Alberta Conference

Adventist News

Adventists Plan Global Strategy

Three objectives for Global Strategy during the next decade are being considered by Seventh-day Adventists worldwide, according to Donald G King, Secretary of the Alberta Conference.

"While reaffirming the concept of ministry for every believer," King says, "we'll be focusing on the 1200 people groups of more than one million who speak the same language but have never heard the name of Christ.

"Perhaps the only difference in that objective from what other denominations are planning," King says, "is that our objective is to establish a new congregation every other day for the next ten years. This is probably the greatest worldwide thrust that any denomination has undertaken.

"That goal means 180 new churches during 1991 and the nine

years after that, which doesn't sound like much when we compare it with the more than 1200 new churches we founded during 1988," King points out.



"However, almost all of those churches we opened last year were in areas where we already had some kind of Church presence."

Adventists during a summer council also studied ministries to

international students in American universities and colleges as well as urban areas. They laid plans for centers dedicated to understanding cultures and non-Christian religions as well.

At the recent world Annual Council, a new world division of the church was voted into being, namely, the Soviet Division. This new division has about 33,000 members.

Seventh-day Adventist global membership is now just over 6 million, with 1988 accessions totaling 499,050. They also registered a reversal in church apostasies and missing members, the first turnaround in more than 20 years.

Adventist ratio to population ranges from 1:10 in the Solomon Islands to 1:46,000 in the Middle

Fitch Joins Conference Staff



Victor Fitch, on July 1 of this year, began his work as Education Superintendent of the Alberta Conference. Victor, with his wife Gem, moved to Red Deer in mid July. Victor brings to the Alberta Conference rich experience in education that is important to our field.

He began his work in Alberta at Canadian Union College where he served as Dean of Men, Academy Principal, and Academic Dean over a fifteen-year period. The Fitches then moved to Walla Walla where he served as Director of Admissions for five years and another five years as Director of Financial Aid. Prior to his coming to Alberta, Victor served as Education Director for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada for seven years. We welcome Victor and Gem to their new work in our conference.

Roles for Women in Ministry

Widespread roles for women in Seventh-day Adventist ministry are being recommended by a special study commission.

Although the two-part document stopped short of recommending the ordination of women to the gospel ministry, it did recommend that women be given the same baptizing privileges and leadership in the same rites as unordained men.

Highly supported was the "encouragement of team ministry" and "fair compensation for pastors' spouses who are part of a ministerial team."

Remuneration and accountability would be based on the number of hours engaged in weekly ministry, allowing mothers some time off to be with children--if they wished. Plans for specialized education for the ministerial wife were also out-

lined, both on the undergraduate and seminary levels.

Other portions of the document affirmed the concept that only the functions of Conference President and Ministerial Association Director need have ordained ministers selected. All other roles of administration and departmental leadership for community and church ministries need not have ordained leaders, the Commission reported.

The Adventist non-discriminatory policy with reference to job description, pay, and benefits on the basis of position rather than gender or marital status was also reaffirmed.

Commission members representing every territory of the world reviewed a survey instrument sent to the nearly 2,000 women already in various ministries of the Church.

The majority of them (89 percent) are full-time salaried employees.

Of the total, 60 percent are working outside of North America, and the majority are between the ages of 36-50 years. Married women totaled 61 percent.

Indicating ethnic backgrounds, the study was answered by Asians, 16 percent; Blacks, 8 percent; Caucasians, 58 percent; and Hispanics, 6 percent. About 11 percent did not report in this category.

While nearly all wrote of pleasure in their work, about nine out of ten registered concerns and suggestions in the four broad areas of equality in compensation, development opportunities, respect and recognition, and job security.

Seventh-day Adventist maintain a presence in 190 countries of the

CANADIAN UNION COLLEGE ALUMNI HOMECOMING

Honor Classes: 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985

All college and high school graduates from these years will be particularly featured during this homecoming weekend. In addition, all graduates and those who have attended Canadian Union College at any time are also urged to attend.

Participate in the presentations to honored alumni, get involved in a seminar, join in the fun of the Squash/Racquetball Tournament and the hockey games, and worship with those you enjoyed as classmates during your school days!

For more information, contact Bob Tetz, Vice President for College Relations, Box 430, College Heights, Alberta ToC 0Z0 or phone 403-782-3381.

From the President...

Can the Seventh-day Adventist Church represent the truth of God to the world in these last days and still have faults? I hear people saying they must leave the organized church because decisions have been made by the church that they can't agree with. Articles may be written in denominational journals that vary with our understanding of church practice and doctrine. Questions may arise as to why our church is working with another denominational organization in a project or program--should we not be separate and distinct? I have heard it suggested that because of these concerns it is best to follow the counsel of Rev. 18 and come out from the organized church for it could be the Babylon of prophecy.

These types of reactions to church organization have been in existence as long as the Christian church has existed. I have examined many of these charges against the church. Sometimes the person making the charge has misinformation. At other times it is just a difference of opinion and conviction in a matter that is not moral nor a foundational truth of the Bible. There are times when error has been made by leaders within the church. How should we relate ourselves to the temptation to criticise or separate from the church because of these concerns? In 1893 Ellen White gave counsel to the church when two men were circulating a tract called "The Loud Cry" which referred to the church as Babylon. The following excerpts are from the article. Anyone wanting the full text can receive it by writing to the conference office.

"In all ages of the world there have been men who think they have a work to do for the Lord, and show no respect for those whom

Owens Retires as Education Director

the Lord has been using. They do not make right applications of Scripture, they wrest the Scriptures to sustain their own ideas. Whatever may be the claims of those who draw away from the body to proclaim theories of their own invention, they are in Satan's service, to get up some new device to divert souls from the truth for this time."

"I tell you, my brethren, the Lord has an organized body through whom He will work. There may be more than a score of Judases among them; there may be a rash Peter who will under circumstances of trial deny his Lord; there may be persons represented by John whom Jesus loved, but he may have a zeal that would destroy men's lives by calling down fire from heaven upon them to revenge an insult to Christ and to the truth. But the great Teacher seeks to give lessons of instruction to correct these existing evils. He is doing the same today with His church. He is pointing out their dangers. He is presenting before them the Laodicean message."

"He shows them that all selfishness, all pride, all self-exaltation, all unbelief and prejudice, which lead to resistance of the truth and turn away from the true light, are dangerous, and unless repented of, those who cherish these things will be left in darkness as was the Jewish nation. Let every soul now seek to answer the prayer of Christ. Let every soul echo that prayer in mind, in petitions, in exhortations, that they all may be one even as Christ is one with the Father, and work to this end."

"In the place of turning the weapons of warfare within our own ranks, let them be turned against the enemies of God and of the truth..."

"The Lord has had a church from that day, through all the changing scenes of time to the present period 1893. The Bible sets before us a model church. They are to be in unity with each other, and with God. When believers are united to Christ the living vine, the result is that they are one with Christ, full of sympathy and tenderness and love. When anyone is drawing apart from the organized body of God's commandment-keeping people, when he begins to weigh the church in his human scales, and begins to pronounce judgment against them, then you may know that God is not leading him. He is on the wrong track."

"We are as a church to be wide awake, and to work for the erring among us, as laborers together with God. We are furnished with spiritual weapons, mighty to the pulling down of the fortress of the enemy. We are not to hurl the thunderbolts against the church of Christ militant; for Satan is doing all he possibly can in this line, and you who claim to be the remnant of the people of God had better not be found helping him, denouncing, accusing, and condemning. Seek to restore, not to tear down, discourage, and destroy."--Manuscript 21.

May the Lord guide each of you as you seek to make a positive contribution to the work of God in the finishing of His work.

D.W. Lorkum

Don Corkum, President

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Executive Committee Highlights

Ron and Sonia Goodwer have accepted the invitation of the Executive Committee to pastor the Calgary Mountain View Church. They previously have been pastoring in the Prince George and McBride district. They will arrive mid-November.

Dennis Vachon, a member of the Yellowknife church, accepted the invitation of the Alberta Conference Executive Committee to be director of the Yellowknife Fitness Center beginning September 1. We want to express appreciation to Landon and Karen Ritchey for the work they have done to build up the work of the Fitness Center over the past few years.

Changes in the staff at the office: With Beth Reimche leaving the office staff a vacancy was created. Penny Dreger has accepted the invitation of the Executive Committee to work in our office in the Youth and Trust Departments.

Recently Marie Nawalkowski retired and to fill this vacancy Joyce Wasylyshen has come to be secretary in the Personal Ministries Department.

It is no doubt recognised that other internal changes were made, assigning secretaries to a different job description. The following are the departments the secretaries are now serving:

Phyllis Corkum: Education, Education Accountant, Stewardship

Penny Dreger: Youth, Trusts Marlene Holdal: President, Ministerial, Religious Liberty, ADRA, ASI, Membership Statistics

Sherry Lemon: Secretariat, Communication, Health and Temperance, Human Relations, AAN

Penny Pazitka: Treasury, Cashier, Auditing, Risk Management

Joan Spangler: Receptionist, Publishing, Evangelistic Supplies Joyce Wasylyshen: Personal Ministries, Sabbath School

Dr. Frank Owens was invited by the Alberta Conference to serve as Stewardship Director while on retirement. This invitation was accepted and Dr. Owens began in October

PROJECTIMPACT

Something New in Calgary

Dr. Frank Owens retired at the end of August after thirty-eight years of service with the church.

He will be continuing to assist in the program of the conference by serving as Stewardship Director.

His work in the Education Department, in pastoral ministry, as well as at Canadian Union College has

Lord's work in Alberta.

Dr. Owens' desire is to see God's people be faithful stewards, supporting the church with our time, talents, and possessions.

made a great contribution to the

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We would like to introduce you to something new in Calgary-PROJECT IMPACT. This is a new and exciting project sponsored by the Alberta Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, along with individual SDA members and Calgary area churches.

PROJECT IMPACT desires to reach the unchurched segment of our population by creating a quality, needs-based experience of Sabbath worship in a non-threatening atmosphere. This will be followed by a supportive, week-long fellowship that will hold these people within the church and ground them in a meaningful relationship with Jesus Christ.

PROJECT IMPACT is a Biblebased outreach which makes use of current sociological data and religious research. It is aimed at meeting the expressed needs of the secular mind, and will therefore incorporate many non-traditional methods in its approach to individuals in their worship needs.

The church worship services are held Sabbath evenings from 5:30-6:45 pm in the drama theater at Fort Calgary. The first one, held October 14, 1989, attracted an attendance of 85-100. The program will feature contemporary Christian musicians, drama, and preaching directed towards merging one's needs and God's Word. The overall plan includes providing small group activities and children's ministry.

The worship service will be developed with the goal of being professional and dynamic. It will

be followed by a homey experience of sharing herb tea and conversation for those who would like to remain awhile and chat.

PROJECT IMPACT is an opportunity for non-Adventist friends to hear about the gospel in a non-threatening environment. It is the Project's goal to make all aspects of worship understandable, relevant, and enjoyable, whether for the person with no Christian knowledge, or for the well-studied person.

PROJECT IMPACT is governed by a conference appointed committee, consisting of a director, Chris Kinman, three laypersons, three local pastors, and a conference representative, Pastor Al Reimche.



Anniversaries and Dedications

Fort McMurray



A very inspirational day was experienced on June 10 when the members of the Fort Mc Murray Church organized a special service to commemorate the second anniversary of their church dedication. The theme of the day was "We Have Come This Far by Faith." Conference President, Pastor Don Corkum, and Pastor Ken Crawford, Director of the Personal Ministries Department, were present from the Alberta Conference. Guests were invited from the community to share the spiritual experience with the church.

Hanna

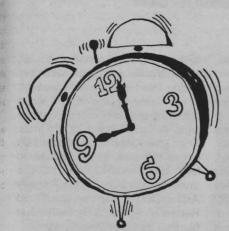
An inspiring Sabbath was experienced on September 23 when the Hanna Church was dedicated to the Lord. People from many churches in Alberta came to participate in the celebration service with the Hanna members. Dr. Douglas Devnich, President of the S.D.A. Church in Canada and Elder Don Corkum, President of the Alberta Conference were guest speakers for the day.



Brooks

It was a thrilling day on Sabbath, September 9, as over one hundred people celebrated together the 70th anniversary of the Brooks SDA Church. Many former members, friends, and family members united together for this exciting occasion and to recount how the Lord has blessed the pioneer spirit of the members in this district. Pictured is the original Brooks Church.

NOTICE to all bonafide members of the



PROCRASTINATORS CLUB INTERNATIONAL

Please remember that if you need a tax deductible receipt for any tithes or offerings for 1989, the funds must be physically turned in to your church treasurer or conference office, or postmarked no later than December 31, 1989. Anything turned in after midnight on December 31, 1989, even if you are sick or out of town, will have to be receipted in as a 1990 donation to comply with Revenue Canada regulations. Please do not put the treasurers in an awkward situation by asking them to violate the law by back dating items which were not submitted in time.

PROJECT CUC

As at September 30, 1989

CHURCH NAME	GOAL		RECEIVED	% OF GOAL
Myrnam	\$ 251.00	\$	868.00	345.8
	\$ 468.00	\$	950.66	203.1
	\$ 3,172.00	\$	5,409.43	170.5
	6,033.00	\$	8,320.45	137.9
Warburg	\$ 6,600.00	4	8,749.91	132.6
Rimbey	\$ 1,665.00 \$ 669.00	+	2,173.63 850.00	130.5 127.1
Hinton	\$ 1,043.00	4	1,300.00	124.6
Leduc	\$ 15,142.00	\$	18,026.81	119.1
Ryley	6,128.00	\$	6,951.32	113.4
Airdrie	\$ 4,689.00	\$	5,128.10	109.4
	\$ 4,784.00	\$	5,104.00	106.7
	\$ 15,429.00	\$	16,278.51	105.5
	\$ 20,153.00	\$	20,820.50	103.3
Stettler	\$ 14,230.00	4	14,512.56	102.0
Sylvan Lake	\$ 15,287.00 \$ 8,040.00	4	15,505.55	101.4
Wetaskiwin	6,434.00	\$	6,435.00	100.0
Peace River	3,996.00	\$	3,996.00	100.0
Edm-Korean	1,478.00	\$	1,478.00	100.0
College Heights	\$ 141,000.00	\$	134,792.91	95.6
Boyle	\$ 2,539.00	\$	2,339.00	92.1
Vegreville	\$ 6,167.00	\$	5,432.91	88.1
Lethbridge	14,913.00	\$	12,231.84	82.0
Beauvallon	\$ 18,420.00 \$ 1,243.00	\$	14,925.00 960.00	81.0 77.2
Bentley	\$ 10,017.00	\$	7,560.34	75.5
Sherwood Park	\$ 27,656.00	2	19,099.69	69.1
Conference Church .	\$ 12,444.00	\$	8,474.43	68.1
Cal-Central	\$ 94,297.00	\$	63,679.22	67.5
Cal-Mountain View .	\$ 22,880.00	\$	15,051.04	65.8
Grande Prairie	\$ 18,662.00	\$	12,242.00	65.6
Medicine Hat	\$ 26,065.00	\$	16,796.60	64.4
Yellowknife	\$ 3,782.00	\$	2,308.00	61.0
Rocky Mt. House	\$ 4,354.00	4	2,618.67	60.1 58.9
Peoria Smoky Beiseker-Level Land	\$ 24,036.00	\$	14,187.92	58.0
Fort McMurray	7,930.00	*	4,436.46	55.9
Cal-Pineridge	23,263.00	\$	12,952.29	55.7
Innisfree	3,151.00	\$	1,597.80	50.7
Hanna	5,888.00	\$	2,900.16	49.3
Bonnyville	5,793.00	\$	2,670.00	46.1
Ponoka	\$ 15,400.00	\$	6,739.50	43.8
Edm-Norwood	5,814.00	\$	2,440.00	42.0
Edm-Central	80,115.00	\$	32,700.21	40.8
Lloydminster	3,346.00 19,458.00	3	1,361.70 7,310.53	40.7 37.6
Drayton Valley	1,626.00	-	600.00	36.9
Red Deer	\$ 30,543.00	\$	10,766.37	35.2
Foothills	3,030.00	\$	1,050.00	34.7
Cal-Korean	\$ 3,876.00	\$	1,200.00	31.0
	\$ 34,760.00	\$	8,765.43	25.2
Riverview	\$ 6,266.00	\$	1,195.72	19.1
Cal-Bridgeland	\$ 11,800.00	\$	1,902.00	16.1
Cal-Forest Heights .	\$ 6,772.00 \$ 1,130.00	*****	703.00	10.4
Maskwachees	6,720.00	*	417.00	6.2
Edson	\$ 8,845.00	\$	512.11	5.8
Northern Lights	6,772.00 1,130.00 6,720.00 8,845.00 3,315.00	\$	23.20	0.7
	\$ 3,151.00	\$	13.00	0.4
	\$ 19,400.00	\$	66.80	0.3
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$ 900,000.00	\$	600,273.63	66.7

DEBIT SUMMARY:

Original Debt	\$900,000.00
Less: Donations Received	
	\$299,726.37
Less: CUC Operating Approp.	
Decrease (1.5%)	(208,696.53)
Add: Interest (LOC & Forgone	
COB)-Royal Bank	75,225.49
Less: Additional Conf. Funds	
Transferred In	(23,803.62)
Closing Deficit-Sept. 30/89	\$142,451.71

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Harvesting Souls for HARVEST '90



Talena Hilman, Kristy Werk, and Matthew Smith were baptized by Pastor Gary Hodder, May 27. The Sylvan Lake family is happy to welcome these fine young people into church membership.



On July 1, Steven Weich was baptized and received into fellowship in the Hanna Church with Pastor Olger Aaserude officiating. We pray that God will bless Steven in his new relationship to the church.



Mrs. Josie Armstrong was baptized in June as a result of the April Revelation Seminar held in Bonnyville by Pastors Don Corkum and John Blake (pictured).



Pastors Brian Leavitt and Dean Oliphant with CHAJA students who were baptized June 10. Front row, I-r: Tricia Leavitt, Paul Leavitt, Brian Bell, Robbie Trenchuk, John Lee. Second row: Pastor Brian Leavitt, Marisa Nischuk, Preethi Dara, Troy Smith, Joshua Boyko. Back row: Pastor Dean Oliphant, Stephen Mello.

From Beirut to Calgary



Rebecca Miano had been searching for truth when Providence led her to the war-torn Beirut. It was there she met Edie, a Seventh-day 'Adventist. Though her curiosity was aroused as she watched Edie go to church on Saturday, she lacked the courage to ask her the reason. After Edie left for Canada, she began to study the Bible with Francisco, another Seventh-day Adventist. But because of the un-

go beyond three lessons. In 1986, Rebecca went to Cyprus where she had Bible studies from another church, but for some reason did not continue. When she arrived in Calgary in 1987, she met her old friend, Edie, as well as Beth, another Seventh-day Adventist. Both of them invited her to attend their church. Not long after, they came to the Asian Church. Rebecca requested Bible studies, but at stable conditions there, she did not the end, refused to commit herself

to the truth. As she revealed later, she had quite a struggle within her during this time of her indecision. In the meantime, the church, along with Edie and Beth, prayed that she would take her stand for the truth. Then one night she had a dream in which she saw Jesus beckon to her. After that she knew what she must do. On May 27, the Calgary Asian Church joyfully welcomed Rebecca into the church after her baptism by Elder Glen Corkum.

Adventist Singles Ministries

I'm sure most of you ASM members have read somewhere by now that October 21-28 has been voted by the General Conference as a special Singles Emphasis Week, with the theme "Blessed Are the Single." Well, some of us may question that, but it is Biblical.

According to our President, over 10,000 new ASM brochures were distributed over North America in August and September. In our chapter here in Alberta, our membership has increased in the last year from seven to over thirty, plus we have a mailing list for newsletters of well over a hundred. We are still trying to reach others so do your part and tell your friends about ASM.

We are planning a weekend in Lacombe (as we did last year), October 27, 28, in conjunction with the Singles Emphasis Week, so watch for your newsletter and be prepared to contribute what you can. We will be having a talent night again so you might start preparing something for that. Remember, we need your support. Without you, none of these functions can function. Remember too, to value yourself as God does. The Shepherd went out to find a single sheep. YOU are an important part of this ASM ministry and of your church. YOU are one of those members mentioned by Paul who helps make the body of the church complete. You belong to a lineage through Bible history of singles whose lives stand as mighty testimonies for God.

We all want to say thanks to Rhoda for her annual corn roast. More than thirty people enjoyed her home-grown corn and an afternoon of music and fellowship.

If anyone has an idea of an outing or get-together, let us know. We would like your input.

Conference Staff Hard at Work



The conference office takes on a fresh look as a much-needed paint job is undertaken by office staff. The help of Steve Donesky and Pastor Verne Snow (who happened by the office) was very much appreciated.

Is the Publishing Work Effective?

Is the publishing work effective? Is it relevant for our times? In the book Colporteur Ministry, p. 17, 18 we read "... the canvassing work is to be revived and is to be carried forward with increasing success. It is the Lord's work and a blessing will attend those who engage in it with earnestness and diligence."

Alberta literature evangelists are sowing seeds of truth into thousands of homes in their territories. Health, family, and children's publications break down prejudice and lead families toward temperance, family, and spiritual reform. They prepare minds for the reception of the truth for this time.

The publishing work in Alberta is growing. This last summer our CUC students have done an excellent job under the leadership of Lynden Hawes and Steve Little. I would like to give recognition to some of them.

John Hinchey, presently at Newbold College, worked 616 hours and delivered over \$20,000.00 in sales. His daughter Kathleen, without a car, worked 573 hours and delivered over \$15,000.00 worth of literature.

Wolfgang Hoffman was able to work only 350 hours and sold over \$6,500.00.

Peter Baptiste had a late start and with 389 hours had over \$10,000.00 in sales. Our activities, in the midst of a full schedule, included six group canvasses in various parts of Alberta and the Northwest Territories. There was time for hiking, swimming, sightseeing, and a lot of fun. The students also held services, taught Sabbath School, played instruments, and sang in various churches. We want to thank the people who opened their homes to us for their hospitality.

We also have some new full-time literature evangelists in Edmonton. From June to the end of August, Darrell and Dave Beaudoin have delivered over \$23,000.00 worth of books and literature. There are several others who started recently and are learning their first steps in the literature ministry.

Many of our large decision books are being sold--The Bible Reference Library and Daniel And Revelation series by Maxwell. Hundreds of small books have been given away and people are being enrolled in the Voice of Prophecy correspondence courses.

The following figures show the progress and comparison of sales for the month of August 1988 and 1989 and also the accumulative comparison figures between this year and last. The month of August was our highest month in sales so far—over \$41,000.00 in deliveries.

August hours 1988 - 1075 1989 - 1610 Hours to date 1988 - 6833 1989 - 7917 August sales 1988 - \$31,554.32 1989 - \$41,732.22 Sales to date 1988 - \$167,197.03 1989 - \$183,547.22

9.7% or \$16,350.00

Comparison Figures

The Publishing Department is making exciting plans to cooperate with two city-wide crusades in Edmonton and Calgary next year. The time has come not only to sow, but also to reap.

Increase in sales for 1989

At a time when the church is under criticism from both extreme liberalism and the extreme right wing Adventism, it is good to stay in the center, taking the good from all sides and spending our energies where it counts the most.

"Christ calls for young men (people) who will volunteer to carry the truth to the world. Men of spiritual stamina are wanted, men who are able to find work close at hand, because they are looking for it. The church needs new men (members) to give energy to the ranks, men (people) for the times, able to cope with its errors, men (members) who will inspire with fresh zeal the flagging efforts of the few laborers, men (people) whose hearts are warm with Christian love, and whose hands are eager to go about their Master's work." CM pp. 17-19.

Karl Samek Publishing Director Alberta Conference



Christian Counselling Service

Attention! What many people have been asking for is now here! A Christian counselling service by Charles Hodgins is being established in Central Alberta. He is an experienced counsellor and an AAMFT (American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy) member. Charles indicates he is anxious to help people live better and more fulfilling lives. He is interested in seeing people regarding individual, marital, family, and child matters. For more information phone Charles at 782-3222 or 782-4311



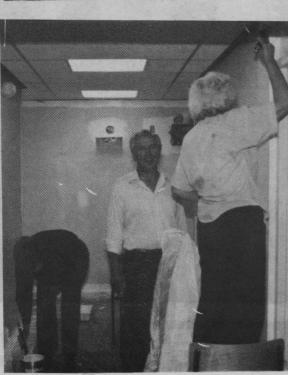
Pianos Needed!

For a number of years we have been renting four pianos each year for use at campmeeting. We are wondering if any of our members have good, used pianos they are no longer using, who might be interested in donating them to the conference. We can give a tax deductible receipt for the fair market value of the pianos. For further information, contact Bob Lemon, Treasurer (342-5044).

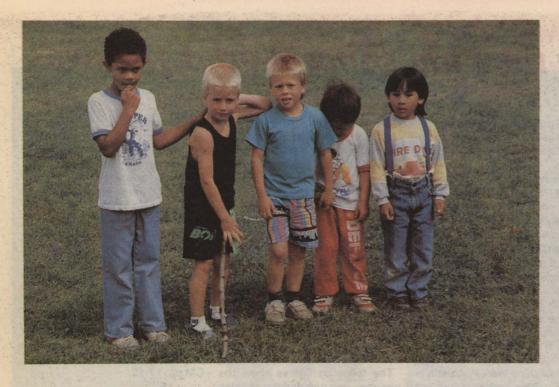
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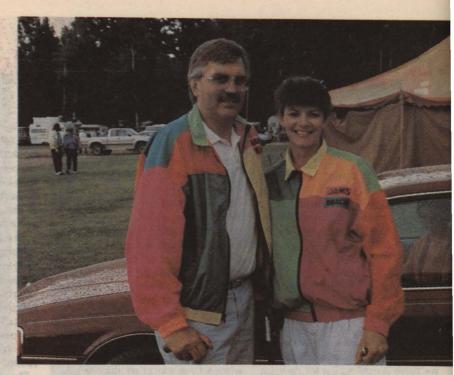
Please contact Pastor Ian Cotton at Box 217, Red Deer, Alberta T4N 5E8 or 403-340-1323 if you know the whereabouts of the following individuals:

Esmeral Adams
Barbara Basanyai
Ken Barkley
Betty Day
Kimberly DeGagne
Anne Tonner
Herman Klassen
Carmen Maximchuk
Katherine Milne
Gorman Ritchie
Marcia Henry

















CAMPMEETING '











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Edmonton Central Bids Farewell to Haywards



Edmonton Central Church has bid farewell to Pastor Bruce and Dorothy Hayward and their two girls. Pictured is head elder, Bert Jeske, presenting a tray and a purse of money at a farewell dinner for the Haywards. They have left

for Andrews University where Pastor Bruce will be studying for his Master of Divinity degree.

Pastor Bruce was associate pastor at Central the past two years. Dorothy taught school at Coralwood this last year.

Pastor Bruce had his farewell sermon on Sabbath, July 29, entitled "Hold Fast 'Til I Come."

The Haywards will be greatly missed by all, but we wish them God's richest blessings and a speedy return to Alberta.

MICHAEL AND LINDY CHAMBERLAIN

from the movies
"A Cry in the Dark"
"Who Killed Baby Azaria"

Michael and Lindy will tell more of the tragic incident which resulted in the most sensational criminal case in Australian history. Lindy was sentenced to life imprisonment with hard labor for the alleged murder of their daughter Azaria who was taken from a tent by a dingo (an Australian wild dog).

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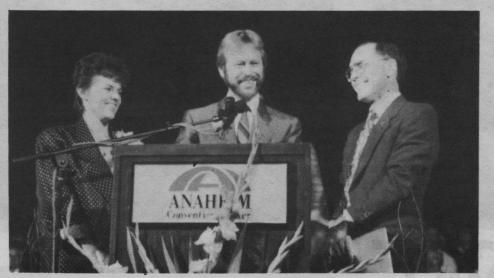
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Successful VBS at Lacombe Community



Anna Bartsch leading the Kindergarten group in singing at the closing program.

Even though the Lacombe Community SDA Church building is not completed, we launched our first community outreach program this summer.

A successful VBS was held in the basement each evening from August 6 to 10. The enrollment was down the first evening but it steadily grew until we ministered to approximately 75 boys and girls in our community.

our community.

The children were very enthusiastic and we pray that their contact with Jesus, through the

VBS, will give them a positive direction in their young lives.

We have started a Dial-A-Story (782-5552) and will soon begin our Children's Church Program.

"Today's children are tomorrow's leaders," inside as well as outside the church. Let's do our best all year long to help build youth for Christ

Ruth Riffin, VBS Director Lacombe Community Church

Pastor Gary Hodder of the Sylvan Lake Church, officiated at the dedication of Melissa Rae, second daughter of Bruce and Darla Bell, May 13.

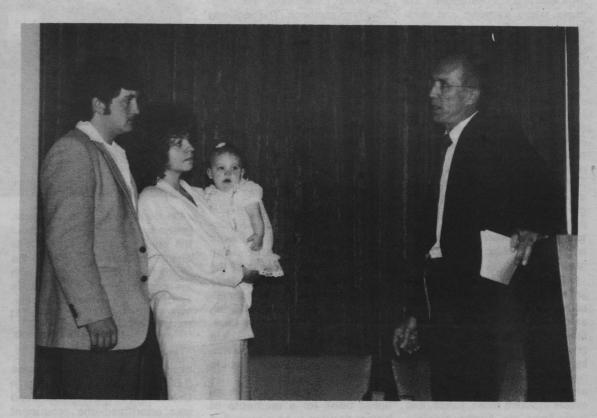


Pastor Brian Leavitt stands with Linden and Marilyn McCarty at the dedication of their second son, Colby Douglas, in the Sylvan Lake Church on June 17.



Heather Michelle, daughter of Robert and Gay Thomsen, was dedicated to the Lord at the Rocky Mountain House Church on Sbbbath, April 1. Pastor Gary Hodder officiated.,

Baby Dedications



On October 8, 1988, Brent and Donna LeBlanc of the Lloydminster Church, brought their daughter, Rachelle, to be dedicated to the Lord. Pastor Nick Kozachenko officiated at the service.



Brad and Vickie Davis and their daughter, Tiara Nicole, on the left, and Ed and Lois Sveen, with their daughter, Adriana Kathryn, listening to Pastor Allan Robertson speaking to them regarding the importance of the dedication of children to the Lord as they place these precious little ones in the hands of the Lord.

CHAJA News

Overcast skies with sunny intervals on Friday, May 26 provided a perfect climate for the ninth annual Alberta Conference Sports Day with a total of 283 students participating from the following schools: Woodlands, Ryley, Coralwood, Chinook Winds, Red Deer, Level Land, Montana and Samson Indian Bands, and CHAJA. The activities of baseball and track and field were held at the Lacombe Composite High School field. Even the cheering was fun as the fans watched with excitement the races, relays, throwing, and jumping events. Special congratulations go to the following winners of the age categories: Connie Quaile, Joshua Boyko, Donnah Phipps, Jason Couture, Lorraine Phipps. Jeff Smith, Andre Davis, Beth Oliphant, Ward Pearson, Jill Evahnenko, Marty Straub, and Kathy Fehr. An event of this magnitude requires a lot of planning. A special note of gratitude goes to Mr. Gus (Jon Gustavsen) for the efficient administration of the day's program. Recognition also goes to the participants, cheerleaders, volunteer officials, drivers, coaches, and teachers for making this a successful day.

Grades 1 to 4 from Woodlands joined CHAJA grades 1 to 4 the same day for their sports day. The students were divided into six teams of mixed ages, sex, and grades. Team spirit was aroused by choosing a team name, making hats, and cheering for themselves and for another team. Other events included races, jumps, ball throw, limbo, etc. Another highlight was the jellybean throw. Points were awarded for achieving first, second and third place as well as for participation. In this way, every student helped his team earn points. At the end of the day first, second, and third place ribbons were awarded. Credit goes to Ron and Karen Schafer for organizing the events.

During school assembly on June 15, Dr. Barry Geates was called to perform "emergency surgery" on Ernie Nolan for abdominal problems. To the delight of the students, the doctor opened him up with an electric saw and removed a variety of objects making humorous comments throughout the procedure until he finally produced "Reflections," the 1988-89 school yearbook. The book was dedicated to Marilyn Ilchuk, grade 9 teacher, and presented to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph in memory of their son Elbert who passed away suddenly the first month of school and to Sheri Schlehuber on behalf of her family in memory of her dad who was our beloved pastor. The remainder of the day was spent perusing the book and obtaining autographs. Everyone treasured the memories of another good

Sabbath, June 10 was a day of dedication when ten CHAJA students were baptized by Pastor Brian Leavitt. Pastor Dean Oliphant spent two weeks at the school studying with the students to prepare them for their commitment. The students were Brian Bell, Joshua Boyko, Preethi Dara, John Lee, Paul Leavitt, Tricia Leavitt, Stephen Mello, Marisa Nischuk, Troy Smith, and Robbie Trenchuk.

Each student was given a devotional book for a memento of his/her decision to be a servant of God.

Edith Fitch
Education Secretary
College Heights Church



Institute of Christian Service Graduates Twelve



On September 31 of this year, twelve laypersons from throughout the conference became the first charter graduating class from the "Institute of Christian Service" with the completion of their "Basic Skills in Christian Service" certificate. The graduation took place at Foothills Camp.

Update: At a major planning session of the Lay Bible Ministries (LBM), held at Foothills Camp in October of 1988, a very clear need was prioritized--the prominent need in the Alberta Conference for training lay people in specific areas of ministry.

A plan was formulated to initiate a very practical training program for anyone within the conference wishing to be trained in an area of their choice.

At a specially called Lay Bible Ministries Seminar on Dec 10.

1988 the training program was launched with a seminar on spiritual renewal and spiritual gifts. That was the start of a dream.

Since that time almost 300 participants have attended area seminars on a variety of subjects, all carefully designed to prepare deeply spiritual, committed, and trained Christians.

In his keynote address to the graduating class, Elder Don Corkum, conference president, reviewed the great need for trained servants in the Lord's work, the Lord's leading in the development of this program, and challenged each student to the work of Christian service.

Marjory Black, a relatively new Seventh-day Adventist, in her personal testimony during the graduation, spoke of the fact that this training program was the highlight of her Christian walk. The LBM weekend also hosted the beginning of the advanced certificate in "Peer Counselling" under the instructorship of Dr. Bob Egbert, Director of the Masters program in Marriage and Family Counselling, an extension program by Loma Linda University on the campus of CUC.

Each of the graduates will now be involved in tutoring other students in the Basic Skills in Christian Service "degree," as well as pursuing an advanced program.

Jesus trained and sent out twelve who in turn helped in the training of others. So the "Institute of Christian Service" is looking forward to the finishing of the work through trained laypersons who are willing to dedicate their time and talents to Christian service.

Gastronomic Delights

What is a plant serol? What can you substitute for eggs in a recipe? Is it true that, although North Americans are overweight, by and large we are undernourished? How much of the wheat kernel is it important that you eat? Answers to these and other questions regarding nutrition were answered in a three-week, six-session course held at Calgary Central.

Although the course was entitled "Cooking School," it was more than that. We were ably led by Debbie Schwartz, Grace Fedak, as well as Pastor Larry and Cheryl Couture.

After the initial gathering, when we received our handouts and the recipes for the evening, we went into the kitchen for "hands-on" instruction. There were four "group

leaders," who supervised our efforts. Each group used a different set of recipes; however, each evening had a theme, and the recipes reflected this.

The favorite part of the evening came when we again entered the kitchen, redolent with the various aromas of the dishes that we made. The dishes were laid out on the counter, and we were encouraged to try a little bit of everything. Of course, there was plenty to sample. We were fairly impressed by our efforts, and some "rating" of recipes took place.

The comments about the school were varied, and related to experience in the kitchen and/or experience with vegetarian cooking. Some of us were neophytes in that

we had not done much cooking at all; some were experienced cooks, but didn't know how to cook vegetarian food; and, some were experienced vegetarian cooks, who wanted to refresh themselves and be reminded of things forgotten or taken for granted. All who attended--male and femaile, child and adult, novice and experieced cook--gained a great deal from these sessions.

Fun, fellowship, learning--all wonderful ingredients for the recipe called "Cooking School."

Marjory Black Communications Director Calgary Central SDA Church

63% Church Growth in Six Months

Was it Central or South America? Or Africa? Incorrect! It happened right here in the North American Division. Dr. Victor Schulz, Spanish Ministries Coordinator, reports that this is happening in the Alberta Conference in Canada. A Spanish church was organized in the provincial capital of Edmonton, and the membership is growing at a phenomenal rate. Similar results can be found in the area of Calgary, under the leadership of John Perez.

There are many thousands of immigrants who arrive each year, anxious to start life anew. Many soon discover, though, that their dreams are shattered by harsh realities. Loneliness, a different language, separation from the family, a different culture--all make it difficult to adjust to this new

The needs of these people present a unique challenge to the

church, and an opportunity to reach them with the hope and comfort that the gospel offers through Jesus Christ. To most of us, the words "mission field" conjure up visions of exotic lands, people who speak unfamiliar languages, and remote outposts isolated from civilization. But in North America, these can be found in the great body of immigrants--a mission field right inside our borders and one that is very fruitful in terms of soulwinning.

The Canadian Union has accepted this challenge and the results can already be seen. A cheery "buenos dias!" can be heard more and more among Seventh-day Adventists in the country! And in the case of the Alberta Conference, the growth rate among those who speak the Spanish language is surpassing that of the fastest growing division in the world!

An impressed minister recently asked Dr. Schulz, "In a time when the church is stagnant in so many places, why is the Spanish work growing? What is the secret of such spectacular growth of the work under your care?" The answer may be a lesson to all, "The reasons are four-fold: God's blessings, hard work, lay involvement, and ongoing public evangelism."

So the prophecy of Revelation 14:6 "...with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to EVERY NATION AND KINDRED AND TONGUE AND PEOPLE" is rapidly becoming a reality in Canada. Very soon we will be singing together "a new song, saying: Worthy art thou to take the book and to open its seals, for thou wast slain and thou didst ransom men for God from EVERY TRIBE, AND TONGUE, AND PEOPLE AND NATION" (Revelation 5:9).

It's Getting Even Better

Up, up, and away! No we're not still holding solid (37 and 36 talking about Superman. This is about our college and academy enrollment. For the first semester of the 1989-90 school year, Canadian Union College enrollment has increased by sixteen students, totaling 278, and PAA's enrollment for this year registered a grand total of 226 pupils.

It should come as no surprise that the largest number of students in both college and academy are from the province of Alberta, followed by British Columbia. Ontario students are the third largest delegation in the college, and Saskatchewan students are the third largest in the academy.

In the college, Liberal Arts (47) has taken over as our most popular program, but our Secondary and Elementary Education majors are

respectively).

Fresh faces are always a welcome sight, and this year's college freshman class is still the biggest (102). The other classes seem to get smaller as they get closer to graduation (the senior class is the smallest). However, it seems to be the other way around in the academy. As usual the senior class is the largest with 89, followed by the juniors and sophmores with 78 and 59 respectively.

All in all, we're happy with this year's enrollment in both the college and academy and we are looking forward to even greater numbers in the future.

Myrna Tetz Vice President College Advancement

Our Hands Do Span the Ocean

The "Ingathering World Service Appeal" continues to be one of the most effective community outreach activities of the SDA Church. Eighty-five percent of our pastors and lay-leaders find Ingathering to be an effective form of witnessing. Only rarely does the public respond with hostility to the "Annual Appeal."

The great satisfaction and reward of Ingathering comes, not just from the dollars raised, but from requests for community service, health education, varied literature and Bible studies. Possibly the North American churches' best kept secret is that about 400 individuals per year are baptized who were first contacted by ingatherers.

Here in Canada last year, we raised over \$750,000 -- about half by public solicitation and the other half by personal donations. With a potential of 38,000 Canadian Adventists it would be thrilling to once again catch the Ingathering "spirit" of earlier days when whole churches enthusiastically made the "Appeal" one of the highlights of their church calendar.

Over 500 Adventist Community Service (ACS) Centers in the North American Division receive major assistance from Ingathering funds. This translates into 2 million clients whose food aid value is annually \$4.6 million, and whose value in clothes, bedding, and furniture reaches \$5.7 million. Could anyone really believe that Ingathering is not evangelism--feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and visiting those that are cast down? It is an integrated part of the Gospel Commission.

Any thought of closing the Community Service Centers would be myopic. The cure is "no-non-sense" expansion. We need expanded contingency funds giving us the ability to meaningfully and quickly respond to major disasters such as fires, hurricanes, twisters, floods, and human tragedy.

Beginning in 1988, ADRA Canada and Ingathering became joint venturing partners. This year, 35% of the Ingathering funds raised, will be available for ADRA Canada projects. By 1991, the figure will reach a maximum of 46% for overseas projects and 54% for the home base.

At present, ADRA Canada is participating in 81 projects in developing countries such as Ethiopia, Sudan, Haiti, Jamaica, the Philippines, Uganda, Mexico, Pakistan, and many others. Our hands do span the oceans!

The three sources of funding for ADRA Canada are: Ingathering, the Annual Diaster and Famine Relief Offering each May, and private donations. With these funds, ADRA Canada receives matching funds from CIDA (Canadian International Development Assistance) and the Alberta government. Other provincial governments may participate.

The "new look" Ingathering brochure has been most enthusiastically received and recognizes a number of Adventist photographers from coast to coast. Last year, a second printing was required to meet the demand.

This is "no nonsense" Ingathering expansion, and this is the way it ought to be! This strong signal says how YOU feel about the joint venturing partnership of Ingathering and ADRA Canada.

Now, do you realize that the present \$25 per member objective was established in the 60's? Why, that is well over 20 years ago, and it is as antiquated as the Tiger Moth Airplane. It is time to raise our sights and pull the trigger!

We must provide Canadians, ourselves included, with the opportunity to give as God impresses and to experience a sense of accomplishment. Those who solicit and those who donate are, in reality, saving lives by proxy. And what can be said for the enthusiastic support of the Adventist Educational system. Students, faculty, Adventist educators are all an integrated part of this program. Without their loyalty and dedicated support much of the enthusiasm and spontaneity would be missing!

Let us support our pastors, Church Ministry leaders and our educators in response to their annual Ingathering Campaign. Your church needs YOU! It is going to happen--why wait--let's go for it this year! The needs are staggering. There is not one valid reason as to why the Canadian churches should not respond whole-heartedly to this year's Ingathering/ADRA Appeal. Recent increases hardly cover inflation. Let's go now for a voluntary, super goal of \$1,000,000. We can do it by pulling together.

Everyone's help is needed. Working together, we can exercise our faith and demonstrate to the matching agencies, that the Adventist Church in Canada does genuinely care about the needs at

Peace Hills Adventist Academy Officially Opened



Sunday, September 17, dawned a dreary, cold, fall day. But the members of the Wetaskiwin Church were a joyful and grateful group. At a 2:00 ceremony, Peace

Hills Adventist Academy, Phase I of the complex, was officially opened. Groundbreaking for the Wetaskiwin Church and school was held April 24.

home and across the ocean, and that their confidence is justified.

Will we accept the \$1,000,000 voluntary faith challenge? Church Ministries and ADRA are counting on our spontaneous response to the overwhelming needs. Let's adjust our plans and go for the \$1,000,000!

J W Wilson **ADRA Education Development** Secretary



Dateline

November 1989 - June 1990

November 3 - 5 3 - 5 4 - 11 5 10 14 - 18 14 - 20 17 - 18 19 20 - 24 22 24 - 25 24 - 25 26 29 30	Northern Campmeeting Rally - Dawson Creek, BC Marriage Encounter - Bowden Annual Week of Prayer - Conference-wide Community Services Federation - College Heights Remembrance Day - Office closed CABL Emphasis - CUC Quiet Hour, Crusade Planning, J. Zachary - Calgary SS/Church Officers Meeting - Bowden Calgary Youth Rally, Jubilee Aud - Chamberlains D Corkum, Week of Prayer - Red Deer Health Ministries Committee - Office Edmonton Youth Rally - Chamberlains - Convention Ctr. CUC Alumni Homecoming Executive Committee Calgary PREACH Project - Jubilee Auditorium Edmonton PREACH Project - Jubilee Auditorium
December 3 8 - 9 11 - 14 17 22 Jan 1	PAA/CUC Board LBM Peer Counseling, #3 - College Heights Evangelism Council - Hope, BC Executive Committee Christmas Break - Office closed
January (19 5 - 8 7 8 - 11 12 - 13 13 13 14 - 21 20 28	Pastors' Meeting, plus Exec. Comm. Members - Bowder Region 2, Native Ministries Comm - Portland, OR Dare to Care (Pastors) - Bowden LBM Peer Counseling, #4 - Calgary Central Organization of Calgary Spanish Church CABL Benefit Night - CUC Pastors Continuing Education - Walla Walla Florence Littauer Sem Calgary Grace Baptist Church Executive Committee
February 2 - 4 17 18 - 20 19 22 - 23 26Mar 3	Pathfinder Winter Retreat - Bowden Youth Extravaganza - CUC Union Executive Committee Family Day - Office closed PAA Teachers Convention Spiritual Emphasis Week, G Bietz - CUC
March 7 7 9 10 16 - 18 16 - 18 17 17 Apr 8 30 - 31 31	Financial Statistical Review - Office Executive Committee Beginning of HARVEST 90 Completion Records Night - CABL - CUC Marriage Encounter - Bowden Christian Youth Convention - Bowden Amateur Night - CUC Edmonton Evangelistic Crusade, D. King - Convention C Spring LBM - Bowden Acronaire Home Show - CUC
April 8 13 19 - 22 20 - 22 22 28 29 30	Executive Committee Good Friday - Office closed PAA/CUC Board CUC Graduation Weekend Spring Comm. Services Federation - College Heights Elementary and Education Day - Conference-wide Child Evangelism - Manspeaker - Bowden Regional Meeting - Lethbridge
May 6 7 13 14 20 21 22 28	Executive Committee - Bowden Regional Meeting - Calgary Mothers' Day Regional Meeting - Red Deer or Ponoka CAAA Picnic - Red Deer Lake Victoria Day - Office closed Regional Meeting - Edmonton Regional Meeting - Beauvallon
June 3 4 10 - 11	Executive Committee - Red Deer Regional Meeting - Grande Prairie Union Executive Committee Fathers' Day

NOTE: Future Dateline events will appear in the next issue of ALBERTA ADVENTIST NEWS.

Fathers' Day
PAA Graduation/CUC Finance Committee

29 Jul 1

MC LEOD - Brian and Bonnie, a son, Bradley David, March 7, 1989 at Red Deer. A brother for Brenton.

Weddings

BECHTHOLD/SCHAFER - On March 26, 1989, friends and family of Colleen Schafer, daughter of Dave and Shirley Schafer, and Darwin Bechthold, son of Alvin and Isabel Bechthold, gathered at the College Heights Church to witness their marriage. We wish God's blessing on Colleen and Darwin as they establish their home in Lacombe.

WOMBOLD/TRYNCHUK - On April 2, 1989 Alva Trynchuk, daughter of Bill and Anna Trynchuk, was united in marriage to Marlon Wombold, son of Ron and Lorraine Wombold. Marlon and Alva have established their home in Edmonton, where Marlon is employed as a funeral director and Alva as a nurse. We wish them God's blessings as they establish a new Christian home.



Calgary Central Youth Sponsor Mission Project

"YOUTH IN ACTION" Cookbooks with recipes donated by members of Calgary Central Church are currently available. Net proceeds from this project are going to La Loma Luz Mission Hospital in Belize and the Exodus House (street ministry) in Calgary.

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Births Deaths

BRUCKS, Ophelia Viola was born on June 12, 1904, in Lehigh, Kansas and passed away on August 20, 1989 at Grande Prairie, Alberta at the age of 85 years. With her husband, Jake, she moved to the Peoria area of the Peace River district in 1951 where they farmed.

She is survived by her husband, her two sons--Marvin of Wanham and Don of Calgary, as well as five grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. In addition she is survived by one brother Carl (Elder C C Weis) of Florida and two sisters, Leona and Rachel (Mrs Bill Tetz) of College Place, Washington.

The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Ed Teranski, assisted by Pastor Wolfgang Hessel. She was laid to rest in the Peoria-Smoky Church cemetery where she awaits the certain call of Jesus. the Lifegiver, whom she has served, and whom she loved.

WALLACE, Judith (Sundquist). of Stavely, was the fourth of ten children born to Axel and Margareta Sundquist in Lethbridge on November 8, 1900. She passed away at the Willow Creek Auxiliary Hospital in Claresholm on July 14, 1989, at the age of 88.

Judith, who was predeceased by both her husbands John and Ellis, is survived by one sister, Mrs Margaret Scott and three brothers, Alex, Arthur, and Walter Sundquist all of Stavely.

Judith attended the Prairie Dell school about a mile from her home place in Stavely. In 1921 she attended a series of meetings at that same school and was baptized a Seventh-day Adventist Christian.

Judith will be remembered for her industriousness, her willing helpfulness, and for her happiness.

The funeral service was held at the Stavely United Church July 18, led by Pastor Jim Burgess of the Lethbridge SDA Church.

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Sincere Appreciation

away due to a terrible acci-

dent July 30, 1989. We the children, Suilford Lawrence, Nicholes and Carlton Branch wish to express our thanks and deep appreciation to the Alberta

President and staff, the pastors, Caribbean Association

BRANCH, Carrie passed of Adventists in Alberta, relatives and friends, for your con-

> dolences. words of sympathy and comfort expressed to us. As our mother awaits the blessed morn, it is our hope that we will all be there. Again sin-

cere thanks to all of you.

