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*The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat,  
the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them.*  
ISAIAH 11:6 (NIV)

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Attorney Andrew Carrington, his wife Mattie, and children Alexandria, Nia and Andrew Jr. attend the Mt. Tacoma Church in Tacoma, Washington. GLEANER photo.

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# Not in My Neighborhood

BY JERE PATZER

**F**rom the first day our daughter joined our family at 16 months old it was as though she had always been a part of it. This dark-haired, olive-skinned, beautiful little girl from Guatemala was a blessing from the Lord.

One summer as a teenager she earned money for academy as a literature evangelist. Along with other students she went door to door as a part of the Magabook program—not an easy way to earn a scholarship.

One day the students found themselves in a somewhat affluent area of the city. As Carissa rang a doorbell the owner of the home came to the door, took one look at her, and said, “What are you doing in this neighborhood? We don’t want your kind.”

By this time Carissa was well aware that not everyone enthusiastically welcomed an interruption in their day but she had not previously experienced this type of offensive and insensitive attitude. To her credit she did not reciprocate.

Some days later when she told me about the incident my response was what I suspect would be a typical parent’s reaction. I wanted to go to that guy and let him know in no uncertain terms what I thought of his prejudice toward my daughter... along with a few other choice comments. Thankfully I didn’t; conversely I was proud of my daughter for the way

she handled an uncalled for and potentially devastating situation.

I have, however, thought about that incident a number of times in subsequent years. I have since concluded that that man not only offended her, but he also offended me because she is my daughter. Likewise, doesn’t it make sense that God is hurt when we are less than accepting of His children, no matter their nationality, ethnicity, religion, color, gender, age, or other differences?

It has been rightly said that we cannot honestly pray the Lord’s Prayer, “Our Father who art in heaven...” unless we are willing to treat all people as brothers and sisters.

One of the many things I appreciate about the Northwest Adventist Church is the diversity we enjoy. Our “minorities” (a label I don’t like because in a sense we are all minorities) are growing. Their church services and convocations are vibrant with their love for the Lord and His church. If you want to have an exciting Sabbath, I would encourage you to take your family to one of the many churches who worship differently than you are accustomed to. I will guarantee you that it will be a memorable experience, and you will be blessed.

As you read about your brothers and sisters in this and every GLEANER, I encourage you to broaden your horizons, get out of your comfort zone if need be, and embrace all of God’s family. •



*Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union Conference president, writes from Ridgefield, Washington.*

# M E N T O R I N G

“In education we are striving not to teach youth to make a living, but to make a life.”

**William Allen White**

☛ Mentoring is a structured and trusting relationship that brings young people together with caring individuals who offer guidance, support and encouragement aimed at developing the competence and character of the mentee.

☛ By using your influence and resources as a decision maker, you can bring new hope to young lives through the power of mentoring. And you'll be surprised how much you will benefit as well.

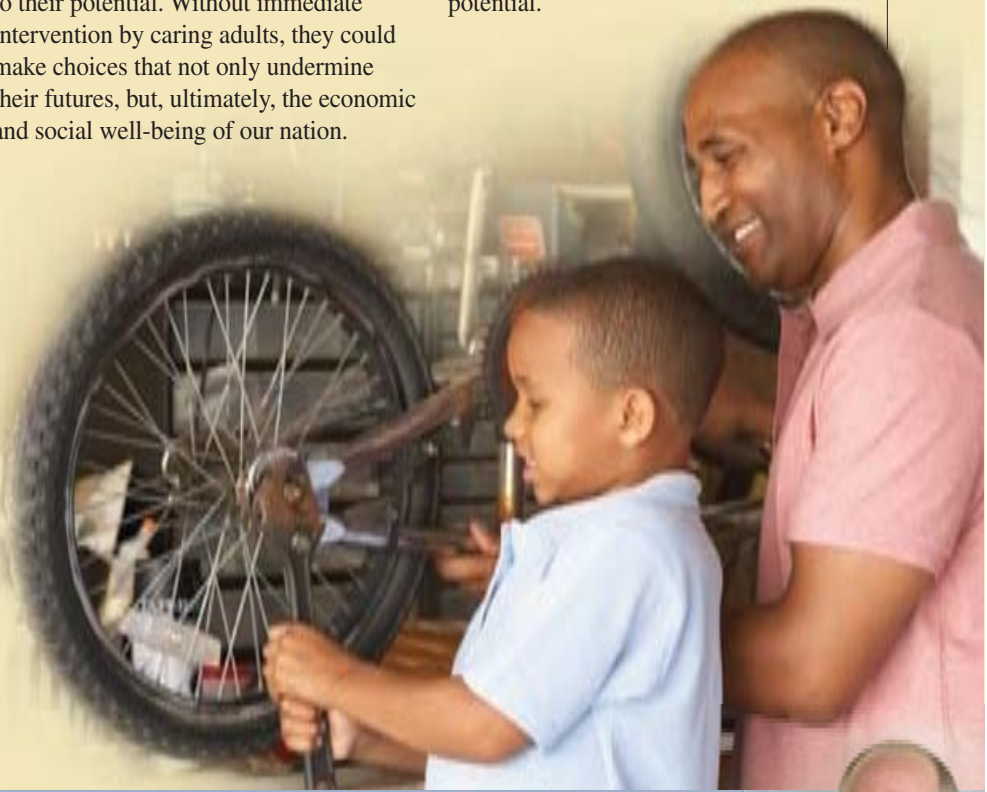
☛ A mentor is an adult who, along with parents, provides a young person with support, counsel, friendship, reinforcement and constructive example.

☛ Mentors are good listeners, people who care, people who want to help young people bring out strengths that are already there. A mentor is not a foster parent, therapist, parole officer or cool peer.

☛ All children have the potential to succeed in life and contribute to society. However, not all children get the support they need to thrive.

☛ By all estimates, an astounding 17.6 million young people—nearly half the population of young people between 10 and 18 years of age—live in situations that put them at risk of not living up to their potential. Without immediate intervention by caring adults, they could make choices that not only undermine their futures, but, ultimately, the economic and social well-being of our nation.

☛ Mentoring—the presence of caring adults offering support, advice, friendship, reinforcement and constructive examples—has proved to be a powerful tool for helping young people fulfill their potential.



Source: [www.mentoring.org](http://www.mentoring.org)



## Check Out the New Weekly Blog

Throughout 2006, the GLEANER featured a monthly reader-response section called Let's Talk. Now that column has moved from a monthly feature to a weekly or even daily online journal, or blog, as it is called on the Web.

Coordinated by Steve Vistaunet, assistant to the NPUC president for communication, this ongoing blog site invites your input. Your comments, as long as they are approved within the general site guidelines, will be posted there as well.

This is a work in progress. Eventually we plan to include sections targeting teens, young adults and even inactive members. Because the content will be changing more often than before, you may want to subscribe to the RSS feed of this section, which automatically connects you with any updates.

So check in frequently to the new and improved "Let's Talk" section at [www.gleaneronline.org](http://www.gleaneronline.org).



# BLACK, PROFESSIONAL, COMMITTED

BY ALPHONSO MCCARTHY

*Five Families Share  
Their Passion for Life and  
for Their Church*



In celebration of Black History month, we are featuring seven Seventh-day Adventist members from a variety of professions who have graduated from Adventist colleges and universities. They have found employment in various sectors of society and are living out the tenets of their faith on the job.

This talented group are positive role models and mentors for a younger generation of African Americans. As mentors, they are able to make positive statements to the young people of our churches, to let them know it is possible to pursue their dreams and careers and still be active members of the Adventist church.

The foundation they are building will seek to inspire a greater number of our young people to stay in the church and use their talents and gifts for the glory of God and humanity.

In the following pages, they will share their passion for life, excellence, education and their church. As you read, I hope that the commitment of these men and women—who are found on Sabbath mornings and even during the week leading out in the activities of their home church—will become evident. •

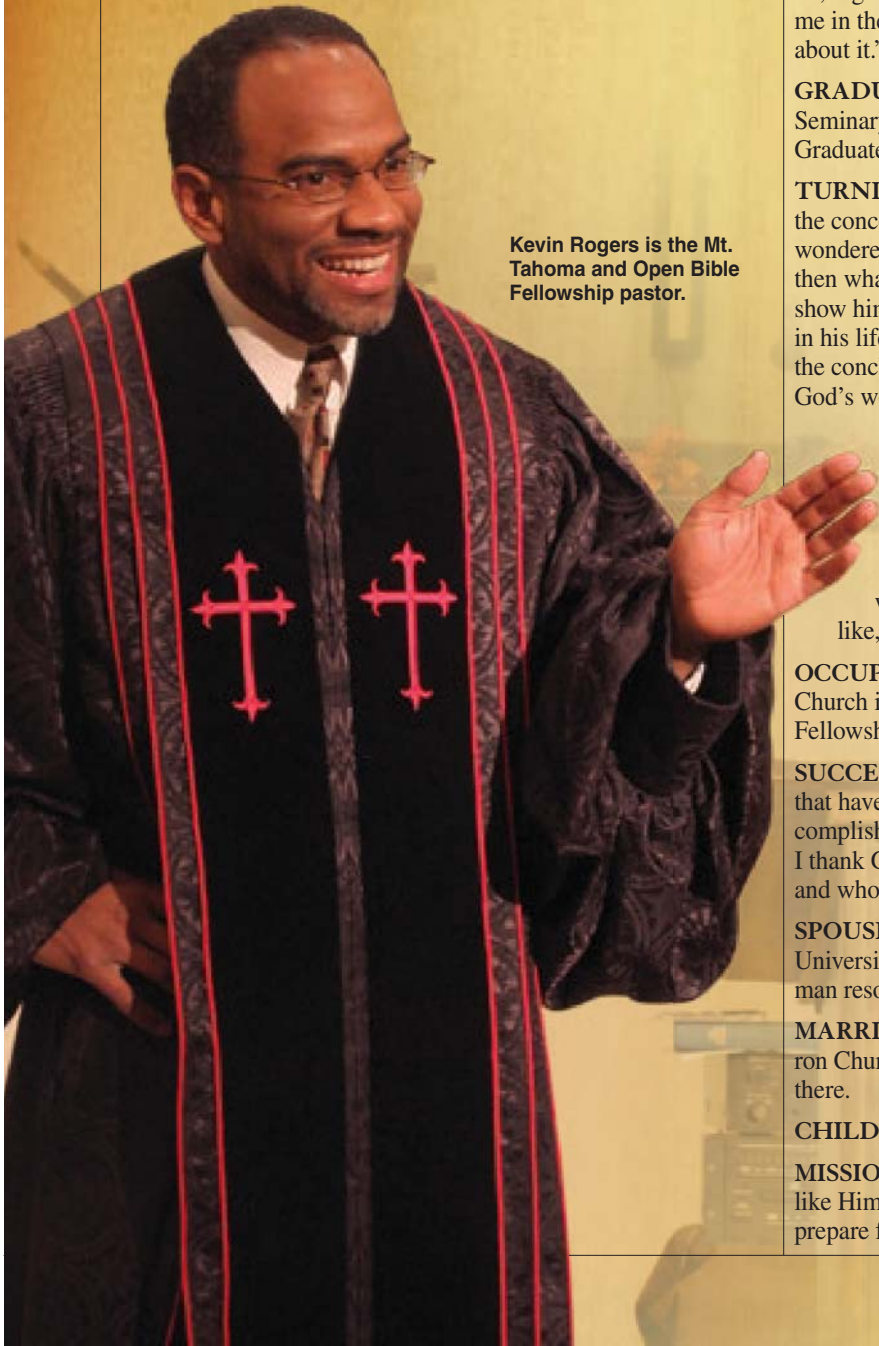
*Alphonso McCarthy, assistant to the president for regional affairs, writes from Ridgefield, Washington.*

PROFILES WRITTEN BY RICHARD DOWER

The Rogers family, from left: Kevin, Ahsan, Karsten and Mernetha.



# Kevin Rogers



Kevin Rogers is the Mt. Tahoma and Open Bible Fellowship pastor.

**NAME:** Kevin Rogers

**BIRTHPLACE:** St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

**HOME:** Puyallup, Washington

**PARENTS:** Father, Lynch, public high school mathematics teacher. Mother, Genevieve, mathematics teacher in the same high school.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** St. Thomas Seventh-day Adventist School. Graduated in 1984.

**COLLEGE:** Walla Walla College, College Place, Washington. After studying engineering for two years, he graduated in 1989 with a degree in theology.

WWC gave him a strong background in biblical languages and provided opportunities for gaining experience in ministry. With a friend, he went as a student missionary and worked in evangelism in the Philippines. "That was helpful because early on, it got me involved in soul winning. Walla Walla also helped me in the general understanding of pastoring and how to go about it."

**GRADUATE SCHOOL:** Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan. Graduated in 1993 with a Master of Divinity degree.

**TURNING POINT:** When Kevin was 16, he struggled with the concept of just going through the motions of church. He wondered if God was real and if God was not real in his life, then what was the point? One night he gave God two weeks to show him that He was real. That night was a whole new chapter in his life. He began to study the Bible for himself and came to the conclusion that the teachings of the church were proven in God's word. He began to experience God in his life in a personal way, which sealed his involvement with the church.

"My grandfather had a great influence on my life and my decision to be a Christian. He helped me understand that God was real, he helped me understand the power of prayer and taught me about life, people and love. When I was at the crossroads of deciding what to do about Jesus, he was the person I wanted to be like, and I asked God to make me like him."

**OCCUPATION:** Pastor of the 323-member Mt. Tahoma Church in Tacoma, Washington, and the 86-member Open Bible Fellowship in Lakewood.

**SUCCESS:** "I cannot take personal credit for the good things that have happened to me in my life. I never could have accomplished these things on my own. No pastor works alone, and I thank God for spirit-filled people who have come into my life and who are willing to let God use them.

**SPOUSE:** Mernetha Lawrence Rogers. Went to George Fox University in Newburg, Oregon. Graduated with a degree in human resource management.

**MARRIED:** July 7, 1991. Kevin and Mernetha met at the Sharon Church in Portland, Ore., when he was an associate pastor there.

**CHILDREN:** Karsten, 11, and Ahsan, 7.

**MISSION:** "My personal mission is to know Jesus and to be like Him. My goal, with the power of God's Spirit, is to help prepare families for His coming." •

## Feature

**NAME:** Stephen Dulan

**BIRTHPLACE:** Sacramento, California

**HOME:** Kent, Washington

**PARENTS:** Father, Irwin, was president of Ethiopian Adventist College, now a Bible teacher. Mother, Laura, is a consultant K12 speech/language therapist. She has also served as a K12 teacher and administrator.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Columbia Adventist Academy, Battle Ground, Washington. Graduated in 1989.

**COLLEGE:** Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama. Graduated in 1994 with a major in computer science.

“Attending Oakwood aided my transition from dependence to independence. Conquering the academic and social challenges of college helped me know I could conquer anything I faced. I also learned how to learn, which is critical for success, especially in my field.”

**GRADUATE SCHOOL :** University of Minnesota Carlson School of Management. Graduated with a Master of Business Administration.

**OCCUPATION:** Management consultant and works for Accenture, a global management consulting firm. Stephen performs business analysis and implements technology solutions to help clients solve business challenges. His expertise is in the retail space, and has worked for clients such as Starbucks, Nordstrom, Williams-Sonoma, Ross, Toys-R-Us and Fast Retailing in Japan.

**MENTORS:** “A lot of what I do now is leadership. I try to follow my dad’s leadership example because he truly cares for each person.

“My mother really pushed me from an educational standpoint. She’s supported me every step of the way, especially in going to graduate school and getting my MBA.”

**HOBBIES:** Steve enjoys golf, mountain biking, snow boarding, video production, Web and product design.

**SPOUSE:** Fuchsia Campbell Dulan.

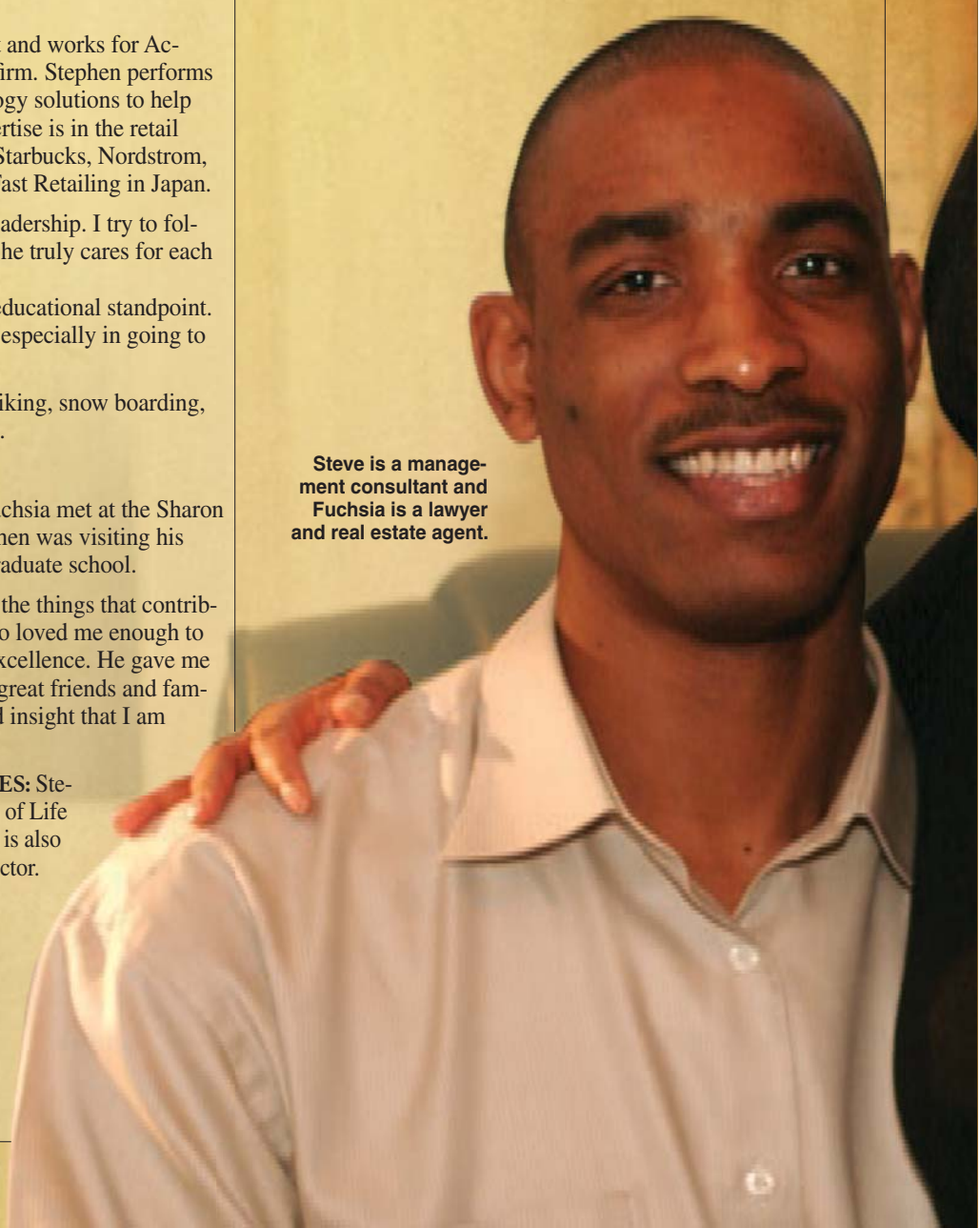
**MARRIED:** July 5, 1998. Stephen and Fuchsia met at the Sharon Church in St. Paul, Minnesota, while Stephen was visiting his mother there and Fuchsia was attending graduate school.

**SUCCESS:** “God alone has enabled all of the things that contribute to my success. He gave me parents who loved me enough to challenge me and instill in me a spirit of excellence. He gave me a loving wife that supports me and lots of great friends and family members. I attribute the knowledge and insight that I am able to provide to my clients to God.”

**CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES:** Stephen and Fuchsia are members of the Breath of Life Church in West Seattle. As an elder, Stephen is also education secretary and Adventist Youth director.

**PHILOSOPHY:** “Each of us individually must take ownership of pushing the gospel forward. We all must say, this is my church, this is my community, this is my conference and if I don’t see something being done then I must do it. The Great Commission of Matthew 28 can only be fulfilled as we all take action, individually.” •

# Steve Dulan



Steve is a management consultant and Fuchsia is a lawyer and real estate agent.



# Fuchsia Dulan



**NAME:** Fuchsia Campbell Dulan

**BIRTHPLACE:** Savanna-la-Mar, Jamaica

**HOME:** Kent, Washington

**PARENTS:** Father, Headley, psychiatric nurse. Mother, Cynthia, retired elementary school teacher.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Crescent Heights High School, Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Graduated in 1989.

**COLLEGE:** Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan. Graduated in 1993 with a degree in public relations.

“Adventist education taught me how to incorporate God into all areas of my life: education/career, social/physical, and spiritual. God desires to permeate all areas of our lives so no matter what I am doing, I strive to keep in contact with Him.”

**GRADUATE SCHOOL:** University of Minnesota Law School. Graduated in 1996.

**OCCUPATION:** Fuchsia is a lawyer and a real estate agent. She works for the Washington State Bar Association Office of Disciplinary Counsel. When the Bar Association receives a grievance against a lawyer, she investigates the grievance, decides if discipline is warranted, and, if so, prosecutes the case. She is also part of a real estate team with her sister-in-law, Camilla Campbell. They work with a Prudential Real Estate office and represent buyers and sellers in the greater Seattle metropolitan area.

**MENTORS:** Her parents have always supported her and encouraged her to have a personal relationship with Christ. “Knowing that my parents pray for me daily gives me extra strength to face the trials of life. Growing up, my parents explained to me and my brothers (Kirk and Fritz) that being a Christian doesn’t mean God will spare you from trials, but that when you face trials, God will always be with you.”

**SPOUSE:** Stephen Dulan.

**MARRIED:** July 5, 1998. They met at the Sharon Adventist Church in St. Paul, Minnesota, while Stephen was visiting his mother and Fuchsia was attending graduate school.

**HOBBIES:** Fuchsia enjoys the winter sports of cross country skiing and snow shoeing. She loves to read, sell houses and be involved in community service projects.

**CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES:** Stephen and Fuchsia are members of the Breath of Life Church in West Seattle. Fuchsia is director of hospitality and helps teach Sabbath School in the Primary division. She wants to cultivate the idea of not only going to church together but socializing together as well.

**CHRISTIAN MISSION:** Fuchsia has always had teachers, including her Sabbath School teachers, who believed that with God’s help she could succeed. It is her mission to foster and encourage other Christian relationships. “I want to encourage everyone I come in contact with to have a personal relationship with Christ so that together we can encourage each other and those around us.” •

## Feature

**NAME:** Karl Newsome

**BIRTHPLACE:** Jacksonville, Florida

**HOME:** Portland, Oregon

**PARENTS:** Father, Joel Sr., literature evangelist and foreman with the Jacksonville Water Department. Mother, Claudia, factory and domestic worker and convalescent center residential assistant.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Jean Ribault High School, Jacksonville. Graduated in 1977.

**COLLEGE:** Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama. Graduated in 1982 with a major in history and a minor in biology.

**GRADUATE SCHOOL:** Portland State University. Graduated with a Master of Educational Administration.

**OCCUPATION:** Karl is the assistant principal of the 530-student Sellwood Middle School in Portland, a role he assumed at the beginning of the school year in 2006. His responsibilities include student scheduling, testing coordinator, TAG coordinator (Talented And Gifted students), co-supervision of the 35 staff and support personnel and assists the principal. "I want to make sure our assessments of the students' needs are accurate and they receive the services they require. For me, it is all about customer service."

He began teaching in Jacksonville in 1986 and was hired to teach science in Portland Public Schools full-time in 1995, specializing in Earth Science classes. He began to work in administration in 2004 when he became a Student Management Specialist at Jackson Middle School.

**MENTORS:** "My parents were very influential in my life. Through the church we were constantly exposed to Oakwood as older students went back and forth. In fact, five of the six of us kids attended Oakwood at least one year and one of our sisters went to Columbia Union College.

"Our mother had a very strong work ethic and passed it on to us. It was important for me, from an early age, to put forth my best effort and give it all I have.

"Two of my teachers had a significant impact in what I do. Aaron Lockley taught church school in Jacksonville, and he inspired in me my interest in science. Randall Felton, one of my high school social studies teachers, inspired the idea of an education career."

**HOBBIES:** Karl is an avid sports fan and plays golf. He also enjoys music, playing the guitar and violin, as well as singing. He also loves reading and public speaking.

**SPOUSE:** Tamala Woods Newsome.

**MARRIED:** August 16, 1987.

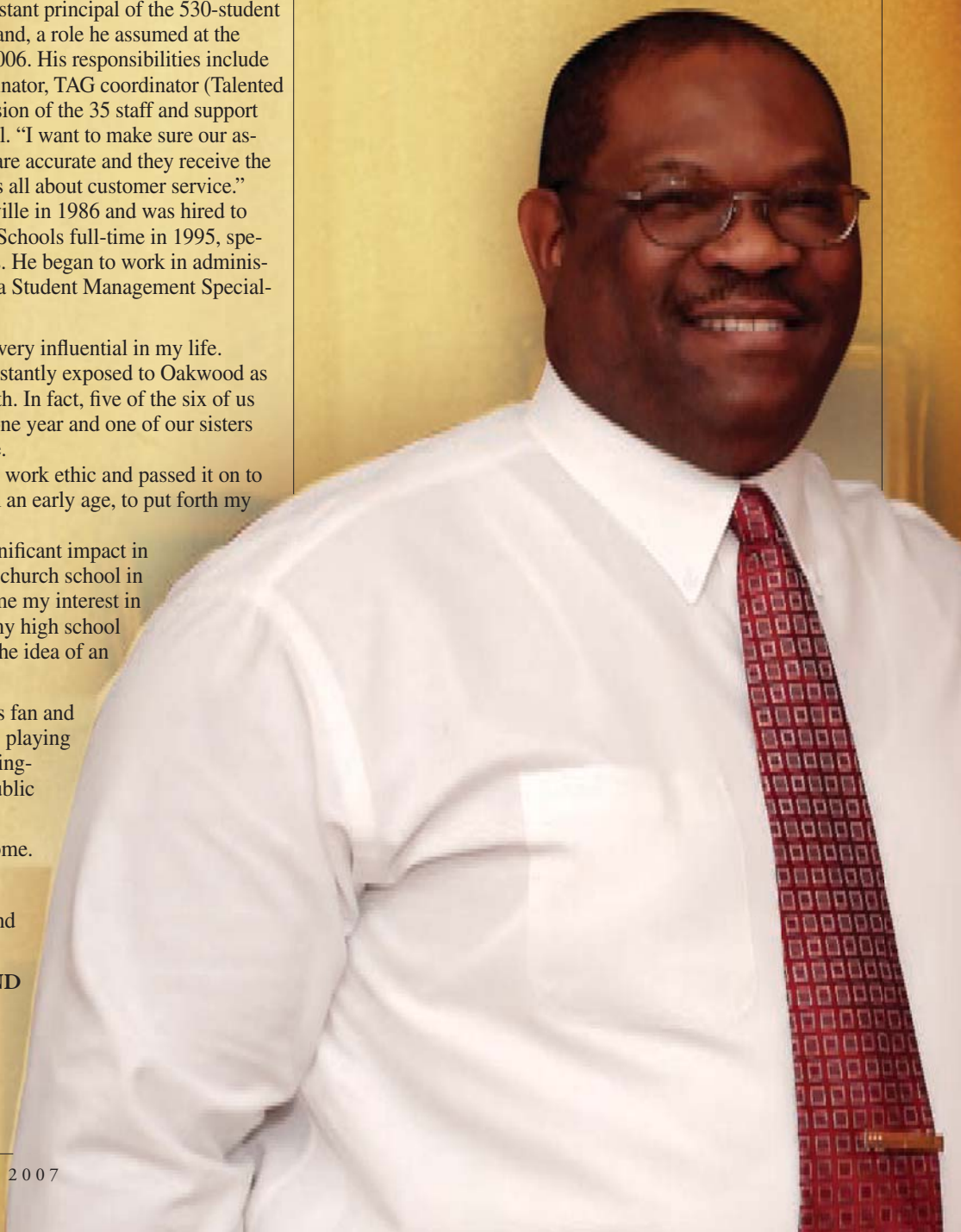
**CHILDREN:** Karrington, 19, and Kelson, 16.

**CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES:** Karl and Tamala are members of the University Park Church. Karl is an elder, Sabbath School superintendent and works with the prison ministry group. •



Karl Newsome is the Sellwood Middle School assistant principal.

# Karl Newsome



Tamala Newsome is the Rosa Parks Elementary School principal.



# Tamala Newsome

**NAME:** Tamala Woods Newsome

**BIRTHPLACE:** Portland, Oregon

**HOME:** Portland, Oregon

**PARENTS:** Father, Herman, Portland Department of Parks and Recreation. Mother, Jaunita, social worker and charter member of the Sharon Church in Portland.

“Sharon was a very great church to grow up in because there were a lot of activities for young people. Even though many of us went to public school, our social activities centered at church.”

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Woodrow Wilson High School, Portland. Graduated in 1976.

**COLLEGE:** Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama. Graduated in 1982 with a degree in elementary education.

**GRADUATE SCHOOL:** Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi. Graduated with a master’s degree in administration and supervision.

**OCCUPATION:** Tamala is an inner-city elementary school principal with Portland Public Schools, assigned to Rosa Parks Elementary School, Portland’s newest school with 54 staff members and 475 students.

She is responsible for student achievement as the primary goal of the school’s strategic or school improvement plan. During the last two years she was involved in building the new school, from planning to the completed building.

She worries about her students for various reasons, including their health and welfare. “While we don’t have Bible classes, there is nothing that can keep me from praying for my students and my families.”

**AWARDS:** In 2004, Tamala won the Milken Educator Award, which is given yearly by the Milken Family Foundation and recognizes 100 U.S. educators for their contributions

**SUCCESS:** She is surrounded by a group of teachers who have the same commitment to excellence as she does and as a result her school is one of the district’s highest performing schools

**SPOUSE:** Karl Newsome.

**MARRIED:** August 16, 1987.

**CHILDREN:** Karrington, 19, and Kelson, 16.

**CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES:** Tamala and Karl are members of the University Park Church. Tamala is the assistant treasurer, finance committee chairperson and church pianist.

“I choose to go to church in north Portland because of the relationships we build in the community. People not only see my car at school but also in the church parking lot and they know where I go to church.”

**PHILOSOPHY:** “My parents insisted on nothing less than my best. I ask the Lord every morning for wisdom and discernment to make a difference in the lives of my students. Whatever success I have had, it is because the Lord has allowed me that success. I believe that it is because I trust Him, and He has blessed that effort.” •



Tamala and Karl Newsome

## Feature

**NAME:** Columbus Candies Jr.

**BIRTHPLACE:** Oakland, California

**HOME:** Caldwell, Idaho

**PARENTS:** Father, Columbus Sr., Navy career, Chief Petty Officer, and landscape architect. Mother, Leatrice, homemaker and certified nurse assistant.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Golden Gate Academy. Graduated in 1978.

“An Adventist family living across the street befriended our single-parent family, and I started going to church at a young age. I attended Golden Gate Academy throughout junior high but had to leave due to a lack of funding. I attended Castlemont High School in Oakland for two years.

“One day, Mary Dent, the Adventist woman from across the street, came over and asked if I wanted to go back to Golden Gate. I said that we couldn’t afford it. She said that she would pray for me to get back in the academy. Two weeks later I was walking the halls of the school. The Lord took it upon Himself to pull me out of the high school and put me in an environment where I could flourish. The Elmhurst Church in Oakland financially supported my senior year at Golden Gate.

“During that year at Golden Gate Academy I became devoted to education. Out of the 25 graduating seniors, 20 percent are physicians, another 20 percent are in the medical field in other areas and there are numerous other professionals. These students were driven to succeed and I was able to benefit from the peer pressure.”

**COLLEGE:** Attended Pacific Union College, Angwin, California, and Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, California. Graduated in 1983 with a degree in physical therapy.

“When I went to PUC, the members of the Elmhurst Church sent me off royally, with a wonderful care package including blankets, sheets, personal items and school supplies. They were very supportive.”

**GRADUATE SCHOOL:** Portland State University. Graduated in 1995 with a master’s degree in public administration/health administration. Currently finishing a doctorate in education and leadership from the University of Idaho.

**OCCUPATION:** Director of St. Luke’s Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Services, a joint venture between Boise’s St. Luke’s Hospital and Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Hospital for outpatient physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy services. Columbus manages about 200 employees in 15 clinics throughout the state.

**HOBBIES:** Landscaping, gardening and construction. He enjoys all sports, camping, snow skiing, boating, and has a black belt in Rukyu Kenpo karate.

**SPOUSE:** Mary Angello Candies. Pacific Union College, associate degree in office administration; Humboldt State University, masters degree in speech pathology/audiology; and held a teaching credential in Oregon. She is a homemaker who homeschools their youngest child.

**MARRIED:** August 3, 1979.

**CHILDREN:** Ariel, 17, and Cameron, 13.

**CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES:** The Candies family are members of the Nampa Church. Columbus has been elected head elder. •



The Candies family, from left, Cameron, Mary, Columbus and Ariel.

# Columbus Candies

Columbus Candies talks to a physical therapist in the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Services therapy gymnasium.

The Carrington family, from left, Nia, Andrew Jr., Alexandria, Mattie and Andrew Sr.



**NAME:** Andrew Carrington

**BIRTHPLACE:** Georgetown, Guyana

**HOME:** Renton, Washington

**PARENTS:** Father, Winslow, medical technologist. Mother, Eugene, registered nurse. They live in Cleveland, Ohio.

“My parents sacrificed a lot for me, my brothers and sisters. They came to the U.S. five years before we kids did. They did that so we could have a better life. My father was a tremendous example to me in that he was the head elder at our church for 20 years and was well respected.”

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Collingwood High School, Cleveland, Ohio. Graduated 1983.

**COLLEGE:** Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama. Graduated in 1987 with a major in history and a minor in political science.

“There was no question if I would go to college. Education was important to my parents and it was a foregone conclusion that I would go to Oakwood. Oakwood not only prepared me for my profession but for life as well. I met my wife at Oakwood and most of the close friends I have today are Oakwoodites who I still keep in contact 20 years later. Oakwood was a pivotal point in my life which not only prepared me for my occupation but also prepared me spiritually for the work we do in our church.”

**GRADUATE SCHOOL:** Howard University School of Law, Washington, D.C. Graduated in 1990.

**OCCUPATION:** Attorney at Law and managing partner of Carrington–Nuamah, P.C., specializing in personal injury cases.

**HOBBIES:** Golf, tennis, and working out at the gym.

**SPOUSE:** Mattie McDonald Carrington graduated from Oakwood College with an associate degree in office administration and is a homemaker and substitute teacher at Kirkland (Washington) Adventist School.

**MARRIED:** September 2, 1990.

**CHILDREN:** Alexandria, 13, Nia, 8, and Andrew Jr., 5.

**CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES:** The Carringtons are members of the Mt. Tahoma Church, Tacoma, Washington.

Andrew is an elder, the personal ministries director, chair of the finance committee, and sits on the church building committee and the church board. He also serves on the Washington Conference Executive Committee. Mattie is a Primary Sabbath School teacher, head usher, works in the treasury department and is a counter.

**PHILOSOPHY:** Andrew is a servant leader. He sees his leadership as an opportunity to serve the members of the church and community. “It is not a burden or an obligation.” As busy as he and Mattie are, they find a way to mesh their personal, professional and church life.

“I attribute my success to God. I had great parents, great teachers and great mentors. In the final analysis, any of our success is because God has blessed us. God blesses us when we are faithful to Him and when we prepare ourselves. You have to prepare yourself for success and that includes having a seriousness of purpose and endeavoring to excel in whatever you do.” •

# Andrew Carrington



Andrew Carrington, attorney at law

# Adoption

*A True Mission Field*

B Y H E A T H E R A S H L O C K

**C**hristian Family Adoptions (CFA) is a private adoption agency affiliated with the North Pacific Union Conference. Since 1958, the agency has assisted with the complex process of adoption, placing hundreds of children with caring and loving families.

In the United States, there are currently at least 500,000 children in the foster care system, and of these children, more than 100,000 are waiting to be adopted. Many people are unaware of the reality behind these figures and what a significant mission field adoption is. The Gospel calls us to answer the call: "Real religion is taking care of orphans..." (James 1:27).

In addition to the standard adoption, CFA also assists with the adoptions of special-needs children available through state foster care. Currently in Oregon and Washington, there are more than 1,200 children with special needs. While many infants are included in this group, most special-needs children are 5 years of age or older and have at least one of the following characteristics: 1) brothers and/or sisters waiting for adoptions with them, 2) physical/emotional/mental challenges, or 3) ethnic/racial/cultural minority status.

Adopting a child with special needs

takes just the right family. Steve and Vicki Hopmann are one of those families. About two years ago they thought their family was complete, having already adopted five children. Then one fall morning they discovered Michael, Brianna and Ericka—three special-needs children whose photo was in a newspaper. Vicki remembers saying, "...these kids look like they belong to our family!"

Their desire to adopt again became a matter of much prayer for their family as well as close friends, and the journey began. After waiting for a while, in early August 2005, CFA had good news for the Hopmann's—they were selected as the adoptive family for Michael, Brianna and Ericka! Vicki remembers this thrilling time and how wonderful it was to welcome home the newest members of their family, "...I could hardly take it all in—going from a newspaper picture to real children, I was so awestruck!"

Jesus said, "I've come to seek and save the lost" (Luke 19:10) and we at CFA believe that it is "God [who] sets the lonely in families" (Psalms 68:6). It is our privilege to grow Christian families, one child at a time. •

*Heather Ashlock, CFA Office Manager, writes from Portland, Oregon.*



The entire Hopmann family was together for the holidays, which included their newest members Michael, Brianna and Ericka (front left).



It was a happy moment for Steve, Vicki and two of their other children during the courthouse adoption ceremony for Michael, Brianna and Ericka.

# Missionary Partners



Find another church member of the same gender and ask them to become your missionary partner. Then you each make an interest list. Meet together once a week to pray for the people on each other's lists and to look for ways to demonstrate the love of Jesus to them.

"After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go." Luke 10: 1, NRSV

She was thrilled that so many of her relatives and friends had come to her baptism. Now, as her hair was drying, she wondered how she would share this new joy in Jesus with them.

"Congratulations on your baptism!" one of the ladies in the church said with a smile. "Can I be your missionary partner? We could get together for prayer and look for ways to bring people to Jesus."

"What a great church family," she thought. "I'd love that. Let's do it."

A young man wasn't sure he wanted to remain an Adventist. One day, a man called from the church and said, "I need someone with your creativity and energy to help me with an outreach project I'm working on." That was the beginning of a great mentoring relationship.

The world around us has seen the benefits of mentoring and partnering, and it is God's way of developing leaders. Moses had Aaron. Paul had Barnabas, then later Silas. Luke tells how the 12 apostles and later the 70 were sent out two by two. During the Dark Ages the Waldenses used the two-by-two principle in their ministry.

Why is it so important to have a missionary partner? "Calling the 12 about Him, Jesus bade them go out two and two through the towns and villages. None were sent forth alone, but brother was associated with brother, friend with friend. Thus they could help and encourage each other,... each one's strength supplementing the other's weakness. ...In our own time evangelistic work would be far more successful if this example were more closely followed."<sup>1</sup>

Why not take a few minutes right now to think of who you might invite this week to be your missionary partner? Ask Jesus to help you find a partner who will grow to be a great worker for Him.

For more insights on missionary partners, read *Evangelism*, pages 72 to 74 and page 437. •

<sup>1</sup> Ellen G. White, *Desire of Ages*, p. 350.

Dan Serns, North Pacific Union Conference ministerial director



"The best part of going to church is talking with my friends about sports, politics and business between Sabbath School and church," says Luke Warm. If I say anything too religious they'll think I'm a fanatic."

Victor N. Christ looks for a friend at church who will be his missionary partner. He finds Willing Helper. They get together frequently to pray for the people on each of their prayer lists, looking for ways to build friendships, meet needs and share Jesus.

# Fresh Start

**J**erome Groopman, M.D., is a professor at Harvard University Medical School, chief of experimental medicine at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, and one of the world's leading researchers in cancer and AIDS.

In his excellent book, *The Measure of our Days*, he profiles eight of his patients.

One such patient was Elizabeth. She scheduled the appointment herself, explaining that she had a blood disease and needed to see a specialist immediately. Assuming he would hear of this emergency matter from her primary physician, Groopman agreed to see her. Much to Groopman's surprise, however, the woman sauntered into his office without any explanation of who sent her or how she got in.

Elizabeth was tall and big—a 64-year-old woman sporting a thin smile, cool blue eyes and puffed silver-gray hair. She was carefully dressed to disguise her ample figure, her double-strand pearl necklace and emerald earrings were subtle, yet worn to be noticed. At their initial encounter, Groopman disdained this lady.

"Dr. Groopman is quite an unusual name," she said before sharing any of her medical history. "Is it Dutch? Has your family been here long?"

"It is Dutch, and it is an unusual name," Dr. Groopman

## Seeing Blindly

politely replied. "Actually, we're the only family I know of in the U.S. with that name. We're Jewish. My grandfather was originally from Kiev in Russia. He escaped a pogrom in the 1880s and made his way to Amsterdam. The name 'Groopman' was acquired there. He came to America in the early 1900s."

"What a charming story!" Elizabeth bubbled. "Well, we say in Boston that the mayor should be Irish, the barber Italian, and the doctor a Jew. We'll see, won't we?"

Groopman recoiled at her nerve. In his book he captures the tension of that moment:

I sat speechless, uncertain how to respond. We had just met, she as a patient in need, I as the doctor she had sought out. Was her remark a

benign attempt at upper-class humor or a provocation?

If I ignored it, it might appear to be sign of weakness or shame about my identity. If I reacted sharply, it would divert us from the focus of the visit—her health—and I would not fulfill my role as a physician.<sup>1</sup>

That's when Groopman focused on a drawing that

hung next to his desk. It pictured a man with a full black beard and white turban seated on a chair that rested on parallel pillars of Hebrew and English calligraphy.

Directing Elizabeth's attention to that picture, he said, "That man is Moses Maimonides, a physician and rabbi who lived in the twelfth

century. He worked in the court of the sultan of Cairo by day and cared for the destitute of that city by night. He began each day

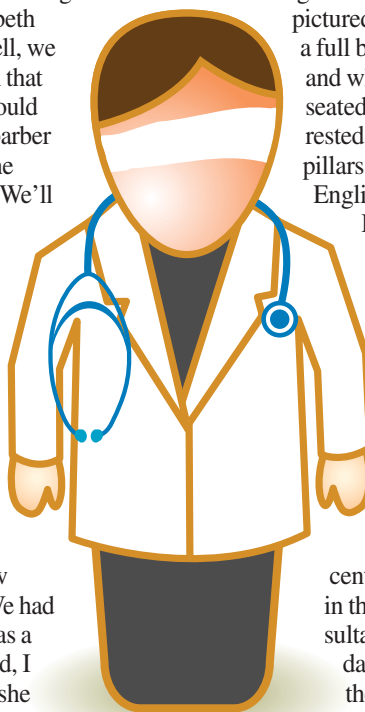
with the prayer that forms the two pillars:

*Deem me worthy of seeing,  
In the sufferer  
Who seeks my advice,  
A person  
Neither rich nor poor,  
Friend nor foe,  
Good nor evil.  
Show me only the person.*

Groopman struggled to see only the person in Elizabeth. I, too, struggle to see only the person—being blind to one's social status or skin color. That's why I keep this ancient poem handy.

The Bible reminds us "that God does not show favoritism but accepts men from every nation who fear him and do what is right" (Acts 10:34, 35, NIV). I'm wondering: Could we put a dent in the prejudice that poisons our world if we all lived this text? I'm sure willing to try; what about you? •

<sup>1</sup> Jerome Groopman, M.D., *The Measure of our Days*, (New York: Viking, 1997), p. 169.



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



# ALASKA

## Dillingham Church Members Reach Out to Remote Villages

A group of church members in Dillingham are focusing on ministry to the surrounding native villages. Building on the long history of Adventism in Bristol Bay, they are following up on business contacts, going door to door and holding Bible studies to cultivate relationships.

Dillingham school teacher Rod Rau and his wife Brenda fly their airplane to the village of Ekwok every Sabbath afternoon, weather permitting. Years ago Adventists held services there in a small building, now in disrepair. The Rauses are building interest

by conducting a weekly sing-a-long in a room in the city office.

The village of Manakotak is where Margarita Moreno and Florie Jewel carry on their ministry almost every Sabbath. As an owner of a local clothing manufacturing business, Moreno has used her business as a means of distributing printed materials, videos and DVDs for outreach. Building on these contacts, the team gives Bible studies and visits people's homes.

The village of Togiak has been the special interest of local Dillingham pilot Jim



Jim Kincaid

Remote Alaskan villages are recipients of relationship evangelism through the efforts of Dillingham Church members.

Bingman. For nearly ten years he has flown to Togiak almost every Sabbath to support the group of Sabbath worshippers there. Mae Syverud and Gavin and Judith Thomsen join Bingman in that ministry too. Thomsen is the lower-grade teacher at the Dillingham Adventist School.

Wendell Downs, Dillingham pastor, and his wife Linda participate too with bimonthly visits to Togiak and flying

support. Downs or Bingman typically drop the Manakotak team off on their way to Togiak.

The three airplanes utilized for this ministry belong to Bingman, Raues, and Adventist World Aviation (AWA). The airplanes are based at the new AWA mission aviation hangar at the Dillingham airport. •

Jim Kincaid, *Adventist World Aviation, Alaska coordinator*



## Craftsmen for Christ Palmer Church Opens First Chapter in Alaska

The Palmer Church has opened the first chapter of Craftsmen for Christ (CFC) in Alaska. CFC is a group of Christian craftsmen who are committed to using "God's resources of skills, materials, talents....and hearts to meet the needs of others."

The work focuses on tending the physical needs of the elderly, the disabled, widows and fatherless children. Founded in 1990 by Bob Ouzts in Yuba City, Calif., the organization now has 13 chapters in four states,

represented by 10 different churches.

The Palmer chapter's first project, replacing a damaged roof, was completed in October. Eight church members donated a Sunday and their skill to finish the roof with plans for more projects. Although the craftsmen cannot always provide materials needed for the job, there is no charge for their labor. •

Bobbie Grimstad, *Palmer Church member*

## Witnessing to a Bear

### Homer Members Meet a Wild Neighbor

While handing out witnessing books in Homer, Alaska, Jeremy Day met a different sort of customer—a bear! Day and Sammy Au were visiting homes near Beluga Lake. After leaving the book at a door, Day turned to walk down the steps when he heard Au call, "Look out!"

A young black bear was strolling along on the other side of a car parked beside the steps. Was Day ever surprised! So was the bear as he took off to the woods.

Homer church members distributed more than 1,200 booklets *Ten Commandments Twice Removed*, and pray that

people who desire to know more about God's word will be blessed. •

Judith James, *Homer Church clerk*



Jeremy Day met a bear while distributing copies of *Ten Commandments Twice Removed*.

ALASKA



Angels, shepherds and a wise man rejoice with Mary and Joseph over the birth of Christ.

About five years ago, members of the Eagle Church and the Eagle Adventist Christian School started talking about doing a live nativity. When they talked to the city officials, they showed interest in adding a live nativity to the parade route of the Eagle Country Christmas celebration. A few days before that event, several families arrived in front of the church with sheets of plywood and hammers.

On the cold, foggy evening of that first parade, lambs, goats, a donkey and a miniature horse gathered

around the manger where church members were clad in borrowed Bible times costumes. Area residents brought their children to the only live nativity in Eagle.

Since that impromptu and modest beginning, the event has grown each year, now involving more than 200 people. The church now has more permanent set buildings, many costumes and props, and its own donkey. Through flyers, radio announcements and loudspeakers, the city advertises the event, which is held at the church.

## Eagle Church Presents *Fifth Annual Live Nativity*

This year, on Dec. 1, 2006, a camel and other child-friendly farm animals again begged for carrots from little hands. The Inn served hot cider and chocolate. Pathfinders and Adventurers, each carrying a basket loaded with tiny bread loaves and children's literature, mingled with the guests. The tax collector chuckled with little visitors who were also required to sign the census scroll. Hosts, costumed as shepherds and wisemen, circulated through the crowd, witnessed, formed friendships, handed out pennies to be given

to the tax collector, and invited the guests into the church.

Inside the church, the sanctuary filled to near capacity for two sacred concerts by Eagle Church musicians and Gem State Academy's bell choirs and voice choir. Many families stopped by the fellowship room for hot soup and the famous little bread loaves. Many children took part in the Kids Nativity Craft Corner. •

*Gretta Gregg, Eagle Church member and Live Nativity participant*



Jeff and Shelley Watson were baptized in the Middleton Church on June 10, 2006, by Bruce Juhl, Caldwell and Middleton district pastor.

## Friendship Leads to Baptisms *at Middleton Church*

Jeff and Shelley Watson were baptized because of the personal witness of one of Shelley's classmates. A little over a year ago Shelley took a massage therapy class. Brittany Purcell Warren, a member of the Middleton Church, was also taking the class.

Warren and Watson became friends and soon Warren was sharing about her Adventist lifestyle and religious convictions. Later, the new friends introduced their husbands and the two couples began studying Bible topics together.

The Watsons' interest grew and at the request of the Warrens, Alvin Schnell, Middleton Church head elder, and his wife, Coral, began studying weekly with the Watson family.

Soon the Watsons began attending Sabbath School and church with their two children Jace and Summer. They were baptized June 10, 2006, at the Middleton Church. •

*Evelyn Wageman, Middleton communication secretary*

## John Day Church Serves Community *at Trucker's Christmas Light Parade*

Members of the John Day Church participated in the area's annual "Trucker's Christmas Light Parade" by serving warm drinks and cookies to the crowd assembled to watch the decorated and lighted trucks.

This event has been conducted for the last several decades, and was largely

supported by the local logging industry.

Local church members Annette Beam and Arlene Davidson served parade spectators refreshments from the church-sponsored refreshment stand. •

*Gary Davidson, John Day Church clerk*



## Family Time at Mt. Ellis Academy

There is one event that has a special place in everyone's heart here at Mt. Ellis Academy, and that is faculty families. Once a month each faculty member and their family take time out of their busy schedules and welcome a group of students into their home, feed them, and, of course, entertain them.

The teachers and administrators organized faculty families here at our home away from home with the idea in mind that it would bring faculty and student body closer to one another.

There is a lot more to faculty families than one may think. Not only does the teacher prepare for this special time, but their families help as well. Thanks to the wonderful family members, we are treated to



**Mt. Ellis Academy students enjoy family time with their faculty family.**

amazing food, clean houses and a homelike atmosphere.

Each family has many different activities they do. Some have parties with a theme and the students will come dressed up in costumes. Others will take their families out to

eat. Some go bowling or to a basketball game. Most just kick back and have a big meal with a game after supper, or just sit around in the living room and chat about life at MEA. Other times the activity after supper can be as simple as watching a

movie. Whatever the activity, everyone has a refreshing evening with their "family."

With the idea of trying to bring the faculty and student body together as one, the administration built in another benefit. If one of the students is struggling with grades, or just daily life in general, it is the faculty member's responsibility to go check on that student and help out.

Being a small school, we are all very close. Having faculty families only ensures that closeness and loving atmosphere. Next time you visit our campus, ask someone about his or her faculty family. •

*Kelly Ree, MEA senior*

## More Blessed to Give

After many hours of practice, the dozen students of Libby Adventist Christian School presented their Christmas program, including a skit "More Blessed to Give" as well as vocal and chime musical selections.

In addition to presenting the program for family and friends at the school, the students performed for the local nursing home and Achievements, an organization which provides residential and employment services for persons with challenging mental, emotional and physical disability needs.



**Libby Adventist Christian School students enjoy the first snowstorm of the season.**

In keeping with the message of their Christmas skit, the students chose to gather donations for ADRA again this year. Students, families and local church members

The students enjoyed choosing projects from the 2007 ADRA Gift Catalog. A few of the projects sponsored with the donation included buying goats for families



**Cindy Patten directs Libby School students in a hand chime choir.**

donated \$427 for ADRA projects.

in Tanzania, feeding a family in Kenya for a year, purchasing books for children in Mongolia, and providing chickens for Chinese families to raise as a source of income. •

*Cindy Patten, Libby School teacher*

## Eugene Church Celebrates Installation of New Stained-glass Mural

**B**aptism: A Journey to the Holy City” is the title for a new stained-glass mural that graces the back wall of the Eugene Church baptistry. In full, the plaque reads, “The mural is based upon illustrations from Arthur S. Maxwell’s *The Bible Story* books for children and Ellen G.

White’s *Triumph of God’s Love*. The mural is a volunteer labor of love, designed and created by Ron Wilson, artist, in gratitude to God and to the church family whose generosity made possible a Christian education for the artist and his sister. Funding for materials was graciously provided by the members of the Eugene Church and by families of former members.”

The artist, along with Doris Bond Baker, then decorating committee chairman and

**Ron Wilson, artist, explains how he created the stained-glass mural for the Eugene Church.**



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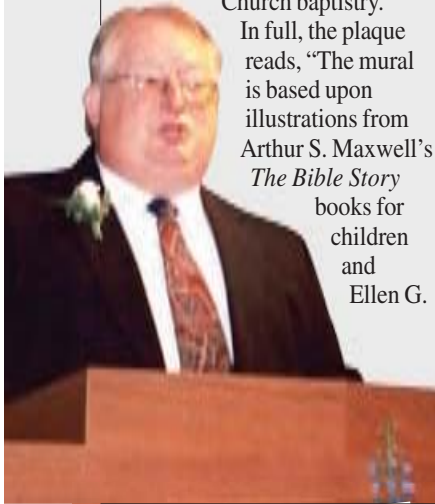
who now lives in Salem, and Al Heitzmann, then pastor, (now deceased) and his wife, Ruby Lee Heitzmann, now living in College Place, Wash., contracted the mural project several years ago.

At the dedication service on Oct. 28, 2006, Baker gave a history of the mural. Wilson described the techniques used for the three-dimensional effect and how the colored glass came from

all over the world. There were over 1,500 pieces of glass used!

Heitzmann gave the prayer of dedication after Greg Middlestetter the current pastor, delivered a sermon about the blessings of witnessing and giving others the privilege to be a part of the Holy City. •

*Francine Delmore, Eugene Church communication leader*



## Milo Welcomes New Staff

Adventist language schools in Asia. He is moving from Michigan, where he recently received his master’s degree in education from Andrews University. He and his wife Therese, a dental hygienist, are looking forward to their new ministry at Milo.

Also new to the campus is Robert Malvaney, who is assisting John Kelly in the maintenance department. When Kelly retires in June, Malvaney will become the head of the maintenance and grounds departments. Malvaney comes to us from Coos Bay, where

he worked in construction, but his experience includes being the maintenance and grounds director at Enterprise Academy in Kansas. Malvaney and his wife Donna have two girls, Allison and Alisha.

Yolanda Guerra, a taskforce worker, will be assisting in the peer ministries and guidance departments. She calls Tepic, Mexico, her home, but she lived most recently in Michigan, where she earned her master’s degree in youth ministries. Her

expertise and helpful spirit are appreciated.

The friendly, dedicated ministry of these new staff has already been a blessing to the campus, and the Milo family is excited to welcome them to the team. •



**Rob Malvaney is the new maintenance director, and is joined by his wife Donna and girls Allison and Alisha.**

**T**hree new faculty members have joined the Milo family. Richard Carrigan is the new English Language Learning (ELL) Program Coordinator. Carrigan has 20 years of experience teaching in

**Richard Carrigan will be developing the English Language Learning program. His wife is Therese.**



**Taskforce worker, Yolanda Guerra, will be assisting the guidance department.**

## Cheri Peters, Former Drug Addict, Shares her Story With Inmates, Students

The Coquille Church hosted Cheri Peters, author and founder of True Step Ministries, based in Kuna, Idaho, the weekend of Oct. 20, 2006. She spoke at the community building in Coquille on Friday night and again on Sabbath at the worship service at the Coquille Church.

Peters, a recovering drug addict, was abused, unloved and unwanted by her family. She lived a homeless, miserable life on the streets until Jesus rescued her through His unconditional love and gave her a ministry to young people and adults.

On Sunday, Peters ministered to the inmates at Shutter Creek Correctional Institution. "The prison chaplain was very pleased with her two presentations. The



Coquille Valley Middle School students and teachers listen to Cheri Peters as she tells her story.

inmates could relate to her well and were very appreciative," according to Fred Anderson, prison ministries volunteer.

The next day, she shared her testimony with hundreds of students at Coquille Valley Middle School during a school assembly. Coquille Church elder Barbara Rollins, a former

elementary school principal in Coquille, arranged with Mark Nortness, middle school principal, to have Peters speak to the students. The 50-minute presentation was part of the school's Red Ribbon Week.

"Most of my class commented that it was the best assembly that they'd had in a

long time," said Larry Osburn, teacher.

What a blessing and what a difference she made in the lives of all she reached! We were all encouraged and uplifted to the cross and to the changing power of the Holy Spirit.

Peters has published two books, *Miracle From the Streets* and *God is Crazy About You*. She also does TV appearances and hosts her own radio program. Randy Maxwell, the well-known author, has said, "To hear Cheri's story is to be forever changed. To meet Cheri in person is to encounter a real-life, flesh-and-blood, bona fide miracle." •

Betty Kramer, Coquille Church communication leader

## Nano Space Sharks Take Top Honors in Teamwork



Hood View Junior Academy Nano Space Sharks, from left: Mitchell Kessler, Skyler Null, B.J. Hilde, won the teamwork trophy in the LEGO League Tournament.

The Nano Space Sharks of Hoodview Junior Academy were awarded the trophy for teamwork at the ORTOP FIRST LEGO League Tournament on Dec. 3, 2006.

Fourteen teams competed in the tournament at Intel Jones Farm Conference Center. Each team had built and programmed a robot to perform a series of "missions." In addition to the

performance of their robot and its technical design, each team was judged on their presentation of research in current nano technology.

The award presenter explained that "teamwork" is the core value emphasized by ORTOP (Oregon Robotics Tournament and Outreach Program). The team receiving this award demonstrated their ability to show team spirit and cooperation as they worked together in designing a robot and preparing their research presentation with a minimum of adult input.

FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) was founded in 1989 by Dean Kamen, inventor of the Segway Human Transport and is an international organization. ORTOP is the local chapter of FIRST and organizes yearly tournaments for more than 500 teams of students ages 9 to 14. Oregon State University is the sponsor of ORTOP. •

Wynn Knowling, Nano Space Sharks coach

## SAGE California Trip Adventure

### *A Journal Entry*

## What is SAGE?

SAGE, Seniors in Action for God with Excellence, is a ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church for those who call themselves “seniors.” It provides opportunities for fellowship, service and spiritual growth with others who are “chronologically gifted.”

SAGE is not limited to members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, however, only vegetarian food will be served at all banquets, potlucks, luncheons, and other social events. The use of alcohol and/or tobacco is not allowed at SAGE activities.

For more information about SAGE and upcoming events, contact Wynn Knowing, Oregon Conference SAGE coordinator, at (503) 850-3500. •



On their recent bus tour, the Oregon SAGE group visited Elmshaven, near Angwin, Calif., last home of Ellen G. White.

Oregon Conference SAGE members took a trip to Northern California in late October of 2006. Here’s the account of member Ruth Jones.

### **Sunday, Oct. 22, 2006**

We left Medford, Ore., by 7:15 a.m. This was to be our longest day. We drove for several hours and then stopped at a rest area. But when we loaded back onto the bus and tried to go on our way, it didn’t want to start! Fortunately, our driver Tony was able to roll it down a nearby hill to get it started.

A few hours later we arrived at the California coast, stopping in Eureka to see a mansion, Ingomar Club, built in 1885. It was the former home of a pioneer lumberman William Carson. Next stop: Avenue of the Redwoods.

Then more transportation troubles. We were maybe 10 miles from the highway when the bus started smelling funny and making funny sounds. We stopped and decided to have lunch while we waited. Our driver walked back toward the highway to call for help.

After about a half hour and no one had stopped to help, I flagged someone down. We told them what was happening, and they said they would turn around and go pick up our driver. Some of us walked about a half mile down the road to a little store. Walking back we were passed by a patrol car.

When we arrived back at the bus, the patrol car was there with our driver Tony. The patrolwoman had called a neighbor who drives school bus. She was going to bring her school bus and take us back to Fortuna.

More excitement: Since the doors under the bus are sealed by air pressure, we were unable to get our luggage out. The fire department came and got the luggage out. It was a Kodak moment as we took pictures of the fire truck, patrol car, school bus and our tour bus.

We spent the night in Fortuna.

### **Monday, Oct. 23, 2006**

We left by 6:00 a.m., bound for San Francisco on a brand-new bus, courtesy of Tony. In San Francisco, we crossed the Golden Gate Bridge, and then on to Pier 33 to catch our boat to Alcatraz. We spent time shopping on the pier, and then we boarded the boat for Alcatraz. After a short boat ride, we reached Alcatraz. It was



Delphena and Floyd Brazee from Central Point enjoyed the boat ride from San Francisco to Alcatraz.



**Ruth Jones from Battle Ground, Wash., sees what it feels like to be locked up in Alcatraz.**

interesting to learn about the famous people imprisoned there.

We spent the rest of the afternoon shopping at the five-story Westfield Shopping Center. Inside was a Bloomingdale's. I had never shopped there before, and I soon found out why. I found a pants and jacket outfit for \$795, and my friend Roxanne found a purse for \$2,200!

We spent that night in Napa.

**Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2006**

We drove to Elmshaven. On the way, Paul Gordon, former head of the White Estate, gave us information about the White Estate.



**From left; Ruth Jones from Battle Ground, Beverly Hubbard, Nancy Ramsey, and Anne Moore, all from Woodland, visited Ingomar Club in Eureka, Calif.**

We spent the night in Redding. That evening, most of us went to see the Sundial Bridge, which spans the Sacramento River. The bridge is illuminated at night—very pretty.

**Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2006**

We headed back to the Sundial Bridge and went through Turtle Bay Exploration Park and Gardens. We spent about two hours there and then on to the Shasta Dam.

We arrived at Shasta Dam and were not allowed to take anything with us: no phones, purses, cameras or backpacks. We walked over the dam to the tower on the dam and waited for them to let us in. Everyone had to go through a metal detector, which took awhile since we kept setting it off with our belts and pocket change.

We boarded an elevator that took us down 12 stories into the dam. The tour guide

showed us how the speed of sound works; this was really cool. We proceeded into a room where he told us a little about the dam's history. We also got to see where the water comes out of the dam, which

wasn't that much. Then we got a tour of the turbine room, including the inside of one that was being worked on. That room was very noisy! We stepped back outside and our guide told us that the huge tubes bringing the water to the turbines were big enough to drive a school bus into.

We got back to Medford about 5:30 that evening. •

*Ruth Jones, Oregon SAGE member*



**The Oregon SAGE group visited Ingomar Club in Eureka, Calif., home of William Carson, a pioneer lumberman.**

# Rogue Valley Adventist School Music

## *From State Recognition to National Performance*

**U**nder the direction of Cathie Morse, Rogue Valley Adventist School has a strong music department. This semester, we had our elementary Christmas concert at the Medford Church and the high school Christmas concert at the Valley View Church. In addition, the school has been featured in other places in the valley—The Manor, Providence Festival of Lights, Rogue Valley Mall, Kiwanis Club and Medford Estates, among others.

The most recent performance was at the Oregon State Capital at the invitation of the Governor's office—an invitation given to a select group of schools in Oregon. "Both Praise Spectrum and Eternal Rings were fabulous," say the unbiased parent chaperones who accompanied the group. The standing ovation they received confirmed that they truly were fabulous!

The next big event will be in June 2007—singing the national

anthem in Washington, D.C., with thousands of other schools from across the country. Only two schools will represent their state by performing mini-concerts in landmark monuments of Washington, D.C.

Rogue Valley Adventist School will be representing Oregon! The school will be part of a once-in-a-lifetime, historical event. What an opportunity to witness! •

*Fylvia Kline, RVAS principal*



**The Rogue Valley Adventist School's student musicians recently performed at the Oregon State Capital.**

## Anatomy and Physiology Class Tours a Cadaver

Anatomy and Physiology students at Portland Adventist Academy (PAA) got an up-close glimpse of God's design of the human body on an educational trip to the anatomy laboratory at Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU). Mark Goodman, a second-year medical student at OHSU, took the students on a fascinating tour of a cadaver.

It's a trip the students at Portland Adventist Academy look forward to. In fact, Terry Verlo, the science teacher and vice principal, has been taking his Anatomy and Physiology class on this educational



Portland Adventist Academy Anatomy and Physiology students recently toured the anatomy laboratory at OHSU.

adventure for the past 15 years. "The trip ties so many learning points together," says Verlo. "Students get to see the actual internal anatomy rather than

just a picture or diagram in a textbook." Verlo recognizes that most high school science students don't get this kind of opportunity.

Of the 12 students on the trip, many of them would like to pursue the medical field. Their aspirations range from careers in pediatrics to physical therapy. "I want to go into medicine someday," said senior Deanna Plubell. "I've always been fascinated by how the body works."

Seeing the intricate details of the human body is an educational experience PAA students will remember the rest of their lives. "It helps them realize how fearfully and wonderfully we are made," added Verlo. •

Liesl Vistaumet, PAA GLEANER correspondent



### Oregon Conference

administrative headquarters



**WE'VE MOVED!** The Oregon Conference headquarters has relocated to the Holden Convention Center on the Gladstone campus. (The ABC will remain at the Clackamas location until the end of April 2007.) Construction of both buildings is ongoing with an anticipated completion date of May 2008 for the new administrative office complex. Informational updates are posted at [www.OregonConference.org](http://www.OregonConference.org).

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## God's Little Creature

It was almost 1:30 on Sabbath afternoon. We had just arrived at the Shutter Creek Correctional Institution in North Bend, Ore. We had parked the car, and Ron Conway had gone over to the building where we were to hold Seventh-day Adventist services.

Suddenly, we saw him catch a bird. He held it momentarily, examined it and then helped it stand up on the stairs at the entrance. When we got there, we saw a somewhat groggy robin standing there. It had collided head-on with a window and had some blood in its mouth. It was obviously injured; we had no way of knowing how seriously.

When the inmates arrived, they all stopped and watched the robin for a few minutes. When they came into our class, one of them was very quiet and sober. He explained that he was really concerned about that robin.

Then, when our study had been going along for about 10 minutes, another of the inmates said, "I don't mean to interrupt, but could we just take time to pray for that little bird?" And he offered a beautiful prayer for God's mercy on the little feathered creature.

Soon, through the window, we saw several corrections officers come and tenderly carry away the injured robin. I don't know what became of the little bird, but I couldn't help but see the compassion of both inmates and guards for one of God's creatures that had been injured.

It was almost Christmas, but the overriding concern of the inmates was not their separation from friends and family—it was for a little bird that had been hurt. •

Otto Epping, Coos Bay Church prison ministries director



## Amber Waves of “Whole” Grains

### Upper Columbia Academy Enjoys Success of Granola Industry

Who doesn't like a bowl of freshly baked granola, whether enjoyed with fruit, milk, applesauce, or yogurt? The students at Upper Columbia Academy (UCA) are enjoying that fresh-baked goodness every day in the cafeteria, thanks to Kelly and Stacy Santee and their business, Santee's Granola.

For more than 10 years, the Santees have been making and selling their tasty granola, but it's only in the past two years that their business has also been benefiting UCA. The Santees brought their business to



**Kelly Santee is the founder of Santee's Granola.**

UCA as an industry to employ students and also to return to their alma mater and Stacy's growing-up roots.

Kelly and Stacy both graduated in 1988 from UCA, and as a 16-year-old, Kelly watched as a new industrial-space building was constructed on campus, not realizing he would have a business in that very building almost 20 years later.

As an entrepreneur who “just couldn't stay out of the kitchen,” Santee experimented with several different, flavorsome items before his granola recipe finally came together. “I feel our venture is a ministry, getting a more healthful, whole-grain alternative out to the public,” said Santee. “And if we can help students attain their education at UCA in the process, it's a win-win situation for all.”

Their granolas can also be used as a fundraiser. Santee suggests that “every bag of granola sold not only helps the individual schools or groups



Carmen Slavens

**Eduardo Bautista, sophomore from Brewster, Wash., and Nick Tyler, senior from Uniontown, Wash., spread granola onto trays to be baked in one of nine ovens at Santee's Granola. Each year Santee's produces over 75,000 pounds of granola.**

who are fundraising, but it also provides work for those students who make it.”

Santee's Granola can be found at Andy's Market in Walla Walla, the Oregon Conference ABC, and the Spokane ABC. You can also find the granola in the regional Huckleberry's stores, affiliated with Rosauer's,

and several colleges, including Washington State University and Central Washington University.

The Santees can be reached at P.O. Box 30772, Spokane, WA 99223, (877)-SANTEES, [www.santeesgranola.com](http://www.santeesgranola.com). •

*Carmen Slavens, UCA GLEANER correspondent*

## Free Market Groups

### Bring Members Together at Eastgate

The Eastgate Church in Walla Walla, Wash., has started a program called Free Market Groups.

“We wanted to find a way to bring people together,” said Eastgate Church assistant pastor Eric Saylor. “Everyone has hobbies and interests, so we thought, why not use those

interests to get to know each other better and to help connect people to the church. Many times people come into the church as a visitor but don't stay because they don't make many friends. This is a good way to introduce nonmembers to our church family and to help them make friends.”

There are currently 13 groups, and the groups cover a broad spectrum of topics. The topics change quarterly, so members will have plenty of options. We hope members can find something that they want to learn about and enjoy with our church family members, says Saylor.

Some of the topics include: Activities for Moms, Book Study, Card Crafting, Crochet/ Knitting, Women's Fitness, Horse Group, Men's Group, Prayer Group, Scrapbooking and Music Writing. •

*Eric Saylor, Eastgate Church assistant pastor*

## Have a Homecoming *And They Will Come*

Everyone has something that excites them—what they want to do for ministry. Steve Walker says, “Mine feels like it should be helping the community get to know each other—meaning the community in general and also ‘community’ meaning other church organizations.”

Walker, an active member of the Anchor Point Church plant in Stanfield, Ore., has enjoyed attending Bill Gaither Homecomings over the years. One time Steve heard Mark Lowry (Christian comedian and vocalist who has performed with the Gaither Homecoming) make a joke about “all these denominations under one roof and *nobody’s fighting!*”

Walker thought, “I should do a homecoming! Something on a local level like a Gaither Homecoming and get all the local churches involved.” And that’s where it all began.

“Now I guess we’re going to do another one in March [2007],” he shrugs with a smile.

When asked what it was like getting started, Walker said, “Amazingly, I talked to several pastors, thinking they’d give me information about talent in their churches, but the pastors weren’t the least bit interested! Then one day I was talking to a friend of mine who attends another church and he thought it was a really good idea, but he got the same response from pastors!”

Walker began looking about for talented participants, and gradually found one group, then another. In spite of the pastors’ responses, the people of the congregations were interested and enthused about the idea. When six or seven of the members of one of the larger Hermiston churches went to tell their pastor they

were involved with the first Hermiston Homecoming, *then* both their senior and associate pastors jumped on-board.

Walker financed the event out of his own pocket, including renting the Hermiston Community Center. His wife, Carmen, made hors d’oeuvres for the concertgoers to enjoy at intermission.

Diversity in God dominated the day, demonstrating itself in musical numbers, including bluegrass, country, orchestral, patriotic and old-fashioned gospel. There were solos, groups, comedy, sign language and even a ventriloquist act.

Walker was and still is amazed at how it worked out. “God wanted it to happen, and it happened,” he says. At the end of the day, area pastors’ comments had gone from “not interested” to “have it at my church next year!”

Attendance was estimated to be at least 425 people, with representation from about 12 churches among the participants. The audience



**Greg Griffitts, pastor of the Anchor Point Church, performs at the Hermiston Homecoming, put together by member Steve Walker.**

members represented far more churches than that. Seven or eight pastors from other churches as well as the manager of a popular Christian radio station attended—some participating. Only two churches Walker approached refused to participate in any way.

“I’d never done anything like this before and I’ve been to lots of things that weren’t attended very well, so I was concerned about publicity. We used radio ads on two stations, ads in three newspapers and placed fliers on numerous billboards throughout the surrounding towns and Hermiston. I also gave fliers to about a dozen of



**Musicians from the Anchor Point Church as well as from other Hermiston area churches participate in the homecoming.**

the area churches to put in their bulletins on Sunday morning,” said Walker.

Walker was eager to say, “One of the coolest things was that I got to pray with so many people—something I hadn’t anticipated. When you decide to do something you don’t know how it’s going to end up,

and that was one of the fringe benefits. I discovered that many people I’d known for years were Christians, and it has changed my relationship with them now when I see them.”

This experience spawned many God-centered conversations that otherwise would not have come about.

“When I was brought up we never did anything with other churches. In the last six or seven years of my life I’ve discovered Adventists aren’t the only Christians in the world. Jesus said, ‘I have sheep of another fold that you don’t know anything about,’” said Walker.

“I would encourage you to put together a homecoming in your area and start an annual tradition that tears down walls and builds bridges.” •

*Claudia Fl aiz, Anchor Point Church member*

## Troy Church Celebrates 60th Anniversary

By the mid-1940s, the Swedish Baptist Church on a Troy, Idaho, country road had long been standing empty because many of the members had moved away. Rumor had it that the church was going to be used for a chicken coop.

Roy Nelson, whose father and grandfather had helped build the church, checked out that rumor with one of the former Baptist members. “If you want that building kept as a church, you can have it for \$100,” Nelson was told.

R.J. Kegley, who at that time was the Lewiston, Idaho, pastor and evangelist,

had recently held meetings in the area and the newly baptized members wanted a church in Troy since they had been attending in Moscow, the neighboring town. And so the church with its quaint wainscoting was rescued from being a chicken coop and became a Seventh-day Adventist church.

The church was later moved about two miles over the fields to its present site in the Troy Big Meadow area because the church was next to a public elementary school and the church members wanted their own church school.

Recently, the church celebrated its 60th anniversary.



**The Troy church began with 10 charter members in 1946, and six of them are still alive. From left: Tom Nelson representing his mother Lorraine, Orvil Carlson, Mary Elsie Carlson, Eva Lou Carlson Deibel, Ramona Carlson Large and Leroy Carlson.**

Eva Lou Carlson Deibel, who was just a child when the church was first started, planned the event. The church overflowed with former members and pastors coming to recall memories of that old country church in the wildwood.

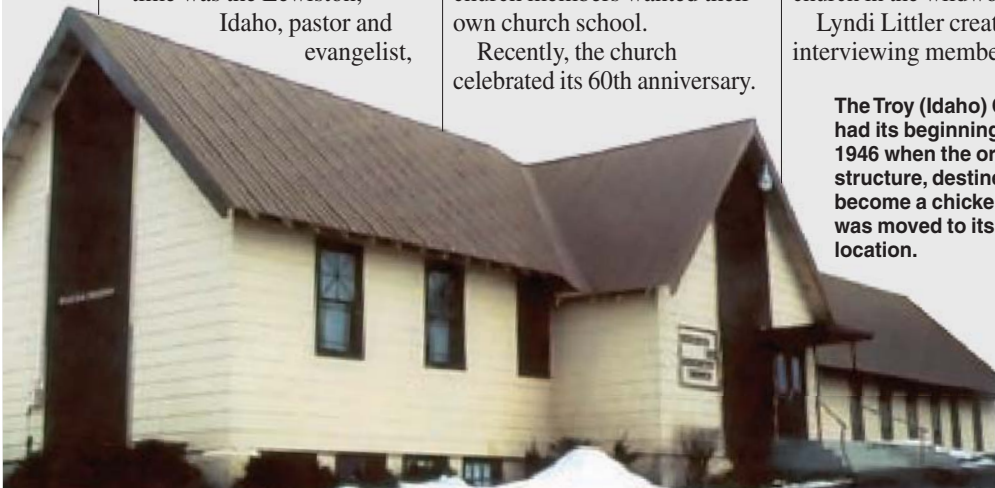
Lyndi Littler created a video interviewing members of the

early days and others who told of the church activities through the years. Many loyal Adventists can point to their spiritual beginnings in this now 156-member congregation.

Changes have been made to update the church. The original building is now the fellowship hall. A new sanctuary has been added, and the outhouse is no longer there. The church is located four miles from Troy, but community members often attend functions. God has blessed. •

*Elaine Drury, Troy Church communication leader*

**The Troy (Idaho) Church had its beginnings in 1946 when the original structure, destined to become a chicken coop, was moved to its present location.**



## Yakima is Thankful

The strains of “Now Thank We All Our God” rang from the Yakima Church on Nov. 25, 2006, as congregation, brass, organ and piano joyfully expressed thankfulness to God for the year’s blessings.

The highlight of the Thanksgiving service was welcoming 12 new members who were baptized or joined by profession of faith Nov. 21 at the conclusion of Lyle Albrecht’s Revelation lectures. Approximately 10 more people were baptized or rebaptized into other local Adventist churches.

Each new family received a “welcome” basket made up by the deaconesses containing baked goods, a church directory, *Steps to Christ* and other items to help acquaint them with the Adventist church, and specifically the Yakima Church.

One couple, Lester and Clara Schrader, had watched 3ABN from the time it first aired in Yakima (about eight years ago) and had watched Lyle Albrecht often. When Albrecht came to



From left: Lester and Clara Schrader are two of the new members. Kris Loewen and Harry Sharley are the Yakima Church pastors. Rod Schrader, Lester and Clara’s son had previously been baptized.

visit their son, Rod, who had been attending the meetings and was already baptized, Clara Schrader went to the door. When she saw their visitor was Albrecht, she flew out and gave him a big hug, saying, “I can’t believe Lyle Albrecht is at our house!”

The Schraders had planned to attend the meetings, but due to illness, hadn’t gone yet. They understood and believed all Adventist teachings, and

were baptized on Nov. 21. Praise the Lord!

Bonnie Wilkinson Pollard grew up in the Adventist church. She was a baptized member but attended sporadically, partly because her husband, Mike, wasn’t an Adventist. Mike had almost been baptized a few years before but had held back because he felt he had to be perfect before joining the church.

Bonnie feels her decision to be rebaptized was influenced greatly by her recent change to *morning* Bible study, instead of *evening* as had been her custom. The Pollards have been married 15 years, and Mike had always supported Bonnie in her religion. They faithfully attended the evangelistic meetings, but Mike didn’t decide until after church the day of the baptism that he wanted to take the step and commit his life fully to God.

Harry Sharley, senior pastor, and Kris Loewen, intern pastor, along with Yakima Church members, received a great blessing from Lyle Albrecht’s series and faithfully supported him with prayer, time, finances and in other ways. They praise the Lord for the new members added to the Yakima area churches. •

Nita Hinman, Yakima Church communication leader



## Community Witness St. Maries Float

The St. Maries (Idaho) Church entered a float in the town’s Christmas parade Dec. 2, 2006. Several of the children from the church and from the St. Maries Christian School participated. Church members handed out 150 books during the parade. This float was the only one sponsored by a church. •

Martha George, St. Maries Church communication leader

## Bethlehem Comes to Life

Many churches celebrate the holidays indoors with concerts or plays. To close out 2006, the Auburn Academy Church decided to celebrate the holidays indoors *and* outdoors with Journey to Bethlehem.

The interactive tour—a first-time venture for this congregation—attracted approximately 1,500 people, with some people coming from as far as two hours away.

“We expected 1,000 people over three nights,” explained Judy Toop, a ticket giver. “People are excited about coming, even when we tell them that there is an hour (or more) long wait.”

Journey to Bethlehem, a three-night production, traced



The wise men—Willy Goltz, John Spano and Kevin Ramkissoon—explain the reason for their travel and display their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

the birth of Jesus. It included an indoor musical concert, colorful sets, drama and live animals. Guides offered free 30-minute tours every 15 minutes and helped to bring the biblical story to life.

Guests saw the gifts of the wise men, toured the marketplace of downtown Bethlehem, registered with the Roman census taker, talked with the shepherds and celebrated the birth of Christ.

Inside the city gates, the marketplace buzzed with the activity of the blacksmith, the food sellers, the Roman guards, the village dancers and the craftspeople.

Debbie Gamble, from Auburn, Wash., was impressed with the quality of the production. “It’s very realistic and authentic,” she said, as she sipped hot cider after her tour.

“Journey to Bethlehem was a meaningful experience for the Auburn Academy Church,” said Bill Roberts, senior pastor. “It was a faith journey that brought us closer together as a church and closer together as a community.” •

*Heidi Martella, Washington Conference communication intern*

## Alive Inn Offers Three-Day Wellness Retreats

Beginning in February, Alive Inn: Gateway to Whole Health, in Monroe, Wash., is offering short- and long-term healthy getaways.

The three-day getaway features delicious vegetarian meals, hands-on food preparation experiences, exercise sessions, and classes on nutrition, education and stress management as they relate to health.

In addition to the three-day live-in classes, Alive Inn also offers longer programs, which include scientifically-based lectures provided by health professionals, educational

materials, cooking practicum, shopping guides, fitness, outdoor events and housekeeping.

“Alive Inn: Gateway to Whole Health is a place to get well, and learn how to stay well without drugs,” said Dan Schwartz, M.D., Alive Inn president. What is unique about Alive Inn, Schwartz said, is that “this is the Northwest’s only dietary, lifestyle, and natural health restoration center.”

The lifestyle center offers a homelike facility, room for hands-on learning and areas for socializing.

The center originally served as a senior-assisted living



The Alive Inn offers classes in nutrition, education and stress management.

home called Alder Siesta. After owners Leonard and Aldine Klein refined the dietary choices at the facility and discovered the great results, they decided to reorganize Alder Siesta into a lifestyle center not just for seniors, but for anyone interested in improving his or her health.

Alive Inn plans to offer additional retreats about depression recovery and finding freedom from hurtful habits. More information about Alive Inn is available at [www.aliveinn.org](http://www.aliveinn.org). •

*Dan Schwartz, Alive Inn president*

# It All Adds Up

## Students Enjoy Math Day at Skagit Adventist School

Recently K-4 teachers at Skagit Adventist School (SAS) joined together for an in-house "Math Day."

Teachers planned activities based on the theme of Thanksgiving, while focusing on mathematical concepts.

The students divided into groups and rotated through five stations. Activities ranged from measurement with

recipes, following directions, Sudoku puzzles made with food pictures, a shopping game show that focused on money skills, and quilt making that examined geometry, patterns, and symmetry.

"It was a great way to show students some of the many ways math is a part of our daily lives," said Lillian Jordan, first-grade teacher. "Math is not just



Third-grader Aubrey Carambot sorts and arranges pieces to make a symmetrical quilt square.

about adding and subtracting."

SAS teachers have already begun making plans for their next math day, with a goal of having one per quarter.

One student summed up the whole day when he told a

teacher, "This was supposed to be math day, and we haven't done any math, but we've had fun!" •

*Lisa Dills, Skagit Adventist School second-grade teacher*

# Sandbagging for Jesus

## Auburn Adventist Academy Students Respond to Area Disaster

It was a soggy November night when 36 teenagers and four faculty members piled into a school bus, leaving Auburn Adventist Academy's (AAA) campus to help a community in need.

Mount Vernon mayor Bud Norris had declared a civil emergency and requested volunteers to help build a wall of sandbags along the Skagit River.

The Auburn Academy students were among many volunteers who responded. After a two-hour bus ride, students were eager to get to work. At the local fire station, the group was given instructions before heading out for more than two hours of filling and stacking sandbags.

Zach Gately, a junior AAA student from Meadow Valley, Calif., was motivated by firsthand experience. "When we had a flood in my hometown and my dad's office flooded, people helped to sandbag. I wanted to return the favor."

"Even though it was hard work, the kids were singing and having a great time," said Kelly Kraus, AAA health services director. "I was told later by someone in the fire department that our students were the hardest-working group he had ever seen." •

*Jondelle McGhee, AAA GLEANER correspondent*



Auburn Academy students Daniel Chulamamornsri and Zack Gately fill sandbags along the Skagit River.

# Spreading the Love of Jesus

## School Serves as Drop-off for Operation Christmas Child

The Baker View Christian School in Bellingham volunteered in November 2006 to be the drop-off center for Operation Christmas Child for Whatcom County.

Operation Christmas Child, a part of the Samaritan's Purse ministry, sent more than 6 million Christmas shoe boxes abroad last year.

Students, staff and volunteers at Baker View were a small part of this effort as they checked in, filled and boxed up nearly 800 shoeboxes stuffed with toys, treats and essential items for needy children around the world.

Once the shoeboxes were ready, the students carefully

Baker View Christian School students with some of the nearly 800 shoeboxes they helped pack and ship overseas.

sorted and packed them into larger boxes, loading them on a moving truck for the first stage of their journey overseas.

Before the truck, loaded with Christmas joy, left the school distribution center, students and staff prayed that those who received these gifts would truly feel Christ's blessing and come to know Him better. •

*Keith Lindsey, Baker View Christian School teacher for grades 5-8*



## Congregations Weather the Storm

When a wind storm whipped through the Northwest in mid-December and knocked out electricity in many areas, Adventist church members congregated on Sabbath morning in cold buildings to gain a warm blessing.

Church services fell into four basic categories: church without electricity; church with electricity; church cancelled; and church delayed.

In Federal Way, church members used candles and sat near the windows during their church service on Sabbath morning, reported church member Gaylene Wolkwitz of Auburn. Church attendees kept warm with emergency blankets, coats and hats. Similar scenes were repeated in area churches.

Electricity was initially out at the Adventist church in Enumclaw. By Sabbath morning, electricity had returned, and the church proceeded with Christmas brunch and a drama

performance of "The Missing Jesus" by the Taproot Theatre, a professional drama company based in Seattle.

"Our Christmas brunch is always well-attended," said Cathryne Cassingham, of Auburn, who helped prepare the brunch. "It was extra special this year because many people needed a warm breakfast."

*We may have a cold building, but we sure have a warm congregation.*

Along with their Bibles, many Adventists without electricity and hot water in the Chehalis area brought their shower gear to church to use the on-site showers. Jonathan Fetrick, associate pastor, reported that services proceeded as normal.

Church leaders in Burien decided to cancel a Friday

night concert and Sabbath morning services as many members are elderly. "Even if there is power, the senior citizens in our congregation complain about the cold," said Joyce Moore, wife of pastor Bob Moore. "We regularly provide blankets in each pew for the church ladies."

Auburn Adventist Academy Church cancelled the annual

Christmas vespers concert produced by the academy's music department, postponed Bible study classes on Sabbath morning, and proceeded with the second planned concert performance. The concert ran as scheduled with no lights, no organ, no public address system,

more than 500 people in attendance, lots of goodwill, and steaming cups of hot chocolate following the service.

"We were hunkered down in our blankets and coats," said Keith Hallam, academy principal. "We may have a cold building, but we sure have a warm congregation."

"Communities really pull together when they are all affected by the same situation," said Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president of administration. "I saw people sharing their blankets with other families who didn't bring one to church. Other families invited their friends and neighbors to enjoy a hot meal. Some families even opened up their homes to allow Auburn Academy students to get a hot shower. This is what community is all about: working together for a common cause." •

*Heidi Martella, Washington Conference communication intern*

## Gifts for the Homeless

*Seattle Pathfinders Create Toiletry Totes*

The Pathfinders at Breath of Life Church in Seattle, Wash., gave back to the community during the holidays.

The club prepared toiletry gift bags to hand out to the homeless of Seattle. Under the direction of Pathfinder leaders Tracy Johnson, Desiree Mulley and Shirley Mathieu, the children prepared the personal bags, which included socks, hats and gloves, along with encouraging messages.

In a special holiday touch, the Pathfinders also added a green bag tie for men and a red bag tie for women.

When the bags were completed, the church's feeding ministry, Bread of Life, took them to downtown Seattle for distribution along with the lunches that they had prepared. •

*Darren McPherson, Breath of Life Church communication assistant*



**Breath of Life Church Pathfinders prepared toiletry kits for distribution to the homeless in Seattle.**

# A Class Project, A Lifelong Mission

Students in Walla Walla College's Introduction to Nursing began a class project not knowing it would become a lasting mission.

Early in the quarter Phetsile Dlamini, an African physician honored last year by the Association of Adventist Women, spoke about the Kingdom of Swaziland. One of the smallest countries on the continent, it has the world's

lowest life expectancy due to a high rate of HIV infection.

Moved by the presentation, the class took action. They formed three groups. One group sent books, in addition to meeting regularly for group prayers. Another group worked with World Vision to raise money for a project with long-term effects. The final group sent boxes of encouraging notes and supplies for children.

Although the quarter is over and grades have been handed out, all three groups are continuing to work for the people of Swaziland. "Even though what we're doing seems small, it will provide hope and maybe change lives," says Leah Davy, a sophomore nursing major.

"I am particularly impressed that the students took hold of this project so strongly.

They made it a life-changing experience, rather than just an assignment to be completed by the end of the quarter," says professor Trudy Klein.

If you would like to find out more, contact Trudy Klein, associate dean of nursing, at kleitr@wwc.edu or (509) 527-2462. •

*Kristi Spurgeon, WWC GLEANER correspondent*

WALLA WALLA COLLEGE

## Rice for Cambodia

### Positive Life Radio Listeners Bless Campaign

The success of Positive Life Radio's (PLR) fundraising campaign, Rice for Cambodia, evokes a heartfelt response from station staff.

"It was just an unbelievable, over-the-top blessing!" says PLR general manager Kevin Krueger. The campaign, in its fifth year, raises money to purchase rice for starving families in Cambodia.

This year PLR listeners pledged a record-breaking amount of more than \$140,000—more than twice what was given last year. Nearly 670 listeners made donations. "That amount of money will purchase more than 500 tons of rice. That will feed at least 79,000 moms, dads, children, and grandparents in Cambodia for a month," says Krueger.

For the Rice for Cambodia campaign, PLR coordinates with Musicianaries International, a nonprofit

organization founded by Christian recording artist Bobby Michaels to promote the gospel through physical assistance, music and evangelism. The Musicianaries team visits Cambodia regularly to purchase and distribute rice to flood victims. The team also performs concerts and distributes the gospels of Mark and Luke in the native Khmer language.

"The enormous response we received this year will actually change the logistics of the trip," says Krueger. "It was clear through the whole event that God was taking charge of this

project and making it much bigger than we could ever imagine."

That became increasingly evident the final morning of the campaign. "Every line was lit up all morning long," exclaims Krueger. "As soon as one volunteer would hang up, the phone would ring again. We had to bring in extra volunteers



Positive Life Radio listeners feed nearly 80,000 Cambodians with donations to the Rice for Cambodia fundraising campaign.



This Cambodian woman receives a bag of rice donated by listeners of Positive Life Radio. Each year PLR teams up with Musicianaries International to feed starving people in Cambodia.

from other places on campus just to keep up with the volume of callers. We are all truly blessed."

The Positive Life Radio network is located on the Walla Walla College campus. PLR is heard on 15 broadcast outlets throughout the Inland Northwest and worldwide through the Netcast at www.plr.org. •

*Kristi Spurgeon*



## News Notes

### Adventist Health Announces Executive Changes

Alan J. Rice retired as senior vice president at Adventist Health and concluded his 36-year career Dec. 31, 2006. During his tenure, Rice worked in many leadership capacities and received many national recognition awards. As a result of Rice's retirement, Scott Reiner, formerly president and CEO of Glendale Adventist Medical Center (GAMC), assumed the role of senior vice president at the corporate offices in Roseville, Calif.

Reiner now chairs the boards of five Northern California hospitals and three Central California hospitals. He also oversees Business Development, Physician Strategies, and Acquisitions and Divestitures.

Reiner has a bachelor's degree in Nursing from Pacific Union College in Angwin, Calif., and a master's degree in Health Administration from California State University, Northridge.

### Dean Leaves Walla Walla General Hospital

Morre Dean has been named president and CEO of GAMC, according to Robert G. Carmen, executive vice president/COO of Adventist Health and board chair of the Southern California facility. Dean assumed his new role at the beginning of the year.

For the previous seven years, Dean served as president and CEO at Walla Walla General Hospital in Walla Walla, Wash. During his tenure, he oversaw a \$4 million financial turnaround, the installation of a permanent

MRI unit and the construction of a \$20 million state-of-the-art retirement center.

A graduate of Union College in Lincoln, Neb., Dean holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. He also has a master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Central Florida.

### Adventist Health Hosts Physician Symposium

Adventist Health hosted its first Physician Symposium late last year in San Diego, Calif. Themed "Directions '06: Charting our Quality Course," the event, which attracted more than 250 people, focused on clinical quality and featured several nationally renowned physician speakers.

"The goal of this symposium was to bring together physicians from our 20 hospitals and give them an

opportunity to network and learn more about our quality journey," stated Donald R. Ammon, president and CEO of Adventist Health. "Providing the best, up-to-date care to our patients is a top priority and collaborating with our physicians on the latest quality trends is an important aspect of our commitment to our patients and our mission."

### Adventist Health Home Care Considered Elite

Adventist Medical Center in Portland, Ore., and Tillamook County General Hospital in Tillamook, Ore., were among several Adventist Health home care services named "elite" by Outcome Concept Systems, Inc. The Seattle-based company, which provides data products and benchmark services for home health, hospice and private

duty agencies, recently named nine of Adventist Health's home care agencies to the 2006 HomeCare Elite list.

The inaugural listing of the top tier U.S. home health care agencies honors those who rank in the top 25 percent in their region based upon quality of care, quality improvement and financial performance.

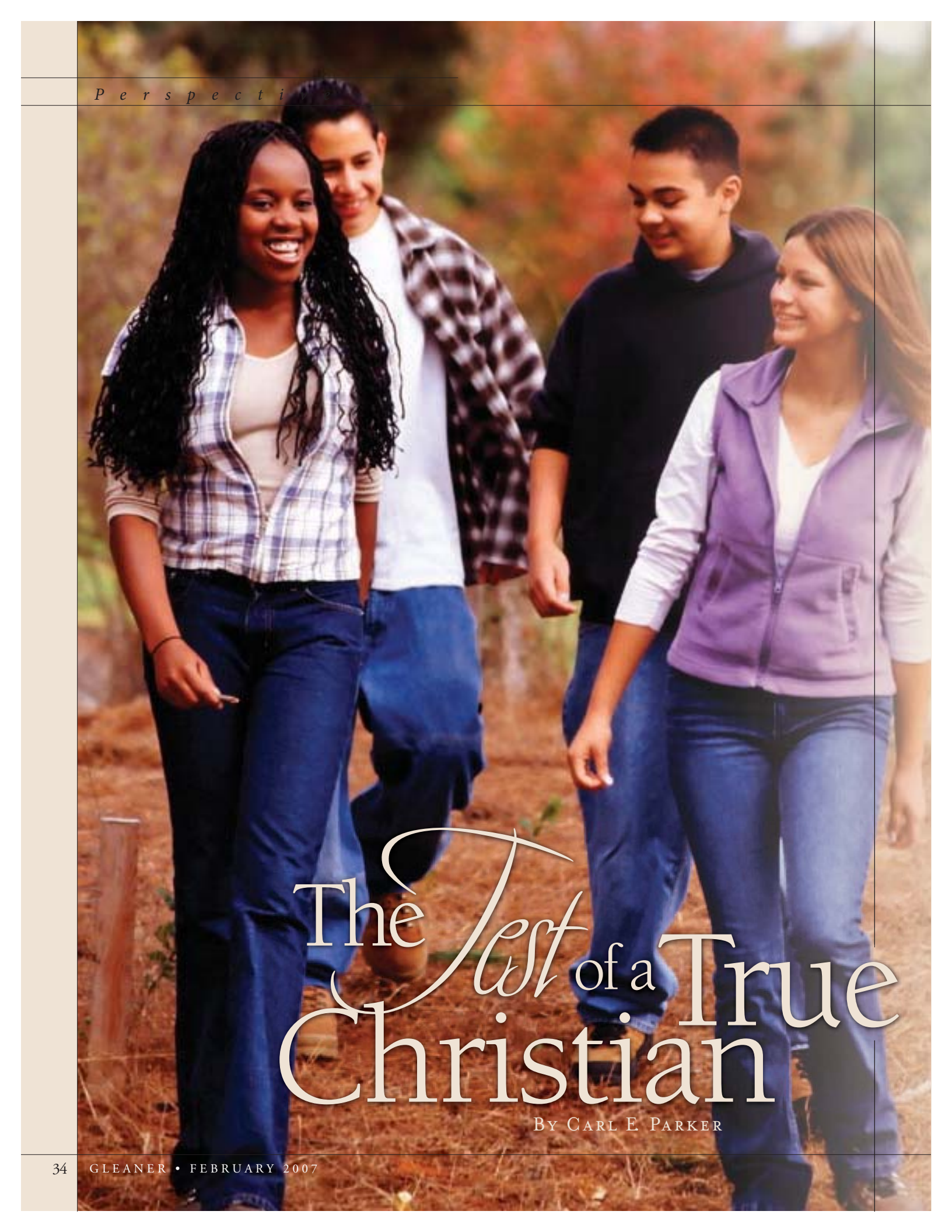
"We're very proud of our agencies that made the HomeCare Elite list," said Sherry Mendoza, director of Adventist Health Home Care Services. "What's more, having four agencies rank in the top 500 further validates our commitment to quality patient care and dedication to our distinctive mission."

For more information, please visit [www.adventisthealth.org](http://www.adventisthealth.org).

*Shawna Malvini, Adventist Health GLEANER correspondent*



To learn more about Adventist Health Home Care Services or to find home care near you, visit [www.adventisthealth.org](http://www.adventisthealth.org).



The Test of a True Christian

By CARL E. PARKER

A Pharisee once asked Jesus, “Which is the great commandment in the law?”

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind,” Jesus responded. “This is the first and great commandment.”

Surprisingly, He also added, “And the second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself” (Matthew 22:34–39 and Mark 12:28–31, NKJV).

These two powerful commands underscore the lifestyle of every believer in Christ. There is no commandment greater than these. However, the Pharisees had given more importance to the first commandment to love God. But Jesus said that the second, which says to love your neighbor as yourself, “is like it,” making it just as important. The reality is that these two commands are not only connected or related, but are inseparable.

The Pharisees’ minimizing of the second commandment revealed their failure in implementing the second commandment in their lives. Expressed in that command is the matter of practical religion; that is, allowing the love of God to manifest itself in how to relate to other people. Although they professed to believe in God, their love for others was obviously lacking.

Professing to love God is easy, but the test of such love is found in how the second commandment is lived out in our lives. Is it possible to love God and not love your fellow man? Scripture reveals in 1 John 4:20 that “If someone says, ‘I love God,’ and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?”

“Loving our brother” or each other seems to be one of our greatest challenges, just as it was for the Pharisees. We often fail at making the transition from the theoretical to the practical, claiming to love God and have a relationship with Him but failing to demonstrate the transforming power of His love in our lives.

It is the love of God that compels us to love each other. Without His love working in us it is impossible to love each other. Love emanates from Him, for He is Love (1 John 4:8). What we do in God’s name without love as the motive is meaningless and empty. All worship to God and loving service to humanity has its origin in love for God.

In the second command, Jesus widens the view of neighbor to include all who are in need of help, not just fellow believers. Jesus was trying to convey to the Pharisees that not only Hebrews but also non-Hebrews were

in need of the gospel and its benefits. For this reason, Jesus gave the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:29–37).

Jesus wants His followers to understand that their lives are not about feeling superior because of nationality, ethnicity, occupation or level of education. For His followers their lives are about demonstrating His love to all humanity. “By this all will know you are My disciples, if you have love for one another” (John 13:35, NKJV). This love is to be displayed in our homes, churches, communities and the mission fields.

Like the Pharisees, we seem to have difficulty implementing the second commandment. But God’s love transforms us into people who love our neighbors. In

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fact, we love our neighbor because we love God and His love is in our hearts. Otherwise we are saying one thing and living another, making us modern-day hypocrites and Pharisees.

The Hebrews of Jesus’ day perceived themselves superior to people of surrounding nations. After all, they possessed the oracles of God. Sadly, this same spirit exists in the church today, despite the fact that the concept of superiority is completely contrary to the gospel of Jesus Christ. It distorts the word of God that man was made in His image (Genesis 1:26–27) and that there are no advantages to salvation because of heritage, gender, or degrees of freedom (Galatians 3:27–28). To allow this spirit to prevail in our lives violates the dignity of others as a creation of God.

As believers we have a moral obligation to work toward the elimination of hatred, prejudice, racism and bigotry in our own lives and in the world. As people of faith we must look at the world and view all people through the eyes of God.

Maybe now is a good time to face head-on this tremendous challenge of making our profession real by allowing our love for God to express itself in our love for one another. Let’s begin anew by living under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and loving others as Jesus did. Love will indeed underscore our lives as Christians. •

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### Babcock 90th

Charlotte F. Babcock celebrated her 90th birthday at an open house Dec. 23, 2006, with family and friends at the Clarkston (Wash.) Church where she has been a member for seven years. She was a faithful Sabbath School secretary for six years there.

Charlotte Lewis was born Jan. 4, 1917, in Omaha, Neb. She was reading from the Bible at 4 years old and graduated from high school at 14. She attended Union College, and married Edward M. Babcock in 1941. They had been married 65 years when Ed passed away in 2006. She worked for the Internal Revenue Service as an auditor and later as a brand chief. Her talent and love for music has continued with her progeny.

The Babcock family includes: Duane (deceased) and Betty Babcock of Spokane, Wash.; Bonnie and Roy Carley of Kapaan, Hawaii; Doris and Robert Bevins of Lapwai, Idaho; 9 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

### Farr 60th

Max and Patsye Farr celebrated their 60th anniversary on Nov. 5, 2006, with a reception in Monroe, Wash., hosted by their children and friends. They are members of the Startup (Wash.) Church.

W. Max Farr married Patsye R. Mooney on Nov. 6, 1946, in San Bernardino, Calif. Max and Patsye made their early homes in the Loma Linda, Calif., area until they moved to a cattle ranch in Eastern Washington in 1961. They were members of the Endicott (Wash.) Church during this time. In 1978, they moved to their current home in Sultan, Wash., where Max worked as a millwright until complete retirement in 2002.



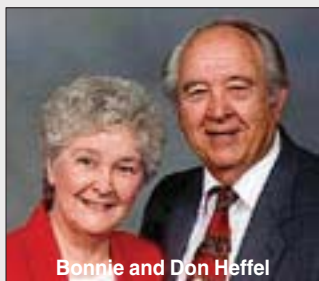
Patsye and Max Farr

The Farr family includes: Skip and Helen (Koenig) Farr of Phoenix, Ariz.; Lynda and Dennis (deceased) Skau of Ridgefield, Wash.; 4 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

### Heffel 65th

Don and Bonnie Heffel celebrated their 65th anniversary with their family on Jan. 17, 2007. They are members of the Cloverdale Church in Boise, Idaho.

Don Heffel married Bonnie Johnson Jan. 17, 1942, in Caldwell, Idaho. They spent 18 years dairy farming in Kuna, Idaho, before moving to Meridian, Idaho, where they lived for 46 years. Don



Bonnie and Don Heffel

was a dairy farmer, baker and construction worker. Bonnie worked for the phone company for 21 years until retirement. They are now enjoying a new home in Eagle, Idaho.

The Heffel family includes: Becky and Dwight Bowker and Don Heffel Jr., all of Boise; Debbie Walsh and Patrick

Graves of Caldwell; and 3 grandchildren.

### Hermo 60th

Alan and Ina Hermo quietly celebrated their 60th anniversary at home. They are members of the Tillamook (Ore.) Church.

Alan Hermo married Ina Mattenan on Nov. 30, 1946, in Longview, Wash. Ina was still in high school at Claskinie, and Alan was just home from a tour of duty in the Army. The wedding was informal as Ina's mother had just passed away and her father, originally from Finland, was planning to return to the land of his birth. At first, Alan worked on the peppermint farm owned by his father, then later as a lumberman. He retired in 1985. After the family moved to Tillamook, Ina worked in a gift shop, and took the CNA course and worked for a short time at the Tillamook County General Hospital in addition to being a full-time homemaker. She loves flowers and has kept the church flower beds beautiful for 25 years as well as furnishing the flowers in the church.

The Hermo family includes: Brenda and Tom Trevino of Springfield, Ore.; Vernon Hermo of Tillamook; and 4 grandsons (two are deceased).



Ina and Alan Hermo

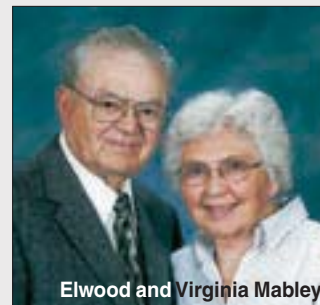
### Mabley 60th

Elwood and Virginia Mabley celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with friends Sept. 3, 2006, with a reception hosted by their children at the College Place Village Church.

Elwood Mabley married Virginia Miller on Sept. 3, 1946, in Auburn, Wash. After serving

at Auburn Academy, Glendale (Calif.) Academy, La Sierra (Calif.) College, and at their alma mater, Walla Walla College in College Place, Wash., they retired in 1989.

The Mabley family includes: Gary and Shawn Mabley of Walla Walla, Wash.; Jeannie Mabley of Spokane, Wash.; and 4 grandchildren.



Elwood and Virginia Mabley

### Meier 90th

Family and friends gathered in Pasco for a Hawaiian luau to honor Bernon A. Meier on his 90th birthday. It was hosted by Larry and Suzanne Swisher of Pasco, Wash. Bernie is a member of the Pasco Riverview Church.

Bernie was born on June 27, 1916, in Farmington, Wash. He graduated from Walla Walla College with a degree in education. While at WWC, he met his future wife, Clara Roedel, who was also an education major. They were married on Aug. 19, 1939, in Boise, Idaho. Bernie and Clara taught in the Adventist church school system for 10 years.

In 1955, he began teaching in the public school system and continued to do so for the next 22 years. The last 12 years of his teaching career were spent in the Walla Walla area. Clara passed away in 1990. In 1991 Bernie moved to Pasco, Wash., and married Thelma Shephard.

The Meier family includes: Larry Meier of Federal Way, Wash.; Beverly and Bruce

Horton of Alaska; Suzanne and Larry Swisher of Pasco; and 11 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

### *Moody 95th*

Eva Moody celebrated her 95th birthday on Oct. 28, 2006, with friends and family at the John Day (Ore.) Church. She was also honored for her birthday by the Prairie City Garden Club on Oct. 26, 2006.

Eva Furber was born in 1911 in Klamath Falls, Ore., and moved with her parents to California in 1918. She married Ernest Moody in 1931. She lived and taught school in Potter Valley, Calif., where Ernest passed away in 1990. She moved to John Day 12 years ago to be near her son. Eva is known for her excellent fudge, great sense of humor and love of gardening.

The Moody family includes: David and Maxine Moody of John Day; 4 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

### *Munsey 60th*

Jay and Nadine Munsey celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with friends and family Nov. 12, 2006, at Camp Ida-Haven, McCall, Idaho, with the McCall Church hosting.

Jay Munsey married T. Nadine Gish Nov. 28, 1946, in Milton, Ore. Nadine married Jay while he was still in the Army serving as a medic in the Philippine Islands and the South Pacific. After he graduated from medical school at Loma Linda University in 1954 they moved to Moab, Utah, where Jay began private practice and Nadine became a homemaker and mother. They served as missionaries to Libya for three years. Upon their return to the U.S. in 1962, they settled again in Moab where Jay practiced

until his semi-retirement from medicine in 1989. Jay also spent time in Peshawar, Pakistan, teaching medical triage to the Afghan freedom fighters. Nadine owned a successful business in



Nadine and Jay Munsey

Moab selling specialty foods and kitchen equipment.

The Munsey family includes: Jaydine Munsey and Rebecca Munsey and a grandchild.

### *Payne 90th*

Clarissa Payne celebrated her 90th birthday on April 23, 2006, with a reception at the McMinnville Church where she is a member.

Clarrisa Syphers was born April 22, 1916, in Blachly, Ore., and lived in the area for 19 years. She married Ivan May on April 22, 1935, and they had three children. Ivan died of cancer in 1954. Clarissa resided in McMinnville, Ore. for most of her life, marrying Carl Payne, who also passed away. In 2002, Clarissa moved into the home of her daughter Delores Ringering where she now lives. Clarissa is a sweet, loving Christian.

The Payne family includes: Delores and Leon Ringering, Raymond May, and Lester and Lilo May, all of McMinnville; 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

### *Schroeder 65th*

Vern and Harriett Schroeder celebrated their 65th anniversary with friends and family on Aug.

6, 2006, with a luncheon hosted by their children in their lovely garden in Beaverton, Ore. They are members of the Beaverton Church.

Vern R. Schroeder married Harriett A. Dietz on Aug. 6, 1941, in Bowdon, N.D. They moved from North Dakota to Oregon to work and raise their family. Vern retired from a career with a paper company at the age of 62. Harriett had taught school and volunteered for many local programs in Tillamook, Ore., where they lived until 1979 when they moved to Portland, Ore. They moved to Palm Springs, Calif., in 1998 until 2005, when they returned Beaverton.

The Schroeder family includes: David Schroeder, Becky Rae Schroeder, and Ken Schroeder, all of Portland; 2 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

### *Schroeder 90th*

Harriett A. Schroeder celebrated her 90th birthday with family and friends on Oct. 8, 2006, with a luncheon in Beaverton, Ore., hosted by her children. She is a member of the Beaverton Church.

Harriett was born Oct. 8, 1916, in Fessenden, N.D., to Olive and Willy Dietz, the oldest of five children. She met her husband Vern around 1939. They recently moved back to Oregon from Palm Springs, Calif., to be with their family.

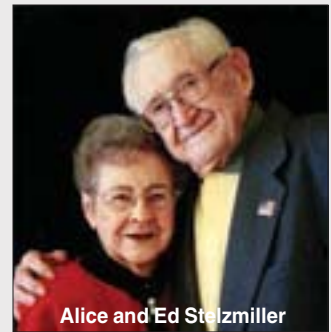
The Schroeder family includes: David Schroeder, Becky Rae Schroeder, and Ken

Schroeder, all of Portland, Ore.; 2 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

### *Stelzmilller 70th*

Ed and Alice Stelzmilller celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary at The Village Retirement Center in Gresham, Ore., on Nov. 25, 2006.

Ed Stelzmilller married Alice Skeesick Dec. 5, 1936, in Little Falls, Minn. They spent their early years of marriage



Alice and Ed Stelzmilller

working at Boeing Aircraft Corp. Ed's mechanical genius was recognized as management rapidly moved him into a position of Chief Inspector. It was while living in Seattle their hearts were captured for God at evangelistic meetings, and they were baptized. Their lifetime commitment of encouraging others for Christ led them first to Orofino, Idaho, followed by an invitation in 1957 to join the very new Milo Academy in southern Oregon. While there, Ed built Milo's beloved covered bridge. After eight years at Milo Academy, they served at Laurelwood Academy in Oregon and Pacific Union College in California until retirement.

The Stelzmilller family includes: Peggy and Cliff Bodell, and Ramona Fleming, of Portland, Ore.; Ginger and Doug Sayles of Hagerstown, Md.; 5 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

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W E D D I N G S



Louisa is the daughter of Larry and Debby Fandrich and Vicki

(Worthen) and Ron Rutherford. Jesse is the son of John and Karen (Patterson) Kellar.

**FINLAYSON-HETTERLE**—Jenel B. Finlayson and Jon J. Hetterle were married on Feb. 2, 2006, in Makena Beach, Maui, Hawaii. They are making their home in Cashmere, Wash. Jenel is the daughter of Frank and Cathryn Finlayson. Jon is the son of Lowell and Opal Hetterle.

**HOKANSON-DUKE**—Devan Hokanson and Joshua F. Duke were married Nov. 19, 2006, in Chewelah, Wash., where they are making their home. Devan is the daughter of Duane and Marie Hokanson. Joshua is the son of Jim Duke II.

**JOHANSON-HAMBLÉN**—Terri Johanson and Jason Hamblen were married Oct. 1, 2006, in Salem, Ore., where they are

making their home. Terri is the daughter of Arvid and Joan Johanson. Jason is the son of Jerry (deceased) and Karen Hamblen.

**LEHMANN-RICE**—Becky S. (Leavelle) Lehmann and Andrew J. Rice were married Aug. 27, 2006, in Rosario Beach, Wash. They are making their home in LaConnor, Wash. Becky is the daughter of Dennis and Sandy Leavelle. Andrew is the son of LaVern and Linda Rice.

**LLEWELLYN-GEORGE**—Ambrea Llewellyn and Alan George were married Dec. 17, 2006, in Sandpoint, Idaho. They are making their home in Post Falls, Idaho. Ambrea is the daughter of Jay and Margee (Stephenson) Llewellyn. Alan is the son of Charles C. and Kathryn K. George.

**METSKER-PETERSON**—Lisa Metsker and John Peterson were married Sept. 17, 2006, in Cove, Ore. They are making their home in Olympia, Wash. Lisa is the daughter of Howard and Donna (Duggan) Metsker. John is the

son of Vernon (deceased) and Ivadel (Michalenko) Peterson.

**PATZER-BRITCLIFFE**—Carissa N. Patzer and Morgan D. Britcliffe were married Oct. 29, 2006, in Boring, Ore. They are making their home in Tigard, Ore. Carissa is the daughter of Jere and Susan Patzer. Morgan is the son of Mark and Darla Britcliffe.

**PEARSON-SCHRADER**—Lacey Pearson and Jason Schrader were married Nov. 25, 2006, in Walla Walla, Wash. They are making their home in Southern California. Lacey is the daughter of Dan and Connie (Knittel) Pearson. Jason is the son of Stan and Ellen (Holland) Schrader.

**STEWART-KENNEDY**—R. Megan Stewart and Ryan Kennedy were married Dec. 16, 2006, in Medford, Ore., where they are making their home. Megan is the daughter of Thomas E. Stewart and Regina D. Meaders.

**BALAG-ECKLOR**—Josefine S. Balag and Jerry B. Echlor were married Nov. 19, 2006, in Oroville, Wash., where they are making their home. Josefine is the daughter of Leonile Balag. Jerry is the son of William (deceased) and Verna Ecklor.

**FANDRICH-KELLAR**—Louisa Fandrich and Jesse Kellar were married Dec. 17, 2006, in Happy Valley, Ore. They are making their home in Loma Linda, Calif.

B I R T H S

**BARKER**—Kiersten A. was born Sept. 3, 2006, to Gerald and Nicole (Potts) Barker, Fairbanks, Alaska.

**BOOSE**—Hunter J.R. was born Nov. 17, 2006, to John and Lori (Jones) Boose, College Place, Wash.

**BOOSE**—Timothy J.R. was born Nov. 17, 2006, to John and Lori (Jones) Boose, College Place, Wash.

**BRISLIN**—Cerina Renee was born Dec. 20, 2006, to Joshua and Catherine (Eriksen) Brislin, Tillamook, Ore.

**CLAYBORNE**—Robert Lee Silas IV was born Dec. 6, 2006, to Robert and Quinci (Stewart) Clayborne, McMinnville, Ore.

**CUTLIP**—Regan Raelee was born Oct. 14, 2006, to Troy and Laurinda (Sample) Cutlip, Spokane, Wash.

**DIETRICH**—Sidney Emil was born Oct. 18, 2006, to Doug and Tonya (Larson) Dietrich, Sandy, Ore.

**GAILEY**—Sasha Willow was born Nov. 1, 2006, to Chad and Sandra (Vedvick) Gailey, Anchorage, Alaska.

**HARDIN**—Mahaela Brielle was born Oct. 23, 2006, to Matt and Stacie (Smart) Hardin, Walla Walla, Wash.

**LABLANC**—Natalie Kate was born Nov. 29, 2006, to Jonathan and Jennifer (Slawson) LeBlanc, Tillamook, Ore.

**LIBBY**—Ellison T. was born April 26, 2006, to Warren and Cynthia (Loor) Libby, Anchorage, Alaska.

**LIBBY**—Grayson C. was born Aug. 2, 2006, to Cameron and Tricia (Carroll) Libby, Anchorage, Alaska.

**MEZA**—Breasa C. was born Oct. 14, 2006, to Eliud and Daphne (Williams) Meza, Chico, Calif.

**PATCHIN**—Tryggve A. was born June 15, 2006, to Marc and Krista (Waggoner) Patchin, Vancouver, Wash.

**RASMUSSEN**—Jalie Patricia was born July 12, 2006, to Andy and Melanie (Kolasinski) Rasmussen, Walla Walla, Wash.

**READ**—Shelby Faith was born July 31, 2006, to Joshua L. and Sarah E. (Leslie) Read, Mulino, Ore.

**SMITH**—Kadance Shonnel was born May 27, 2006, to Voree and Kami (Dawes) Smith, Burlington, Wash.

**BABCOCK**—Edward M., 91; born March 1, 1915, Chamberlain, S.D.; died Oct. 6, 2006, Clarkston, Wash. Surviving: wife, Charlotte (Lewis); daughters, Bonnie Carley, Kapaan, Hawaii; Doris Bevins, Lapwai, Idaho; 9 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

**BURGHART**—Dale W., 82; born May 19, 1924, Deephaven, Minn.; died Dec. 19, 2006, Bend, Ore. Surviving: sons, James, Silverton, Ore.; William, Ontario, Ore.; daughter, Helen Wolf, Bend; 2 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

**CANADAY**—Gertrude E. (Wilkinson), 93; born Oct. 24, 1913, Los Molinos, Calif.; died Nov. 9, 2006, Rochester, Wash. Surviving: husband, Lloyd; sons, Russell, Blodgett, Ore.; Stanley, Rochester; daughter, Edith Shannon, Centralia, Wash. 11 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

**COCHRAN**—Myrtle Evelyn, 92; born March 9, 1914, Woodland, Wash.; died Dec. 4, 2006, Portland, Ore.

**COLVIN**—Alva C., 89; born Jan. 24, 1917, Astoria, Ore.; died Dec. 6, 2006, Astoria. Surviving: wife, Becky Colvin Clyde; sons, Jim, Astoria; Les, Chinook, Wash.; daughters, Judy Wendt, Pullman, Wash.; Nancy Moore, Salem, Ore.; Kathy Cosenza, Fort Collins, Colo.; 7 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

**COMSTOCK**—Beulah M. (Bratton), 91; born Nov. 17, 1914, Townshend, Ver.; died Aug. 5, 2006, Roseburg, Ore. Surviving: sons, Jon, Sutherlin, Ore.; Keith, Myrtle Point, Ore.; and daughter, Mary Gausnell, Roseburg, Ore.

**CREEL**—Hazel E. (Paddy) McAllister, 94; born June 29, 1912, Channing, Texas; died Oct. 25, 2006, Milton-Freewater, Ore. Surviving: daughters, Arlene Ard, Walla Walla, Wash.;

Marle Creed, Milton-Freewater; sisters, Athel Boschee and Grace Records, both of Milton-Freewater; June Sorseth, Albany, Ore.; Glenna Corsen, San Jose, Calif.; 8 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

**DAMMROSE**—Hazel V. (Johnson) Turner, 86; born Sept. 19, 1919, Cassils, Alberta, Canada; died Sept. 5, 2006, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: sons, Ron, Spangle, Wash.; Harvey, Hermiston, Ore.; John Edward, Cottonwood, Ariz.; stepdaughters, Jean Walikonis, Reserve, Mont.; Gayle Hiner, College Place, Wash.; Marilyn VanStee, Inyokern, Calif.; Merideth Grubbs, Salem, Ore.; sisters, Eileen Ball, College Place; Marjorie Slawson, Spokane, Wash.; 5 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

**DAY**—Thomas L., 64; born Jan. 27, 1942, San Diego, Calif.; died Nov. 15, 2006, Grants Pass, Ore. Surviving: daughters, Heather Viramontes, Scottsville, Ky.; Artie Viramontes, Roseburg, Ore.; Tiffany Green, Adolphus, Ky.; brother, Earnest, Grants Pass; sister, May A. Hunt, Grants Pass; and 7 grandchildren.

**DOWNS**—Ellen M. (Davis), 92; born Aug. 24, 1914, Cambridge, Idaho; died Dec. 2, 2006, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: sons, Oren, Olympia, Wash.; Edward, Walla Walla; daughters, Earleene Perkins, Walla Walla; Betty Greene, Spokane, Wash.; Marilyn Ford, Payette, Idaho; sister, Leone Poulson, Irrigon, Ore.; 13 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

**EMMERSON**—Naida L. (Johnson), 95; born Jan. 31, 1911, Boulder, Colo.; died Nov. 3, 2006, Grizzly Flats, Calif. Surviving: daughters, Dorothy Dill, Boise, Idaho; Bonnie Fields, Grizzly Flats; and 4 grandchildren.

**EVANS**—Merrill, 82; born Nov. 1, 1924, Mutual, Okla.; died

Nov. 23, 2006, College Place, Wash. Surviving: sons, Dennis R., Trout Creek, Mont.; William, Ooltewah, Tenn.; daughter, Marilyn Rowe, Glenn Ferry, Idaho; sister, Leota Curl, Lyle, Wash.; 12 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

**EVENSON**—David G., 80; born April 19, 1926, Watertown, S.D.; died Oct. 23, 2006, Caldwell, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Emogene (Drake); son, Stephen, Shreveport, La.; daughters, Cherie Richards, Caldwell; Cheryl Spence, Shafter, Calif.; and 5 grandchildren.

**FLECK**—Patricia A. (West), 90; born March 16, 1916, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Great Britain; died May 13, 2006, Brush Prairie, Wash. Surviving: son, Dean, Battle Ground, Wash.; and daughter, Carole Fleck, Battle Ground.

**FOSTER**—Zeph H., 81; born May 6, 1925, The Dalles, Ore.; died Nov. 20, 2006, Boise, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Lorraine (Beach); and sister, Anna Anderson, Coos Bay, Ore.

**HANEY**—Ray, 79; born Jan. 28, 1927, Mullen, Neb.; died

Nov. 25, 2006, Grants Pass, Ore. Surviving: adopted daughter, Sandra Haney Rodriguez, Corvallis, Ore.; stepdaughter, Barbara Ludsich, Vancouver, Wash.; foster daughter, Pamela Soto, Rogue River, Ore.; 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

**HILDE**—Grant N., 85; born April 4, 1921, Wheelock, N.D.; died Dec. 2, 2006, Spokane, Wash. Surviving: wife, Irene; Greenacres, Wash.; sons, Don, of Washington state; Gary, of Southern California.

**JOHNSON**—Frances E. (Kearn), 89; born Aug. 20, 1917, Stanwood, Wash.; died Dec. 4, 2006, Vancouver, Wash. Surviving: husband, Virgil; sons, Ranz and Malcolm, both of Vancouver; brother, Ed Kearn, Hayden, Idaho; sister, Velma Ellstrom, Loma Linda, Calif.; 7 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

**JOHNSON**—Marguerite F. (McDonell), 84; born March 22, 1922, Choteau, Mont.; died July 13, 2006, Choteau. Surviving: sons, Forrest L. and Arlee, both of Choteau; daughter, Carolyn Harrison, Missoula, Mont.; 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

**JONES**—Ivy (Parker), 91; born July 29, 1915, Ketchum, Idaho; died Nov. 22, 2006, Mariposa, Calif. Surviving: stepson, Lynn Jones, Council, Idaho; sisters, Helen Chambless, Hamilton, Ala.; Betty Jean Thomas, Reno, Nev.; and 3 step-grandchildren.

**KLUCHESKY**—Roy N., 88; born May 10, 1918, Birnamwood, Wis.; died Nov. 27, 2006, Twin Falls, Idaho. Surviving: sons, Norman, Coquille, Ore.; Dwayne, Twin Falls; sister, Ethyl Vanderlinden, Grants Pass, Ore.; 7 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

**KNIGHT**—Sherman, 87; born Sept. 11, 1919, Portland, Ore.; died Nov. 17, 2006, Lincoln City,

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Ore. Surviving: wife Georgia M. (Church); son, Darwin, Bandon, Ore.; daughter, Darlene Schnitzer, Vancouver, Wash.; sister, Evelyn Shinkle, Lincoln City; 4 grandchildren, 4 step-grandchildren and 10 step-great-grandchildren.

**MCCREARY**—Elma J. (Bond) Clew, 82; born April 5, 1924, Syracuse, N.Y.; died Nov. 30, 2006, Buhl, Idaho. Surviving: sons, Chris Clew, New Plymouth, Idaho; Dale Clew; 2 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

**MICHAUD**—Maxine E. (Bright) Chundelak, 83; born July 1, 1923, Portland, Ore.; died Nov. 14, 2006, Portland. Surviving: husband, Louis; and sister, Nettie A. Hope, Chandler, Ariz.

**MOSSER**—Robert, 92; born April 25, 1914, McMinville, Ore.; died Oct. 8, 2006, The Dalles, Ore. Surviving: wife, Julie (Faris) Stratton; daughters, Carol Moddrell, College Place, Wash.; Coreen Dusten, Kimberly, Ore.; Carmen Clark, Riverside, Calif.; stepdaughter, Michelle Browning, Goldendale, Wash.; sister, Ellen Shearin, San Diego, Calif.; 13 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

**RILEA**—Frances M. (Davis) Taylor, 77, born Nov. 1, 1929, Ridgefield, Wash.; died Nov. 7, 2006, Vancouver, Wash. Surviving: sons, Scott Taylor, Vancouver; Jeff Taylor, Battle Ground, Wash.; daughters, Susan Paladeni, Winlock, Wash.; Carma Messner and Cindy Messner, both of Amboy, Wash.; brothers, Mike Davis, Oregon City, Ore.; Marvin Davis, Amboy; 9 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

**RILEY**—Nina R. (Norris) Cowan Turpel, 76; born Oct. 21, 1930, Waterloo, Iowa; died Nov. 26, 2006, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, Roy E., College Place, Wash.; son, Mickey Cowan, Haines,

Ore.; stepsons, Roy Riley Jr., Spokane, Wash.; Paul Turpel, Loma Linda, Calif.; Allen Turpel, Dewey, Ariz.; daughters, Marlene (Cowan) Nunnaley, Candler, N.C.; Maxine (Cowan) Brookins, College Place; Marilyn (Cowan) Heller, Lake Havasu City, Ariz.; Marcella (Cowan) Herrington, Jefferson, Ga.; stepdaughter, Jane Sutter, Flagstaff, Ariz.; brother, Kenneth Norris, Salt Lake City, Utah; sisters, Bernadine Leyshon and Ellen McCasland, both of Denver, Colo.; Betty Lafferty, Mesa, Ariz.; 20 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

**SJOBOEN**—Jean L. (Webb), 87; born Jan. 3, 1919, Olympia, Wash.; died Oct. 28, 2006, Yelm, Wash. Surviving: sons, Ron, Olympia; Ken, Santa Cruz, Calif.; daughter, Sharon Hamerly, Delta Junction, Alaska; 6 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

**SKEERS**—Clarence C. "Red," 81; born Aug. 28, 1925, Arlington, Wash.; died Nov. 7, 2006, Eugene, Ore. Surviving: wife, Dorothy (Newland), Pleasant Hill, Ore.; son, Michael Skeers, of Alaska; sister, Muriel Shultz, Salem, Ore.; 3 grandchildren, a great-grandchild and a great-great-grandchild.

**TURNER**—George, 90; born July 23, 1916, Stoneham, Mass.; died Aug. 15, 2006, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: sons, Ron,

Spangle, Wash.; Harvey, Hermiston, Ore.; John E., Cottonwood, Ariz.; 5 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

**VAN LIESHOUT**—Helen M. (Odell) Smith Farley, 99; born Jan. 15, 1907, Bloomsburg, Penn.; died June 25, 2006, Omak, Wash. Surviving: stepson, Edgar Van Lieshout, Kingston, Wash.; daughters, Grace (Smith) Yale, Riverside, Calif.; Clara M. (Farley) Watrous, Tonasket, Wash.; stepdaughters, Allison H. (Van Lieshout) Voet, Paris, France; Elena Van Lieshout, Chicago, Ill.; 4 grandchildren, 7 step-grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

**VON BERGEN**—Fay (Jenks), 93; born Feb. 21, 1913, Burton, Wash.; died Nov. 29, 2006, College Place, Wash. Surviving: sons, Dale, Cashmere, Wash.; Harold, Burlington, Wash.; Kent Adamson, Portland, Ore.; 12 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

**WHISENNAND**—William W., 89; born May 31, 1916, Watonga, Okla.; died Jan. 1, 2006, Glasgow, Mont. Surviving: wife, Wanda (Nelson); sons, Lyle, Anacortes, Wash.; Jerry, Gonzales, La.; daughter, Lila Kulczyk, Fort Peck, Mont.; brothers, Herman, Plains, Mont.; Melvin, Bothell, Wash.; 10 grandchildren, 18 great-

grandchildren and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

**WOODS**—Gladys E. (Dickman), 89; born July 24, 1916, Yankton, S.D.; died May 23, 2006, Roseburg, Ore. Surviving: sons, LeRoy, Woodland, Wash.; Gerald, Redmond, Ore.; Russel and William, both of Roseburg; daughter, JoAnn Nystrom, Montrose, Colo.; brother, Roy Dickman, of Nebraska; 13 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and 9 great-great-grandchildren.

**YOUNG**—Floyd L., 78; born May 30, 1927, Nampa, Idaho; died April 5, 2006, Brush Prairie, Wash. Surviving: wife, Maxine (Bishop) Castner, Battle Ground, Wash.; son, Russell D. Young, Berrien Springs, Mich.; stepsons, J. Trent Castner, Vancouver, Wash.; Corey B. Castner, Troutdale, Ore.; Jason Castner, Battle Ground; daughter, Renee (Young) Pinette, Sawyer, Mich.; stepdaughter, Krista (Castner) Dyer, Canby, Ore.; brother, Daniel, of California; sister, Darlene MacLean, Oakland, Calif.; 6 grandchildren, 11 step-grandchildren and 4 step-great-grandchildren.







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

## **NORTH PACIFIC UNION**

### **Offerings**

**Feb. 3**—Local Church Budget; **Feb. 10**—World Budget; Adventist Television Ministries; **Feb. 17**—Local Church Budget; **Feb. 24**—Local Conference Advance.

### **Special Days**

*Curriculum Focus for the Month—Family Life+*

**Feb. 3–24**—Black History Month; **Feb. 10–17**—Christian Home and Marriage Week\*; **Feb. 24**—Health Ministries Sabbath.\*

+ Curriculum resource materials are published in NAD church resource journals—*Sabbath School Leadership, Celebración, Célébration, Kids' Ministry Ideas, and Cornerstone Youth Resource Journal.*

\* Special Materials Provided

## **WALLA WALLA COLLEGE**

### **Calendar of Events**

**Feb. 3**—Evensong, at 4:30 p.m., in the College Church. **Feb. 24**—Young Artists' Night, at 7:30 p.m., in the Fine Arts Center. **Feb. 24, 25**—wvc drama presents the "Festival of One Acts," at 8 p.m., in Village Hall. For tickets, call (509) 527-2158 or visit [drama.wvc.edu](http://drama.wvc.edu). **Feb. 25**—Join us at the Student Missions International Food Fair, at 8 p.m., in the Alumni Gymnasium. For more information, call (509) 527-2633 or e-mail [stumiss@wvc.edu](mailto:stumiss@wvc.edu).

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### **Small Church Needs Reader Board Sign**

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### **Share Him at Meridian Church**

**Feb. 9**—Share Him: A Prophecy of Hope seminar begins. Explore how Bible

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### **Gem State Adventist Academy Homecoming**

**April 6–8**—GSAA invites all alumni, former students and faculty, parents and friends to Alumni Weekend 2007. The graduating classes ending in "7" will be honored plus 1982. For more information, contact Linda Klinger at (208) 459-1627 ext. 158 or [lklinger@gemstate.org](mailto:lklinger@gemstate.org).

## **OREGON**

### **Sunnyside Church Activities**

**Feb. 2–4**—Center for Bible, Faith and Mission (Formerly IBCC): Friday at 7 p.m.; Saturday at 2:30 p.m.; Sunday at 10 a.m. **Feb. 11**—Rehearsals begin for an all-Mozart concert on March 24. We are looking for new orchestra members. Especially needed are Principal Bassoon, section 1st Violin and section Viola, but all are welcome to audition. For more information, contact Travis Hatton, music director, at [travishatton@comcast.net](mailto:travishatton@comcast.net). **Feb. 17**—Solid Brass Concert at 7 p.m. This ensemble of Portland-area musicians is directed by Fred Sautter, former principal trumpet with the Oregon Symphony. **Feb. 24**—"Celebrating the Spiritual" featuring Carl Parker, Canticle of Praise, Wanda Vaz and other special guests at 5 p.m. Sunnyside Church is located at 10501 S.E. Market St., Portland, Ore.

### **Retired Workers' Fellowship**

**Feb. 6**—The monthly potluck of the Oregon Retired Workers' Fellowship will be held at 12 p.m. in the cafeteria at the Gladstone Conference Center, 19800 Oatfield Rd., Gladstone, Ore. Our program will be brought to us by a bluegrass group from the Kelso-Longview Church. Invite a friend to come enjoy



this time with you. Although the potluck is primarily for retired denominational workers, we would encourage and welcome all retirees to bring their food and join us. It is no longer necessary for retirees to bring their own table service, as paper goods and plasticware will be furnished. For more information, phone the Jorgensons, (360) 423-1612.

### **True!Improv: Comedy With Purpose**

**Feb. 7**—We are holding auditions for new players for True!Improv. Be a part of this exciting ministry in Vancouver, Wash., inspired by Improv Church at Walla Walla, Wash. Next True!Improv performance: Saturday, Feb. 17, 8 p.m. Visit [www.trueimprov.com](http://www.trueimprov.com) for more details.

### **Oregon SAGE**

**Feb. 10**—Barbershop quartets, 2 and 7:30 p.m. in Canby, Ore. **Feb. 18**—Valentine luncheon, 1 p.m., at the Monarch Hotel in Clackamas, Ore. For more information, contact Wynn Knowing at (509) 343-9548.

### **10th Annual Milo Prayer Conference**

**Feb. 16–17**—High school students are invited to a weekend of spiritual renewal. Learn to fix your attention on God, and you'll be changed from the inside out. Call for details at (541) 825-3200 ext. 3326 or e-mail [carl.wilkens@niloacademy.org](mailto:carl.wilkens@niloacademy.org).

### **Adventist Singles Activity**

**Feb. 17**—Singles potluck sponsored by the Beaverton Adventist Singles at 12:30 p.m., Beaverton Church. Please bring a dish; sing for a local facility at 3–3:30 p.m.; then serve dinner at the City Team Ministries Mission, downtown Portland. We will meet

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### **Tabernacle Vespers Concert**

**March 3**—The Tabernacle Church invites you to a concert by Carl Parker and the Tabernacle Orchestra under the direction of Nadine Sample at 5 p.m. The program will also include numbers by Wanda Vaz, Lonnie Stephens and Howard Handley. An offering will be taken for People to People Ministries. The Tabernacle Church is located near downtown Portland at the intersection of SW Barbur Blvd. and Hamilton St. For information, please call (503) 984-1071.

### **Adventist Heritage Weekend**

**March 9–10**—A faith-affirming Adventist Heritage weekend will be held at Portland's Sunnyside Church beginning Friday evening at 7 p.m. Special guests include, James Nix, Ellen G. White Estate director, Silver Spring, Md.; Thomas Neslund, Adventist Heritage Ministry president; and Bill Knott, *Adventist Review* editor. As part of the Sabbath afternoon program, Portland Adventist Academy's drama team, Elbow Room Theatre, will present a skit. All are welcome. For more information: [sue.patzer@nw.npuc.org](mailto:sue.patzer@nw.npuc.org).

## **UPPER COLUMBIA**

### **Irrigon Missing Members**

The Irrigon Church has lost touch with Laura Anderson, Rick Boursaw, Robert Brown, Emily Dyer, Gordon Dyer, Jonathan



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Glenn, Jeremy Gollyhorn, Tamira Lohman, Jolene Martuscelli, Roni Mitchell, Rodney Virgil and Glenda Williams. If you have any contact with these people, the church would love to hear from them. Please contact Lavenia Casey at (541) 567-1171.

## WASHINGTON

### Washington SAGE

**Feb. 11**—Valentine banquet at La Quinta Inn Tacoma featuring the Schurch family singers and Maylan and Zach. **March 18–25**—Hawaii Cruise (round-trip from Honolulu). **April 29–30**—Marine biology trip to Anacortes, Wash. Transportation, lodging, meals included. **May 6–11**—Sunset Lake workbee. Call Joanie at (253) 681-6008, e-mail joan.libby@wc.npuc.org, on the web www.sage-seniors.com.

### Missing Members

The Washington Conference church is seeking information

regarding the following missing members: Delbert Banner, Rosa Baraja, Lopez Baustista, Salvador Bello, Michael Bonilla, Vicente Brambilla, Kaleo Brown, Joseph Brunky, Jorge Cabazos, Francisco Cabrera, Eliseo Camal, Rosalina Camal. If you have information on any of these members, please contact Janeth Carnduff at (253) 681-6008.

## WORLD CHURCH

### La Sierra University Homecoming

**March 9–11**—“A Time to Remember.” Special invitation to the classes ending in “7” plus 1982. Sabbath church guest speaker: Elder Jan Paulsen, General Conference president. Pre-register for all of the Homecoming Weekend activities at <https://www.lasierraconnect.net/NetCommunity/SSLPage.aspx?&pid=198&srcid=225>.

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Nadine Platner Dower,  
GLEANER managing editor

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Boise	5:57	6:07	6:16	6:26
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<b>MONTANA CONFERENCE</b>				
Billings	5:21	5:32	5:42	5:52
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Coos Bay	5:30	5:39	5:49	5:58
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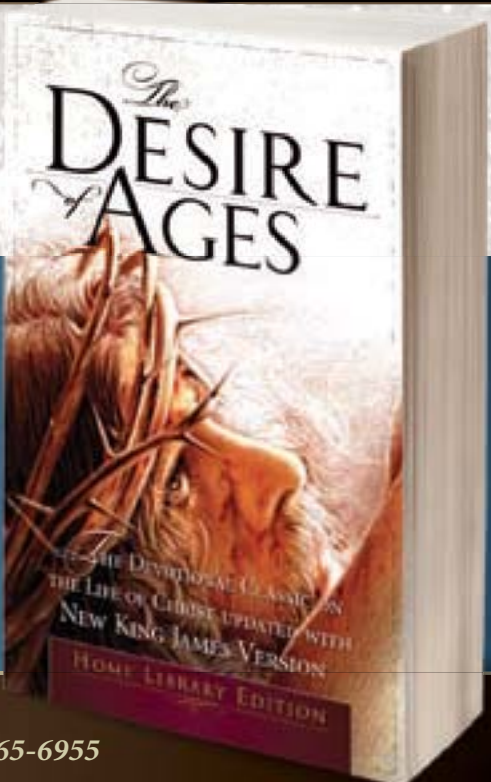
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