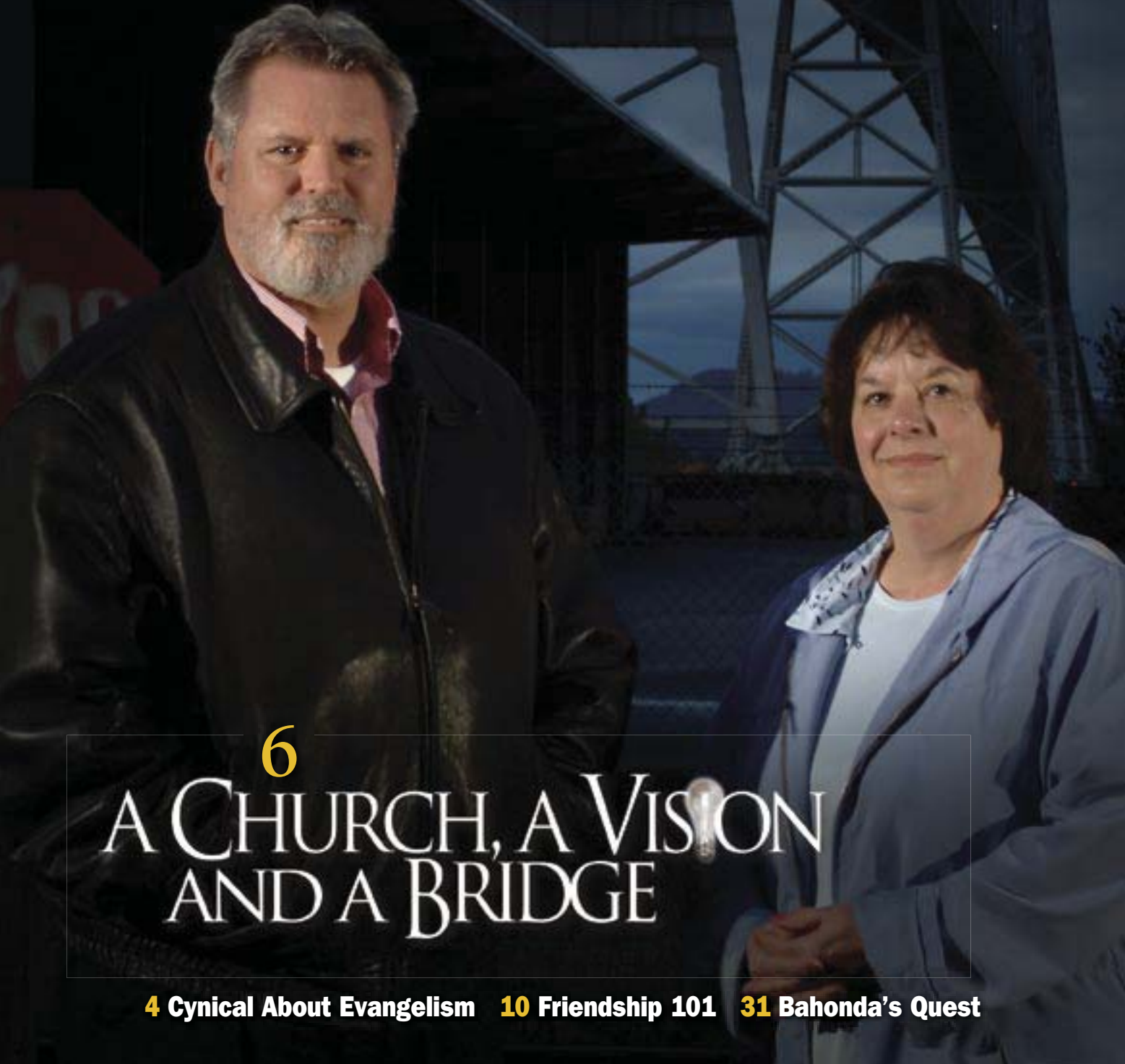


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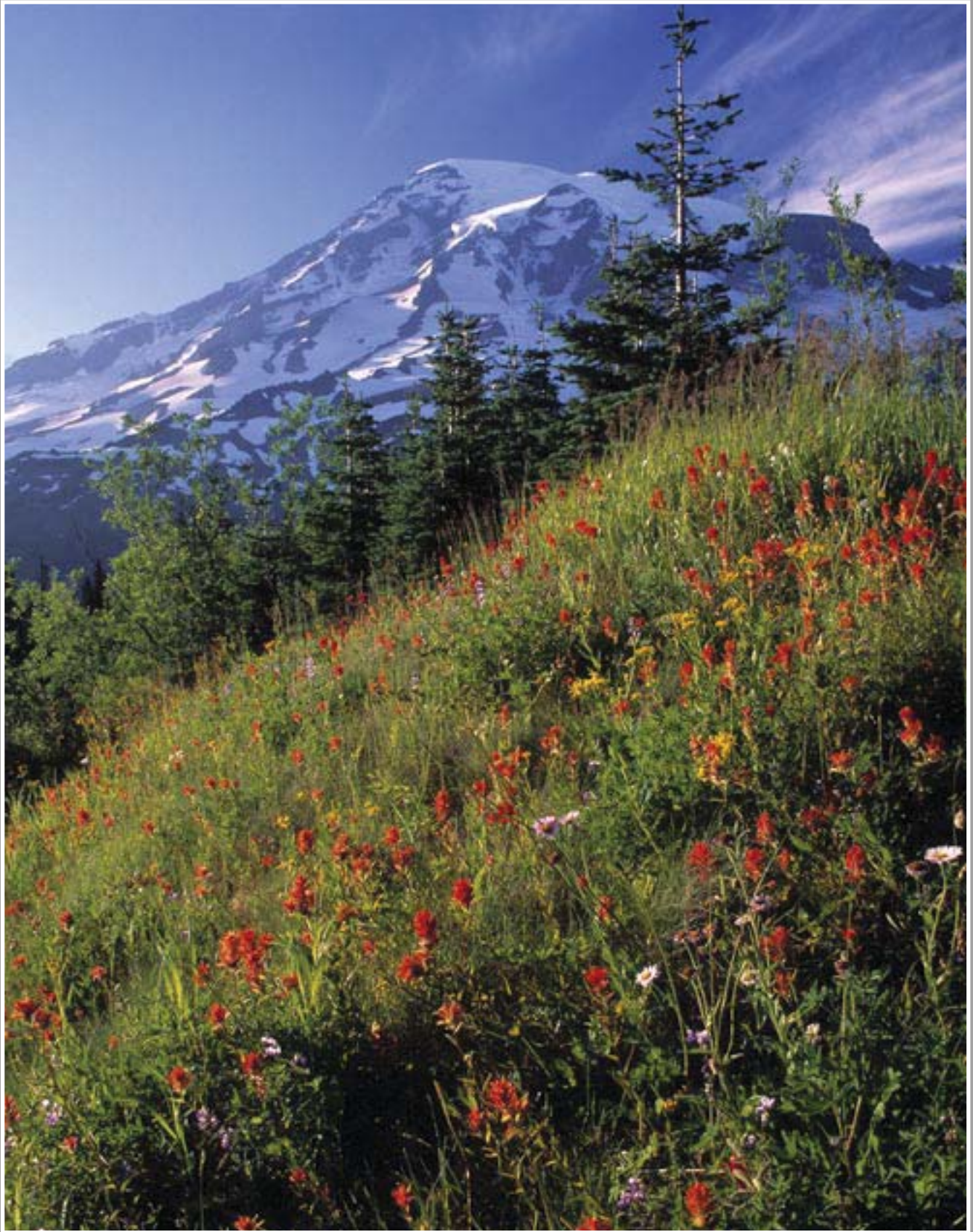
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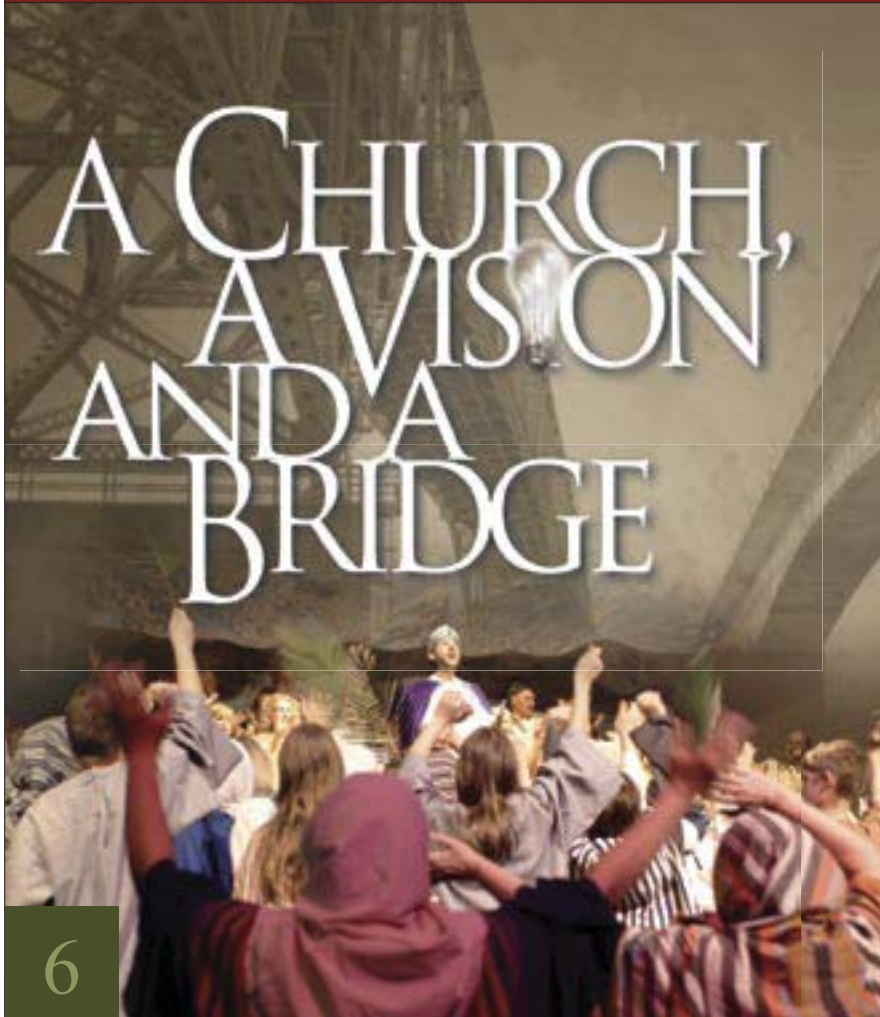
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Through the efforts of Dave Livermore, Kelso-Longview, Washington, pastor, and church member Pat Stanley, the Lewis and Clark Bridge remained open so that Oregon people could attend the Journey to Bethlehem Christmas production. GLEANER photo.



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CYNICAL ABOUT EVANGELISM



BY JERE D. PATZER



Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union president, writes from Vancouver, Washington.

*I*f you've grown a bit tired of or even a bit cynical about traditional public evangelism, read on because I can certainly relate. It was not until I had been in ministry many years that I preached my first series of meetings. Having recently completed another series, I've been contemplating three reasons why I support the Great Commission to "go into all the world and preach the gospel." They are profoundly simple yet simply profound.

Practical and Credible

After studying and preaching again our basic fundamental beliefs, I stand back in awe and say, "Wow, praise God, they are fantastic!" C.S. Lewis said that the thing he disliked the most with the Bible was the concept of an everlasting hell—but he couldn't get past it. And we've got the answer. A world view of the great controversy with a victorious loving God. And whether it is our belief of death being a sleep, or the Sabbath rest, or the ministry of Christ in a heavenly sanctuary, or any of the other Biblical concepts, one must agree they are practical and credible. It may be time to personally discover these wonderful beliefs again...for the first time.

Theological Cafeteria

All of our 27 fundamental beliefs (soon to be 28) logically tie together. Or as Ellen G. White said, there is a "golden thread" that connects our doctrines. Each one builds upon another. Take away one, and they lose their united power. Many were rediscovered reformation truths under further guidance of the Holy Spirit. This is not some great theological cafeteria with 27 dishes to

pick and choose from. They must hang together, or our message will lose its power.

Teamed with God

Finally, during my recent series, an incredible realization hit me. If I were God and had a 10,000 voice choir, would I use local musicians to sing my praises? If I were God and had angel artists that could color a sunset or paint a mountain landscape, would I use computer graphics? If I were God and had Moses and Elijah, would I allow people like me to faltingly share my final message of hope to a world headed for destruction? I must respond and humbly say, "Thank you God for allowing us the privilege of being a part of Your evangelistic team."

Personal Commitment

It is exciting to see the renewed commitment to evangelism by Northwest Adventists overseas and here at home. Part of that support I am certain comes from the realization that today's public evangelism is Christ-centered, dynamically illustrated and culturally sensitive. I encourage you to be supportive of public evangelism as one successful way God is still using to build His kingdom.

One of our great evangelists of yesteryear, Fordyce Detamore, was once encouraging people not to be deterred by the critics of public evangelism. He quipped, "Don't let the crabs discourage you from pulling in the nets." Still good counsel today as we renew our support of evangelism. •

Did You Know?

Crossing Bridges



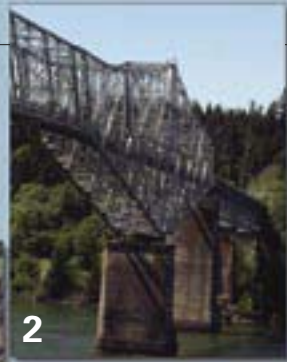
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The Columbia River

runs 746 miles within the borders of the North Pacific Union Conference and is one of the geological features that defines the Northwest. Spanning the river are 30 bridges. See if you can match the pictures of the bridges with their names or location. There are more names and locations of bridges than pictures. The correct answers are on page 38.



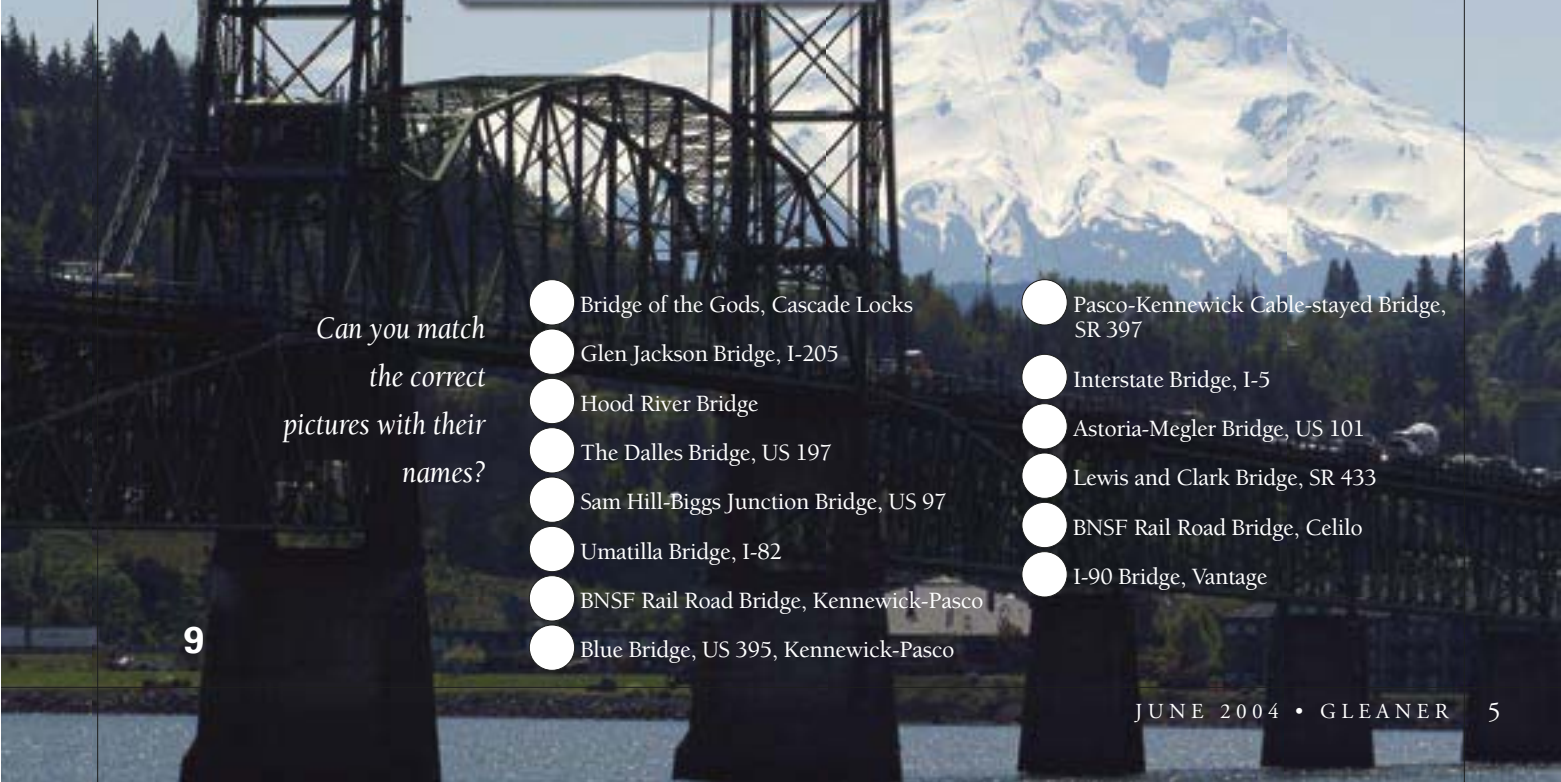
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Can you match the correct pictures with their names?

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- Sam Hill-Biggs Junction Bridge, US 97
- Umatilla Bridge, I-82
- BNSF Rail Road Bridge, Kennewick-Pasco
- Blue Bridge, US 395, Kennewick-Pasco
- Pasco-Kennewick Cable-stayed Bridge, SR 397
- Interstate Bridge, I-5
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- Lewis and Clark Bridge, SR 433
- BNSF Rail Road Bridge, Celilo
- I-90 Bridge, Vantage

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A CHURCH, A VISION



Scott Kankelberg teaches a class of young members in the kindergarten department.



Playing the part of the herald angel, Selena Blackburn announces the birth of the Christ child during the *Journey To Bethlehem* Christmas pageant.



Dave Livermore, Kelso-Longview Church pastor, uses the extensive audio/visual technology to create a meaningful experience for worshippers.

How does a church make an impact for Jesus in their community?

HOW CAN YOU TELL that a church is making an impact for Jesus? Confirmation often comes from the amazing stories coming out of their community.

During his first strategic planning committee meeting as a pastor of the Kelso-Longview Church in Washington, Dave Livermore asked the members, "What is the mission of this church?" After studying the question, their conclusion was that their purpose is to find the lost.

A Church

That simple statement has driven Kelso-Longview's mission for the last decade. As the church's vision of evangelism matured, it has created a variety of opportunities for the public to become aware of the church and its message. These include

the weekly broadcast of the worship service on local cable access, a yearly evangelistic series, participation in the community's Fourth of July celebrations and Christmas parade, and what the members call their "big events."

In many ways, the church is designed to make guests feel immediately welcome and comfortable. They are greeted in a warm and friendly way, and an information center sits in the middle of the foyer. Visitors are quickly noticed by the information staff person, who greets them, answers questions and directs their children to the children's wing. The children are given a pizza box filled with puzzles and other activities to take into church.

Even the sound and lighting is planned with guests in mind. Duane Wilson, head elder and

head of technical services, says, "Our purpose is to bring unchurched people into this church, and we've got to make it easy for them to enjoy the services."

"We've carefully designed ourselves for having new people show up," explains Dave. "What we must do is program for them and not just for ourselves."

A Vision

Dave explains that his church is centered on being interested in the lost, in what they do and in offering safe activities for them.

The Free Market Small Group plan is a concept where many different activities can be enjoyed through the church as a community outreach. These groups meet at least twice a month, last for one quarter, and range in topic

from Bible study, leadership training and marriage enrichment to scrapbooking, horseback riding and music, among many others.

The group leaders are asked to do at least one of four things; have prayer, study the Bible, share testimonies or hold worship during their group time. One group, which included a bunch of non-members, wanted to play some serious and competitive volleyball. The leader came to Dave and said, "It is very hard to get in anything spiritual when these guys only want to play."

Dave told him, "Just tell them what Christ has done for you." The group leader gave his testimony, and four other guys responded with their own.

"People want to belong to us and be with us before they

AND A BRIDGE

believe,” Dave says. “And as they belong, they come to believe, and then when they believe they can become what Christ intended them to be.”

Inviting people to participate is one of the reasons that the Kelso-Longview Church sponsors “big events.” These big events are the Easter *Journey to the Cross* and the Christmas *Journey to Bethlehem*, both taking place in and around the church.

The idea for *Journey to Bethlehem* began when the church social committee leader was trying to come up with ideas for monthly events that would nurture friends and neighbors as well as members. Teresa Livermore, Dave’s wife, shared the idea of a walk-through live nativity that she had seen in Bremen, Indiana. Teresa suggested the idea for another year since it was already October, but the committee members were insistent that they could do it immediately.

Teresa went home and started calling, trying to find costumes since it would be impossible to make all the needed costumes in the time they had left. She called the Lower Columbia College drama department, and the director assured her that there was no way a production could be pulled together in such short time. “That sounds really neat. I’d love to help you get it ready for next year,” the director said.

Teresa went back to the committee and gave them the bad news, telling them what this lady had said. The committee members said, “Well, she doesn’t know our people! We can do this!”

The next Sabbath Teresa asked those who were interested in helping to meet her after church, and more than 70 people showed up! “They were jazzed,” Teresa said.

Church members immediately went to work building “Bethlehem” on part of the church property. “People were happy working outside despite horrendous weather. Everyone worked with a grin on their face. If God hadn’t been in this thing there’s no way it could have happened,” Teresa says. “The afterglow lasted for three months afterwards, and now we have 6,000 people coming through.”

The story of that first *Journey to Bethlehem* appeared in the local newspaper, *The Daily News*. Two weeks later, an individual used a Web site to attack the church, declaring that Adventists were a non-Christian cult. The reporter who had done the Bethlehem story called Dave and asked him to respond. Offering up a quick “911” prayer, Dave explained to him that Adventists hold unique beliefs saying, “We are often accused of being a cult, but we are not.”

“If God hadn’t been in this thing there’s no way it could have happened.”

The morning after the article appeared on the first page, four pastors from local churches showed up at Dave’s office to offer their support. “That started a bond between us, and I have been meeting with them to pray with them ever since,” Dave explains.

A Bridge

Early in December 2003, the newspaper announced that the Lewis and Clark Bridge, which links Rainier, Oregon, with Longview, Washington, would be closed for reconstruction during the weekend of *Journey to Bethlehem*. Church member Pat Stanley, a librarian in Rainier, thought that the bridge should not be closed that weekend, not only because of the church’s program, but because of the Christmas shopping season.

As a librarian, she regularly advised people on ways to get things done, so she decided to look up people to call for help. She first called the Washington State Department of Transportation and found out that Casey Lyles was the project manager for the bridge. Casey listened as Pat explained about the *Journey to Bethlehem* event and just how many people it would impact. He said that he understood, but the bridge closure could not be changed. She asked him if he had the final authority on that, and he admitted, “Well, no.”

Pat next spoke to Elizabeth (Betsy) Johnson, Oregon State representative for Columbia County’s District 31. Betsy said that she understood the problem and would see what she could do. Then Pat called Joan Dukes, Oregon State senator for District 16, who recommended that Pat talk to the project manager for the Oregon side of the bridge reconstruction.

“When I talked to him, I introduced the topic by saying, ‘State senator Joan Dukes asked me to speak to you about whether

Rollyn Betts from Salem, Oregon, played the part of the triumphant risen Lord during the Easter program, *Journey to the Cross*.



or not the bridge can stay open during the Christmas season. She is very supportive of keeping it open and wants you to see what you can do to keep it open,” Pat said. The project manager was supportive.

“About that time I called the larger local-area retailers. I asked them what the impact would be on them to have the bridge closed during the Christmas buying season,” Pat said, and the merchants reported that seasonal shopping provided 20 percent of their annual business.

Pat called Joan back with that same information and passed it along to the Oregon project manager to take to his committee. Eventually Dave was invited to attend the planning meeting in Longview.

Dave remembers, “I read in the newspaper that they were planning to close the bridge for work the second weekend in December. We then made arrangements for members of our cast to stay with friends on this side so they could be here. Without my knowledge,

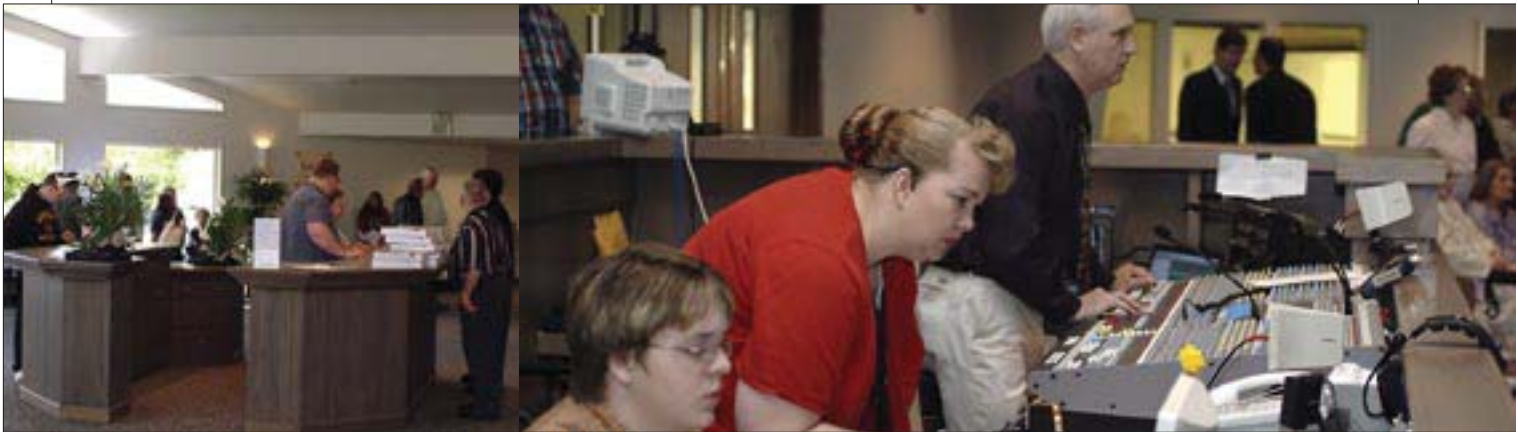
One of the state’s representatives asked how much money the church was losing because of the closure. Dave explained that they don’t charge for *Journey to Bethlehem*.

“Is it true you don’t charge anything?” she asked, and Dave assured her it was.

“And is it true that 6,000 people come?”

“Yes,” came Dave’s reply.

“Then we’re going to leave the bridge open for it,” she said. And, turning toward the merchants, she said, “You know this season isn’t about what you



Located prominently in the foyer of the church is an information center where guests can obtain the information they need.

Nolan Bumgarner manages the graphics on two large video screens, Selena Blackburn coordinates the service and Duane Wilson controls the sound so that everyone in the audience can see and hear comfortably.

Pat again called Casey Lyles, the Washington-side project manager. He said, “I don’t know if we can do this or not, but I will certainly listen to it and take it to committee.” He explained that there were, in fact, several weekends when they were already opening the bridge to accommodate special events, like the Seattle-to-Portland bike ride, impacting 2,000–2,500 people.

“We could potentially be drawing 8,000 people,” Pat explained.

“Really?” Casey asked, stunned.

“And besides that, they are local people,” Pat said. “You say that you will not be closed when Seattle people want to come down on their bikes, and they are only passing through. They are not spending any money. They are not shopping....But you make sure that you accommodate them, and I would like us to be accommodated in the same way.”

there was a big discussion going on about the closure and its effect on *Journey*. I got a call asking me to come meet with the chamber of commerce at Three Rivers Mall and with the Washington [State] Department of Transportation. I wasn’t sure why I’d been invited, but one of our members urged me to be there.

“I went into the meeting and saw all the merchants in town there. Two women with briefcases came in representing the Department of Transportation. They launched into a discourse about reasons why the bridge needed to be closed at this time. The merchants were quite upset about the business they’d be losing during the height of the Christmas buying season, but the women were unmoved. They said, ‘You’ve known this was coming. Why are you upset about it now?’”

people are doing, it’s about what he’s doing,” motioning toward Dave.

“Instantly I was a hero to all the merchants in town because they’d all benefit from having the bridge remain open,” explained Dave. “When the meeting closed, I gave her a copy of *Steps to Christ* and invited her to come to *Journey to Bethlehem*.”

How does a church make an impact for Jesus in their community? It begins by focusing outward, by looking for ways to touch the community and using its members’ time and personal relationships to make the church a central point of community connection. And in the Kelso-Longview Church, there’s no doubt that their impact is being felt throughout their community. •

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor, writes from Vancouver, Washington.

Fresh Start

Friendship 101

I would have strangled me. I certainly deserved it. But lucky for me, Dave is not that kind of friend.

I met Dave at Pacific Lutheran University while enrolled in a course called "Quantitative Analysis." He was an unassuming chap who chewed on his eraser in the back row while effortlessly setting the curve for the rest of us to shoot at. That was the first of many classes we shared in our quest to permanently park the initials M.B.A. after our names.

It wasn't until we both landed in "Business Law," however, that I uncovered the true caliber of Dave's character. That's when he gave me a gift of grace that I will remember long after I forget the details of the ADA regulations and equal opportunity employment laws.

Dave and I partnered to do an assignment that we were required to present to the class. "Let's meet early Sunday morning to work on our project," I suggested after class. "If we haul, we can knock out the whole presentation by noon."

"Sounds good to me," Dave replied.

True to form, Dave pounded on my door 10 minutes early. Immediately, we started to shape a presentation worthy of a showing in Congress. With animated video and slick sound affects, we were

crafting a work of art that would impress the president, not to mention the professor. That was good.

My ETA, however, was not so good. By noon, we were still tweaking the introduction. We worked feverishly against the backdrop of a talking TV. By the end of *60 Minutes*, it seemed we'd been slaving for 60 hours.

"My head is so thick," I lamented.

"Me, too," Dave agreed. "Let's take one more break, then we'll come back and finish."

"No, let's just finish. All we need to do is get this background color right," I growled as I manhandled the mouse in search of the perfect color.

That's when the computer asked me a question. A very important question. It queried: "Delete BusLawADA presentation.ppt?" I quickly hit "Yes"—only to be asked: "Are you sure?"

"We don't want to save this background color do we?" Dave shook his head and away I clicked.

No sooner did I hit the "Yes" button than the screen went blank. So did my heart.

"What happened?" Dave asked.

My eyes swelled to the size of kiwis. I couldn't talk. Never have I so desperately wanted to be wrong in my understanding of the secret rapture. Dear God, I thought, now would be an excellent time to take me home! For a blurry hour we hacked, prayed, pleaded, screamed,

squealed, cried and begged the computer to give us back our 12 hours of work. My Pentium displayed the emotions of a Brillo pad. Like a professional wrestler taunting his victim, it scoffed at our pain.

Finally Dave resigned to the inevitable. "I guess we start all over."

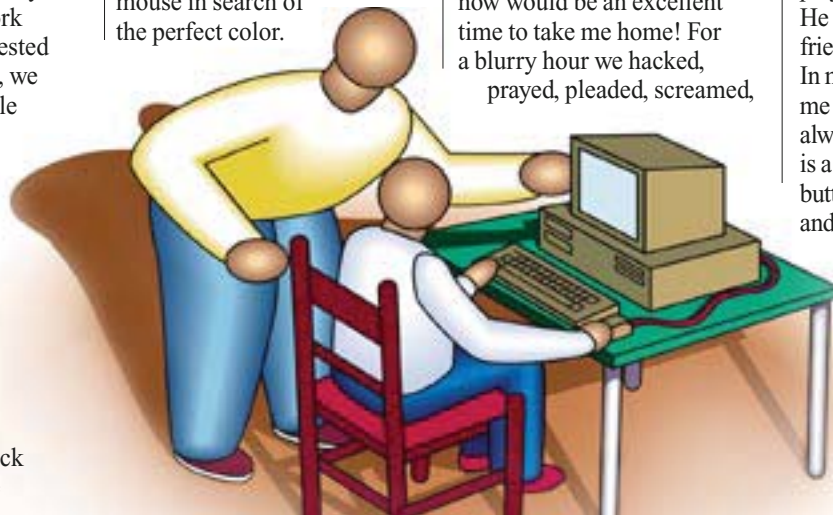
On through the night, we recreated our efforts of the day. After a dozen infomercials, we made our 1,000th (and final) save.

Now here's the amazing thing about that whole ordeal: Dave never mentioned my mistake. He didn't blame me—although he should have. He didn't shame me—even though I deserved it. He shrugged it off as if I had misplaced a chewed-up pencil. When I insisted on wallowing in my blunder, he always replied in the same way. "No big deal," he said. "It will be better the second time."

That was the first of many projects I shared with Dave. He consistently proved to be a friend of extraordinary grace. In many respects, Dave reminds me of another Friend who always treats me with grace. He is a Friend who hits the delete button on a gigabyte of mistakes and never brings them up again.

Now that is a friendship worth saving. •

Karl Haffner, Walla Walla College Church senior pastor, writes from College Place, Washington.



Canals Becomes NPUC Hispanic Coordinator

Ramon Canals has joined the North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) as assistant to the president for Hispanic ministries. Canals, who most recently filled a similar role for the Oregon Conference, steps into the position left vacant upon Ralph Orduno's retirement in December 2003. Canals will also serve as an associate ministerial director for the union.

A devout Catholic altar boy when just a lad, Canals was converted and baptized into the Adventist church at age 20. Just three years later, he married Aurora Romero, and together

they embarked on a lifelong journey of soul-winning.

Starting his full-time ministry in the New Jersey Conference, Canals finished his master of divinity degree at Andrews University in 1988. He was called to the Oregon Conference in 1994 as a full-time evangelist and was later given further responsibilities as Hispanic ministries coordinator and associate ministerial director. He completed his doctor of ministry degree from the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University in 1998.

The Canals make their home in Clackamas, Ore., and have a married daughter, Jessica, who lives in Battle Ground, Wash., and a son, Gabriel, who graduated with a communication major in May from Southwestern Adventist University.

Canals brings a two-fold focus to his expanded role in the Northwest. "My passion is simple," he says. "God has called me to be involved in soul-winning and teach other people to win souls."

"In recent years, the Canals have received numerous invitations to move to other places and opportunities," says



Ramon and Aurora Canals

Jere Patzer, NPUC president. "We're absolutely delighted that they've prayerfully decided that God wants them here in the Northwest. His fervor as an evangelist and focus as a mentor will prove invaluable to members and seekers alike during this Year of Evangelism and beyond." •

Steve Vistaunet, NPUC assistant to the president for communication

Olson Named NPUC Disaster Response Coordinator

Dennis Olson was recently elected as the North Pacific Union disaster response coordinator. As an unsalaried volunteer, Olson is accountable to the elected officers of the North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) and receives counsel and support from the NPUC disaster response coordination committee.

His duties include creating an Adventist disaster response program for the Northwest, facilitating disaster response training and, during an actual disaster, coordinating the efforts of conference and local church disaster response activities. He will also work

with state and federal agencies in planning and responding to emergencies.

Olson brings a wealth of experience to the job, including more than 30 years experience



Dennis and Linda Olson

working for local and county governmental agencies in Washington and Oregon. He retired in June 2003, having served as the director of the Umatilla County Department of Resource Services and Development for 24 years and directing 32 staff members. He is currently under contract as a Homeland Security consultant and is on call as a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) disaster assistance employee.

Olson's wife of 34 years, Linda (Chaney), is a program manager for the Oregon Department of Human Services child welfare program. They have two grown

children: Christian, a middle school special education teacher in Scappoose, Ore., and Krista, a social worker/family advocate for the Head Start program in Boardman, Ore. They have one granddaughter.

In announcing Olson's appointment, Jere Patzer, NPUC president, said, "We pray that we are spared any major disaster, but it is a blessing to know that, should one occur, adequate preparation will have been made through the efforts of Dennis Olson and the conference disaster response coordinators." •

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor



James Cazort and Lynda Malmberg paused during their wedding in the Palmer Adventist Church to observe the baptism of their friend, Randy Miller.

Wedding Pauses for Baptism of Friend

James Cazort and Lynda Malmberg had been contemplating marriage for a number of months. In fact, they had often been asked, "When are you guys going to get married?" During that same period, Randy Miller, a close friend of the couple, had been contemplating baptism.

While the friends were planning an early winter camping trip last October, Miller challenged the couple, "If you guys get married, I'll get baptized!" Thus the unusual wedding baptism plans were begun.

Cazort and Malmberg thought their wedding ceremony would be the perfect time to introduce their mostly non-Adventist families and friends to some gospel truths. Rather than invite all their Adventist friends to celebrate with them, the couple specifically invited their unchurched friends. The

pastor presented the creation of Eden and marriage, Satan's introduction of sin, and God's plan of salvation during the ceremony.

Just before the pair lit their unity candle, the ceremony paused while Miller was baptized. The lighting of the unity candle thus symbolized both the lives of Cazort and Malmberg being united as one with Christ and Miller's life being reborn in Christ. Many guests commented later that they were deeply touched by the combined wedding/baptism ceremony.

The ceremony was truly a multi-church event featuring pastors of several Adventist churches and guests from Adventist, Mormon and Church of God congregations. •

*John Kriegelstein,
Alaska Conference
communication director*

Ketchikan Opens "Wee Blessings"

The Ketchikan Church recently opened the Wee Blessings Redistribution Center, which offers free clothing, shoes, food and household goods to Ketchikan residents in need. The center is also looking for donations of firewood.

The center's name represents how the whole community is involved. "The items we receive as donations become blessings to those who receive them," said Marge Edais-Yeltatzie, Ketchikan community services director. Yeltatzie hopes to open other centers in the future.

At the center's opening, Bill Williams, Alaska state representative, cut the ribbon and spoke about the Native tradition of giving to neighbors.

Ketchikan, a town of 14,000 in southeast Alaska,



Photo by John Payne

Marge Edais-Yeltatzie shows the quality used clothing available at Wee Blessings, a redistribution center operated by the Ketchikan Church that offers free clothing, food and household items to Ketchikan families.

has been hit hard with the closure of almost all logging operations in the area. •

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communication director*

Groundbreaking for New School

Spirits were high at the Mat-Valley Adventist School as students and others participated in the groundbreaking ceremony for the first phase of their new school. Phase 1 will create a 17,000-square-foot building with seven classrooms, a library and a computer lab. The new school, which should be ready by Christmas, will hold about 130 students. A new gym will be built next spring during the second phase of construction.

In addition to Mat-Valley students and teachers, the ceremony featured the school's principal, Ken Nelson, as well as Alaska conference administrators and Neil Biloff, Palmer Church pastor.

The school has been sharing space with the Palmer Church since they vacated the old school located about 8 miles away. •

Dorothy Johnson



Students, teachers and conference personnel broke ground for the new Mat-Valley Adventist School.

Boise Valley Breaks Ground for New Gymnasium

You can't argue with a kid on a mission: "I'm going to sell candy to give money for the gym. Half I'll keep, half I'll give to Jesus and half will

be for the new gym." This kindergartner brought pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters totaling \$13 and put it in the hand of the principal.

This has been the kind of giving that has put Boise Valley Adventist School (BVAS) over its fundraising goal to start building the long-awaited gym. The official groundbreaking ceremony was held on April 17.

The addition will provide a gym and additional classrooms for the two classes now held in modular classrooms. This is part one of a three-phase expansion to the school.

BVAS was the first parochial school in the Boise area. Last year marked the 100th



Colorful balloons added to the festive atmosphere at the BVAS groundbreaking.

anniversary of the school, which was housed at several locations before a devastating fire made the move to its present location on North Cloverdale Road necessary. •

Allan Sather, BVAS principal



School, church, conference and building committee representatives joined students Bethany Lang and Jake Spainhower to break ground for the new Boise Valley Adventist School gym and classrooms.

Gem State Students Ring Message of God's Love

Hands flashed and bells sounded as an eight-person team of Gem State Adventist Academy (GSAA) students regaled their audience with another fine performance. "Playing five octaves of bells and three octaves of chimes is usually a 12- to 13-person job," said Ben Purvis, GSAA music director, "but this group took up the challenge and plays better than many full groups."

The major focus and goal of the group is to ring the message of God's love. This year the Gem State handbell ensemble has performed by special invitation for the local Lions Club, Pacific Press, Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church and the ASI convention in Sun Valley. The group has also toured extensively in Utah, Eastern

Oregon and much of Idaho and next year will tour through Montana and Alberta, Canada.

"Most of the group has been together for three years, and this

has given us the opportunity to meld and grow close. This makes tours together a ton of fun," said Emily Kurlinski, Gem State junior and bell ringer.



Gem State handbell ringers Heidi Purvis, Lindsay Miller, Travis Loucks, Emily Kurlinski, Danielle Lawson, Jeff Botimer and Joni Glem play for the pops concert.

Gem State handbell ringers have also been a big part of the Cool Ringings handbell and chimes festival held for fifth through eighth graders each January. "We couldn't put on the festival without our talented handbell team," said Purvis.

The festival has created a lot of interest and training among kids coming into their freshman year at Gem State. "Because of the huge amount of interest, we may have a beginners and advanced group next year," says Purvis. "Helping our kids share their talents for Christ is a very rewarding way to spend my day." •

Debra McCarver, GSAA GLEANER correspondent

Ft. Peck Enjoys Revival and Growth

Thanks to two seminars, the Ft. Peck Reservation Company in Poplar, Mont., is enjoying a fresh sense of revival and growth.

The first seminar, held by Brian and Denise Bechthold, featured music, Bible study and fellowship over shared food. As a result of these meetings, two Dakota Sioux women, Lucy Iron Thunder and Sharon Boxer, joined the church. A revival also happened among the group's own members, with Larry and Lorraine Heater and Ed and Kris Simons being re-baptized.

Following the Bechtholds' seminar, the church is conducting a Daniel seminar.



From left: Evangelists Brian and Denise Bechthold are pictured with new and rebaptized Ft. Peck Reservation Company members, Lucy Iron Thunder, Kris Simons, Sharon Boxer, Ed Simons, Lorraine Heater, church pastor David Clevenger and Larry Heater.

Attendance has been more than a dozen people, and the meetings are held in the Heaters' home. Lorraine Heater's constant devotion

to preparing food for the fellowships has created an opportunity for attendees to become friends as well as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Kris Simons calls the people to remind them of the meeting each week. That and the pastor's personal visitation has been bringing together a really nice group of adults to study God's Word.

The revival has spread to the junior and earliteen divisions, with several children requesting baptism, and a baptismal class has been formed.

In addition to all this good news, the group will soon have a building inspected which they hope to use and own for a reasonable sum. •

David Clevenger, Ft. Peck Reservation Company pastor

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Mt. Ellis Adds Videography into Curriculum

Visitors to Mt. Ellis Academy (MEA) are likely to see groups of students toting video cameras, setting up scenes, directing actors and editing video as part of an exciting new videography program.

MEA leaders have dreamed of offering a videography class to equip students with video production skills to produce church service, mission and quarterly *MEA Spotlight* videos.

Through God's miracles, that dream has become a reality with zero impact to the school budget. Commercial film student Craig Hadley joined our staff in January as a taskforce worker, his position funded by a donor. His duties include teaching

videography, producing a promotional video and directing the school drama group.

The school also received a grant from the North Pacific Union Conference for a videography lab. Now in place, the lab includes four editing stations, five digital cameras and all the software necessary to edit video.

"This has been a totally new kind of learning experience for me. It's been a ton of work, but it's also a lot of fun," said Paul Curtis, a sophomore and one of 21 students involved in the program. "I hope this program can continue after this year." •

Darren Wilkins, Mt. Ellis Academy principal

PAA Athlete Gives Thanks *Even in Defeat*

Trent Wade, a Portland Adventist Academy (PAA) junior and basketball point guard, was one of the players affected by the Oregon State Board of Education's recent ruling that it is not necessary for the Oregon Sports Athletic Association (OSAA) to accommodate the Sabbath beliefs of any team in scheduling playoff games. OSAA is the governing body for high school sports in Oregon.

When questioned about this, Wade stated that it was a real downer when the team first got the news. He knew that this was a very special team and that he probably would never have the opportunity to play on another team as skilled as this one.

The team held a meeting shortly after this news was received and concluded that they were on a journey of faith in God and that He could make things happen. Regardless of the results, they affirmed that their faith, and specifically keeping the Sabbath, was much more important than any basketball game, even a playoff game.

Wade says he believes that a game such as basketball compares in some ways with the Christian's life—that with practice, the team excels

and, with regular practice, can go further than any other team has gone. Similarly, the more study and commitment to Christ, the higher and closer we can come to His ideal.

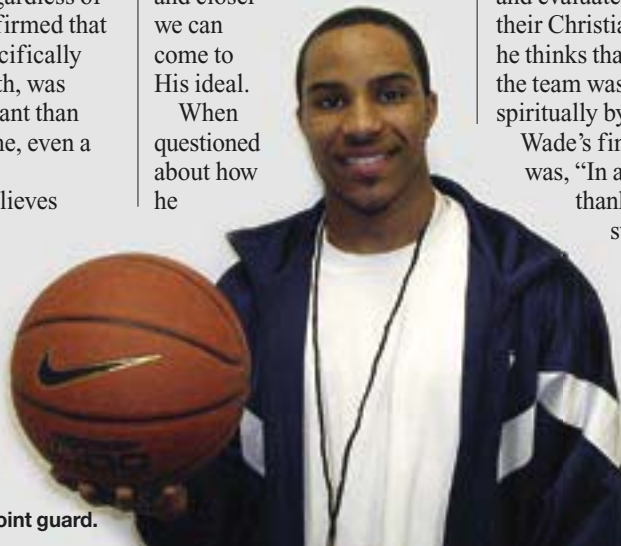
When questioned about how he

thought the team was affected by this decision, he said that every player asked why they couldn't go to state finals, causing them to think deeper and evaluate their priorities in their Christian life. However, he thinks that the majority of the team was strengthened spiritually by the decision.

Wade's final comment was, "In all things give thanks"—quite a

statement for a person and for a team that suffered a disappointing defeat. •

*Dan Patchin,
PAA GLEANER
correspondent*



Trent Wade, point guard.

Principal Inspires Mid-Columbia Baptisms

Dale Milam, Mid-Columbia Jr. Academy principal, announced about a year ago that he would be willing to

stay after school to teach additional Bible studies to anyone interested. The two boys who responded were

Christopher Hill and Milam's own son, Eric.

The boys' two families are close friends, so the Bible studies were held at Milam's home on Friday evenings. After many serious and enjoyable hours searching the scriptures, both boys decided to be baptized. They wanted the special event to be on their birthdays the following summer.

Christopher Hill wanted a special place for his baptism and chose Kingsley Reservoir close to the foothills of Mt. Hood. His uncle, Lyn Bryson, McMinnville (Ore.) Church pastor, officiated for the baptism, which was held on Hill's birthday, July 1.

Eric Milam chose to be baptized on his birthday, July 27, in the Hood River (Ore.) Church by Pat Milligan, pastor.

Christopher and Eric are exemplary young teenagers and are now junior deacons in the church. •

*Joyce Gallentine, Hood River
Church communication leader*



Dale Milam, Mid-Columbia Jr. Academy principal, studied the Bible with Christopher Hill (left) and Eric Milam (right), which led to the baptisms of both.



The Milo mission group started housing for construction workers who will build a hospital in this primitive area.

Mission to Guatemala

Milo Students Help Prepare for New Hospital

There is possibly no greater satisfaction than helping someone in need. The students at Milo Adventist Academy learn this every year when they participate in the mission trips that the school offers. This year, Poptun, Guatemala, was one of the destinations for those who chose to serve others.

After months of raising funds and preparing, the students flew to Guatemala City, where they loaded their gear on the bus that would take them out to Instituto de Capacitacion Adventista del Peten (ICAP), the Guatemalan boarding school. The bus kept breaking down, and it was amazing that it even reached its destination.

After spending Friday and Saturday with the hospitable ICAP students, the group rode the bus to the jungle site where for the next two weeks they would be building a living complex for those who would later build a hospital. The group

stayed in a primitive, roofless warehouse with gaping holes at both ends, and they slept on the “floor,” which was really rocks and shale. Throughout their time there, students and staff members alike took part in making the situation fun and humorous. They even laughed through a howler monkey attack, a scorpion bite and an imbedded tick.

Students from Milo’s Spanish class put on a Vacation Bible School for 200 children in the area. The Milo students promptly lost their hearts to the Guatemalan children who poured into the community center to enjoy crafts, songs and games. Each child also received a stuffed animal to keep.

The mission trip touched the people who went to help as well as the people in Guatemala. “The mission trip was truly a blessing to me,” said Kimmie Coggins, a Milo junior. •

*Summer Coggins,
MAA sophomore*

Mission to Mazatlan

Milo and Emerald Students Serve Together

Thirty-five students from Milo Adventist Academy and Emerald Christian Academy (Pleasant Hill, Ore.) survived a 49-hour drive to Mazatlan, Mexico, to spend their spring break building a church, conducting a Vacation Bible School and holding a week of prayer.

Each day, many students traveled 45 minutes by bus to the building site where Dan Tetzler, construction supervisor, directed them. Others stayed behind to host a week of prayer for the older children, who came to enjoy the singing, skits and lessons. Dawn Ponder, Racquel Ledezma and Katrina Harness led a Vacation Bible School for the younger children.

Warm weather helped the progress on the church, but, after eight hours in the hot sun, everyone was ready for a swim

at the nearby beach.

In the evenings, students donned dressier clothes to attend nightly meetings conducted by Carl Wilkens, Milo pastor, with Arturo Ledezma translating. Some attendees decided to give their lives to God and be baptized. As the week progressed, everyone was on a spiritual high, ready to do whatever God had in mind.

No one wanted to leave their new friends. They exchanged e-mail addresses and hugs before climbing on the bus. As they waved goodbye, the students realized that though they came to serve, they had actually been served. They began to truly see that “it is more blessed to give than to receive.” •

*Greg Becker, MAA junior, and
Katie Currier, MAA sophomore*

For five days the children enjoyed Bible stories, crafts, activities and songs led by a Milo senior, Dawn Ponder (lower right).



Young Boy's Desire Reminds Pastor of Samuel

At just three years of age, Justin Weir began coming to Sabbath School with his grandmother, Donna McQuown, after she became acquainted with the church through the Springfield (Ore.) Church's Adventist Community Services. He loved the Bible stories, songs and activities in the beginners, kindergarten and primary rooms. Leaders noticed his eager response to the Holy Spirit.

When Kay Pohl spotted McQuown and Weir trudging from church to the bus stop

one Sabbath, she offered them a ride. Soon they were spending many Sabbath afternoons eating dinner, playing games and reading stories at her home along with Weir's brother, Jonathan, and grandfather, Kenny, who now joined them at church.

When his grandparents were baptized, Weir wanted to be baptized too. He was advised to wait until he was 10 years old. "You mean I have to wait four more years?" he sighed.

Weir continued to press for baptism. Seeing Weir's



Justin Weir, hugging his brother Jonathan, is surrounded by his supporters, from left: Jim Blackwood, retired pastor; Kay Pohl, his Bible teacher; Kenny McQuown, his grandfather; Jane Weir, his grandmother; and Donna McQuown, his grandmother.

knowledge and dedication, Jim Blackwood, pastor, was more than willing to baptize the eight-year-old Weir, calling him a "Samuel." When he tested young Weir on his understanding of the doctrines of the Bible one question was, "What is the Sabbath?" Weir responded, "When God made the earth, that's when God took His break."

Weir was baptized on his birthday, March 13. He beamed as many hands raised, accepting the privilege of being his new aunts, uncles, grandparents and brothers and sisters in Christ. •

*Cheryl Whitsell,
Springfield Church
communication leader*

Negative Publicity Brings Positive Results for Astoria Seminar

When Steve and Alberta Cook, Oregon Conference evangelists, came to Astoria, Ore., to hold a prophecy seminar at a local middle school, they didn't know they would get front-page coverage in *The Daily Astorian* regarding the use of public schools for religious meetings.

Some Astorians were concerned that this use of the school was a violation of church and state separation. Members of the Astoria Church were grateful for the support of the school's

principal, who was quoted in the article as saying, "It is a public building, and if we let some organization use it, we have to let everyone use it." The seminar was allowed to go on.

As the evangelistic team gathered before the seminar's opening meeting on March 6, they prayed that God would override the negative press. God heard and answered, bringing nearly 100 people to the opening meeting. Interest remained high throughout the series.

The order in which subjects were presented led Christians of other backgrounds into topics that were new and captivating to them. Steve used the Amazing Facts Bible study guides as free handouts to supplement each evening's message, and Alberta's nightly health presentations also captivated the audience's interest.

As truths were unfolded night by night, seven chose to be baptized at the close of the meetings on April 10. One couple that was

baptized visited the Astoria Church only to recognize it as a church the husband had seen in a dream as the place where he would be happy. He had been searching for a home church and now rejoiced that he was happily attending the very church to which God had so miraculously led him.

Following the seminar, layperson-led "Focus on Prophecy" classes are being held in Astoria and Seaside, Ore. •

Alberta Cook and Elwood Starr

CAA Mission Helps Children in Mexican Orphanage

A group of 47 Columbia Adventist Academy (CAA) students, staff and sponsors spent spring break at El Oasis, a village for orphaned and abandoned children in Baja, Mexico, run by International Children's Care (ICC).

At El Oasis, they built a fence, painted the church and some homes, and poured concrete for the school's sidewalks. But the most important reason for going was to bring love and joy to the children of this orphanage. In truth, the CAA team members were the ones who received love and joy.

Before leaving for this trip, each student and sponsor had the chance to choose a little "sister" or "brother" to adopt for their time at El Oasis. They brought gifts for their special kids and had opportunities during the week to spend time with these little ones. One day, the CAA students created matching T-shirts for themselves and their little sisters and brothers. The kids loved the shirts so much, they wore them every day—even under their school uniforms.

On the last night at El Oasis, the children played the CAA girls' basketball team, and then everyone joined hands for prayer. The trip director and ICC development director, Doug Congleton, and the El Oasis construction director, Daniel Ixcot, prayed that each person in the circle would be reunited again in heaven. "The kids were the best part—I cared about them so much by the end of the trip, and it was



During this unforgettable trip, CAA students felt as blessed as the more than 50 children they went to Mexico to help.

sad to leave them," recalled sophomore Anya Davis. No one wanted to leave.

Jerry Wallace, CAA junior, said, "I pray that my experience in Mexico will help me to be a more sensitive person and put others before myself. The trip helped me realize the material things in life are meaningless, and we should be building up treasures in heaven."

One fully understands what the true meaning of life is when he or she is put in a situation that is totally different from normal, everyday life. I went on this mission trip

CAA seniors Christiana Perry and Brittany Prah became God's arms of love by holding two of His kids at the ICC orphanage in Baja, Mexico.

two years ago, and I couldn't wait to go back this year. Only this time, God opened my eyes to a bigger picture of truth. Those children have almost nothing. And what they do have, each one is willing to give away. Several CAA students were given gifts from their little brothers or sisters.

As these academy students arrived back in the States, the amenities of life seemed so unimportant.

Sure, it was nice and comfortable to have all the things they were used to, but there is something those children have that is so much better than worldly possessions or pleasures. They aren't worried about the latest fashion or music—all they care about is what Jesus did for each of them. •

*Denae Yuros,
CAA junior class chaplain*





God Works Church Miracle *in His Time*

The Bend (Ore.) Church celebrated Easter weekend with a mortgage burning ceremony for the payoff of their new church property. Don Livesay, president, and Al Reimke, vice president, came from Oregon Conference to give their support to the celebration.

The celebration marked a major stepping-stone in the long road toward getting a new church in Bend, which began in 1998 when the church family realized they were outgrowing their

present building. The building committee finally purchased a six-acre parcel on the outskirts of the Bend city limits in November 1998.

After purchasing the property, the church worked on different forms of fund-raising to pay the mortgage so that they could build a church. Their previous church building went up for sale, and funds came in quickly at first. With the help of systematic givers, the property was totally paid off in June 2003 after five years of hard work.

God had a plan, however, that no one could have foreseen. During those five years, the older Bend church never sold and the Bend city limits had expanded to include the new property, making it worth much more. Right after it was totally paid off, the Bend congregation received an offer for approximately twice the price they had paid for it. In that same week, they were approached about a church on 14 acres that had

just become available on the market. It was fairly new and needed to be sold due to the previous congregation disbanding, leaving no one able to pay for the church and property. They were willing to sell it for considerably less than its value. The building had classrooms, offices and a large meeting room with the thought that they would build the sanctuary later.

The Bend Church members agreed that God had led them to the six-acre parcel and allowed them to buy and sit on it for five years while it was being paid off. It was time to sell it for a huge profit and to invest the money in the 14 acres with a building already on it. During the week that they purchased the new property, the offers for the original Bend church started coming, which rekindled the church members' motivation.

Fund-raising began again. People gave generously. They shared testimonies about how God had blessed them in their

giving and had allowed them to even give more than they had originally planned. In March 2004, only three short months after purchasing it, the Bend Church was able to totally pay off this new property and building.

God had another lesson to share with them about His timing. As they were paying off the new property and building, they sold the original church after its having been on the market for five years.

The Bend Church family is planning on building a sanctuary onto the existing building of their new 14-acre parcel. The congregation still has a long way to go and more steps in their path before they are done. But if you ask them if they trust that God will be there, working out all things for the good in His time, they will answer an absolute "yes!" •

David Miller, Bend Church communication leader



Building committee chairman, Bob Rees, watched as Joy McDougal, Bend Church treasurer, lit the mortgage of the new property and building.

Wenatchee Members and Students Minister *and Heal in Kenya*

I looked at Katelyn, my partner in triage crime, as we asked the young woman sitting in front of us, “And how long have you been having headaches?”

“Her temp is normal, heart rate is 80 and respiratory rate is 16,” nurse Dan Crowles told me as he removed his stethoscope from around his neck.

Katelyn finished writing down the stats, and I motioned for the young woman to follow me to the doctor.

Having a medical team was just one aspect of the Wenatchee Church and Cascade Christian Academy (CCA) 2004 mission trip to the Masai Mara in Kenya.

“It was the experience of a lifetime. Next time I want to stay for a month.”

More than 50 church members and students raised money for airplane tickets, building supplies, medical and dental supplies, and a safari. Working with Africa Mission Safari (AMS), we held



Wenatchee Church members and students from Cascade Christian Academy traveled to the Masai Mara in Kenya to build, heal and share Jesus' love.

medical and dental clinics, did a Vacation Bible School for local schools, held evangelistic meetings, and finished constructing a medical building that a previous group had started—all in two short but life-changing weeks.

“It was the experience of a lifetime. Next time I want to stay for a month,” stated Kim Eastman, the only dental hygienist in the group. The dental team pulled more than 110 teeth in five days with help from Josh Knowles, a full-time AMS employee who lives in the Masai Mara, and three wonderful assistants, Sydnee and Tammi Martin, and Courtney Starceovich.

Eric Dant, family practitioner, and Mike Brendel, a registered nurse, led the

medical team. They treated more than 350 people, including those with maggots in their arms and children with worms, infections and tumors, just to name a few of the more serious afflictions. Cassi Brendel, a CCA sophomore who helped the medical group, said, “Before, I never thought I wanted to be a nurse; now I’m pretty sure I’m going to go to nursing school when I graduate from high school.”

Beginning with only the foundation laid and poles in the ground, the building crew did an amazing job of pouring the floor, raising walls and putting on the roof in the short amount of time that we were there. Garth Montgomery, a second timer to the Masai Mara, said, “Working on the

building crew is awesome because at the end of the day, we’ve accomplished so much, and you can actually see the progress made.”

Mark Witas and Shane Wood led the evangelism team and oversaw the construction of a baptismal tank next to the church. More than 50 people decided to be baptized as a result of their teachings. Ashley Eastman, a Walla Walla College sophomore, was the first person baptized in the new tank and surprised her family back home with a video of her baptism at church.

Although we worked hard, we also had a lot of fun. Every night Knowles guided groups of people on night safaris. Cheetahs, elephants, zebras and ostriches were among the many animals we saw in the park and even right in camp.

It was moments like Eastman’s baptism, helping people know the great love that Jesus has for us, and playing with the kids at VBS that make mission trips so worthwhile. We may have treated people, built a medical clinic and taught them about Jesus, but they taught us to be more humble, accepting and caring to those we know and those we have yet to meet. •

Lauren Brendel

Pastors Attend Seminar on Abuse

Ministers of the Upper Columbia Conference were required to attend an all-day seminar on domestic violence and child abuse at the conference office in Spokane on April 5. They listened to a number of presentations on abuse from a variety of perspectives.

and ethical issues of abuse. Marta Beaubien, a physician and medical examiner for pediatric physical and sexual abuse, gave a medical perspective on domestic violence and child abuse. And George Masten, a law enforcement officer and a state investigator of sex crimes against children, gave an overview of child abuse in our society.

A recent study of 1,500 Adventists from 70 churches throughout the Pacific Northwest revealed the prevalence of physical abuse in the North Pacific Union. It was found that 19 percent of women and nine percent of men in the church experienced physical abuse compared to 22 percent of women and seven percent of men in the general population.

Concerned about the amount of abuse within the church, the conference administrators arranged for this seminar to help pastors deal with the problem. The conference executive committee also reviewed and reaffirmed in March a previous decision that all volunteers who work with children in churches and schools must fill out a background form that is processed at the conference office to help protect children from possible abuse. •

Doug R. Johnson, Upper Columbia Conference assistant to the president and communication director

Danasa Serns, Cascade Christian Academy fifth grader

George Masten, a law enforcement officer and a state investigator of sex crimes against children, was one of four presenters at the all-day conference.



Pastors from the Upper Columbia Conference attended a seminar on domestic violence and child abuse at the conference office in Spokane.

Jerry Connell, a clinical pastoral psychotherapist from Nebraska, explored with the ministers a Biblical and clinical approach to forgiveness and the perpetrator. JoAnn Abeyta, a field representative of the denomination's insurance company, talked about the legal



After their baptism on the final day of the Manila evangelistic meetings in the Cueneta Astrodome, the new members crowd on a jeepney for the ride back to their home church.

Child Speaks at Philippines Crusade

Global Evangelism is a program that sends speakers, trained or not, on mission trips. I went with my dad, Dan Serns, on the metro Manila, Phillipines, program to sing for his meetings.

After a couple days, we got to see our meeting site, which was one of 46 including the Manila Astrodome. When some other speakers failed to show up at other sites, some people who came not planning to speak found they would need to preach their own series. Even though I'm only 11 years old, I was soon speaking in front of approximately 30 complete strangers away from my dad's meetings. After speaking twice, I missed my dad too much and joined him at his meetings.

A visitor who was a non-Adventist became one of my friends. I asked her if she was planning to get baptized. She said that she didn't know.

As the meetings continued, I kept asking and praying. One exciting night, I asked, and she said that she was going to prepare for baptism.

As the meetings were coming to a close, many people decided to get baptized. Finally, the big Sabbath came. Everyone from all the sites came to the Astrodome, which was packed! After the church service, my dad and 49 other pastors and speakers baptized 1,900 people at the pool next door to the Astrodome.

In the beginning, I was thinking, "I hope we get more shopping time instead of the meetings." After a couple meetings, I decided that the meetings were the best part. I think that everyone should have the wonderful experience of going on a mission trip. •

Danasa Serns, Cascade Christian Academy fifth grader

UCA Students Travel the Globe for Three Separate Missions

In keeping with annual tradition, nearly 80 Upper Columbia Academy (UCA) students and a dozen staff spent their spring vacations sharing Christ's love in three very different parts of the world.

Mission to Peru

One group traveled to Iquitos, Peru, on the Amazon River. Some students assisted four dentists with pulling or fluoridating teeth. Since virtually all of the local people had parasites, the teams also distributed parasite medicine everywhere they went.

Other students got acquainted with as many as 200 children by playing volleyball, jumping rope, singing songs and telling stories. They encouraged the children to bring their parents back at night, when they put on puppet shows and did more music, and when Mariano de Oro, UCA Bible and language teacher, preached in Spanish.

After the evening meetings, many of the students went back to the main plaza to feed "the shoeshine boys," a group of 20–25 boys whose only source of income is shining shoes.

For two of their days, the students traveled up the

Amazon River into the jungle and stayed overnight. This was supposed to be the "vacation" part of their trip, but the needs of the people were so great that they continued helping the people however they could, giving away parasite medication, treating wounds and even fluoridating the teeth of another 75 people!

Off to Borneo

Another group headed to the island of Borneo. They flew into Kuching, took a 200-mile bus ride and a two-hour boat ride up the Ankara River to the Ukom longhouse. All the surrounding villages had heard that "SDA UCA" was coming and together rounded up 15 little boats to transport the group for that last leg of their journey.

Their primary goal was to build a church. In order to do so, several things had to be done by hand, such as



In spite of all the things that had to be done by hand, the UCA Borneo group completed this beautiful brick church in only five days.

excavating the site, sifting the sand and mixing the cement. The cement had been hauled to the longhouse by boat and carried up a steep hill. In addition, several boat trips were made up the river every day to get the necessary rocks.

With funds that the group took over with them, the Sarawak mission (similar to a local conference) was able to purchase land for the church. Out of 150 people living in this longhouse, about 20 have converted to Christ and become Adventists over the last two years. They are very excited about having a building in which to worship.

In addition to building the brick church with beautifully arched windows, the group set up medical clinics every day with students assisting the doctors. In the evenings, meetings were held for the adults, and Vacation Bible School was held for the children.

On their final Sabbath, the students entered the completed church to enjoy a memorable



A child living in the jungle along the Amazon River in Peru receives a fluoride treatment on her teeth, applied by UCA student Kristen Opp.

worship and dedication service that included eight baptisms—some from a longhouse where UCA had built a church a couple of years ago, some from this longhouse and one from the UCA senior class.

Mission Field at Home

Mike Martling, UCA history teacher, has a special love for New York after growing up on Staten Island and after visiting the ruins of the World Trade Center while it was still smoking and bodies were still being carried off the premises. He took a

group of students to work in the city two years ago and was delighted to take another group back this year.

Students worked with Mission NYC, an interdenominational ministry. They did all kinds of things out of their comfort zones and gave the Holy Spirit a chance to

show Himself as powerful. They manned prayer tables on subways, witnessed on ferries, served breakfast in soup kitchens, prayed with firemen in 10 different fire departments (and traded T-shirts from fire departments in Spokane), and distributed Bibles and brochures. On a Staten Island bus, an entire

family gave their hearts to the Lord!

Many of their activities were similar to the kinds of things they regularly do for UCA's community service program, HOPE Task Force. That experience resulted in an ability and confidence that did not go unnoticed by those they served. The Yorkville Common Pantry, where students unloaded and organized a truckload of food and prepared emergency food bags, said the UCA group was the best group they'd ever had. •

Cheri Corder

All the surrounding villages had heard that "SDA UCA" was coming...

UCA Gymnastics Team Tours Alaska

During a whirlwind tour in the Alaska Conference, Upper Columbia Academy's gymnastics team spent their April home leave sharing Christ and promoting Christian education. They put on eight shows for a total of 2,350 people and gave spectacular demonstrations of integrity, excellence and teamwork.

"...the people were so responsive and so affirming that it was all very rewarding!"

In Anchorage, they performed twice at the Wendler Middle School and once each at the Anchorage Gymnastic Club and

Anchorage Jr. Academy. Other performances were at Tanaina Elementary in Wasilla, Valley Adventist School in Palmer, Colony Middle School (also in Palmer) and Fairbanks Gymnastic, Inc.

"You can come back to our school any time," emphasized the Tanaina principal, who was especially impressed with the team's expertise and the harmony they had in working together.

The enthusiasm continued everywhere the team went. "This has been the assembly of the year!" noted a teacher at Wendler.

On Sabbath, students led or participated in church services in both Palmer and Anchorage. On Sabbath afternoon, the group was delighted to visit Portage Glacier.

UCA students raised money for the trip, and lodging was provided by church members in Palmer and Anchorage.

"I was exhausted when we got back," admitted team



The men of the UCA gym team pause during an elementary school performance to sing happy birthday to a fourth grader.

member Saria Kim. "But the people were so responsive and so affirming that it was all very rewarding!"

In addition to performing for sister schools within Upper Columbia Conference, the Upper Columbia Academy team is part of the academy's outreach program and has performed and put on gymnastics workshops in two public schools, Whitworth College, two

Spokane community colleges and Eastern Washington University.

"My goal for the students is to have them realize that any talent they have should be developed for the purpose of reaching out to people and serving God," said John Soulé, the team's coach. •

Cheri Corder, UCA GLEANER correspondent

SJA Alumni Gather and Support New School Building

Spokane Jr. Academy (SJA) welcomed 255 alumni and friends to its alumni homecoming weekend in March.

Growing up an Adventist at SJA led Charles Scriven, now president of Kettering College of Medical Arts in Kettering, Ohio, to discover the “faith of a joyful Jesus.”

Delivering the sermon at SJA’s alumni homecoming weekend, Scriven spoke in the gym where he went to school, played on weekends and worshipped on Sabbath in the new congregation that became the Linwood Church in Spokane. The school and its neighborhood shaped a boy dealing with the anxieties of life into a man who knows what it is to continue growing as an Adventist.

Kristi Fritz, alumni homecoming coordinator, noted that the alumni weekend celebrated the education of generations of youth while looking forward to the construction of the new academy building less than three miles from the present campus.

Current students and staff



Carter Noland and Gordon Birchell review SJA memories.



Charles Scriven (left), SJA alumnus and president of Kettering College of Medical Arts, is welcomed by Kristi Fritz, alumni coordinator.

led the Sabbath School lesson study for the homecoming while music teacher Loren Frost led the handbells, band and choir in a special music program.

Dick and Jan Moseanko organized lunch sponsored by the Central Church for

the gathering with desserts provided by members from the South Hill, Linwood and Freedom Road churches.

Art Lenz, building committee chair, described how the Holy Spirit led SJA to the new 39.2 acre site on North Government Way. “SJA has completely paid for the land and is now working on a capital campaign plan,” Lenz said.

The fifth annual SJA benefit auction was held Saturday evening at the South Hill Church and raised more than \$10,000 for the new school fund. The weekend concluded with a Sunday morning alumni benefit brunch at the Central Church fellowship hall. •

David M. Wallace,
SJA development director



Nicole Schultz played the part of an angel in the Easter pageant, *Face to Face with the Passion of Christ*.

Easter Drama Creates Unforgettable Impression

The Coeur d’Alene (Idaho) Church performed the drama *Face to Face with the Passion of Christ* in celebration of Easter in April.

Set against the Garden of Gethsemane, the story began with a voice explaining Isaiah’s prophesy of the birth of a King. As Christ’s childhood and wilderness temptations unfolded, the audience was brought right into the life of Christ. They watched as Jesus gave the Sermon on the Mount and explained how we should live, how we should treat others and how hard it is to get to the kingdom of heaven.

Then a voice from afar explained that He was crucified. As an angel approached the tomb, the powerful song “Rise Again” was sung. Smoke emerged from the tomb as the angel rolled away the stone and Jesus stepped into the sunlight.

The audience was struck silent by the powerful drama as they realized what Christ has done for us because He loves us so. •

Stacie Sachs, Coeur d’Alene
Church communication leader

Sunset Lake Named Camp of the Year

Sunset Lake Camp was voted the Association of Adventist Camp Professionals (AACP) camp of the year at the AACP annual retreat. This award recognizes outstanding achievement in camping ministry and was awarded in recognition of the amazing things God has done at Sunset Lake Camp.

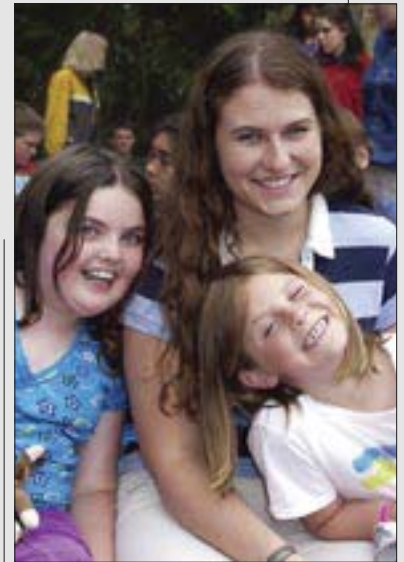
Over the past few years, Sunset Lake Camp has seen things happen that could only

happen through the grace of God. The camp itself has undergone an amazing physical transformation. A growing and sometimes overwhelming number of kids have come to the camp each year to hear about Christ—sometimes for the first time. Last summer 18 kids were baptized at camp. Many more decided to be baptized, including 75 young people that are first-time Christians

from non-Adventist homes. This shows so well what a large and growing ministry Sunset Lake Camp is to its campers.

Though the physical plant has been changing, one thing remains the same—a driving passion to see young and old fall deeper in love with Jesus Christ! •

Craig Heinrich, Washington Conference youth director



These happy girls enjoy the many activities and friendships at Sunset Lake Camp.

Congreso de Jovenes 2004

“El Amor Triunfa,” the triumphant love of God, was the theme for the Washington Conference Spanish Youth Congress April 30–May 2. During the weekend, the Puget Sound Adventist Academy gym was filled with more than 450 guests who spent the day in worship, learning and fellowship through drama, music, preaching and seminars.

On Sabbath, after a full church service and a fellowship meal prepared by church members, more than 100 teenagers poured their energy into servant evangelism, visiting nine different parks and handing out nearly 1,500 bottles of water with sharing cards! The cards simply stated their purpose “To share God’s love in a practical way—no strings attached.” The project was

received with open arms by the community.

One group that happened upon a sports game was even cheered by the team as they passed out the free water on this extraordinarily hot May Day. Again and again these students saw the positive impact they were making as people exclaimed, “Seventh-day Adventist? I believe I’ve



Expressing himself through drama, Abner Fernandez from Playground Ministries shows the obstacles a Christian faces in life when reaching out to God.

heard of you! This is great, thank you so much!”

Another highlight of the afternoon was the “Oratoria” and concert. A representative from



Vocal quartet *In Harmony* blessed the congregation with their creative a cappella hymn arrangements.

each church shared a sermon or story with the audience and was critiqued by a panel of judges on body language, content, articulation and so on. Each of the 12 young people presented beautiful, gospel-centered sermons assuring that Jesus is real to this generation.

The “icing on the cake” was the Gran Social organized by Playground Ministries who had the audience bouncing in a burlap sack, playing tug-of-war or popping balloons, no matter what their ages. The basketball and volleyball tournaments went until midnight Saturday night, with the soccer tournament starting Sunday morning. It was an exciting, spiritually focused, fun-filled weekend no one will soon forget. •

Tara VinCross, Washington Conference associate youth director

Auburn Creates Project Impact to Thank Community

How do you repay the countless members of a community who so warmly embraced an entire student body through a devastating



Auburn mayor Pete Lewis encouraged students during Project Impact, which was the way Auburn students worked to thank the community for its support.

tragedy? One way is to do something that will benefit the entire community.

In gratitude for those who impacted so many after the November fire, the students and staff of Auburn Adventist Academy gave a gift to the community of Auburn on April 20—Project Impact, an entire day dedicated both to the beautification and clean up of local Auburn parks and to the one-on-one tutoring of students at a local elementary school.

After a few words of appreciation from Pete Lewis, mayor of Auburn, Wash., nearly 200 academy volunteers went to work at the parks.

Weeds quickly disappeared, unwanted brush vanished, bushes were pruned, and posts were painted. Within a few hours tremendous improvements had been made to a place enjoyed by many of the groups and individuals who so generously supported the school.

At the nearby elementary school, teachers and young scholars came to think of Auburn students as friends. The project was a success because an impact was made and a community was thanked. •

Amber Serns



Mary Richards King and Esmie Branner were speakers at the Washington Women's Spring Day Event.

Women Open Special Gifts at Spring Day Event

Recently 480 women from the Washington Conference attended the annual Spring Day Event on April 17. The attendees looked at the theme of God's special gifts. Gifts are never left unopened when they are given to us. Thus the gift of God's word should be opened as well.

In the morning, Mary Richards King shared the "jewels" from God's word. Later in the day, Esmie Branner, author of *Beyond the Veil of Darkness*, gave her powerful witness of how God speaks through His word.

As one attendee said, "When I see the power of God's word through these womens' testimonies, I want to open God's gift and experience the power myself!" So don't leave your most precious gift unopened! •

Wilma Bing,
Washington Conference
women's ministries coordinator

Revelation Now! Concludes with 31 Baptized, More to Follow

North Pacific Union Conference evangelist Jac Colon and his wife, 'dena, began their *Revelation Now!* meetings at Riverside High School theater in Auburn, Wash., on Jan. 16 with 475 in attendance. After the first week, attendance continued to run high as the venue was switched to the Auburn City Church. Visitors were inspired by 'dena's singing, encouraged by volunteers and challenged to keep studying the word of God.

Though the Colons concluded their *Revelation Now!* seminar months ago, the results are still being seen. Auburn pastors baptized 26 people during and immediately following the meetings, and others are studying

to be baptized soon.

An additional group of five Russian and Ukrainian young people were baptized by Oleg Reznichenko during the meetings. Auburn City offers Sabbath Russian/Ukrainian

services for the 63 Russians and Ukrainians who regularly attend and invite their friends to the church's programs. •

Marilyn Gantz, Auburn City
Church communication leader



Newly baptized members of the Auburn City Church along with those desiring future baptism stand with pastors Jac Colon, Rohland Lehnhoff, Garey Gantz and Greg Howell and their wives.

Poulsbo Celebrates 100 Years with School Groundbreaking

The Poulsbo Church recently celebrated 100 years of the Lord leading in the life of their church. Part of that celebration was the groundbreaking for a brand new school that will be housed on their current five-acre location. The new 5,000-square-foot school will

have two classrooms and a multipurpose room.

In the past, the school has been limited to 20 students because of the size of its current facility. However, the school will now be able to accept more students from the church and surrounding community. Jerry Jones, pastor, stated, "We hope to make this school facility available to all in the community who would like to take advantage of a Christian education." Head elder Stan Sargeant is helping organize Seniors in Action for God with Excellence (SAGE) to frame the building in the near future. •

Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president



John Freedman (third from left), Washington Conference president, joined other dignitaries to break ground for the new Poulsbo school.



Silent auction committee members and helpers included (from left): Cheryl Trichia, Donna Dickerson, Denise Duvell, Terry Knight, Debbie Gamble (leader), Bonnie Pleier (co-leader), Dale Gunter (co-leader), Gayola Boyd and Jackie Walker (co-leader) among many others.

Auburn City Hosts Benefit Auction and Breakfast

A silent auction to benefit the work of Auburn City Church women's ministries began with a combined women's and men's ministries prayer breakfast on Sunday morning, March 7. Doug and Wilma Bing shared a devotional thought, which was followed by the silent auction.

The auction was open to the entire church and featured a wide range of items for bidding. A local office store donated a bookcase when it went out of business. A number of Mikasa crystal items and handmade doilies and blankets were up for bid. Services available for bid included catering for an exotic

Jerry and Susan Reier examine one of the books on sale.



Jerry Armijo records his bid for one of several quilts on display.

dinner and photography.

After each part of the benefit event was tallied, it raised more than \$700 to be used by the church's women's ministries, which regularly supports church and community functions like the Auburn girls' dorm recovery and Polly's Place women's shelter. •

Marilyn Gantz, Auburn City Church communication leader, and Debbie Gamble, event leader

Arlington Purchases Mobile Disaster Unit

The Arlington Adventist Community Services (AACS), in conjunction with the Snohomish Community Services Federation, recently purchased a seven-by-14-foot Interstate Cargo trailer for use as a mobile disaster response unit to serve the Arlington and Snohomish County area.

The city of Arlington and the Snohomish department of emergency management requested that AACS take on this important task of being first responders in the event of a

local disaster such as flooding, fire, earthquake or evacuation due to chemical spill. Funding came from the Washington Conference Hope for Humanity Fund and the Arlington Church. The unit is being stocked with food, clothing and cleaning supplies by local merchants and church members.

This is the first unit of its kind in the county. •

Colette Newer, Washington Conference Community Services administrative assistant

Auburn Students Leave Classrooms to Learn on Global Missions

Sweat, cinder blocks, mortar, grout, rebar, sweat, bugs, cold showers, great food, big smiles, close friends, sweat, smelly mosquito nets, hard cement-floor “beds,” long days, sweat, old hammocks, fresh fruit, late night talks, quiet worship songs, memories that change your life and last throughout your lifetime—this is what mission work is all about. This is what more than 80 students from Auburn Adventist Academy (AAA) experience every year.

newly constructed church. Or those tiny hands connected to brilliant smiles that proudly display the craft of Jonah and the whale at the Vacation Bible School they helped organiz. Or the grateful smile of a mother as she leaves the clinic where her child was just treated.

As AAA students have traveled across the world, through cultures and often what seems like time, they have learned that God’s love has no boundaries, that His people know no race or language or temperature (yeah, they still wear long sleeves at the equator. Don’t they know about heat stroke down there?), and that God’s family is spread throughout the world.

As the students dedicated their spring breaks to mission projects

Using the new student-constructed baptistry in the Philippines, Jay Coon, Auburn associate pastor, baptized a convert.



Tricia Kimbrough, AAA senior, and Keith Hallam, AAA principal, work together building at the youth camp amphitheater project in Puerto Rico.



Melissa Howell, assistant girls dean, works with students to make benches for the amphitheater.

in Puerto Rico, the Philippines and Korea this year, some of them realized for the first time what is truly important in life. They looked into those eyes: blue, green, gold, grey or rich

An Auburn student watched as Jay Coon, AAA associate pastor and Philippine Mission trip coordinator, baptized a local convert.



coffee-brown that followed their every movement. While they stacked blocks or waited for the translator at Sabbath School, those trusting faces were imprinted on their hearts. And they felt the satisfaction that comes from giving a part of their life to help another’s.

They learned what life is about. They recognized that it’s much more than they may have thought before. It’s about sharing, giving, teaching and forgiving. It’s about dirty river water washing over a new friend in Christ and your best friend

laughing as fresh papaya drips off your chin. And it’s about sweat. Lots and lots of sweat.

To find out more about mission opportunities for high school and college students, please contact Jay Coon of the Auburn Adventist Academy

Church or visit www.tagnet.org/inhisserviceamianan.

Amber Serns, AAA GLEANER correspondent



Seniors Jill Waters and Michelle Reese re-tile a shower at the youth camp.

It’s not the last day at the beach to rest tired muscles and aching limbs that these kids remember when they return to their wealthy country of paved roads and air conditioned grocery stores. It’s those huge brown eyes peering through metal bars in the windows as the finishing touches are put on the baptistry at the

WWC Engineering Students Give Award-winning Presentations

Last fall, Tom Duffy asked his brother, engineering student Tyler Duffy, to solve a problem. Tom, who owns a drilling company in Montana, asked Tyler to design a drill that could be moved by helicopter to remote locations to test for the presence of oil and natural gas. Sound tough?

Not only did Tyler design the drill as his senior project, he also won first place with a presentation of his design at the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Old Guard Oral Presentation Competition, which judges an engineer's ability to deliver oral presentations. He took home \$500 as his reward. He is graduating in June with an engineering degree concentrating in mechanical engineering and a major in accounting.

Tom Duffy has now put Tyler's design to good use in his company, Excel Drilling. He has built 12 of the drills at a cost of \$25,000 apiece. The heliportable drill is moved efficiently, meaning fewer trips made by the helicopter.

Two other WWC students placed second in the competition. Kevin Forsythe and Matthew Barton, both seniors studying mechanical engineering, gave a presentation on the control of a robot they created for their senior project. The robot will become an exhibit at the Walla Walla Children's Museum, where children will interact with it, controlling it with a joystick to perform



Photo by Ruwan Randeniya

Matthew Barton and Kevin Forsythe demonstrate their robot in the lab. The robot will become an exhibit at the Walla Walla Children's Museum.

tasks, such as picking up and stacking small plastic balls in a balanced pyramid.

Forsythe hopes the museum exhibit will expose children to technology by giving them a chance to see it in action. Barton wants the exhibit to open children's eyes to diverse career options.

The ASME competition, held in Richland, Wash., is the precursor for the regional event, the ASME Region 8 Student Conference in Pocatello, Idaho, where 43 colleges and universities compete. The students' first and second place wins in Richland qualified them to go

to the regional competition. Presentations at the regional event are typically scheduled on Sabbath. However, ASME accommodated these students' Sabbath observance, and they were allowed to make their presentations on Friday before a banquet when even more people are in attendance than on Sabbath.

"Every year we've participated, they've been more than happy to accommodate us," says Donald Riley, associate professor of engineering. "Their accommodations have sometimes worked to our benefit because everybody

gets the opportunity to see the quality of projects that our students at WWC are doing. The judges have complimented the School of Engineering at WWC."

The Edward F. Cross School of Engineering at Walla Walla College, founded in 1947, is accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology Inc. (ABET) and has more than 1,000 graduates. The school offers a bachelor of science in engineering with concentrations in civil, computer, electrical and mechanical engineering, and a bachelor of science in bioengineering, an interdisciplinary program with the biology department. •

Tara Jeske,
WWC GLEANER correspondent

*"Whatever your hand finds to do,
do it with your might..."*
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Adventist Medical Center Among the Best Places to Work in Oregon

Adventist Medical Center in Portland ranks among the “100 Best Places to Work” in Oregon, according to a survey published in the March 2004 issue of *Oregon Business* magazine. More than 200 organizations—including privately held firms, multi-generation family businesses, Oregon-based public companies, multi-national corporations, credit unions and non-profits—demonstrated their commitment to creating great places to work by submitting themselves for scrutiny. More than 16,000 employees took the survey.

Adventist Medical Center ranked 31st among large Oregon companies (those with more than 250 employees worldwide). Scores were based on employee attraction; retention and rewards; working environment; decision-making and trust; performance management; career developing and learning; and employee benefits.

Tillamook County General Hospital Launches Program to Reduce Work-Related Injuries

Tillamook County General Hospital recently launched a program to reduce on-the-job injuries and employee turnover. The Isernhagen Work Systems Program is nationally recognized and offers functional job analysis, pre-work screening, functional capacity examination and work rehabilitation.



Adventist Medical Center breaks ground on its new outpatient facility at Gresham Station. From left: Rob Fussell, Gresham city manager; Monty Knittel, AMC vice president, marketing and business development; Deryl Jones, AMC president and CEO; Edward McCluskey, M.D., Pain Relief Specialists NW; Fred Bruning, Center Oak Properties president; Mary Barnhart, M.D., Rose City Breast Care, Hearts of Hope Foundation; Michael Skinner, Rose City Breast Care, Hearts of Hope Foundation; Charles Becker, Gresham mayor; Bill Hoover, LA Fitness director of real estate; Bruce Ham, M.D., Rose City Breast Care.

Through this system, employers identify and define physical and functional aspects of specific jobs within the organization. They can then test the abilities of prospective employees before making a job offer. The functional capacity evaluation and work rehab modules help match injured workers with appropriate new jobs and help close worker's compensation claims.

Hospice Receives Full Accreditation

Adventist Medical Center's Hospice program has been awarded full accreditation from the Oregon Hospice Association (OHA). Of the 64 hospice programs in the state of Oregon, only seven have been awarded OHA accreditation. Additionally, Adventist Medical Center's

hospice program is one of only two in the Portland metropolitan area that has received all three certifications: Medicare, Joint Commission of Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations and OHA.

Adventist Medical Center Breaks Ground on New Outpatient Facility

Adventist Medical Center recently broke ground at Gresham Station, marking the beginning of construction on a major outpatient facility. The site, located a little more than five miles from the main hospital campus, will serve approximately 20 percent of the hospital's existing patient volume. The construction project began last October, and the hospital expects to

open the state-of-the-art facility in the fall.

Walla Walla General Hospital Hosts Victorian Festival

Walla Walla General Hospital Auxiliary, in conjunction with a local radio station, hosted a five-day Winter Victorian Festival fundraiser featuring an art show, live entertainment, gala dinner and silent auction. More than 150 people attended the dinner and another 500 attended events during the festival. In 2003, the Auxiliary donated 25,000 hours of service to the hospital, and volunteers donated \$35,000 to the hospital's new flooring project. •

Heather Preston Wheeler, Adventist Health GLEANER correspondent



Bahonda's Quest



Bahonda Sandrine is a 23-year-old woman living in Pointe Noir, Republic of Congo, in West Africa. For years she suffered terrible headaches, at times so severe that she could not read, and eventually she was forced to drop out of school. She hated giving up her studies, which she saw as the only avenue to a better life.

One of Bahonda's classmates told her that the people of her church could pray for her headaches to go away. So Bahonda went to the church, where members prayed for her, but they prayed in a language she had never heard. At first these prayers frightened her, but she continued attending the church, and in time she began praying in tongues too.

Bahonda's headaches did not go away. In fact, one day while she was praying in tongues, she sensed that a spirit had entered her. She told the church members, and they prayed for the demon to leave her. As the people prayed, Bahonda became dizzy and cried out, "Jesus, help me!" Immediately she felt comforted. But when Bahonda stopped praying in tongues, her friends in the church turned their backs on her.

Special Visitor

Bahonda decided to ask her uncle, a pastor, about God and the issues that were troubling her. What he told her was so different from what she had learned in her friend's church.

Bahonda asked her uncle to teach her more about God. As she studied the Bible,

Bahonda became convinced that the Adventist church is God's true church.

But one thing troubled Bahonda. There was no Adventist church in her city. She traveled to the national capital, Brazzaville, but she did not find a church building there either. The Adventists she met worshiped in houses and lean-to sheds in courtyards. Not one congregation worshiped in a church.

Why No Church?

Bahonda asked why God's true church had no houses of worship. She learned that the church's property had been taken during a time of war, and the church has no money to build even simple churches.

Adventist members in the Congo worship in houses and lean-to sheds.

Bahonda Sandrine would like to invite her friends to a real church building in the Congo.

Her congregation meets in a single rented room in a simple house far from any road.

Bahonda has been an Adventist for four years. She has invited her friends to worship with her, but they come only once and do not return. Her friends suspect the church is one of many cults in Congo, and they are afraid to return. "You have a good message," people say, "but your church building is not good. When you have a real church, then I will come. I won't come while I am ashamed of the church." They like their own churches better.

Bahonda would like to have a proper church to which she can invite her friends to worship without fear that they will think the Adventists are a cult. The 500 other Adventist believers in Congo would like to have churches too. Our Thirteenth Sabbath Offering this quarter will help build up to three churches in the Republic of Congo. •

Charlotte Ishkanian,
Mission magazine editor



This building in Brazzaville, the capital of the Congo, is home to an Adventist congregation.



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ATKINS 90th

Leona Atkins celebrated her 90th birthday with friends and family in Meadow Glade, Wash., where Leona spent 54 years of her life as a member of the Meadow Glade church.

Leona Warren was born in Portland, Ore., on Oct. 13, 1913, the eldest of nine children: three sisters and five brothers. She graduated from Walla Walla College in 1940 and married Lloyd E. Atkins in 1944. She did secretarial work for both the Upper Columbia and Oregon Conferences; bookkeeping at Columbia Adventist Academy and retired from her last formal job, as bookkeeper for the Meadow Glade Water Association, in her early 80s. Lloyd passed away in 1975. Leona now lives with her daughter in Caldwell, Idaho, and is a member of the Meridian (Idaho) Church.

The Atkins family includes Lennie and Ann Atkins of Newport, Wash., Lester and Jan Atkins of La Center, Wash., Lori and Tim Gray of Caldwell, Idaho, 9 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

EMERY 100th

Lloyd E. Emery celebrated his 100th birthday with 50 extended family members April 4, 2004, in Portland, Ore., and a second celebration April 10, in Ellensburg, Wash. He is a member of the Echoes of Praise Church in Kittitas, Wash.



Lloyd E. Emery

Lloyd was born in Pipestone, Minn., April 7, 1904, where he grew up with two brothers and two sisters. At the age of 15 he made the decision to follow Jesus and attended Hutchinson Theological Seminary for two years prior to taking the nurses course at Healdsburg College in Angwin, Calif. Though unable to complete either course, his life has been very productive for the Lord as a layman. He met and married Erma Haynes in 1932 and together they raised four children. He was always an elder in the church they attended and participated in all church meetings and functions. Lloyd worked as a colporter, farmer, logger, owner of a health food store, cannery, planing mill and rest home. During the two years spent in Tanzania with family he was a Bible teacher, ambulance driver, builder and did maintenance, gardening and auto repair as well as assisting the nurses in village clinics by pulling teeth occasionally. Erma passed away in 1985.

The Emery family includes Earl and Christina Emery of Milwaukie, Ore., Lois and Birney Brown of Dayton, Wash., Ruth and Chuck Stafford of Ellensburg, Wash., Joyce and Larry Peetz of Portland, Ore., 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

LAYER 60th

John and Toni Layer of Enumclaw, Wash., celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Feb. 8, 2004, with a reception hosted by their family.

John Layer and Toni Stone were married Feb. 10, 1944, in San Bernardino, Calif. They met while in school in Santa Monica, Calif. John, a builder who retired 15 years ago, still enjoys helping out in building projects. Toni, a stay-at-home mom, went back to college in her 40s to become a respiratory therapist and nurse and worked for 20 years in local hospitals.



John and Toni Layer

The Layer family includes Gregory Layer (deceased), Wendy and Larry McCall of Hoquiam, Wash., Darda and Jim Harrison of Seal Beach, Calif., Kathy and Tom Robison of Maricopa, Calif., Heidi and Luis Monterroso of Wofford Heights, Calif., 12 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.



Chester Montgomery

MONTGOMERY 100th

Chester Montgomery celebrated his 100th birthday with his family and friends at his daughter's home in Beaverton Nov. 25, 2003. His granddaughter, Jenny Lauer, made a time line that chronicled world events that have taken place in Chester's lifetime including such greats as Lindbergh's transatlantic flight and the astronauts walking on the moon, and hung it around the walls of the family room.

Chester married Sarah E. Rogers in 1938 and he was a steamfitter by trade. He has been a member of the Vancouver Church for about 15 years. Sarah passed away in 1999.

The Montgomery family includes Mary E. and Bruce D. Russell of Vancouver, Sally A. and Douglass Boyd of Beaverton, William E. and Harriet Montgomery, 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

SCHULZE 50th

Gerald Schulze and Genevieve Warkins were married on Valentines Day, 1953, in Kalispell, Mont. Their daughters hosted a celebration with friends and family in August 2003 at Village Greens Golf Course, Kalispell, Mont.

One month after their wedding, Gerald was drafted into the US Army where he trained in the 6th Infantry Division in Fort Ord, Calif., and Munich, Germany. After his military service, he returned to Kalispell and farming. Genevieve joined the church in 1957 through Bible studies. Gerald was baptized in 1961 through the efforts of Lon Cummings and Curtis Dale in an evangelistic series along with Pastor Paul Johnson. Gerald felt called to the ministry and was graduated from Walla Walla College in 1966 with a BA in Theology. Gerald and Genevieve pastored in the Upper Columbia Conference, Nevada-Utah and Montana. They now reside in Columbia Falls and are members of the Kalispell church. Now, 36 years since retirement, Gerald still takes speaking appointments and is an avid golfer on a course built on land he farmed as a young man.

The Schulze family includes Roxanna Menish of Kalispell, Monte Schulze (deceased), Melinda and Melanie Schulze both of Great Falls, Mont., and 4 grandchildren.

SHAW 100th

Leanore Shaw celebrated her 100th birthday with 6 generations of her family and fellow church members, at the Willows (Calif.) Church, on Nov. 8-9, 2003.



Leanore Shaw

Born Leanore Clark Nov. 7, 1903, in Red Oak, Iowa, Leanore's family moved to Nebraska, where she met Noah Shaw, whom she married 34 days later, Sept. 24, 1921. After reading *Bible Readings for the Home Circle*, and *Daniel and Revelation*, they accepted the Sabbath message, and were baptized two years later in Tacoma, Wash. She assisted Noah in lay ministry and their bakery business, while caring for their growing family. Noah died in 1995. Leanore lives independently in Willows, Calif. Her eyesight is not what it used to be—she no longer makes the quilts she once did—but she still crochets for her growing family, mostly afghans.

The Shaw family includes Virginia and Herbert Spreen of Wasilla, Alaska, Dorothy and John Yankee of Willows, Calif., Barbara and Harold

Schrenk of Troutdale, Ore., Nancy and Gary Bolden of Vancouver, Wash., and George and JoAnn Shaw of Post Falls, Idaho, 14 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, 41 great-great-grandchildren, and a great-great-great grandchild.

WATSON 60th

Bill and Olive Watson celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary March 30, 2004, in Kona, Hawaii. They were married March 30, 1944, in Paulson Hall, adjacent to the White Memorial Hospital, Los Angeles, Calif., while Bill was training for radio operator in the Merchant Marine. After the war and after completing their training at Walla Walla College, Bill served as an accountant for the Army Corps of Engineers and as an internal auditor for the Department of the Interior and for the U. S. Navy. Olive spent ten years as Director of Nursing Service at the Port Hueneme hospital. Bill and Olive both retired the same day, June 30, 1974, and moved to Cave Junction, Oregon. Now residents of Grants Pass, Ore., they continue to do volunteer work. Olive, at age 95, still teaches an adult Sabbath School class and Bill assists the Better Life Television studio by operating one of the cameras.

The Watson family includes Kenneth Watson of Sacramento, Calif., and Judi Watson of Hawaii.



Bill and Olive Watson

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BLAIR—Cyanna Breanne was born Feb. 2, 2004, to Jessica Blair, Lewiston, Idaho.

BROCK—Christopher Robert was born March 12, 2004, to Charles and Vicki (Nelson) Brock, Walla Walla, Wash.

BUTLER—Emma Esther was born Dec. 18, 2003, to Frank and Amanda (Edwards) Butler, Bremerton, Wash.

CARTER—Marleah Rietta was born Feb. 21, 2004, to T.J. and Nichole (Marshall) Carter, Baker City, Ore.

CLAY—Alexander Willis was born March 20, 2004, to Tim and Crystal (Willis) Clay, Nampa, Idaho.

DELAROSA—Joel Daniel was born April 14, 2004, to Daniel and Cheryl (Hopper) DeLaRosa, Jamieson, Ore.

GUFFEY—Angelinna Marie was born April 5, 2004, to Nathan Guffey and Nichole Rohde, Lewiston, Idaho.

HALVORSEN—Lara L'Marie Christine was born Aug. 15, 2003, to Lyf and Lisa (Baldwin) Halvorsen, Salem, Ore.

LUKKASSON—Eliora Leigh was born Jan. 3, 2004, to Albert and Penny Lukkasson, Port Orchard, Wash.

OSTENBERG—Glen Provido was born Aug. 16, 2003, to Ray

and Ruby (Villegas) Ostenberg, Bremerton, Wash.

REYNOLDS—Rebecca Grace was born Sept. 1, 2003, to Troy and Tiffany (Merrill) Reynolds, Curlew, Wash.

RIVERA—Sophia Elaine was born Aug. 19, 2003, to Mel and Elaine (Pascual) Rivera, Bremerton, Wash.

WADE—Samuel Louis was born Jan. 30, 2004, to Lou and Karisa (Chinchurreta) Wade, Loma Linda, Calif.

WRIGHT—Micah J. was born April 6, 2004, to Garrett and Heather (Chisholm) Wright, Sweet Home, Ore.

YEOMAN—Grace Marie was born Dec. 12, 2003, to Chris and Michelle (Wagner) Yeoman, Silverdale, Wash.

AITCHISON—Sydney D., 80; born Feb. 16, 1923, Washington, D.C.; died Sept. 28, 2003, Tacoma, Wash. Surviving: wife, Frances (Kilwein); sons, Roger, Puyallup, Wash., Gary, Tacoma; daughters, Barbie, Walla Walla, Wash., Mary Ann and Shelley, both of Vancouver, Wash., and Kathy, Eatonville, Wash.

ANDROES—Johnathon M., 22; born May 3, 1981, Dallas, Ore.; died Nov. 14, 2003, Olympia, Wash. Surviving: wife, Tyana (Herbrandson), Federal Way, Wash.; parents, Dan and Cheryl (Fischer) Androes, Monmouth, Ore.; brother, Daniel, Monmouth; adopted brother, Tobias Schulson, Eugene, Ore.; grandmother, Jewell Dean Stokes, Auburn, Wash.

BARTEL—Betty J. (Neff), 71; born May 16, 1932, Olympia, Wash.; died Jan. 25, 2004, Lacey, Wash. Surviving: husband, Ray; brothers, Bernard Neff, Tumwater, Wash., Howard Neff, Lacey, Richard Neff, Olympia.

BREDALL—Norman, 66; born Jan. 27, 1938, Vancouver, Wash.; died Jan. 24, 2004, Hillsboro, Ore. Surviving: wife, Sharon (Jacobsen); sons, Douglas, Tigard, Ore., Michael, Hillsboro; daughters, Debra Christensen, Beaverton, Ore., Laura Paddock, Portland, Ore.; father, Kenneth P., Oregon City, Ore.; sisters, Betty Stone, Milwaukie, Ore., Mary Anne Moorhead, Redlands, Calif.

BUCKNER—Eleanor M. (Case), 99; born April 3, 1914, Snohomish, Wash.; died Nov. 27, 2003, Olympia, Wash. Surviving: sons, Gerry, Olympia, Tom, Denver, Colo.; sisters, Helen Dahl, Seattle, Wash., Betty Tinius, Coupeville, Wash., Virginia Anderson, Albuquerque, N.M.; 4 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

W E D D I N G S

G U I D E L I N E S

Information to include: couple's first and last names including bride's maiden name, date and location of wedding, city/state of residence, contact's daytime phone number. Corrections will only be made in the GLEANERonline edition listings.

CARTER-SMITH—Jessica K. Carter, Kevin R. Smith, Dec. 28, 2003, Riverside, Calif. They are making their home in Colton, Calif.

DOTOLO-CRAIK—Jelinda Dotolo, Everett W. Craik, Feb. 1, 2004, Walla Walla, Wash. They are making their home in College Place, Wash.

MALMBERG-CAZORT—Lynda G. Malmberg, James R. Cazort, March 21, 2004, Palmer, Alaska. They are making their home in Anchorage, Alaska.

MORTON-YOUNG—Laura Morton, Guy Young, Feb. 15, 2004,

Newberg, Ore. They are making their home in Dallas, Ore.

ROBERTSON-HOEHN—Lara J. Robertson, Jonathan D. Hoehn, Feb. 27, 2004, Mt. Hood, Ore. They are making their home in Portland, Ore.

RUSSELL-KEGLEY—Amanda Russell, Earl Kegley Jr., March 21, 2004, Olympia, Wash. They are making their home in Oakville, Wash.

WILSON-HUMPHREY—Sally A. Wilson, Brendan G. Humphrey, Feb. 22, 2004, Springfield, Ore. They are making their home in Eugene, Ore.



CARR—Joseph M., 83; born June 9, 1920, Janesville, Wis.; died July 20, 2003, Salem, Ore. Surviving: brothers, William, Forest Grove, Ore., Robert L., Salem; sister, Margie Logan, Otis, Ore.

COWLES—L. Hugh, 78; born July 24, 1935, San Mateo, Calif.; died Dec. 29, 2003, Lebanon, Ore. Surviving: daughters, Brenda and Marla Cowles, both of Lebanon, Ginevra Jamieson, Modesto, Calif., Nelda Scriven, Upper Arlington, Ohio; sisters, Muriel Wanless, Florida, Elaine Mickey, Calif.; and 4 grandchildren.

DAVIS—Anne L. (Minder), 89; born June 18, 1914, Alpha, Wis.; died Feb. 8, 2004, Portland, Ore. Surviving: husband, Orval; sons, Ron and Tom, both of Portland, Steve, Auburn, Wash.; brothers, Ben Minder, Salem, Ore., Warren Minder, Desert Hot Springs, Calif., Wallace Minder, Riverside, Calif.; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

DELAPP—Jakie (Shelton), 88; born June 10, 1915, Millwood, Wash.; died Feb. 3, 2004, Corvallis, Ore. Surviving: son, Fred, Depoe Bay, Ore.; daughter, Donna Graning, Salem, Ore.

DONIVAN—Leah A. (born Fowler, adopted Richmond), 95; born Dec. 1, 1908, Fort Collins, Colo.; died Jan. 3, 2004, Newport, Ore.

DUNN—Ervin F., 85; born June 9, 1918, Livingston, Mont.; died Dec. 20, 2003, Oregon City, Ore. Surviving: wife, Vadah (Payne); sons, Robert, Boring, Ore., Daniel, Oregon City; 4 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

EVANS—Mabel E. (Carter), 85; born March 12, 1918, Cement, Okla.; died Jan. 9, 2004, Sweet Home, Ore. Surviving: sons, Jimmie, Brownsville, Ore., Sam, Union City, Calif.; daughter, Theda Morris, Crawfordsville, Ore.; sisters, Opal Magee, Socorro, N.M., Bea Rice, Melrose, N.M.; brother, Dale Carter, Bloomfield, N.M.; 11 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

FELDMIEER—Patricia (Layton), 72; born May 5, 1931, Olympia, Wash.; died Jan. 21, 2004, Olympia, Wash. Surviving: husband, Les; son, Jerry, Olympia;

daughters, Sheryl Turner and Sandi Haerling, both of Olympia; sister, Marlene Chaney, Olympia; and 4 grandchildren.

FITZGERALD—A. Joyce (Woodworth), 84; born June 6, 1919, Vancouver, Wash.; died Feb. 1, 2004, Portland, Ore. Surviving: stepsons, Carl, Cloverdale, Ore., Mike, Austin, Texas; brother, Robert Woodworth, Bellevue, Wash.; 3 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

FORTUNA—Ludwig L., 85; born July 23, 1918, Oregon City, Ore.; died Jan. 30, 2004, Gladstone, Ore. Surviving: wife, Virginia (Chamerlan); son, Dale, West Linn, Ore.; daughter, Nancy McAvoy, Portland, Ore.; sister, Hilda Griffey, Oregon City, Ore.; 5 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

HARTILL—Fay L. (Holland), 75; born May 26, 1928, Chewelah, Wash.; died Feb. 2, 2004, Deer Park, Wash. Surviving: sons, Jim, Colville, Wash., Claude, Rice, Wash.; daughter, Jane Floyd, Deer Park; brothers, Lee Holland, Chewelah, Dave Holland, Colville, Joe Holland, Lind, Wash., Paul Holland, West Richland, Wash.; sisters, Helen Shill, Wenatchee, Wash., Mary Topping, Tonasket, Wash., Ruth Harris, Prattsville, Ala.; 2 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

HATTER—Leath M. (Trudeau), 97; born Aug. 17, 1906, Seattle, Wash.; died Nov. 9, 2003, Tenino, Wash. Surviving: husband, Basil; sons, Brent, Tacoma, Wash., Jon, Kelso, Wash.; daughter, Bebe Sloss, Tenino.

HUNTER—Dwayne M., 73; born Feb. 10, 1930, Devils Lake, N.D.; died Dec. 10, 2003, Freeland, Wash. Surviving: sons, Jeffery, Federal Way, Wash., John, Renton, Wash., David, Sea Tac, Wash.; stepson, Cliff West, Rainier, Ore.; daughter, Karen Thompson, Spokane, Wash.; stepdaughters, Vicki Buckovick, Las Vegas, Nev., Raecheal Dalton, Freeland, Linda Owensby, Langley, Wash.; brother, Kenneth, Canby, Ore.; 20 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

JAY—James C., 72; born Sept. 8, 1931, Miles City, Mont.; died

Dec. 2, 2003, Sandpoint, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Janice (Ritz); sons, Jonathan, Ider, Ala., Jeffrey, Springdale, Wash.; daughter, Jacki Steele, Sandpoint; and 3 grandchildren.

KOORENNY—Thorna M. (Collins), 87; born Aug. 13, 1916, Marceline, Mo.; died Dec. 14, 2003, San Francisco, Calif. Surviving: daughters, Beverly A. Anderson, Los Gatos, Calif., Carol J., Walla Walla, Wash.; sister, Ratha O'Connell, San Jose, Calif.; and 2 grandchildren.

LANG—Vivian (born Banta, adopted Sheets) Wise, 91; born Oct. 3, 1913, Dairy, Ore.; died Feb. 4, 2004, Wilbur, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Lois Soulia, Wilbur; 1 grandchild, 2 step-grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

LITTLEJOHN—Nan W. (Woolsey), 84; born April 9, 1919, Spokane, Wash.; died Dec. 22, 2003, Sequim, Wash. Surviving: husband, Robert E.; sons, Robert, Lewiston, Idaho, William, Sequim; daughters, Lorraine Walden, Scottsdale, Ariz., Lois Littlejohn-Clark, Riverside, Calif.; sister, Ruth Harris, Spokane, Wash.; 6

grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

LONSKI—Albert T., 81; born Feb. 6, 1922, Bremerton, Wash.; died Oct. 22, 2003, Lebanon, Ore. Surviving: wife, Helen (Wolfe); daughters, Jill Foster, Jefferson, Ore., Jeanne Stats, Eugene, Ore.; sister, Ruth Vorobik, Seattle, Wash.; and 4 grandchildren.

MALONE—Larry J., 56; born Sept. 17, 1947, Lebanon, Ore.; died Dec. 5, 2003, Lebanon. Surviving: wife, Linda (Nolin).

MANGINI—Danny L., 55; born April 1, 1948, Seattle, Wash.; died Dec. 22, 2003, Seattle. Surviving: daughters, Kim, Bellevue, Wash., Misty Braunworth, Renton, Wash.; mother, Myrtle, Yakima, Wash.; brother, Mike, Yakima; and 3 grandchildren.

MCCULLOCH—F. Dale, 80; born March 2, 1923, Farmersville, Tulare County, Calif.; died Nov. 4, 2003, Medford, Ore. Surviving: sons, Ed, Avon, Ind., Dan, Medford; daughter, Geri Warmanen, Forest Grove, Ore.

MCDONALD—Effie E., 89; born Feb. 18, 1914, Pendleton, Ore.; died Jan. 25, 2004, Hermiston, Ore. Surviving: daughters, Patricia Grandys, Hermiston, Rochelle Newton, Pasco, Wash., Vivian Beil, Pendleton, Ore., Frances Schneider, Sweet Home, Ore.; sister, June Cresci, Walla Walla, Wash.; 11 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

MINOR—Frances R. (Hunt), 81; born Sept. 6, 1922, Byers, Texas; died Oct. 24, 2003, Sunnyside, Wash. Surviving: sons, William and Robert, both of Sunnyside; daughters, Mary Lewis, Harrison, Mont., Betty Adamson, Grandview, Wash., Rosanna Bright, White City, Ore., Dorothy Kuykendall, Central Point, Ore., Bonnie Walker, Round Mountain, Nev.; brother, Frank Hunt, Grandview; sisters, Edna Caldwell, Juneau, Alaska, Alberta Warfield, Whitstran, Wash.; 21 grandchildren and 50 great-grandchildren.

MITCHELL—Robert O., 72; born July 6, 1931, Salem, Ore.; died Feb. 12, 2004, Myrtle Creek, Ore. Surviving: wife, Letha (Muck) Gipe; son, William C., Klamath

GUIDELINES

Information to include: date and location of birth and death; first and last names, including married women's maiden names and previous married names; immediate surviving family members, (children, stepchildren, parents, brothers/sisters, stepbrothers/sisters, half-brothers/sisters, grandparents) along with the city/state of residence for each; number of grandchildren; contact's name and daytime phone number. Corrections will only be made in the GLEANERonline edition listings.

Falls, Ore.; stepsons, Jeffrey and Paul Gipe, Myrtle Creek, Ore.; daughter, Evelyn Wagner, Rogue River, Ore.; 2 grandchildren and 2 step-grandchildren.

MOHR—Theodore C. “Sam” Jr., 78; born Feb. 7, 1925, Grandview, Wash.; died Nov. 11, 2003, Grandview. Surviving: wife, Juanita (Merritt), Sunnyside, Wash.; sons, Clifford, Federal Way, Wash., Clayton, Beaverton, Ore.; daughter, Lucretia Burress, Trenton, Mo.; brother, Marion, Portland, Ore.; 4 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

MURAVIOV—Bill F., 63; born Jan. 27, 1940, Persia (Iraq); died Nov. 21, 2003, Lyle, Wash. Surviving: wife, Elena (Samarin); son, Paul, Silverton, Ore.; mother, Nastasia (Baghdanoff), Woodburn, Ore.; brother, Alex, Woodburn; and 7 grandchildren.

MURPHY—Maybelle (Case) Stevens Evans, 104; born Sept. 25, 1899, Superior, Wis.; died Dec. 30, 2003, Stayton, Ore. Surviving: sister, Louise McKinstry, Olympia, Wash.; 5 grandchildren, 1 step-grandchild, 6 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

NAKAMURA—Aurea M. (Oliveira), 75; born Oct. 3, 1928, Brazil; died Dec. 7, 2003, Loma Linda, Calif.

OTTER—Dorothy M. (Reed), 83; born Jan. 1, 1921, Des Moines,

Iowa; died Jan. 20, 2004, College Place, Wash. Surviving: husband, Gordon A.; sons, Michael, Cottage Grove, Minn., LeRoy, Olathe, Kan.; daughter, Carol Dawes, College Place.

PATTON—Kenneth D., 88; born Oct. 16, 1915, Dane County, Wis.; died Feb. 18, 2004, Colville, Wash. Surviving: sons, Daniel R., Grand Marsh, Wis., Delmar G., Adairsville, Ga.; daughters, Sharon C. Johnson, Colville, Bonnie J. Lee, Anderson, Ind.; sister, Roberta L., Madison, Wis.; 11 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, 2 step-great-grandchildren and 2 step-great-great-grandchildren.

PERRIGOUE—Rowena A. (Stuart), 86; born Nov. 14, 1917, Missoula, Mont.; died Dec. 27, 2003, Kent, Wash. Surviving: husband, Lawrence; son, Doug, Renton, Wash.; 2 grandchildren.

POWELL—Edythe L. (Knapp) Cain, 95; born March 25, 1908, Madison, S.D.; died March 9, 2004, Centralia, Wash. Surviving: husband, Charles, Morton, Wash.; son, Charles Cain, Onalaska, Wash.; stepsons, Harley Powell, Wisc., Harvey Powell, Vancouver, Wash., Charles Powell Jr., Portland, Ore.; daughter, Ruth Smith, Onalaska; stepdaughters, Karen Thornton, Vancouver, Judy Jones, Blaine, Wash.; brother, John Dinkmeier, Onalaska; sisters, Bertha Creech, South Colby,

Wash., Bette Easterun, Kirkland, Wash.; and 22 grandchildren.

REYNOLDS—Ethel E. (Smith), 77; born Dec. 29, 1926, Tonasket, Wash.; died Jan. 27, 2004, College Place, Wash. Surviving: husband, Emil A.; sons, Ron, Battle Ground, Wash., Dean, North Hollywood, Calif.; daughter, Cheryl Weis, College Place; brothers, Robert Smith, Hanford, Calif., Stanley Smith, Walla Walla, Wash., Don Smith, Porterville, Calif.; and a grandchild.

ROBERTS—Viola G. (Glenn), 95; born Aug. 21, 1908, Fruitvale, Idaho; died Feb. 2, 2004, Klamath Falls, Ore. Surviving: daughters, Betty Oliver, Central Point, Ore., Barbara Oliver, Klamath Falls; sister, Maggie Hubbard, New Meadows, Idaho.

SCHULER—Anna J. (Kelly), 94; Aug. 11, 1909, Scio, Ore.; died Nov. 19, 2003, Albany, Ore. Surviving: sister, Gladys “Billie” Meyers, Albany.

SCHULTE—Merle H., 79; born May 6, 1924, Shedd, Ore.; died Nov. 28, 2003, Lebanon, Ore. Surviving: stepson, Bud Gillum, Calif.; brothers Kenneth, Shedd; Ernest, Lebanon.

SHADEL—Marion I. (Kocher), 95; born April 30, 1908, Lansing, Mich.; died Jan. 20, 2004, Oak Harbor, Wash. Surviving: son, Gerald L., Oak Harbor.

TURNER—Earl W., 83; born Oct. 1, 1920, Roslyn, Wash.; died Dec. 27, 2003, Milton Freewater, Ore. Surviving: wife, Emma (Thorp); daughters, Rose Steiner, Harrington, Wash., Geraldine Burns, Carmichael, Calif.; sister, Ellen Timmons, Milton Freewater; 9 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

VAIL—Norma L. (Kriner), 70; born April 26, 1933, DuBois, Pa.; died Jan. 23, 2004, Vancouver, Wash. Surviving: husband, Wayne R.; son, William E., Vancouver; daughter, Wendy D. Gates, Nampa, Idaho; 2 grandchildren.

VERNON—Herbert E., 64; born Sept. 28, 1938, Council Bluff, Iowa; died Sept. 10, 2003, Portland, Ore. Surviving: wife, Carolyn (VanDal), Oregon City, Ore.; daughters, Cheryl Gallentine, Battle Ground, Wash., Karen Vernon, Portland; brother, Michael, Portland; sister, Maryann Herold, Roy, Wash.

WATSON—Erna L. (Schieckoff), 84; born Jan. 13, 1920, Onida, S.D.; died Jan. 19, 2004, Naches, Wash. Surviving: sons, Roland “Sonny,” Glead, Wash., Guy, Naches; daughter, Delores Ward, Chewelah, Wash.; sisters, Mary Woffenden, Yakima, Wash., Bertha Hammond, Shelton, Wash.; 6 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

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Nadine Dower,
GLEANER Managing Editor



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Offerings

June 5—Local Church Budget; **June 12**—Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries; **June 19**—Local Church Budget; **June 26**—Local Conference Advance; *13th Sabbath*: Unusual Opportunities and Attached Union; **July 3**—Local Church Budget.

Special Days

June 5—Women's Ministries Emphasis Day.

WALLA WALLA COLLEGE

June 1—General Recital, 7:30, Fine Arts Center auditorium; **June 2**—Music History Recital, 7:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center auditorium; **June 11**—Consecration, 8 p.m., College Church sanctuary; **June 12**—Nurses' Pinning Ceremony, 4 p.m., College Church; College Place Hooding Ceremony, 7 p.m., Walla Walla Valley Academy Gymnasium; Evensong, 8 p.m., College Church sanctuary; **June 13**—Commencement, 8:30 a.m., Centennial Green.

ALASKA

Southcentral Camp Meeting

Alaska Southcentral Camp Meeting will be held at the Palmer Campground **June 15–19**. For a schedule of activities, call the conference office at (907) 346-1004.

IDAHO

Camp Meeting

Idaho Campmeeting, **June 8–12** at Gem State Adventist Academy. Featured speaker is Philip Samaan. Sabbath afternoon concert by Del Delker. Seminars include a health feature on CHIP—Coronary Health Improvement Project. Other seminars include John Anderson discussing the Investigative

Judgment and Philip Samaan on discipleship. For more information call the conference office at (208) 375-7524.

OREGON

Strawberry Vespers

June 19, 6 p.m., Sunnyside's annual Strawberry Vespers at Sunnyside Adventist Church, 10501 SE Market St, Portland, Ore. Come and enjoy good music, good fellowship and good strawberries! Invite your friends to come with you!

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Singles Events

June 19, 12:30 p.m., singles potluck at Beaverton Church; 3–3:30 p.m., we will go to a local facility to sing then hike at Hoyt Arboretum in Washington Park; 5:30–6:30 p.m., serving dinner at the City Team Ministries Mission, then we will eat and have chapel. Come support this worthwhile mission outreach. For information, call Charlotte at (503) 579-9549 or Michelle at (503) 646-9828. Maps for the hike and mission outreach will be available in the Beaverton Church foyer and at the potluck. For more information, visit the Beaverton Church Web site at www.beavertonsda.com and follow the prompts to the singles section. For additional OCSM activities and information, call the singles' hotline at (503) 654-6054

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Vancouver Missing

Vancouver Adventist Church is wanting contact information for the following people: Tracy Baxter, Beverly Carlson, Jeremy Coughran, Carolyn Cox, MaryHelen Day, Tom Eoff, Kathy Hamilton, Patricia Hampel, Gary Hayes, Jewell Hibbard, Tara Hinsdale, Zachary Hinsdale, Jason Langley, Paula Lapp, Misty Laurance, Dawn Likness, Sherri Link, James Malcutt, Andre Naguibin, Judy Owen, Steve Park, Lori Pugh, Christopher Randol, Jason Roberts, Debra Robillard, Randy Rosin, Cori Rusk, Richard Russell, Terry Shupe, William Sontra, Jeffrey Stevens, Shawn Sturgeon, Jim Tallman, Sharon Wallace, Martha Wickman, Phillip Williams, Joanne Yamagata. If you know an address for any of these, please contact Lori Ermshar, Vancouver Church secretary, at 1207 East Reserve, Vancouver, WA 98661 or (360) 696-2511.

Oregon Conference Missing

The Oregon Conference is looking for addresses for the following people: Chris Thompson, Richard H. Tichenor, Mary J. Timmons, Jill Tremain, Sarita Tudor, Vernon A. Van Cleve, Vernon R. Van Cleve, Kim Van Cleve, Tim Veach, Rebecca A. Vitley, David M. Volentine, Judy Von Achen, Kenneth Watsom, Bea Watson, Clara Watson, Janette M. Weatherford, David and Nadine Webster, Camie Wellman, Dan and Lorrie Wellman, Pamela Wells, Shawn R. Wells, Cynthia L. White, C. D. Wickward, Douglas P. Wickward, Victor Wiedemann, Jr, Jeffrey Wiedmann, Evelyn Wildman, Judy A. and Richard L. Willey, Robert Williams, Stephen M. Wilson, James S. Wood, Hazel Woodward, Don and Debbie Workman, Terry Wormwood, Sarah A. Yancey, Tim Young,

Maria Young, Jesus Zaragoza, Ricardo Zaragoza, Johnathan C. Zemmer. Please contact the membership clerk at (503) 652-2225, ext. 461 or maryjane.zollbrecht@oc.npuc.org.

Mt. Tabor Missing

Mt. Tabor is looking for these missing members: Thomas Dummer, Rickie Kienholz, Della Austin, Delmar Blacketer, Norman and Hattier Kielham, and Dan Middleton. If you know how to contact them, please let us know. Our address is 1001 SE 60th St., Portland, OR 97215.


Laurelwood Class of '84 Missing

Laurelwood Academy Class of 1984 will be having our 20th class reunion on **Oct. 10**. We are missing information for the following classmates: Jeff Dinkmeier, Eric Dodge, Shari (Follett) Gomez, Daniel Frantsvog, Tom Hart, Loren Holm, Terry Hubert, Deni Jennings, Andrea (Johnson) Driscoll, Curtis Malick, Vonda (McAdams) Lain, Lynn Quick, John Schacher, Audrey Weed. Please contact Tryna Luton at (541) 926-1172 or teachluton@hotmail.com or Teresa McCart at (503) 852-6276.

UPPER COLUMBIA

WWCA / WWVA Alumni Homecoming

Walla Walla Valley Academy (WWVA) invites alumni to return for Alumni Homecoming **Oct. 2–3**. Honor classes include: Pioneers (1953 and earlier), '54, '59, '64, '69, '74, '79, '84, '89 and '94. The weekend begins at 9:30 a.m. with Sabbath School and 11:00 worship service. A general potluck will be held at 1 p.m. in the Youth Center. Other weekend activities include the annual basketball game at 7 p.m. in the WWVA gym and a golf tournament on Sunday morning. For additional information, please call the alumni office at (509) 525-1050.



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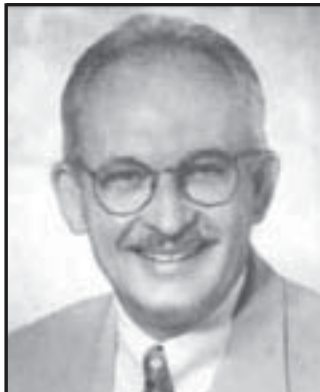
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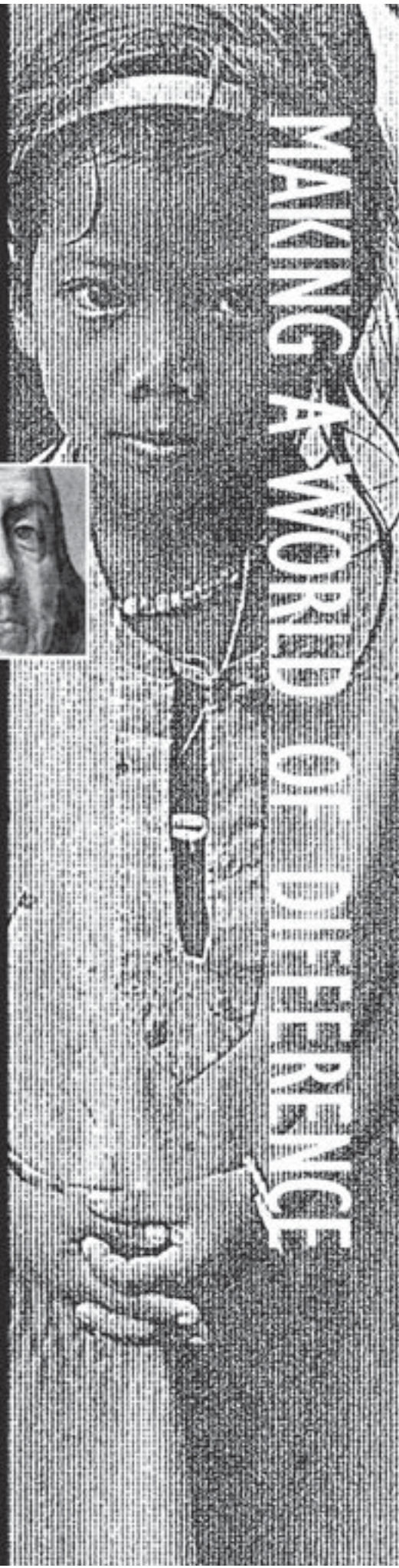
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