416 26th Ave NE, Olympia, WA 98507	(360) 352-1831	Gerry Buckner	K-9
Poulsbo Adventist School	1700 NE Lincoln Rd., Poulsbo, WA 98370	(360) 779-6290	Jerry Sage	1-8
Sequim Adventist School	255 Medsker Rd., Sequim, WA 98382	(360) 683-6170	Larry Arnott	K-9
Shelton Valley Adventist School	W. 201 Shelton Valley Rd., Shelton, WA 98584	(360) 426-4198	Tracey Gaver	1-8
Skagit Adventist School	530 N. Section St., Burlington, WA 98233	(360) 755-9261	Terry Lee	K-10
Sky Valley Adventist School	200 Academy Way, Monroe, WA 98272	(360) 794-7655	Lori Roberts	1-8
Snoqualmie Valley Christian School	P.O. Box 939, Fall City, WA 98024	(425) 222-5194	Frank Gorney	K-8
Whidbey Christian Elem. School	31830 SR 20, Oak Harbor, WA 98277	(360) 675-4412	Anita Reed	1-8

Los Milagros todavía existen

POR RAFAEL ORDUÑO

El crecimiento del trabajo Hispano en el Noroeste es gracias a que sus miembros comparten las buenas nuevas con



La Iglesia Hispana de Salem fue inaugurada y dedicada el 7 de Junio de 2003.

sus familiares, amigos y compañeros de trabajo. Así como sus pequeños grupos han crecido y se han convertido en grandes congregaciones, también crecen sus necesidades de edificios de adoración adecuados. La familia de

Don Livesay, el presidente de la Conferencia de Oregon, presenta una placa de apreciación a Glenn y Viola Walters por sus regalo hacia la Iglesia Hispana de Salem. Ramón Canals, Director Ministerial de la Conferencia de Oregon, traduce el servicio al español.

Glenn y Viola Walters ha visto esa necesidad y han sido un instrumento de Dios en la compra y construcción de cuatro iglesias dentro de la Conferencia de Oregon.

Hillsboro

Cuando el Pastor Eliseo Orozco y su esposa, Priscilla, llegaron a Hillsboro en Octubre de 1988, vio una iglesia en venta cuyo edificio era viejo y estaba sin terminar. Cada vez que el pasaba por allí, le decía a los que estaban con él en el automóvil que algún día sería la iglesia de ellos. Realmente necesitaban una iglesia, pero no contaban con los fondos para comprarla.

Un tiempo después el pastor Orozco escuchó que había alguien en la zona que tenía los medios para ayudarlos Glenn y Viola Walters, miembros activos de la iglesia de Forest Grove. Glenn iba a ayudar en otro proyecto, pero Viola le dijo, “¿Por qué no ayudas a la Iglesia Hispana?”

Glenn ofreció ayudarlos en la compra del edificio para la iglesia. Le pidió que los miembros de iglesia junten algo de dinero y que él les daría dos dólares por cada dólar que ellos juntaran. La iglesia estaba en éxtasis y se sintió realmente bendecida. La iglesia pidió prestado dinero de los fondos de la North Pacific Union Conference (Unión del Noroeste Pacífico) y los otros fondos se dividieron en tres partes bastante parejas, entre la Iglesia Hispana de Hillsboro, la Conferencia de Oregon, y Glenn y Viola Walters. Este fue el comienzo de una nueva era para el trabajo de los hispanos en Oregon.

En Marzo de 1991, la Iglesia Hispana de Hillsboro compró el edificio que aun tienen en la actualidad. Esto nunca hubiese sucedido si Dios no hubiera tocado los corazones de Glenn y Viola Walters para ayudarlos a comprar esa propiedad. No hay duda que el Señor estaba





La Iglesia Hispana de Forest Grove cuenta con instalaciones para grabar y transmitir por video los cultos desde su hermoso santuario.

detrás de todo esto. Desde ese día, la Iglesia de Hillsboro siguió creciendo y se llenó casi inmediatamente.

Forest Grove

La idea de construir un edificio para la Iglesia Hispana en la comunidad de Forest Grove se originó en los corazones de Glenn y Viola Walters. Ellos han pasado la mayor parte de sus vidas operando un Negocio de Nursería en esta área. Durante muchos de esos años ellos emplearon alrededor de 400-500 trabajadores hispanos. Los Walters reconocieron que su negocio no podría haber sido tan exitoso de no ser por todos estos leales empleados hispanos. Cuando su negocio se vendió, Glenn y Viola quisieron ayudar financiando la construcción de una hermosa iglesia para la comunidad adventista hispana en el área. Su objetivo era dar gloria a Dios y proveer un edificio para el avance del evangelio dentro de la comunidad hispana.

El lugar de cuatro acres para la construcción del edificio fue comprado el 28 de Septiembre de 1998. Inmediatamente después de la compra, se limpió el terreno, y se comenzó el

proceso de realizar los planos del edificio y de obtener los permisos necesarios para la construcción. La Conferencia de Oregon dio también aprobación absoluta a los Walters y se comprometió a cubrir los costos de los permisos para la construcción y las gastos de las revisiones de los planos por el arquitecto hasta cumplir con los códigos legales locales.

El proyecto comenzó en Julio de 1999, y la construcción continuó en forma pareja. Glenn actuó como superintendente de la construcción y Viola actuó como contadora y decoradora de interiores, poniendo incontables horas de su tiempo. Los Walters no solo pagaron por el terreno, y el costo del edificio de 33,000 pies cuadrados, sino que también proveyeron los muebles, equipamiento y los instrumentos musicales, como también un magnífico órgano de tubos electrónicos.

La iglesia ha sido provista con el equipo necesario para conectarse al satélite de Loma Linda y televisar en casi todo el Oeste los programas y servicios vía satélite.

El santuario tiene una capacidad de hasta 600 personas. El salón de

recibimiento puede acomodar a 400 personas sentadas alrededor de mesas. Si se usa la capilla juvenil y el hall de recibimiento, su capacidad sería de un total de 1,100 personas.

McMinnville

Hace aproximadamente 15 años atrás, un grupo de hermanos hispanos comenzaron a reunirse en el comedor de la iglesia Adventista Americana de McMinnville, Oregon. Un poco de tiempo más adelante tuvieron que trasladarse a otro lugar debido al crecimiento del grupo y esta vez fue el gimnasio de la Escuela Adventista de McMinnville donde permanecieron por 12 años. Luego, debido a remodelaciones en el edificio debieron dejar la escuela y volver al comedor de la iglesia Americana. Pero esta vez debido al crecimiento de ambas congregaciones no

Cristiana (First Christian Church).

Desde sus mismos comienzos, el grupo Adventista ha realizado muchas actividades para levantar fondos pro-templo. Sin embargo por mucho que se hacía era insuficiente para adquirir un edificio de adoración debido al costo y escasez de templos en McMinnville.

Pero el Señor vio la aflicción de su pueblo y obró a través de los hermanos Glenn y Viola Walters quienes donaron los fondos para la compra de una iglesia. La propiedad consiste en un bloque completo de ciudad y está ubicado estratégicamente en el corazón de McMinnville y cuenta con un santuario con capacidad de 150 personas y espacio para expansión. Cocina y comedor con capacidad para 200 personas, oficina pastoral y cinco aulas.

Es por esto que el



La Iglesia Hispana de Hillsboro fue la primera iglesia hispana que proveyeron los Walters.

podían adorar juntos debido a la falta de estacionamiento por lo que se vieron en la necesidad de buscar otro lugar de adoración y encontraron el edificio de la Primera Iglesia

grupo Adventista Hispano glorifica al Señor y agradece profundamente a los hermanos Glenn y Viola Walters por su disposición al haber donado los fondos para la compra de

este edificio. La Conferencia de Oregon también cumplió un rol muy importante al brindar todo su apoyo y dirección,



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La congregación de la Iglesia Hispana de McMinnville dedicará su nuevo templo en Diciembre de 2003.

facilitando la compra de esta propiedad. La dedicación del edificio está programada para el 13 de Diciembre de 2003.

Salem

Algunas familias salieron de Woodburn en 1992 para formar el núcleo inicial de la iglesia hispana de Salem. Con el empuje del líder Magoo Estrada, el pequeño grupo creció y ya para 1998 se reunían casi 100 personas. Necesitaban un templo y con grandes esfuerzos ya habían ahorrado \$60,000. Con el aumento de precios en bienes y raíces las posibilidades eran pocas; pero el Señor tenía algo especial para ellos y los condujo a una linda propiedad de cinco acres sembrada con cerezos.

Cuando el dueño supo que

Los Walters están construyendo un gimnasio ubicado entre las iglesias hispanas y americanas de Forest Grove para servir tanto a esas iglesias como también a la Iglesia Hispana de Hillsboro.

era para una iglesia, aceptó darla por tan sólo \$150,000. Aún así era mucho dinero, y los líderes del grupo, conociendo la generosidad de los Walters, decidieron contactarles con alguna esperanza. El Sr. Walters desafió a los líderes de la iglesia a duplicar cualquier cantidad de ofrenda que lograran alcanzar y les dio solo 10 días de plazo.

Algunos miembros cancelaron sus viajes internacionales para ver a sus familiares, algunos niños vendieron sus bicicletas, y ahorros familiares de años se volcaron en el proyecto. Con la ayuda del departamento hispano de la Unión del Noroeste Pacífico, los miembros lograron tener mas fondos y los Walters les proveyeron del dinero faltante.

Pero el trabajo recién comenzaba. Todas las cerezas que produjo la nueva propiedad se vendieron para juntar dinero pro-templo. Luego se cortaron los árboles y la maleza para alistarlos para la futura construcción. Luego se ahorró más dinero y se comenzaron las primeras averiguaciones serias de construcción y permisos. Pero aun se necesitaba más dinero.

Los miembros siguieron adelante puramente por fe, recordando que si Dios los guió hacia esa propiedad, seguro El supliría los medios para la construcción del

edificio porque el Señor no hace las cosas a medias.

Se hicieron los planos del edificio y se echaron los cimientos con poca visibilidad en cuanto al futuro de la construcción.

Fue entonces cuando la familia Walters hizo una generosa donación a la Iglesia Adventista Hispana de Salem.

Once años después, el sueño se hizo realidad, y la nueva iglesia se inauguró el 7 de Junio de 2003, con una membresía de más de 300 fieles.

La generosidad continúa

La familia Walters no solo vio las necesidades espirituales de los creyentes hispanos de Oregon al ayudarlos a construir sus iglesias, sino que también ha visto el futuro de la iglesia, al construir un nuevo gimnasio para los jóvenes tanto en las iglesias Americanas como Hispanas de Forest Grove, incluyendo la iglesia de Hillsboro.

La dedicación de los Walters nos muestra que los milagros todavía existen cuando estamos dispuestos a invertir nuestro tiempo, dinero, almas y corazones en trabajar para el Señor. •

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Bienvenidos a la familia

Cada congregación nueva necesita un pastor. Recientemente, tres pastores nuevos han venido al Noroeste. El departamento Hispano de la Unión del Noroeste Pacífico les da la bienvenida a estos pastores y a sus familias.

Ricardo Cabero, Alaska

Ricardo Cabero, pastor de la Alaska Conference, comenzó su ministerio como secretario ministerial y evangelista de dos conferencias y tres uniones de la División Sudamericana. Ha sido profesor de teología bíblica en la Universidad Adventista del



Ricardo Cabero es el Pastor de las iglesias hispanas de Anchorage y Kodiak.

Brasil y de teología aplicada en el Seminario Adventista Latinoamericano de Teología (nivel de post-grado). Sirvió como pastor y evangelista en las conferencias de Texico y Kansas-Nebraska. Su esposa, Elena, lo acompaña en su ministerio, con quien tiene tres hijos: Ricardo, Rolando y Michael.



Roger Hernandez es el pastor de la iglesia hispana de Hillsboro, Oregon.

Roger Hernandez, Oregon

Roger Hernández nació en Cuba en 1967. Como su padre y sus dos tíos eran pastores, pudo seguir de cerca esta profesión, a la cual fue llamado por Dios. Está casado con Katherine Hernández, una profesora con un masters en el ministerio juvenil. Ellos tienen dos hijos, Vanessa, 7, y Jonathan, 5. Ha trabajado en la Conferencia de Potomac por 10 años, donde tuvo el privilegio de tanto plantar como ser pastor de seis iglesias hasta aceptar el llamado para trabajar en Oregon en la Iglesia Adventista Hispana de Hillsboro. Sus pasiones en el ministerio son grupos

pequeños, plantación de iglesias, y adoración adecuada. Katherine tiene una gran pasión por los adolescentes, y ha dedicado su vida al desarrollo de líderes adolescentes. Dios ha bendecido su ministerio y ellos alaban a Dios por todo lo que Él está haciendo en Hillsboro.

David Paczka Adame, Upper Columbia

David Paczka Adame nació en la Ciudad de México. Estudió la licenciatura en teología en la Universidad de Montemorelos y obtuvo su título en teología en 1994. Contrajo matrimonio con Maricela Pérez en 1993 y tienen dos hijos, Alex, 5, y Alan, 2.

Inició su ministerio en 1994 en la Ciudad de México en los distritos de Moctezuma, Villa Coapa, Mixcoac y Narvarte.

Recibió una invitación en el año 2001 para trabajar en la Conferencia de Upper Columbia para trabajar allí, donde se ha desempeñado como pastor atendiendo las iglesias hispanas de Moses Lake, Othello y Pasco. •

Por Rafael Orduño



David Paczka, con su esposa, Maricela, y sus hijos, Alex y Alan, es el pastor de las iglesias hispanas de Moses Lake, Othello y Pasco en la Conferencia de Upper Columbia.

BIENVENIDOS A LA FAMILIA

Adventistas Hispanos en el Noroeste

Iglesias Hispanas:

42 sin incluir las numerosas compañías y grupos.

Pastores Hispanos: 29

Miembros Hispanos: 6,828

IGLESIAS POR CONFERENCIAS:

Alaska: 1

Idaho: 4

Montana: 1 grupo

Oregon: 11

Upper Columbia: 14

Washington: 11

Miracles Still Do Happen

BY RAFAEL ORDUÑO

The growth of the Spanish work in the Northwest is nothing short of amazing as Adventist members share the good news with their family members, friends and co-



The Salem Spanish Church was opened and dedicated on June 7, 2003.

workers. As small companies of believers have grown into large congregations, so has their need for adequate church buildings in which to worship. Sensing the need and grateful to their Hispanic employees for their dedicated service, the family of Glenn and Viola

Don Livesay, Oregon Conference president, presents a plaque of appreciation to Glenn and Viola Walters for their gift of the church building to the Salem Spanish congregation. Ramon Canals, Oregon Conference associate ministerial director translates the service into Spanish.

Walters has been instrumental in the purchase or construction of four churches within the Oregon Conference.

Hillsboro

When Elder Eliseo Orozco arrived with his wife, Priscilla, in Hillsboro, Oregon, in October 1988, he saw an old church building that was unfinished, for sale and located in the center of Hillsboro's Spanish-speaking population. Every time Eliseo passed by, he would tell those with him that one day it would be their church. They needed a church badly, but they didn't have the funds to purchase it.

Then Eliseo heard of someone in the area who had the means to help the church. Glenn Walters, an active church member in Forest Grove, owned and operated the Glenn Walters Nursery. Glenn was planning to help in another project, but his wife, Viola, asked, "Why don't you help the Spanish Church?"

Glenn offered to give two

dollars for every dollar the church raised. Members were ecstatic and felt blessed.

The church borrowed money from the North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) revolving fund, and the other needed funds were received through the Hillsboro Spanish Church, the Oregon Conference and the Walters. A new era began for the Spanish work in Oregon.

The Hillsboro Spanish Church was purchased in 1991. This never could have happened had God not moved upon the hearts of Glenn and Viola. There is no doubt that the Lord was behind the project. From that day forward, the Hillsboro Spanish Church grew and was immediately filled.

Forest Grove

The idea of building a church for the Hispanic Adventists in the Forest Grove community originated with the Walters. They have spent most of their lives operating





The Forest Grove Spanish Church features fully equipped video facilities to record and transmit services from their beautiful sanctuary.

a thriving nursery business in that area, employing more than 400 Hispanic laborers. The Walters recognized that their business could not have been as successful had it not been for the blessings of God and their many faithful Hispanic employees. Upon the sale of the nursery, they decided to help in the construction of a beautiful church for the Hispanic Adventists in the Forest Grove area. Their objective was to glorify God and to provide a facility for the advancement of the Gospel within the Hispanic community.

The four-acre, blackberry-covered building site was purchased in 1998. Immediately after the purchase, the land was cleared and the process to obtain building plans and numerous permits began. From the outset of the project, the Oregon Conference gave full approval to the Walters and agreed to cover the cost of building permits and the expense of plan revisions to comply with local building codes.

Ground was broken in July 1999, and construction progressed with Glenn as superintendent of construction and Viola as accountant and interior

decorator. The Walters not only paid for the land and all the building costs for the 33,000-square-foot church but also provided all furnishings, equipment and musical instruments, like the magnificent electronic pipe organ.

The church has equipment to link with the Loma Linda Broadcasting System, which provides programs and services via satellite. The sanctuary seats 600, and the fellowship hall accommodates 400. Utilizing the youth chapel and fellowship hall for overflow, the total seating capacity is approximately 1,100.

McMinnville

Approximately 15 years ago, a small group of Hispanic believers started gathering in the fellowship room of the McMinnville (Oregon) Adventist Church. The group grew so large, they moved to the McMinnville Adventist School gym, where they remained for 12 years. A remodel of the gym forced a return to the church fellowship room, but both the English- and Spanish-speaking congregations had grown, and they did not have sufficient parking space. Once again,

they were forced to look for another place of worship and were welcomed at the First Christian Church.

From the beginning, the group organized many fundraising activities to buy their own building. But no matter how hard they tried, the donations were not enough to buy a church building due to the high costs of construction and the lack of churches for sale in McMinnville.

But the Lord saw the need of His people and impressed the Walters to donate the necessary funds to buy a church building. The property is strategically located in the heart of McMinnville and includes the entire block. The sanctuary accommodates 150 people, and there is room for later additions. It also has a kitchen and a fellowship room for 200 people, a pastoral office and five classrooms.

This is the reason the McMinnville Hispanic group

Amazing miracles still happen when we are willing to invest our time, money, hearts and souls in God's work.



The Hillsboro Spanish Church was the first of the Hispanic churches that the Walters family provided.

praises the Lord continuously and thanks the Walters for their willingness to donate their funds for the acquisition of this building. The Oregon

Conference has also played a role by giving their support and direction in facilitating the acquisition. The church dedication is scheduled for December 13, 2003.

the Walters and contacted them for help. Glenn challenged the church leaders to raise more funds in just 10 days.

Members cancelled international trips to see loved

construction. But they still needed more money.

They continued in faith, remembering that if God had led them to the property, He surely would provide the building. The architectural plans were finished and the foundation was poured with no certainty about the future of the actual construction.

The Walters family again made a generous donation to the Salem Hispanic Church. Finally, eleven years after the original group had formed, the dream became a reality. The new sanctuary was inaugurated on June 7, 2003, with a membership of more than 300 people.



The congregation of the McMinnville Church will dedicate their newly purchased church in December 2003.

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Salem

Several families left Woodburn in 1992 to form the nucleus of the Salem Hispanic group. Thanks to the vision and energy of the group leader, Magoo Estrada, this small group grew and by 1998 had almost 100 members. They needed a church and, through sacrificial efforts, they were able to save \$60,000. As they looked for land to build their church, they realized how expensive the properties were. But the Lord had something special planned for them: five acres with cherry trees.

When the group explained to the owner their need to build a church, the owner reduced the price to \$150,000—still a lot of money for the group. They heard about the generosity of

ones, some children sold their bicycles, and family savings were given in order to reach the amount that was needed. With some assistance from the NPUC Hispanic department, members came up with the additional funds requested by the Walters, who also then gave funds to make possible the building for the church.

But the hard work had just begun. The cherries produced on the property were sold to raise more money, then the site was cleared for construction. More funds were raised, and the members started to ask about the permits and

The Giving Continues

The Walters not only saw the spiritual needs of the Hispanic believers in Oregon, but they have also seen to the future of the church by building a new gymnasium for the youth of the Forest Grove English and Spanish churches as well as the youth of the Hillsboro church.

The Walters' dedication shows that amazing miracles still happen when we are willing to invest our time, money, hearts and souls in God's work. •

Located mid-way between the Forest Grove Spanish and English speaking churches, the Walters family is building a gymnasium to serve both churches as well as the Hillsboro Spanish Church.



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Welcome to the Family

Every growing or new congregation needs a shepherd. Recently, three new pastors have come to the Northwest. The North Pacific Union Conference Hispanic department welcomes these pastors and their families to the joys of service.

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biblical theology at Brazil Adventist University as well as applied theology for the Latin-American Adventist Theological Seminary (post-graduate level). He has served as a pastor and evangelist in the Texico and Kansas-Nebraska conferences. His wife, Elena, accompanies him in his ministry, and they have three children—Ricardo, Rolando and Michael.



Roger Hernandez is the pastor of the Hillsboro (Ore.) Spanish Church.

Roger Hernandez, Oregon

Roger Hernandez was born in Cuba. Since his father and two uncles are pastors, he had a close look at the ministry and was later called by God. He is married to Katherine, a teacher with a master's in youth ministry. They have two children—Vanessa, 7, and Jonathan, 5. He worked in the Potomac Conference for 10 years, where he was privileged to plant and be the pastor of six churches. Then he accepted a call to work in Oregon at the Hillsboro Spanish Church. His

passions in ministry are small groups, planting churches and relevant worship. Katherine has a passion for teens and has dedicated her life to reaching and developing teen leaders. God has blessed their ministry, and they praise God for all He is doing in the Hillsboro Church.

David Paczka Adame, Upper Columbia

David Paczka Adame was born in Mexico City. He studied at the University of Montemorelos and obtained his degree in theology in 1994. He married Maricela Perez in 1993 and has two children—Alex, 5, and Alan, 2.

He started his ministry in 1994 in Mexico City in the Moctezuma, Villa Coapa, Mixcoac and Narvarte districts.

He received an invitation in 2001 to work in the Upper Columbia Conference, where he pastors the Moses Lake, Othello and Pasco Hispanic churches.

Ralph Orduño



David Paczka, with his wife, Maricela, and sons, Alex and Alan, pastors the Moses Lake, Othello and Pasco Hispanic churches in the Upper Columbia Conference.

FAST FACTS:

Hispanic Adventists in the Northwest

Hispanic churches: 42 (not counting numerous companies and groups)

Hispanic pastors: 29

Hispanic members: 6,828

CHURCHES BY CONFERENCE:

Alaska: 1

Idaho: 4

Montana: 1 group

Oregon: 11

Upper Columbia: 14

Washington: 1

ALASKA PATHFINDER CAMPOREE 2003

Packing sleeping bags and uniforms, swimwear and Bibles, bug dope, but no flashlights, 65 Pathfinders and staff from Palmer and

Anchorage took the short boat ride across Flat Lake to Camp Tukuskoya near Wasilla, Alaska, for Alaska Pathfinder Camporee 2003 in June.

Rick Silvestri, Carmichael Church (Sacramento, Calif.) youth pastor, provided the Pathfinders with inspirational campfire songs and messages. Activities included completion of the sand honor, teamwork to complete an obstacle course in record time, and the challenge to build a two-person boat from one 4x4 piece of plywood, a bag of balloons, four milk jugs and one life jacket.

Alaska Pathfinder clubs are busily raising funds to attend the North American Division



Alaska Pathfinders stand at attention during flag raising ceremonies Sabbath morning at Alaska Pathfinder Camporee.

Faith on Fire Camporee scheduled for August 2004 in Oshkosh, Wis.

Why no flashlights? In the Land of the Midnight Sun, they simply are not needed in June! •

John Kriegelstein

Far North Camp Meeting

Nearly 150 Adventists made their annual camp meeting trek from relatively nearby interior Alaska towns to Harding Lake Campground a few miles southeast of North Pole, Alaska, to enjoy a weekend with a Sabbath of approximately 22 hours of sunshine, shared friendship and food, and the spoken word.

From the bright red and yellow meeting tent emanated the smell of citronella candles to ward off the mosquitoes, the sounds of singing and the voices of Bible characters such as Joseph and Paul's scribe, Tertius, enacted with stage props and full costume by Jere Wallack from Adventist Communication Network as part of his series, "Victors via Grace."

Following Sabbath potluck, the crowd gathered around the edge of the lake to witness the baptisms of Sigorney Moore and Aurora Tully, two students of Golden Heart Christian School, the Adventist school in Fairbanks. •

John Kriegelstein



Tertius, Paul's scribe, is played by Jere Wallack of Adventist Communication Network during Alaska's interior camp meeting held at Harding Lake southeast of Fairbanks.



Alaska Pathfinders employ teamwork to untie a barrier while tied wrist-to-wrist during Alaska Pathfinder Camporee.

VOLUNTEERS DO A NUMBER ON THE VALDEZ CHURCH

A volunteer work crew from far-flung places descended on the beautiful Prince William Sound city of Valdez, Alaska, in May to replace the leaking roof on the local church. Through skill, teamwork and generosity, the old roof came off, new and better insulation

was applied, and a new metal roof installed in record time. Church and community

members joined the visiting team to make a long-needed dream become reality.

The out-of-town volunteer crew paid their own way and hailed from North Dakota, Washington, Tennessee and Maryland. •



From Left: Andy Anderson, Sheldon Fisher, Dennis Brown, Larry Goodhew, (project foreman), Jacquie Goodhew, Len Lucas, Jerry Smith, Paul Worden and Glen Mills assisted in reroofing the Valdez church.

PROJECT LINUS *Idaho Pathfinders Make Quilts*

Idaho Conference Pathfinders took on a special Share Your Faith project last year—Project Linus. Glenda Sackett, Snake River Valley coordinator, organized the project with Donna Aten, Boise-area chapter leader. Project Linus is a volunteer organization that provides “love, a sense

afghans, lovingly created by volunteer blanketeers,” according to its Web site, www.projectlinus.org.

Sackett had been working with Project Linus and introduced the project at Biblefest in November, encouraging clubs to get involved and start making quilts.

In February, she rounded up several sewing machines, and kids had a chance to work on a quilt at the Pinewood Derby. Some cut blocks, others decorated squares, some sewed the blocks together and others helped with tying quilts. Several quilts were finished that day.

This year’s project was completed at the Pathfinder fair in May. Each year, clubs decorate booths to illustrate the year’s theme through service. This year, quilts covered almost every booth. In all, 50 quilts were made



Glenda Sackett, Donna Aten and a fellow blanketeer show off some of the quilts made by Pathfinders for Project Linus.



The Homedale Hawks’ booth represented the theme, “Close to Christ,” and displayed some of the quilts they worked on.

of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, homemade, washable blankets and

and donated. Each Pathfinder, Adventurer, TLT (Teen



Members of the La Grande Blue Mountain Rangers in front of their booth.

Leadership Trainee) and staff member who participated will receive a Project Linus patch for their sash.

Project Linus has become a Share Your Faith activity that will continue in Idaho. There’s nothing like a special blanket that says love and comfort to a child in need. •

Eve Rusk, Idaho Conference communication administrative assistant

GEM STATE ACADEMY

Senior Graduates as Merit Scholar

Smiles were everywhere as Gem State Adventist Academy (GSAA) celebrated the graduation of 35 of its finest and brightest. In the midst of these marched Jacque Giem, newly awarded National Merit Scholar.

To celebrate the occasion, Giem’s friends made and distributed T-shirts to her friends and family with an “i” added to Gem to read, “Giem State Academy, it’s a state of mind.”

“We are very proud of Jacque and her

accomplishments,” said her parents, Ross and Jodi Giem. “We have always encouraged her to be involved.”

To qualify as a National Merit Scholar, students must score high on the PSAT during their junior year, then prove their good grades and involvement in their schools and communities. Only 800 students in the United States are awarded the honor.

In addition to fulfilling these requirements, 18-year-

old Jacque Giem participated in the real-life work program at GSAA as an intern at Christian radio station



Will Mason and Brandon Loucks wearing celebration T-shirts flank Jacque Giem, who graduated from Gem State as a National Merit Scholar.

KTSY-FM, located on the academy campus. She also leads out in Pathfinders and church activities.

As a National Merit Scholar, Giem will receive a \$2,500 scholarship from Modine Manufacturing and have her pick of colleges, most of which will award her a full four-year scholarship. Giem is considering a career in school counseling and is planning to attend Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich. •

Debra McCarver

WOMEN OF KALISPELL

Create an Educational Fellowship Circle

This year the women of the Kalispell (Mont.) Church decided to foster an educational fellowship circle that would also interest women in the community. Once a month, an informal, hands-on workshop is given by an “expert” from the church.

The first month featured vegetable sculpting, resulting in an edible bouquet of vegetable creations on sticks. Next, ladies were treated to a sumptuous array of homemade breads, in addition to a breadmaking demonstration and recipes to

make the delicious edibles at home. Another month’s topic was healthy picnic foods.

Feeling optimistic that spring was coming soon despite snows and freezing temperatures, May’s activity focused on herb gardening. A professional gardener employed by a local greenhouse described the herbs she had brought and gave tips on how to make them happy and prosperous at home. Attendees were even able to purchase plants with the hope of planting them outdoors before June.

While learning new



The women of Kalispell’s Fellowship Circle learned about growing herbs during May’s meeting.

skills, guests are treated to light refreshments in nicely decorated surroundings. The Kalispell women have found this to be a wonderful way to enjoy Christian fellowship, to

learn and share hobbies, and to invite non-Adventist friends to feel comfortable in the church while meeting new people. •

Lori Fisher

MISSION FIELD IN GLASGOW, MONTANA

Are you ready to move out of your familiar surroundings and do some real missionary work for the Lord? Montana Conference has just the place for you!

Glasgow is a small, agricultural community of about 3,000 in the Missouri River country of northeastern Montana. Situated on the Milk River, Glasgow is the county seat of Valley County. Fort Peck Dam on the Missouri River is only 25 miles away and forms Fort Peck Lake, with 1,500 miles of shoreline and an abundance of fishing and water activities. Businesses in town support

We desperately need youthful ideas and energy to bring back our younger members and to spread God’s message to our town.

agriculture, sports and other areas of interest.

Glasgow has three levels of school—elementary, junior high and high school. The area has low rental rates and houses for sale are very reasonable. The cost of living in the county is quite affordable. Best of all, Glasgow is full

of wonderful, hard-working people.

The Adventist church in Glasgow holds about 100 people and has facilities for all ages of Sabbath School classes. This lovely little church has four bathrooms, two showers, a new kitchen and facilities for bedrooms.

The membership is officially 42, but there are very few attending. The average membership age is in the 70s and most of them live 10-35 miles outside of Glasgow. This makes witnessing difficult. We desperately need youthful ideas and energy to bring back our younger members and to spread God’s message to our town. We need missionaries—folks to move here and take time to know the people and our community.

For more information, call the Montana Conference at (406) 587-3101. •

Arlene Fisher

TURNINGPOINT Church Plant in Roseburg

On the first Sabbath of 2003, TurningPoint Community Church held its initial “prelaunch” worship service in Roseburg, Ore. What a joyful experience it was as more chairs were set up to accommodate an attendance of nearly 70 people, including a dozen who hadn’t been attending church previously.

This day was long awaited as some in the core group had begun studying the possibility of starting a church plant about three years before. Dreams were stalled by several external conflicts but the little group never gave up. Finally a year and a half later, with blessings from their pastors, the group began meeting as often as two times weekly for prayer and study and to plan a church plant. Eventually, having received the blessing of the mother congregation, a new seed was planted and abundantly blessed. The Lord provided a school facility rent-free for six months, as well as a sound system and talented people to join the ministry team.



The TurningPoint Church meets in a school gym with a core group of talented and dedicated people.

By the fifth Sabbath service, there was standing-room only with more than 90 people in attendance, including 30 “target” people. Fortunately, the school gymnasium was available for services and with dividers and greenery, it is transformed each week into a sanctuary.

About 122 people

joined together to celebrate TurningPoint’s official public launch on June 7. Numerous newspaper and radio spots had invited the community but, almost without exception, those attending had received personal invitations as well. The launch service included a variety of talents. The

worship team led songs of praise, the school-age youth (TruthTrackers) performed a skit about the Good Samaritan and the children’s choir sang. Phil Vasseur, pastor, presented a message of God’s acceptance put to action in community, and Scott LaMert, representing the Oregon Conference,

led a dedicatory prayer. The short Friendship Cup social time was followed by Bible study classes for all ages. A delicious fellowship lunch allowed all to share and learn from each other.

“You won’t find a bunch of flawless people here,” says member Jane Maritz, “but you will find a flawless God who can draw us together, flaws and all, into a community that shines with His love.”

Besides Sabbath worship services, men’s, women’s, and young adult groups and programs, the praise team and other small groups, TurningPoint members take part in servant/kindness evangelism events. They give away items or perform a service for others for free along with sharing a connection card that reminds all that “God’s love is free!” Giving away 100 coupons for free gas, handing out cold drinks at stoplights or flowers at the mall, and washing cars for free are a few of the awesome events they’ve experienced. People are blown away that it really is for free and often begin asking the questions members love to answer: Who are you? Where do you meet? Why would you do something like this for me?

Church planting doesn’t happen overnight, and it is easy to get discouraged when things move slowly but TurningPoint’s story reminds us that everything is possible in God’s own time. •

Susan Woods with Judy Neal and Jane Maritz

Members of the newly planted TurningPoint church in Roseburg, Ore., give out free drinks as an outreach to the community.



SEMINAR BRINGS THREE TO EUGENE KOREAN CHURCH

Eugene (Ore.) Korean Church baptized three young people at the close of its *New Beginnings* Bible seminar in May.

Because many of the church members are comfortable in both Korean and English languages, the *New Beginnings* seminar materials were presented by David Kim, pastor, in English and were translated into Korean for each meeting.

At the close of the seminars, Timothy Lee, Judy Lee and David Lee (no relation to each other) were baptized at Island Park in Springfield, Ore., in the cool waters of the



Baptismal candidates (holding flowers) Judy Lee, David Lee, and Timothy Lee (no relation) with their families and pastor David Kim, who officiated.

Willamette River.

Each came from Adventist backgrounds, and their faith and spirituality grew as they studied for baptism and attended the seminars. The new members expressed at their baptism that they will use their personal gifts in positive ways.

The members of the church are grateful to God for the three young people and for the opportunity of hosting a Bible Seminar, and they look forward to providing more gospel-presenting events. •

David Kim

EVANGELISM THROUGH ROMULO'S EYES

Holding up a four-inch celery stick on a fork, Romulo Tuballes asked, "What do you call this?" Corleen Johnson and I had taken Romulo to eat at Izzy's Pizza in Bend, Ore., following the Christian Women's Retreat in October.

The Oregon Conference women's ministries department brought Romulo to learn evangelism in Oregon after meeting him at an evangelistic series in the Philippines. At the retreat, Romulo described what happened after that series. Now local women's ministries meetings develop and present the cottage evangelism

meetings. Three series led to 121 baptisms. More than 100 additional series are planned with money raised at the October retreat. And he wanted to learn evangelism from us?

Romulo's tireless energy during his week-long visit amazed us. He talked about God's goodness at all the churches we visited. He learned "tips" from Alf Birch, retired Oregon Conference president, and met Mary Necker, who sponsored him to go to college in 1972.

At Tillamook Adventist School, he took pictures of the kids and library (his wife is a

school librarian) and heard the wonderful story of how God blessed after a fire destroyed the school.

One church we visited donated funds toward a church in Romulo's home city of General Santos. Someone else donated five sets of Matthew videos in all five Philippine dialects. "They will think it amazing Jesus is speaking to them in their language," he said. Many other items were donated, funds are still coming in and more is needed. Romulo hopes that the evangelistic effort will extend to Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam.

"I would like to be able to edit the *New Beginnings* DVDs and put in my language," he told Larry Witzel, director of the It Is Written Digital Media Group. The international version will be out this year, allowing Romulo to do just that.

As we rounded the hill from Oceanside to Cape Meares, Ore., he exclaimed, "You are blessed....Now you have a responsibility!" Indeed, we must use our blessings and fulfill our responsibility to take Jesus to the world. •

Diane Pestes

VANCOUVER CHURCH BREAKS GROUND

The weather was nothing to sing about on May 4, 2003, but hardy members of the Vancouver (Wash.) Church sang anyway. Huddled under umbrellas, they raised their voices in heartfelt praise and gratitude as they broke ground for a new church. At the signal, each shovel dug in and mighty shouts of “Amen, praise the Lord!” resounded from every corner of the grounds.

The journey to this day started more than a decade ago, when members began planning expansion of their church home on East Reserve Street to better serve the congregation and the community.

When they submitted their plans to city officials, they learned the old church and property would need significant work to be brought up to current code before building plans would

be considered. Estimates began at \$600,000.

Over several months of prayer and deliberation, the decision was made to sell the property and build on a new site. God led marvelously in this project, opening and closing doors and hearts. At one prayer meeting, members prayed for dirt. Within the week, they had \$200,000 worth of dirt and grading completed for \$6,000. Those who gathered on May 4 knew without doubt that this was God’s project.

The ground breaking was held even though the church still had not received a building permit. “We are stepping out in faith,” said Dave Allen, head elder. The building permit has since been issued and construction has begun. •

Louise Craig



With umbrellas and faith, Vancouver members brave the wet weather to break ground for their new church.



Church organist, Fern Ringering, poses with the church’s original organ.

GLADSTONE PARK’S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Gladstone Park (Ore.) members celebrated 25 years in their current church building on May 3, 2003. Sabbath morning services included Sabbath School presentations by early graduates of the Oregon City Church School and a choir performance conducted by 83-year-old Jack Just. Bruce Johnston, former early member and retired North Pacific Union Conference president, presented the sermon.

An afternoon program of music and memories reviewed the history of the church. “We are gathered here this afternoon to recall God’s leading in the past 25 years,” said Paul Johnson, senior pastor, during his welcome. “But we do not

want to ignore the history prior to our being in this building.” Events reviewed during the afternoon included the establishment of a small company in Oregon City in 1876, various church sites, the church school on the campgrounds, Rivergate School and buying the current property.

The program concluded with Bob Durbin, an original member and construction person, who looked up at the ceiling and smiled, “Do you see that board and nail looking down at you? That was where I did some carpenter work. May we continue to glorify God in this edifice is my prayer!” •

Richard Cook, Gladstone Park Church communication leader

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

At Portland Adventist Academy

Students at Portland Adventist Academy (PAA) find recreation and enjoyment in a variety of extracurricular activities while learning to strive for excellence and giving joy and inspiration to others.



PAA Chorale singers, from left: Laurie Fund, Jared Wolcott and Leah Swope at an area church performance.

Drama

A new drama course emerged from PAA's drama club, which performed two major productions this year, C. S. Lewis' "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" and Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing." Parents donated funds and made costumes.

According to Jeanne Johansen, director, the coming year will include spiritual plays, such as a revision of the drama "Laudamas," performed in area churches.

Johansen believes that practical Christian values,

inspiration and Biblical principles can be better taught by adding action to the visual and audible word. Students also learn discipline as they gain performance skills.

Music

Another example of excellence is the consistent achievement of the music department, headed for many years by Linda Neel. Year after year, the music groups take top honors in state competitions.

Records since 1988 show that the band earned state championships in their division for six consecutive years and in three succeeding years and placed second for six other years. In 2001 and 2003, the band placed fourth in their division, lacking only two points to rate in the top three, according to Neel.

The band played for noteworthy occasions such as the 1996 Olympic torch ceremonies and the 2002 opening of the Oregon state senate. Several individual instrumentalists have won state honors, and two or three musicians are selected to play in the biennial Walla Walla College Festival of Bands.

The PAA chorale placed in either second or third place

Tyson Haynes shows his joy when told by Linda Neel, music director, right, that he has won the John Philip Sousa trophy for musical excellence.

Some of the performers in "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" were, from left: James Stafford, Jared Wolcott, Amy Chambers, Loren Hoover, Laura Chambers and Kristy Giles.



From left: Brian Cooper, Becky Johnson, James Stafford and Matthew Sexton portray a scene from Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing."

from 1993 through 1999. Neel says the chorale will continue its outreach presentations, including performances in area churches and Christmas concerts at the Grotto and

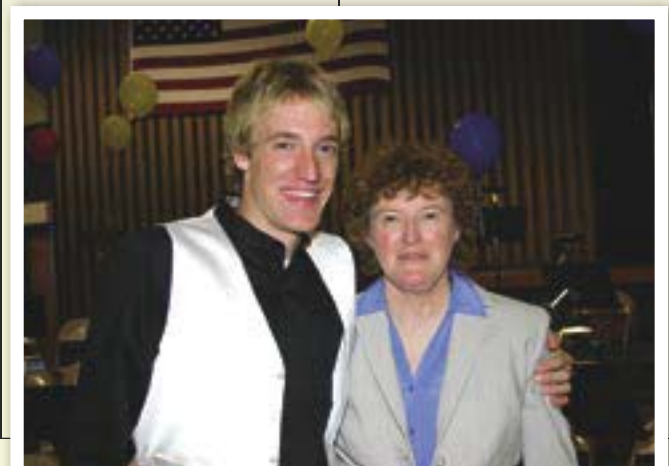
for grieving families at a Gresham, Ore., funeral home. They also sing for the East Portland Chamber of Commerce, at downtown Portland's Pioneer Place and at other public locations.

Sports

Both girls and boys participate in soccer, basketball, golf, softball and cross-country running at PAA. Besides having fun, improving their physical health and learning discipline and teamwork, they meet students of other small private and public high schools within the Northwest League.

This year, the PAA Cougars won the league basketball championship but did not play in the state tournament because no accommodation for Sabbath was made for them. The team was accommodated only twice in recent years, and they won the championship game played after sundown Saturday night one of those years. •

Lorraine Juberg



Just Because

Third and fourth graders in my room at Meadow Glade Elementary have been busy “baking up a storm.” My classroom inherited five bread makers from the previous teacher to use however I saw fit. I wanted to incorporate the bread makers into the classroom in a useful and productive way.

As a class, we discussed several things we could do with the bread once it was made, and one idea stood out among the rest. The class decided to make “mission bread.”

Starting in January, each week 10 students were able to make a loaf of bread, and then the next week 10 more students would participate so that each student was making a loaf of bread every other week. The parents donated ingredients and each child followed the recipe on his or her own. Once the bread was baked and cooled, the students bagged it and twist-tied it shut.

Their mission was to give the bread to a new person each week and let them know they were loved and appreciated and that God loves them, too. Many lives were touched by this project including neighbors, grandparents, aunts, uncles, teachers and parents.

The students were excited every time it was their week to make bread, and their hearts were touched each time they were able to give a loaf of bread to someone else “just because.” •

Krista Patchin, Meadow Glade Elementary third- and fourth-grade teacher



Living Last Supper

When high school students at Lincoln City Adventist School re-enacted the Last Supper, they packed the church two nights in a row—and made the front page of the local newspaper! “We wanted to reach out to the community,” says Phil Rand, English teacher. “The play gave us a simple, dramatic way to do this as we told the story of Jesus.” •

Greg Brothers



LENTS CHURCH DEDICATES YOUTH

Speaking at the seventh annual Youth Transition Dedication Sabbath, April 5, Lents (Portland, Ore.) Church youth Michelle Wilson said, “Servanthood is living for Jesus, conforming to His will from the heart.”

Fellow youth Aaron Linfoot added, “The Lord looks on the heart. Look on the hearts of our youth.”

In a candlelight ceremony, Ashley Wilkening introduced each of the dedicated young adults, and youth leader Jean Aguilar shared their personal attributes. Gary Bullard, pastor, presented

commemorative certificates to each one. He reminded the congregation of the importance of mentoring and supporting our youth

to help them know Jesus. A prayer of affirmation closed the transition ceremony. •

Wilma Luizzi



Gary Bullard, Lents Church pastor, presented commemorative certificates to, from left: Aaron Linfoot, Pat Wanbaugh, Michelle Wilson, Mirna May, Altagracia Martinez, Maria Rivas, Kenny Veres, Jodi Harvey and Chareesa Aguilar.

CAA KNOWLEDGE BOWL TEAM

Upholds Tradition of Excellence

Columbia Adventist Academy has had an active Knowledge Bowl team for nearly twenty years, and for the sixth consecutive year the

Kingery: "We get to go to other schools and witness."

No, she isn't suggesting that team members give Bible studies, but through good sportsmanship, friendliness and excellence, Columbia's students are recognized for all the right reasons.

Columbia has consistently had one or more teams place high enough to compete at the regional level. Columbia's Varsity 1 team not only walked away this year as Columbia Gorge League varsity champions against much larger schools, but also carried home first place at the regionals with the Division IV high score during that meet.

Each of the past six winning years, an invitation to compete on Saturday at the state competition has been extended to the team. Columbia students graciously shake the hands of the second-place team as they decline to play on Sabbath.

Other coaches marvel that Columbia consistently outscores much larger schools. Those who know why Columbia does not compete at the state competition also know that Columbia students walk away with much more than knowledge. They make choices based on their convictions. And they have fun! •

*Virlys Moller,
Knowledge Bowl coach*



Geoff Cannard, AJ Ferguson, Justin Evans (in the tree), Staci Kingery and Jeff Johnson, are members of the Columbia Adventist Academy Knowledge Bowl varsity team.

varsity team walked away at the end of the season with first place in its league's regional competition. That feels good to its members, who have practiced many hours to have the quick reflexes and body of knowledge necessary for such consistent results. What also feels good was expressed by varsity member Staci



CAA sophomores became certified scuba divers by demonstrating their skills in an open-water dive.

CAA SOPHOMORES

Become Certified Divers

Most of the sophomores at Columbia Adventist Academy (CAA) took a class in scuba this school year. Biology teacher Tom Lee and physical education teacher Erich Knipschild were the faculty sponsors.

On their scuba trip for certification, CAA divers went to Mike's Beach Resort in Hood Canal. The first day everyone got ready, making sure that all their gear was there and in good working order. The second day students made two dives to demonstrate skills learned during the class. On the second day of diving, students made two final dives, the first to demonstrate skills learned and the final as a tour of the area. Divers encountered crabs, urchins, sea stars, sculpins and other marine life.

After the final dive, an underwater victory dance celebrated their qualifying as open-water divers. An award ceremony was held before returning to CAA.

It was exciting for the students to be there with their friends and see all the marine life. "It was a lot of fun being able to breathe under water. I definitely want to keep on diving," student Kevin Russell stated enthusiastically. •

Lori Funk



GRAND OPENING FOR COLLEGE PLACE ABC

For many years conference leaders and constituents have realized the inadequacies of the Adventist Book Center (ABC) building in College Place, Wash. All of this changed on April 27, 2003, with the dedication and grand opening of a new ABC building located across the street from the old store.

Nearly 150 people gathered on a beautiful Sunday morning to dedicate the new structure, which also provides offices for the development director and College Place trust services officer for Upper Columbia Conference

(UCC). Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union Conference president, and Max Torkelsen II, UCC president, a College Place official and the manager of the ABC gave short speeches as part of the big event. Several mentioned that the primary purpose of the building is to provide services to members in the southern portion of UCC.

"The building was completed free of debt," says Wayne Searson, UCC trust services director. "The monies came from the ABC, properties that were gifted to the Upper Columbia

Corporation for this type of project and the Upper Columbia Conference."

Some of the expense of the building will be offset by not having to rent office

space for the trust services and development personnel as well

as income from the rent of the old ABC store.

The new ABC branch store provides three times more space for retail sales than the old store. With this added space, there is a greater selection of Bibles and Spanish materials, as well as couches for reading and visiting. To increase the non-Adventist use of the store, Kate Gotch, the ABC branch coordinator, plans to offer Bibles at a 20-percent discount for several years.

"Already the public has commented on the improvement," says Herman Schreven, ABC manager. "They especially appreciate the comfortable and relaxing atmosphere of the store and the 30 parking spaces."

Several former College Place ABC branch coordinators, including Maxine Rogers who served in that capacity for 28 years, publishing representatives, former ABC managers and many others were on hand for the dedication and grand



Conference and union leaders and a College Place official, Benard Yanke, at the ribbon cutting for the new ABC and office building in College Place, Wash.



From left: Herman Schreven, current ABC manager, with former managers Bill Skidmore and Doug Sayles.

opening. Many commented on how the new building is a nice addition to the town of College Place and represents the Adventist church well to the community. •

Doug R. Johnson



The new ABC bookstore and trust and development office building in College Place.

Baptism at Otis Orchards

Family and friends added their support to the five baptismal candidates who joined the Otis Orchards Church on May 17.

Each of the four girls were assisted in their baptism by a personal friend who helped lead them to Jesus: (from left) Brenna Strine by her mother Linda; Katy Lidell by Louanna Henderson, head deaconess; Fawn Schutt by Laura Huggins, youth leader; Kayla Lidell by best friend Fawn Schutt. Mary (Mickey) Brostrom was also baptized by Willard Santee, Post Falls and Otis Orchards district pastor. •

Willard L. Santee, district pastor



CAMP MEETING FOCUSES ON SPIRITUAL GROWTH



Max Torkelsen II, Upper Columbia Conference president, speaking at the Sabbath afternoon mission program.

improvement comes only as a result of a daily relationship with God.

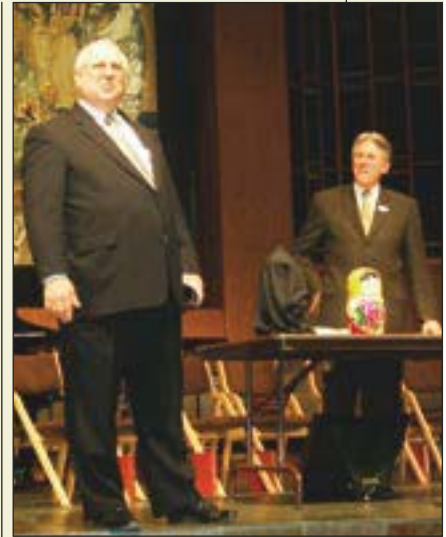
Don Schneider, North American Division president, spoke at both the Friday evening meeting and the Sabbath worship service. He related fascinating stories that illustrated how knowing Jesus changes people's lives. On Sabbath afternoon, Schneider coordinated a mission program that spotlighted several creative ministries in the UCC as well as others around the world.

In previous years, seminars took place throughout the week while Sabbath afternoon was reserved for special programs in the College Church. Breaking

with this tradition, a number of seminars were offered on Sabbath afternoon that attracted larger-than-expected crowds. Nearly 700 people rushed back from lunch to attend seminars on health, witnessing, the Bible and relationships.

Max Torkelsen II, the recently re-elected UCC president, spoke on Sabbath evening followed by a concert featuring recording artist Steve Darmody. As in previous years, pastors and volunteers provided excellent meetings for children and youth that made camp meeting a special experience for all ages. •

Doug R. Johnson



Don Schneider and Torkelsen leading out in the afternoon mission program at the Upper Columbia Conference Camp Meeting.

The theme for the recent Upper Columbia Conference (UCC) Camp Meeting in College Place highlighted the miracle of spiritual growth. Both keynote speakers emphasized that spiritual

UPPER COLUMBIA

WHAT IS PRAYER? *YACS Student Writes Winning Essay*

The National Day of Prayer was celebrated May 1 around the nation as well as in Yakima, Wash. Yakima Adventist Christian School (YACS) students, along with public and private students in the Yakima Valley, were invited to participate by each writing an essay, "What Prayer Means to Me." This year the overall winner was Saul Dominguez, a sixth grader at YACS and member of the Wapato Spanish Company. Saul was invited to participate in the celebration

by reading his essay at the Yakima National Day of Prayer gathering at Sarg Hubbard Park.

What Prayer Means to Me

"Prayer is very important to me. When I pray there are no interruptions, there are just God and I. Prayer is a time I can express my feelings to God and talk to Him. Just talking one on one with God, I feel like He is right next to me and listening to me. The room I'm in fills with God's love and



Saul Dominguez was Yakima Valley "What Prayer Means to Me" essay winner.

kindness. I have my personal devotion when I'm on my knees. I'm giving my life to Him everyday when I pray, and I'm honoring Him, too."

This is the second year that YACS has participated in the National Day of Prayer, and this year the school produced the overall essay winner as well as the first place winner in the fifth grade category, Amelia Junt. •

Susan Bailey, YACS administrative assistant

SHINE, BABY, SHINE

Public University Students Learn to Light Up Their Campuses

Two dozen students from the Pacific Northwest's public universities traveled to Central Washington University (CWU) for Shine NW 2003 to learn to light things up. The one-day series of seminars and outreach activities attracted leaders and students from three states.

The Kittitas County churches and CWU's Adventist student fellowship, Agape Club, hosted the gathering at the Ellensburg, Wash., campus. "We started a club and all kind of questions came to mind," explained John Solomon, local pastor. Three speakers came to answer those questions—John Cress, David Hunter and Doug Venn.

One on One

"Students are amazingly open to new ideas and less prejudiced against the idea of God than we would imagine them to be," said Cress, College Church (College Place, Wash.) associate pastor. "Still, they've got all kinds of things competing for their attention."

While group events are useful ways to plant ideas in a large number of people, the one-on-one relationship is critical, Cress said. For most Christians, it was another human being that became their friend and introduced them to Christ. A small group, if it is authentic, can be a great way to meet people and lead them to a relationship with Christ.

Agape Club is moving in that direction, according to Jennifer Tindall, club president and graduate student in education. "We've done some small fun stuff," Tindall said. "The emphasis of the club is changing to include a smaller family community style—getting to know each other, making friendships instead of events....It's about going out and really showing people your heart."

One Percent

"College students are called the powerful one percent," said Hunter, a campus ministry specialist with the international Campus Crusade for Christ. "If you win that one percent, you can influence the world for Christ." Hunter spoke on how his group reaches that one percent and how to make disciples of them.

"Public campus ministry goes back a ways in this conference," said Richard Parker, Upper Columbia Conference youth director. "I think that we need to pay a lot more attention to the public campus ministry, not only for the Adventist students there, but the non-Adventists. It's a great mission field."

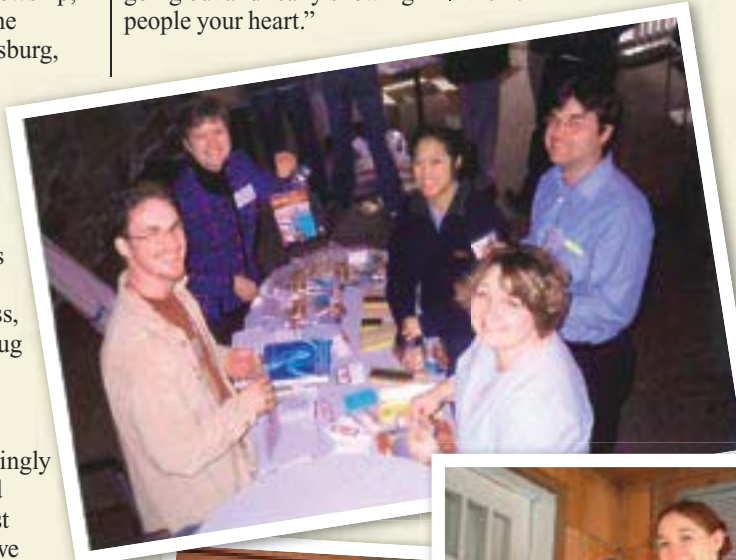
On the Street

In between lectures, attendees tried some real-world evangelism door-to-door. "Showing God's Love in Practical Ways" was the theme, said Venn, WSU and University of Idaho campus pastor. One hundred nine-volt batteries were given away in minutes. Hundreds of Christian music albums donated by the Upper Columbia Conference were also given away that afternoon.

"At first it was scary, but most of the people were very receptive," said Leah Kelley, a junior business major and the Adventist student group president at Oregon State University.

Kelley said she learned what her club could do and made contacts with other campus ministry leaders. She plans to return next year. "I would encourage people to think about public campus ministry more because there's a lot of people to be reached," she said. •

*Will Koenig, with
E. Douglas Venn*



Students visiting from various secular campuses in the Northwest went door to door in neighborhoods near Central Washington University, talking to residents and giving away packages containing either a battery or a music CD and an invitation to attend the local Adventist church.

HISPANIC CONGREGATION GRANTED CHURCH STATUS

Sabbath was a day of rejoicing when the Hispanic congregation of the Brewster (Wash.) Church was granted full church status on April 26 and 64 baptized adults and youth signed the book as charter members.

There to celebrate with recollections was the first pastor, Jeremias Miguel, with wife Sofia. The exciting day included a sermon by Max Torkelsen II, Upper Columbia Conference president, and dedicatory prayers by various conference and local officers and leaders.

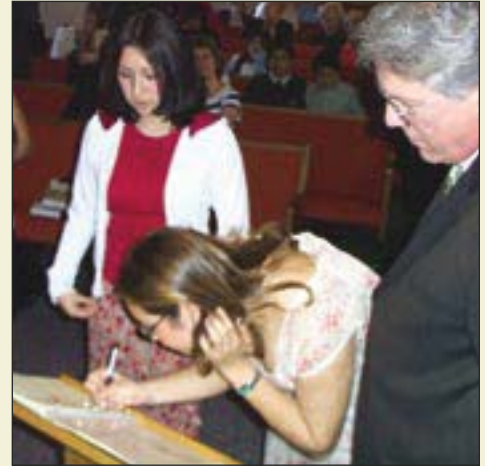
As members gathered to sign the charter, Juanita Mejia was recognized as the first convert baptized during the church's beginnings. She helped the group honor their first Brewster pastor with a framed picture presented to the Miguels, recently retired in Texas.

The congregation and visitors shared a fellowship

potluck feast at the school gym before a group broke away to sing favorite hymns with the residents of Hillcrest House, an assisted living home.

The newly organized Hispanic church, though appreciative of sharing space with the English congregation, is now intent on getting its own building in the near future. •

Verona Schnibbe



Juanita Mejia, the first Hispanic baptized at the Brewster Church signed her name as a charter member of the newly organized Hispanic church. Max Torkelsen II, Upper Columbia Conference president, looks on.



Members of the Brewster Hispanic Church rejoiced as their congregation was granted full church status on April 26.

UPPER COLUMBIA

RUSSIAN ADVENTIST CHURCH IN SPOKANE

Our society is rich in extraordinary individuals, whose energy and outstanding gifts awaken the hearts of people. One of those people is the pastor of the Russian Church in Spokane, Wash., Vladimir Titkov.

Two years ago, he came to Spokane at the invitation of the Upper Columbia Conference to establish a Russian church. He was one of the best pastors of Russia, a man of deep biblical knowledge and a very intelligent, educated and talented teacher.

For two years, Titkov has been leading the Spokane

church and has ministered to prison inmates. His family helps with services and opened a Christian music school for kids and adults from different denominations. The pastor's whole family works to strengthen the church and help it grow.

Most refugees from the former Soviet Union belong to Baptist or Pentecostal denominations. The way to the true meaning of Jesus' teaching is very hard,

The Titkov family, from left: son-in-law Vadim, daughter Svetlana, wife Svetlana, pastor Vladimir, son Vladimir, daughter Lidiya, son-in-law Andrey.

especially for those who have already learned some dogma and have strong family and church traditions, customs and ties. Some have been instructed by their pastors to not come into contact with the Adventist teaching under the threat of ruining their business and families and being expelled from the church.

Work in the church is Titkov's joy and pain—joy because the church is growing and gains strength, and pain because the growth isn't as fast as he would like. But he doesn't lose faith. •

Claudia Borvanova, Lyudmila Rodinova and Svetlana Suslova



Dominican Republic Mission Trip Skagit Adventist School

Seven students and four adults from the Skagit Adventist School in Burlington, Wash., went to the Dominican Republic during spring break to help build a church and a school. They also conducted a Vacation Bible School, played games with the kids, taught English and played basketball.

The students shared some of their experiences with the North Cascade Church on two different Sabbaths. They described the heat and humidity, heavy traffic, ice cream that was the highlight of the day and water fights. They found the people to be friendly and nice. Most reported that their faith was strengthened by the experience. According to student Alleigh Regan, she learned to “expect the unexpected.”

Another trip is scheduled for July and will include some public and home school students. •

Pat Mehler



BLOSSOMING IN THE SON

Washington Women's Spring Day Event

The fourth annual Washington Women's Spring Day Event was held on April 13 at Grace Community Church in Auburn. More than 400 women were encouraged by the speakers to “Blossom in the Son.”

In the morning, Lucille Ball gave principles and illustrations on how to deal with relationships. She said if followed, these principles lead to peace. Women can then become all that God wants them to be. Ball holds a doctorate in clinical psychology with an emphasis in individual and family psychology, as well as a master's in marital and family therapy. She has been a therapist for many years and

is a forensic psychologist in southern California.

In the afternoon, Linda Dianne Crimes-Penick challenged us to keep Christ in our hearts, keep God as our guide, listen to the Holy Spirit and be transformed daily by the Transformer. She has been an education professional for more than 30 years and

is the women's ministries director for the Pacific Union Conference. Her personal ministry, “Woman of Wholeness,” was founded more than 12 years ago.

During the day, the women were also blessed by inspirational music, including song services and special music. A lunch break

and afternoon dessert break provided time for the ladies to visit. Many had invited family members, friends or neighbors.

After the event, several women expressed that they had enjoyed the fellowship, the inspirational music and the encouragement and motivation from the speakers.

The next Washington Women's Spring Day Event will be held April 17, 2004, at Grace Community Church—a lovely facility with gracious, helpful hosts. This is a great opportunity to attend and invite someone to enjoy the day with you. •

Ruth Jennings

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PSAA and Kirkland Elementary Receive New Activity Bus

Puget Sound Adventist Academy (PSAA) and Kirkland SDA Elementary (KSDA) had a big surprise in May when the long-awaited activity bus arrived two months early.

The new 25-passenger bus is the product of the fund-raising auction in the spring of 2002. Donations to PSAA brought in additional funds, and proceeds from the KSDA magazine sale last fall also helped cover the cost. Dan Luce and Matt Meeks, PSAA/KSDA bus committee members, worked hard to negotiate a price from locally-based Koelsch Coaches that fit the budget.

The bus will be used for outreach days, field trips, tours, winter ski program, class trips, athletic events and more.

Students celebrated the arrival with a dedication ceremony and a prayer by Doug White, PSAA/KSDA principal. •

Kathy Fridlund



GOD, THE MASTER QUILTER

Bellevue Celebrates Women's Ministries

Can you take a timeless hobby and find in it relevance for today's women? Bellevue (Wash.) Church members emphatically say, "Yes!" They celebrated women's ministries on Sabbath, June 7, by focusing on a theme uniquely appropriate to women: quilting.

A valued part of women's heritage, quilts provide a way of creating beauty and comfort from scraps and worn clothing while working together in sisterhood.

Deana Waters from Greenlake Church presented "The Pieces of My

Life," showing her great-grandmother's antique quilt and drawing life lessons from quilting.

A unique Scripture reading put together by Marilyn Cramer related the process of quilting to the work of God, the Master Quilter, as He designs the pattern and fits together the pieces of our lives so that we can serve and bring comfort to others. The verses were read by women and girls standing at various points around the sanctuary, among them two mother-daughter pairs and one four-generation family.

In a video interview, 88-year-old Elsie Kvande of the Shoreline (Wash.) Church told of making as many as 250 quilts a year for the past four years for Project Linus. The organization distributes the quilts to shelters for children and families in crisis and to children who are patients at Harborview Burn Center and Children's Hospital.

"How God Has Quilted Me" was the theme of two short sermons by Nona Nordby and Carrol Grady. Shelley Schurch, Bellevue's women's ministries leader and pastor's

wife, planned and coordinated the church service and interviewed Debbie Norris, who attends church faithfully in her wheelchair and whose cheerfulness despite many heartaches is a blessing to all.

To complement the theme, some twenty beautiful quilts were displayed around the sanctuary and in the narthex. These ranged from treasured heirlooms created in the 19th century to current works in progress. •

Carrol Grady, Bellevue Church



Interactive Easter Program

The Monroe (Wash.) Church enjoyed an interactive Easter Program. Lenard Jaecks, a retired minister, wrote and directed the Easter story with many members involved in portraying the events that led to the resurrection. Brenda Maldonado narrated the story as the scenes unfolded on stage interwoven with music.

The cast consisted of members from two months of age to more than 70 years. From make-up artists to sound equipment technicians, the program was a success because of so many willing participants who, by giving of themselves, received a blessing.

Mike Maldonado, pastor, closed the service with a brief message encouraging everyone to keep the cross as their central focus. •

Debbie Beierle

CEDARHOME CHURCH LEND A HELPING HAND

As members left their weekly daytime prayer meeting at Cedarhome Church in Stanwood, Wash., on April 8, a fire truck passed by. One of the members pointed out a huge smoke plume coming from town—the Lighthouse Fellowship Church was on fire.

Unable to reach the Lighthouse pastor, Marvin Creelman, Cedarhome pastor,

went to the Stanwood police department and left a message with them, offering the Lighthouse Fellowship the use of the Adventist church.

Their pastor, Mike Tarci, and some of their elders and members had been praying about where they would meet. The police chief told them that the Adventists had offered them the use of their church. It was the first of three offers

they received, even as the fire was still burning. Lighthouse accepted the Adventists offer and, on Sunday, two Seattle television station crews showed up at Cedarhome Church to interview some of the Lighthouse members and film part of their first service after the fire.

It was a privilege to help these fellow Christians who are actively helping the

community with a food and clothing program. In fact, at their first church service, they took up an offering for their church's neighbors who were homeless because of the fire. Lighthouse has since found another place of worship to rent. •

Don McMeekin, Cedarhome Church communication leader

AN ACCIDENTAL ORGAN SCHOLAR

If you ask Lindsey Henriksen how she became interested in studying the organ, she can't help but chuckle. "That was not at all what I was planning to do," she says. "I was pre-med!"

Henriksen, a 2003 graduate of Walla Walla College (WWC), grew up in Eugene, Ore. Although she started taking piano lessons when she was six years old and was in both band and choir in academy, she didn't really consider the possibility of studying music in college.

"I like school," thought Henriksen, "I like to study, so that means I have to be a doctor, right?"

Visiting WWC during College Days, she met some

of the music professors and decided that she would still continue with piano lessons. Kraig Scott, professor of music and noted organist, suggested on several occasions that Henriksen consider playing the organ and even convinced her to start taking lessons.

"At one point," says Henriksen, "I was at Dr. Scott's house, and he introduced me to someone and said, 'She doesn't know it yet, but she will be an organ major.'"

She laughed at the time, but by her junior year, Henriksen had declared her major to be the organ.

"If I hadn't met Dr. Scott, I would not be an organ major," says Henriksen. "But there

are a lot of factors that helped me make the decision. On the organ, force is completely unnecessary and inefficient. The approach to it has to be one of a humbled nature. Also, most organs are in churches, so much of the literature that has been written for the organ is sacred. When you're practicing in a church two or three hours a day, you know it's a sacred place, and it has an effect on you."

Last spring Henriksen applied to five graduate schools around the country and was offered a full-tuition scholarship at Yale University, where she will pursue a master of music in organ performance and literature through the university's Institute of



Sacred Music. She hopes to eventually get a doctorate in musicology and teach at the college level. •

Bradley Nelson, Walla Walla College GLEANER correspondent

NEW ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT CHOSEN

Walla Walla College administration has selected a new associate vice president for academic administration. Clinton A. Valley will officially fill the position in August, replacing the current interim associate vice president for academic administration, Marie Redwine, who will be returning to her retirement.

Valley brings with him more than 25 years of teaching experience from all levels of education,

elementary to graduate. He also has experience working for the Adventist church as superintendent of schools for the South Caribbean Conference in the Inter-American Division and the South England Conference in the Trans-European Division. Valley is currently the pastor of two churches in Atlanta, Ga.

Valley holds a bachelor of theology degree from Caribbean Union College, a master of arts degree in



Clinton A. Valley

religion from Andrews University, a doctor of education degree in educational leadership from Western Michigan University and a master of business administration degree in educational management from Nottingham University in England. •

Bradley Nelson, Walla Walla College GLEANER correspondent

LIVING THE MISSION

Some time ago, the father of an ICU nurse was admitted to Walla Walla General Hospital (WWGH) with heart problems. Things weren't looking good when Walt Meske, a hospital chaplain, stopped by for a visit. "As I came in the room, he said, 'I think my time's about up.' You could see the uncertainty in his eyes, so I just asked if he was ready. He opened up with a flood of questions. 'Tell me, what does it mean? What happens?'"

Walt shared the simple

Gospel—we are all sinners but if we accept Jesus, we can trust He'll provide us a home in heaven. "As we talked, it was like a cloud lifted off of his face. Finally he said, 'I'm ready for that. Would you pray?' As we finished the prayer, he told me, 'I'm ready, everything is OK.'"

His daughter came to check on him a little later, concerned at how restless he had been the night before. As she came in, he told her, "Honey, I'm going on a trip. The chaplain was

here, and we talked. I asked the Lord to accept me as one of His children."

That night the man died. Walt touches the lives of those he serves. Duane Meidinger, vice president for finance, may have said it best: "Walt is genuinely interested in people's souls. He breaks down barriers and is able to reach people's hearts."

"Lord, Use Me"

Walt has been a teacher, a principal, dean of students, men's dean and more. Retired today, he maintains his legacy of service as a chaplain. Every day he continues to give—to the patients at WWGH, to the community and to the people he works with. Walt says, "I pray every single morning, 'Lord use me in some way to meet someone's need, whether I know it or not.'" That is his creed, his prayer, the words he lives by.

Living the Mission

"Restoring peace... Restoring hope... Restoring health... To do as Christ did, this is our Mission." That's the mission of Walla Walla General Hospital. It's a mission that goes far beyond the scope of services offered and is exemplified in the lives of the people who work there.

"I think Walt lives the mission, especially the phrase, 'To do as Christ did...,'" says Morre Dean, hospital president and CEO. "He is able to talk to people like Christ did—not intimidating them—to hold their hand while they pray or to offer prayer when they can't."

Walt has a calming presence that exudes the empathy and compassion that people crave.

"Walt Meske is a generous, kind, warm-hearted person that makes you feel he really cares about you," says Lauri Rootvik, RN. "He brings such warmth to his environment... patients feel welcomed and spiritually blessed."

Blessed is the Servant

Walt takes no credit for the impact he makes in people's lives. He comes to do his job and to live his mission, and in that he is blessed. "To know you've been able to help someone realize that God accepts them... Praise the Lord," says Walt. "God is good; I just want to serve Him." •

Katie Torkelsen was a writer with CMBell Company when she wrote this feature.



Carroll 100th

Kathleen Carroll's Long Beach (Wash.) Church family gave her a special Sabbath birthday potluck, complete with a 100th birthday cake.

Born Kathleen Glock on Jan. 8, 1903, in Sioux Falls, S.D., she later moved with her family to the Northwest. She graduated from Laurelwood Adventist College with a teacher's degree at the age of 16, married George Carroll in 1927, and taught church school for 27 years in the Gaston, Ore., area then taught for many years on the Gladstone campgrounds. After retirement as a teacher, she took nursing at Loma Linda and embarked on a new career. Currently a resident of Golden Sands Assisted Living Center in Klipsan Beach, near Ocean Park, Wash., she still enjoys reading, good conversation and daily walks.



The Carroll family includes Alton and Martha Carroll of Ocean Park and sisters Constance Jackson, 101, and Naomi Wood.

Davis 60th

Wayne and Jackie Davis celebrated their 60th anniversary with family and friends at the Pendleton (Ore.) Church. Jackie looked great in her original \$10 wedding gown. They entertained their guests with stories and sang love songs together.

Wayne Davis married Nora "Jackie" Baird Jan. 31, 1943, in the Hinsdale Sanitarium parlor.



Both worked in various hospital jobs in Hinsdale, Ill., before moving to Pendleton in 1951. Wayne worked at Harris Pine Mills for 33 years, and Jackie for 11 years.

The Davis family includes their daughter, Barbara Jean of Pendleton.

Jaecks 50th

Lenard and Lois Jaecks recently celebrated their 50th anniversary at a reception given by their children. Lenard surprised Lois by singing a song that he sang to her at their wedding.

Lenard Dale Jaecks married Lois Marie Iattoni on June 7, 1953, in Merrill, Wisc. They spent 18 years of their ministry in the Washington Conference, 10 as the president. They also pastored in Wisconsin, California, Illinois and Maryland.

The Jaecks family includes Steven and Carmen Jaecks of Ooltewah, Tenn., and Ronald K. and Kelli Jaecks of Salem, Ore.

Otter 60th

Gordon and Dorothy Otter celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary May 25, 2003, with a family gathering and a card shower from their friends. They are members of the the Stateline Church in Milton Freewater, Ore.

Gordon Otter married Dorothy Reed on May 25, 1943, in Lincoln Neb., after meeting at Union College. After adopting two children, they spent the next 20 years as missionaries in Africa.

Returning in 1966, they spent the next 15 years teaching in New Mexico, Oklahoma and Wyoming. Upon retirement, they moved to College Place where they've been active volunteers in the prison ministries program at the state penitentiary in Walla Walla for 20 years.



The Otter family includes Carol and Marlow Dawes of College Place, Michael and Beverly Otter of Cottage Grove, Minn., LeRoy and Judy Otter of Olathe, Kansas, four grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Serl 90th

Mabel Serl celebrated her 90th birthday on Mar. 8 with her family. She was born Mabel Weiher Mar. 6, 1913, in Saline County, Mo., and married Wray Delmar Serl Sept. 30, 1931, in St. Francis, Kan. They had eight children and lived in Missouri, Colorado and Washington, joining the Adventist church in the late 1950s. After her husband died in 1961, she moved to College Place, Wash., and started working in the kitchen at Walla Walla General Hospital, where her pies became renowned. She retired in 1992 at the age of 79 and still lives in College Place, where she enjoys reading, embroidering and crocheting. In 2002 she gave 20 crocheted lap robes to area nursing homes.

The Serl family includes Jeanette Serl of Bremerton, Wash., widow of Leo who died in 1999, Bob and Iris

Serl of Chehalis, Wash., John and Liz Serl of Seattle, Glenn and Margaret Serl of Everett, Wash., Leland and Karen Serl of Outlook, Wash., Wray Jr. and Sandra Serl of Elgin, Texas, Larry and Connie Serl of College Place, Linda Hebert of Everett, 26 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren, and seven great great-grandchildren, as well as some stepgrandchildren and step great-grandchildren.

Wright 50th

Estel and Glennys Wright celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception hosted by their children in the Grand Ronde (Ore.) Church where they are members.

Estel Grant Wright married Glennys Bernice Jahn May 12, 1953, in Grand Ronde, and they have lived on the farm where Glennys was born for 43 years. They were named Citizens of the Year by the cities of Grand Ronde, Sheridan and Willamina.

With two years out for serving in the military in France, Estel worked as a grocery clerk and part-time custodian for the Willamina School District until his retirement in 2000. He was a volunteer fireman for the Grand Ronde Fire Department for 10 years. Glennys is a homemaker who drove school bus for the Willamina School District, worked as a nurse for a doctor in Sheridan and sold shortcakes in Valley Junction.

The Wright family includes Daryl and Terr Wright, Donna and Steve Parren, and Jim and Kathy Wright all of Grande Ronde, as well as eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Family
W E D D I N G S

ARNOLD—Danielle Cowles, Brian Arnold, Jan. 9, 2003, Port Angeles, Wash., where they now make their home.

BROWN—Tamara Heisler, Ross Brown, June 16, 2003, College Place, Wash., where they now make their home.

CLARK—Stephanie Reitz, Donald Clark, Mar. 30, 2003, Walla Walla, Wash. They now make their home in College Place, Wash.

GANZ—Pamela E. Pauly, Ken R. Ganz, June 27, 2003, Kauai, Hawaii. They now make their home in Houston, Texas.

HENSLEY—Sherri Jacobs, Bret Hensley, Mar. 15, 2003, Port Angeles, Wash., where they now make their home.

MURRILL—Melissa Hibbs, Michael Murrill, Apr. 6, 2003, Pasco, Wash. They now make their home in Englewood, Colo.

READ—Sarah Leslie, Joshua Read, June 15, 2003, Molalla, Ore. They now make their home in Hubbard, Ore.

RILEY—Reta Foland, Forrest Riley, May 26, 2003, Milton Freewater, Ore., where they now make their home.

SEARING—Jacquelyn Williams-Nix, Arnold Searing, June 1, 2003, Chehalis, Wash., where they now make their home.

SHIPP—Misty Woodruff, Robert Shipp, May 25, 2003, Milton Freewater, Ore. They now make their home in Nampa, Idaho.

TAYLOR—Salina McCoy, Marvin Davis Taylor, June 7, 2003, Federal Way, Wash., where they now make their home.

THOMPSON—Jaime Gilmore, Sydney Thompson, June 8, 2003, Forest Grove, Ore., where they now make their home.

Family
B I R T H S

COCHRAN—Mary Ashlynn was born Mar. 23, 2003, to Aaron and Krisie (Stovall) Cochran, Port Angeles, Wash.

MITSOUROV—Samuel Andreevich was born Mar. 26, 2003, to Andrei and Rachel Mitsourov, Walla Walla, Wash.

MOHR—Chloe Ann was born Apr. 9, 2003, to Gary and Dori (Nash) Mohr, Lodi, Calif.

MOSIER—Hannah J. was born May 13, 2003, to Byron and Dayna (Dyer) Mosier, Medford, Ore.

POWERS—Brynn Anne was born Apr. 16, 2003, to Scott and Kim (Smetana) Powers, Puyallup, Wash.

PROSSER—Giusiana Esmee was born Mar. 21, 2003, to Karl and Aleshia (LaPorte) Prosser, Napier, New Zealand.

RASMUSSEN—Jolan Emily was born June 7, 2003, to Andy and Melanie (Kolasinski) Rasmussen, College Place, Wash.

SAUSER—Abigail Rose was born June 4, 2003, to Mark and Angela (White) Sauser, Camas, Wash.

STEWART—Ryan A. was born Apr. 15, 2003, to Monte and Tamara (Chilson) Stewart, Medford, Ore.

WIEGAND—August Luke was born Oct. 17, 2002, to Brock and Jean Wiegand, Great Falls, Mont.

Family
A T R E S T

CORRECTION: BALHARRIE—Anna, 91, born May 21, 1911, Toronto, Ont., Canada; died Apr. 8, 2003, Santa Rosa, Calif. Surviving: daughters, Jeanne Balharrrie, Redlands, Calif., Merle Lang, Healdsburg, Calif.; son, John, Lincoln City, Ore.

BLAND—Gomer C.; 89, born Sept. 17, 1913, Oakville, Wash.; died Oct. 27, 2002, Baltimore, Md. Surviving: stepdaughter, Elizabeth Kure, Port Angeles, Wash.; son, Ted, Baltimore; stepsons, Gene and Don Scott, Hereford, Texas.

BLODGETT—Phyllis Mary (Message), 84, born Apr. 3, 1919, England; died May 29, 2003, Central Point, Ore. Surviving: sons, Fred Eadie, Central Point, Rod Eadie, Rogue River, Ore.; stepsons, Richard and David, stedaughters, Donna and Margaret; sisters, Joyce Ellis, Pico Rivera, Calif., Dorothy Moran, Tucson, Ariz.; brother, Arthur Message, Medford, Ore.; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

BOSWELL—Connie D., 60, born May 7, 1943; died May 10, 2003, Grants Pass, Ore.

BROCKMAN—Marie (Aden), 81, born Sept. 25, 1921, Filly, Nebr.; died May 24, 2003, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: sons, Earl, Newport, Wash., Gary, Kennewick, Wash., Ron, Bellingham, Wash.; 7 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren.

DUFFY—Murray L., 72, born June 28, 1930, Lewistown, Mont.; died Mar. 19, 2003, Bozeman, Mont. Surviving: wife, Vivian; daughters, Linda Ward, Loveland, Colo., Lisa Marcell, Woodinville, Wash.; sons, Steve and Mark, Bozeman, Mont.; sisters, Betty Harris, Fairfield, Mont., Ruth Burnett, Fairbanks, Alaska; brothers, David and Chester, Lewistown, Mont.; 10 grandchildren.

EHRHARDT—L.J., 87, born June 7, 1915, Kansas; died Mar. 11, 2003, Ramona, Kansas. Surviving: wife, Martha; daughters, Pat Wick and Jessica Gilbert both of Ramona.

ENDSLEY—Alda (DeLashmutt), 88, born Nov. 29, 1914, Hay, Wash.; died May 24, 2003, Lakeview, Ore. Surviving: sisters, Mary Jean Wisdom, Tigard, Ore., Ramona Alsmann, Beaverton, Ore.; brothers, Darrell and Eldon both of Christmas

Valley, Ore., Keith, Tigard.

FRENCH—Vretta "Sis" (Greer), 88, born Mar. 6, 1915, Reporia, Wash.; died May 20, 2003, Bullhead City, Ariz. Surviving: son, Bob Peck, Las Vegas, Nev.; sisters, Frances Wilson and Nadean McKelway both of Lewiston, Idaho; brother, Raymond Greer, Riverside, Calif.

GLENN—Bessie Elizabeth (Davis), 91, born May 3, 1911, Cambridge, Idaho; died, Apr. 15, 2003, College Place, Wash. Surviving: daughter, Rosene Blakely, Walla Walla, Wash.; sons, Robert, Glendale, Ariz., Richard, Walla Walla; sisters, Leone Paulson, Irrigon, Ore., Ellen Downs, Walla Walla; brother, Norman, College Place.

HILLIGOSS—Thelma L. (Miller), 92, born, Oct. 2, 1910, Bozeman, Mont.; died Mar. 21, 2003, Eureka, Calif. Surviving: daughters, Bessie McFarland Geppert, Clackamas, Ore., Betty Gearhart, Coos Bay, Ore., Carol Frazier, Hornbrook, Calif.; sons, Ellsworth, Arcata, Calif., Ted, McKinleyville, Calif.; sister, Leona Miller, Days Creek, Ore.; 14 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; 2 great great-grandchildren.

JENNINGS—Don, 94, born Jan. 9, 1909, Hazeldell, Ill.; died May, 17, 2003, Salem, Ore. Surviving: daughters, Dawn Roberts, Yakima, Wash., Joy McDougal, Bend, Ore.; sons, Lorrel and Forest both of Salem, Manford, Orting, Wash.; 5 surviving sisters; 19 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; 1 great great-grandchild.

KURE—Eugene T., 68, born Feb. 17, 1935, Chehalis, Wash.; died Apr. 8, 2003, Tacoma, Wash. Surviving: wife, Elizabeth, Port Angeles, Wash.; stepdaughters, Elizabeth Trowbridge, Port Angeles, and Tena Robison, Vancouver, Wash.; stepson Alan Cowles, Silverdale, Wash.; numerous stepgrandchildren and stepgreat-grandchildren.

LEACH—Irene E., 86, born Feb. 2, 1917, Winston, Conn.; died June 5, 2003, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: daughters, Sandy Zaugg, Walla Walla, Donna Jones, Mesa, Ariz.; 4 grandchildren.

OSTROM—Selma E., 91, born Jan. 6, 1912, South Dakota; died Apr. 12, 2003, Portland, Ore. Surviving: son, Dale, Mont.; 2 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren.



RANDALL—Alice M. (Williams), 91, born Feb. 27, 1912, Seneca, Mich.; died Apr. 30, 2003, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: daughter, Thais Baer, Walla Walla; son, Malcolm, Weston, Ore.

SMILEY—Ray E., 87, born June 11, 1915, Milaca, Minn.; died May 4, 2003, Elk, Wash. Surviving: daughters, Florence Foutz, Grace Harshman and Ada Peterson; sons, LeVan and Jack; sister, Beulah Ferraro; 18 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren.

TEETER—Margaret, 92, born June 22, 1910, Roscoe, S.D.; died Feb. 12, 2003, Corvallis, Ore. Surviving: daughters, Phyllis Parker, Scio, Ore., Joyce Shogren, Gleneden Beach, Ore., Edie Huenergardt, College Place, Wash.; 12 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; 2 great great-grandchildren.

TRIMMER—Laura B. (Wells), 91, born June 9, 1912, Ione, Calif.; died Apr. 18, 2003, Madras, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Patricia Seifert, Jackson, Wis.; sister, June Casanova, Bandon, Ore.; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

WALLACE—Pearl C. (Carle), 89, born Dec. 12, 1913, Moscow, Idaho; died Apr. 30, 2003, College Place, Wash. Surviving: husband, Walter; daughter, Carol Entze, Clarkston, Wash.; brothers, Art and Mel both of Walla Walla, Wash.

WIEDEMANN—Robert W. "Bob", 77, born Nov. 25, 1924, Manila, Philippines; died Apr. 24, 2003, College Place, Wash. Surviving: sons, Cecil Woods, Reedsport, Ore., Ben, College Place, Wash., Bill, Lincoln, Calif.; sister, Rosella Gott, St. Helena, Calif.; brother, Martin, Muscatine, Iowa.

WIGGETT—Elmer E., 71, born June 24, 1931, Montrose, Colo.; died May 28, 2003, Medford, Ore. Surviving: wife, Verda; daughters, Debbie Frederick, Redlands, Calif., Susie Piper, Tangent, Ore., Cindy Hamel, Klamath Falls, Ore.; son, Ernie, Klamath Falls; sisters, Millie Pellerin, Eugene, Ore., Mary Ella, Greenacres, Wash.; brother, Leslie Dale, LaPine, Ore.; 5 grandchildren.

NORTH PACIFIC UNION

Northwest Spotlight on Mission

Northwest Spotlight on Mission is a quarterly video story produced by the GLEANER staff and released on a digital video disc (DVD). A copy of the third quarter's program titled, "Following in the Tradition," has been sent to your church for showing during Sabbath School, as a small group discussion starter or as an outreach to shut-ins. Ask your Sabbath School superintendent or head elder to be sure to show it in your church.

MONTANA

Revelation Now

A series of evangelistic meetings, with Jac and 'dena Colon, is coming to the Bozeman Church. It will open at 7:15 p.m., **Sept. 5**, in the Bozeman High School cafeteria located on Main St. Come and invite your friends and relatives. For information, contact 'dena Colon at (253) 709-1306; dena@revelation-now.com.

OREGON

Retiree's Picnic

The annual picnic for the Oregon Retired Workers' Fellowship will be held at noon, Tuesday, **Aug. 5**, at the Gladstone Campground. Meet at the grassy area near the treasury building. Bring food, table service and chairs. Come, bring guests and join in a sing-along with Al Stern and his guitar. For information, phone Jubergs at (503) 618-8465 or e-mail Jubmor@aol.com.

Singles Events

Aug. 8—Vespers 7:30 p.m., Sunnyside Church; **9**—Picnic and afternoon hike in the Portland area; **15**—Vespers, Beaverton Church; **11**—Potluck and afternoon activity, Beaverton Church; **Aug. 25–Sept. 1**—National Singles at Camp MiVoden.

For more information about the OCSM events listed and additional events, visit the Web site at www.orsingles.org, e-mail us at singlesevents@juno.com or call the hotline at (503) 654-6054.

Laurelwood Class of '63

Attention Laurelwood Academy Class of '63 and friends. Join your 40th class reunion at Silver Falls Convention Center **Aug. 22–24** to renew old friendships and make new memories. It's not too late to get needed information and reserve meals with the group. Contact now: Sharon Leas at (503) 637-3433; skoenig@cascadeaccess.com; or Shirley Leas at (541) 344-1871; twinonetwo@yahoo.com.

Camp Meeting in the Gorge

G. Edward Reid, General Conference stewardship director and author, will be the featured speaker at the annual Gorge Camp Meeting, **Sept. 12–14**, in Trout Lake, Wash., at Jonah Ministries (Little Mountain Rd.). Reid will begin the weekend series, "Battle of the Spirits in the Context of God's Love," with a Friday vespers at 7:00 p.m. After Sabbath School (9:30 a.m.), Reid will speak at the 11:00 service, then again at 4:00 p.m. Camping for tents and RVs (no hookups) available on grassy area near the auditorium. There is a charge for dorm rooms. (Call to reserve one before **Aug. 29**.) Two potluck meals (lunch and supper) on Sabbath. Phone Pastor Pat Milligan at (541) 386-1888 for information.

Columbia Academy Classics Get-together

Columbia Academy graduates and attendees of years past come to the Gladstone Campground on Friday, **Sept. 12**, for supper and an evening program planned by the class of '53. Sabbath message by Elder George White ('53). Saturday night we will continue memories and music of our great days at CA and enjoy all the talent we can generate! Sunday morning breakfast together and visit with old friends. Charge for meals includes the space rental. To reserve a room at the campground lodge, call Jim Dixon after mid-August at (541) 761-8175. There are also beautiful places for RVs. Room or RV space rental is extra.

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Annual Men's Gatherin'

Men, don't miss the Third Annual Central Oregon Men's Gatherin' at the Three Sisters Adventist School on **Oct. 10–11**, featuring Chuck Burkeen, Springfield Church pastor. His theme for the weekend is "Spirituality and the Average Guy." Program begins Friday at 6:00 p.m. and ends Saturday night. Four meals and all handout materials are included for a modest fee. Spaces for RVs and motels are nearby. For information, contact Ben Grant at (541) 504-1938; Men's Ministry, P.O. Box 490, Redmond, Ore.

Open Invitation to Class of '53

If you were in the Class of '53, beginning in 1950, '51 and/or '52, at Laurelwood Academy, we would like to include you in our upcoming 50th reunion, **Oct. 11**, at the Laurelwood campus, Gaston, Ore. Please contact Nancy Nelson Regula at (503) 658-2233 or nancyregula@juno.com; Donna Humbert at (503) 668-9852; or Ken Carr at (503) 709-8985.

Conference Church Missing

The Oregon Conference Church is looking for addresses for the following people: Janene Ferretti, Cherie V. Finch, Raymond L. Finch, James A. Fineout, Carey L. Fleenor, Rae N. Foster, Froslic Karen, Emma M. Garcia, Patrick R. Garcia, Wiletha B. Godejohn, Brian H. Hall, Scott F. Hamel, Jeffrey D. Hamlik, Geoff Hanson, Stephanie A. Hanson, Adria C. Hardin, Cody L. Hart, Ernest G. Hart Sr., Katurah L. Hartnell, Tessa J. Harwood, Maybell R. Haseltine, Jay Hemenway, Kimberly D. Hicks, William Homsley, Wilma Homsley, Bryan D. Hood, Michael Howard, Lorita E. Hubbard, Richard A. Hubbard. Please contact the membership clerk at (503) 652-2225, ext. 461.



A N N O U N C E M E N T S

UPPER COLUMBIA

Republic Church to Commemorate 25 Years

The Republic (Wash.) Church is inviting all former church members to celebrate its 25th anniversary on **Aug. 16**. Most of the six pastors who served during its formative years will be there. Come and enjoy a warm time of fellowship and renewing old friendships. For information, contact Pastor Gary Evans at (509) 775-9949.

3ABN Rally

3ABN Tri-City Rally, with Danny and Linda Shelton and friends, **Aug. 22-23**, in Richland High School, 930 Long Ave., Richland, Wash., Friday at 6:45 p.m., Sabbath at 9:15 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. For information, call (509) 586-2446.

Yakima School Centennial Celebration, 1903 to 2003!

Past and present teachers, students, parents, and church members of North Yakima School (1903-1916), North Yakima Seventh-day Adventist School (1916-1923), Yakima Seventh-day Adventist Church School (1923-1938), Brookside Junior Academy (1938-1962), Yakima Junior Academy (1962-1978), Yakima Adventist Junior Academy (1979-1995), and the present Yakima Adventist Christian School (since 1995) will celebrate its 100th anniversary **Sept. 26-27** in its new facility at 1200 City Reservoir Rd., Yakima, Wash. Come join the celebration Friday at 7:00 p.m. and Sabbath at 9:30 a.m. Call the school for more information at (509) 966-1933.

WWCA / WWVA Alumni Homecoming

Alumni and friends are invited to return for Walla Walla Valley Academy Alumni Homecoming **Oct. 4-5**. Honored classes include: Pioneers (1952 and earlier), and the intervening years ending in 3 or 8. Sabbath School begins at 9:30 a.m. and the main worship service at 11:00. A general potluck will be held at 1:00 p.m. in the Youth

Center. Other weekend activities include the annual basketball game at 7:00 in the WWVA gym and a golf tournament on Sunday morning. For information, call Cheryl Wren, alumni director, at (509) 525-1050.

Seeking SJA Alumni

Spokane Junior Academy is searching for e-mail and/or mailing addresses for all graduates and attendees to whom we can send information about our alumni homecoming weekend on **Mar. 6**, 2004, in Spokane, Wash. Send your contact information to Kristi Fritz at SJA Alumni, 1505 W. Cleveland, Spokane, WA 99205; sja_alumni_org@yahoo.com.

Village Church Missing

The College Place Village Church would like to make contact with the following individuals: Douglas Benjamin, Andrew Bennett, Brian and Susan Bettencourt, Jacques Bru, Marcelle Caviness, Michael Charles, Michael Collins, James Dillard, Danniell Dobbins, Fank Duncan, Michael Erickson, Dale Fauver, Lonnie Freeberg II, Randy Ginter, Kristen Glover, Dean Harper Jr., Jolene Hickman, Carol Jackson, Tim Kilgore, Tammy Klinger, Sherri Knapp, Buck Martin, Bonnie Parish, Alisa Peltchie, Susanne Ramirez, Shawn Reeves, Melissa Rodriguez, Rebecca Rodriguez, Rodney Rosson, Kathy Salter, C. Keith Sanborn, Steve Schack, Gregory Stedman, Paul Thompson, Tiffany Tvrdy, Stan Wiebold. Please send information to: Village Church, PO Box 205, College Place, WA 99324; (509) 525-0882; village@moreaboutjesus.org.

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and mentor Christian young adults in digital media, with special emphasis on film and video production. The deadline for entries is **Sept. 1**. For more information call (800) ACN-1119 or visit the SONscreen Web site at www.sonscreen.info.

NASDAD Convention 2003

The National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists (NASDAD) annual meeting will be held **Oct. 22-25** in Napa Valley, Calif. If you and your family are interested in joining us for a weekend filled with spiritual, educational and recreational activities, please contact the NASDAD office at (909) 558-8187 or e-mail nasdad@sdllu.edu.

Paradise School Graduates

Did you attend school in Paradise—California, that is? We're looking for you if you were a graduate or student of Paradise Adventist Academy or Paradise SDA School. Contact Cheryl Bair, Paradise Adventist Academy alumni relations director, at alumni@paradiseadventistacademy.com or (530) 877-6540. Visit PAA online at www.paradiseadventistacademy.com. We're organizing Alumni Weekend 2004, and we'd love to hear from you!

Upcoming Northwest Evangelistic Meetings

We are publishing this list so you may include these meetings in your prayers and so you may notify the local church, in the cities where the meetings are being held, of any friends and relatives in the area that you would like to have invited.

MONTANA

Sept.-Oct.: Billings Heights, Randy Barlow
Sept. 5-Oct. 4: Bozeman, Jac Colon

OREGON CONFERENCE

Aug. 17-23: Portland/Vancouver
Korean, Shin Ke Hoon
Fall, Valley View, Jim Bergland
Sept. 5-Oct. 4: Beaverton, Brian McMahon
Sept. 5-Oct. 22, Rogue River, Kevin Miller
Sept. 8-Oct. 25: Hood River
Sept. 12-Oct. 18: Vernonia, Kevin Reiner
Sept. 13-27: Woodland Spanish
Sept. 19-Oct. 20: Stone Tower, Jim Reinking

UPPER COLUMBIA

Sept. 1-Oct. 1: Ione, Doug Pond
Sept. 5-Oct. 7: Kennewick, Richard Halverson

WASHINGTON

Aug. 8-30: Chehalis Spanish, Ernard Scott
July-Aug.: Indonesian, Alex Rantung
Aug.: Bellingham Spanish, Ralph Ordumo
July-Aug.: Lake Stevens, Northwest Youth Challenge with Shane Anderson
July-Aug.: North Cascade, Northwest Youth Challenge with Pat Grant
Sept.-Oct.: Seward Park, Marvin Humbert

Sunset Table

Daylight Saving Time	August 1	August 8	August 15	August 22	August 29
ALASKA CONFERENCE					
Anchorage	10:38	10:19	9:59	9:37	9:16
Fairbanks	11:02	10:37	10:11	9:46	9:20
Juneau	9:18	9:01	8:44	8:25	8:06
Ketchikan	8:51	8:37	8:21	8:05	7:47

IDAHO CONFERENCE					
Boise	9:08	8:59	8:49	8:38	8:26
La Grande	8:20	8:10	8:00	7:48	7:36
Pocatello	8:51	8:42	8:32	8:21	8:10

MONTANA CONFERENCE					
Billings	8:43	8:34	8:23	8:11	7:58
Havre	8:56	8:46	8:34	8:21	8:07
Helena	9:00	8:50	8:38	8:26	8:13
Miles City	8:34	8:24	8:13	8:01	7:48
Missoula	9:08	8:58	8:47	8:35	8:22

OREGON CONFERENCE					
Coos Bay	8:29	8:30	8:20	8:09	7:58
Medford	8:31	8:23	8:13	8:02	7:51
Portland	8:39	8:29	8:18	8:07	7:54

UPPER COLUMBIA					
Pendleton	8:24	8:14	8:03	7:52	7:39
Spokane	8:24	8:14	8:02	7:50	7:37
Walla Walla	8:23	8:13	8:02	7:50	7:38
Wenatchee	8:35	8:25	8:13	8:01	7:48
Yakima	8:34	8:24	8:12	8:00	7:47

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE					
Bellingham	8:48	8:37	8:25	8:12	7:58
Seattle	8:44	8:34	8:22	8:09	7:56

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