

ALBERTA ADVENTIST NEWS

November - December 1988

To The Newest Member Of The Alberta Conference, We Say "Bienvenidos!"

On November 26, 1988 the Edmonton Spanish SDA Church was organized as the 27,060th SDA church worldwide. It happened in the presence of over 400 adults, among them the Mayor of Edmonton, the Hon. Julian J. Kinisky. Also present was the Hon. Leslie M. Young, Minister of Technology and Telecommunications representing the Hon. Premier Donald Getty. Also present were representatives from the General Conference, the Canadian Union, almost every member of the Alberta Conference staff, members of the media, and many other special guests. The celebration was held

at the Central United Church (11112-109 Ave.) that is presently being used by the Spanish group. These facilities include a beautiful sanctuary with pipe organ and concert piano, a youth chapel, gymnasium, fellowship hall, two kitchens and office space.

The organization services started with a special Sabbath School, which was simultaneously translated by FM radio for the convenience of the many English-speaking friends present (they could follow the service with a walkman/headphone combination). During the worship service Elder Joseph Espinosa from the

General Conference delivered a stirring message. This was followed by a special banquet in the facilities' gymnasium which had been specially decorated for the occasion by the young people of the church.

At 3 p.m. the main ceremony began with an international procession of flags. The procession was led by the standardbearers of the Canadian and Alberta flags, and followed by flags of the 16 nations represented in the congregation with the bearers dressed in their native country customs. The procession concluded with the entrance of the Christian flag. When all the flags and bearers were assembled on the platform, the group sang in chorus the song that so many found so fitting for the occasion: "We have come from many places, come from many miles around; Representing many nations, speaking many different tongues. Different cultures, different colors... Yet we're one!..." As they continued, tears could be seen welling up in the eyes of those present that day, "One in faith, one in doctrine, one in love for every man... One in Christ..."

Dr. Victor Schulz (leader of the Spanish work for the Alberta Conference) then declared the ceremony open. This was followed by the presentation of the distinguished guests. A few of the messages received were read, including messages from the Right Honourable Brian Mulroney, Prime Minister of Canada; the Right Honourable Don Getty, Premier of Alberta and others including Elder Neal C. Wilson, President of the General Conference. A proclamation was read in which the mayor of the city of Edmonton declared November 26, 1988 as "Day of the Spanish SDA Church". Plaques were presented in the name of the SDA church to two of the authorities present. Dr. Schulz asked Elder Don Corkum to present the first one to the cabinet minister that was representing the provincial government. There was also a touching moment when the former mayor of a city in El Salvador, who was to be baptized into



Amador Albornaz, the first Hispanic member of Alberta, being honored.

the church following the service, presented a plaque to the mayor of the city of Edmonton. The founding members of the Spanish church were also publicly recognized.

The afternoon's main message was presented by Elder Gary DeBoer, treasure of the Canadian Union. Following this message Elder Don Corkum led in the organizational procedures. Notwithstanding the many members who had transferred for economic reasons to churches in the USA, Mexico, Toronto, and BC, the num-

ber of members present and signing as charter members of the church plus some absent for health and other reasons, left the church with a healthy figure of 81 members.

A brass group from CUC then played a trumpet fanfare as the church was officially organized. Prayers of dedication were offered by Elders Joseph Espinosa and Lloyd Janzen.

Yet another emotional experience was the baptism

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Representatives from two of the countries from which members of the new Spanish church have come.



Elder Don Corkum speaking during the organizational ceremonies. Dr. Victor Schulz is translating.

FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Dear Friends:

As I write this article I am participating in the ASI rally in Kelowna, B.C. ASI's philosophy is built on "sharing Christ in the marketplace" - giving priority in our time, talents and possessions to reaching the unreached for our Savior.

During the Christmas season we will hear told over again the Christmas story - an account of earth's most important hour, when God became eternally linked with His creation by taking on their nature. The part that Mary the mother of Jesus has played in this Divine/human encounter has often been downplayed by Protestants because of the Catholic emphasis on Mary which we understand to be wrong theology. However, Mary teaches us some important lessons for 1988.

Mary had planned her life and future as a young lady. She was excited about the prospect of getting married and having a family. God announced to her His intention of having her become the mother of the Savior. This could potentially destroy all her plans and even make her lose her future husband. She didn't understand all of what God intended, yet she responded "be it unto me according to thy word." Luke 1:38. That is a tremendous statement of faith following the angel's words "For with God nothing shall be impossible." Luke 1:37.

We need that kind of faith today, laying our lives open to the leadership of God. As we face 1989 the Adventist Church in Alberta has never had so many exciting possibilities. Ministries providing service opportunities for youth, varied

evangelistic outreach programs, emphasis on winning back former members, Adventist Awareness, and many others we could mention have tremendous potential. However, it all depends on the response of each member in the conference. We need many people involved to have a successful program. We need good financial support in the Alberta Advance fund as well as your support of the local church. With this kind of commitment we can look at 1989 as a year to take a giant step forward in our work in Alberta. May God bless each of you as you respond to God's challenge to your life and may God hear from us the response "be it unto me according to thy word."

Don Corkum

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Please note: The Conference Office will be closed December 23 and will re-open January 3. We wish you all a Happy Christmas and God's richest blessings in the New Year!

Welcome to the Adams' Family

We extend a warm welcome to the new pastor of the Bridgeland/Forest Heights district in Calgary. Pastor John Adams and his wife, Ruby, along with their two girls, will be arriving in January and will be replacing Pastor Rudy James who is retiring.

Pastor Adams is a graduate of Canadian Union College and also received his M. Div. from Andrews University in 1985. Currently, he is pastoring the Ephesus Church in Toronto. Pastor Adams is being ordained in January before leaving the Ontario Conference. We wish the Adams family God's richest blessings and welcome them to Alberta.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 12	CUC Board
December 18	Executive Committee
December 23 - Jan. 2	Office Closed for Christmas
December 30 - Jan. 2	CAAA Retreat - Bowden
January 9-11	Pastors' Meetings - Bowden
January 22	Education Board
January 27 - 29	Youth/Health Convention
January 27	CUC Finance Committee
January 29	Executive Committee
February 17 - 19	Youth Festival '89 - CUC

Highlights of Executive Committee October - November

OCTOBER 16, 1988

A special focus on education was given at this committee. The Chinook winds Adventist Academy request for senior academy status was approved at the local conference level but will need union and North American Division Approval.

It was voted to ask Elders Lloyd Janzen and Jim Burgess to serve as acting Health and Temperance Directors until Don King arrives in January.

Pastor Larry Couture will be assigned to the Calgary Central Church as an associate pastor.

It was voted to ask Ernie Norhton to fill the vacancy created by Dr. Larry Wasylshen not being able to serve on the committee as voted at the triennial session.

NOVEMBER 27, 1988

Each Department presented an outline of its plans for 1989 with a projection of budget implications.

Personal ministries and Sabbath School department gave an in-depth presentation of future programming in that department. Details of the Alberta Conference Community Service Council, Lay Bible Ministries, the new concept in lay training called "The University

of Christian Service, Deaf Ministries, and the Child Evangelism Council were presented and voted upon. These will be communicated to the field as they are implemented.

The Education Department Director Search Committee report was referred to the Dec. 18 meeting as the Committee needed further time to get the report ready.

The action taken to call a pastor for College Heights was later rescinded due to the illness of Pastor Schlehuber and his change of plans in connection with his call to the Maritime Conference.

Pastor Schlehuber will now be continuing as pastor of the College Heights church.

The Yellowknife Program Review Committee presented its report. Changes were voted concerning the financial relations of the Church and Fitness Center with the Conference. Other items were voted concerning the center in Yellowknife. The committee found the Fitness Center program run by the Ritchys being operated very effectively and appreciated in the community; also the church program is functioning well with church attendance varying between 15 and 25 on Sabbath.



FINAL INCOME TAX RECEIPTS FOR 1988

We would like to remind you that the Conference cannot legally write a 1988 Income Tax Receipt when received in the first part of January 1989 if the post mark stamped on the outside of your mailing envelope is marked 1989 - even though you have dated your cheque for 1988. PLEASE MAIL YOUR FINAL DONATIONS TO THE CONFERENCE ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 24, 1988 (if necessary, you can postdate your cheque for December 31, 1988) TO ALLOW ENOUGH TIME FOR US TO RECEIVE YOUR DONATIONS BY MAIL. THE CONFERENCE CHURCH BOOKS WILL BE CLOSED ON JANUARY 4, 1989. If coming in person to the Conference Office after January 1, 1989, please do not expect to receive a 1988 receipt. Thank you!

Note: The same policy for receipt date cut-off should hold true for all local churches.

Treasury Dept. - Alta. Conference

Pastor Couture Ordained

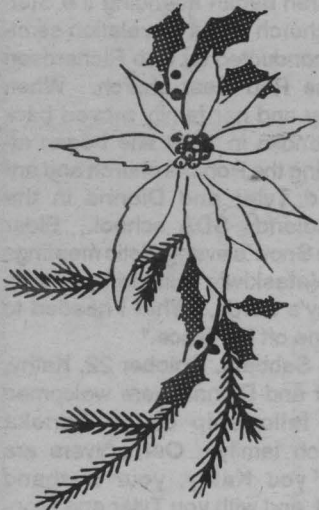


Pastor Bill Wigley presenting Pastor Larry Couture for his ordination.

Alberta Campmeeting 1988 was a special time for Pastor Larry Couture and his wife, Cheryl, as on the last Sabbath afternoon Larry was ordained to the gospel ministry. Larry and Cheryl have been attending Andrews University for the past two years and returned to Alberta in December, 1988, to again take up full-time ministry as Associate Minister of the Calgary Central Church.

Before joining the church, Larry and Cheryl operated a pharmacy in the town of Olds, Alberta. In July of 1978, they were baptized at Foothills Camp by Pastor Bill Wigley. It was at the same camp in July of 1988 that his ordination took place. A special feature was that Pastor Bill Wigley and his wife were there to present Larry and Cheryl for ordination. Spending the year following their baptism at Loma Linda, Larry began working on a Masters in Public Health and then

moved back to Alberta where he then enrolled at Canadian Union College. In 1982 he completed his Bachelor of Theology degree. After pastoring part-time in the South Side Church in Edmonton for almost a year, they engaged in full-time ministry in Stettler, Loyalist, Hanna, and Sedgewick over the course of the next three and one-half years. Since that time Andrews University has been their home while both furthered their education. Married for thirteen years, Larry and Cheryl are the proud parents of three beautiful children, Jason, Shawn, and Raelynn. A highlight of the Sabbath that Larry was ordained was the privilege he had of baptising his son, Jason, during the evening program. We wish them God's richest blessings as they, as a family, continue to work for Him.



53rd Sabbath Earmarked for "Project Acadien-Quebecois"

This is the first time in many years that we are privileged to have 53 Sabbaths in one year! The North American Union presidents have unselfishly made a decision that is exciting for us as members in Canada - that the 53rd Sabbath worship service offering this year will go for the support of the work in reaching the over 7,000,000 French-speaking people in Canada and the U.S. To help in this work, the North American Division has implemented the special PROJECT ACADIEN QUEBECOIS (PAQ) under the direction of the Canadian Union.

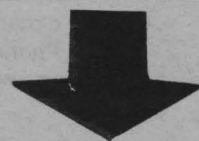
The General Conference has designated this group as an unreached people-group. Within this group the church has less than 500 members, making the ratio of church members to French population 1:14,000. There are over 100 towns, each with a population over 10,000, among eight provinces and states in which not a single Adventist lives. This expresses the great need for us to reach out to these people with a message of hope. Another reason for this project at this time is the readiness of the people. There have been some great changes in the past 15-20

years in their abilities to accept new spiritual concepts. They are seeking to know God and His will as never before. If we do not give them the Three Angels' Message, other evangelical groups will be reaping these souls - because they are ready and looking for a church now!

Let's not delay! Now is the time for the church family to unite in supporting a major thrust into this unreached people group in North America. You are asked to do your part on December 31!

PROJECT CUC - Update As at November 21, 1988

CHURCH NAME	GOAL	RECEIVED	% OF GOAL
Myrnam	\$ 251.00	\$ 868.00	345.8
Valleyview	\$ 468.00	\$ 950.66	203.1
Stony Plain	\$ 3,172.00	\$ 4,556.43	143.6
Loyalist	\$ 6,033.00	\$ 8,320.45	137.9
Warburg	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 8,749.91	132.6
Taber	\$ 669.00	\$ 850.00	127.1
Minton	\$ 1,043.00	\$ 1,300.00	124.6
Rimbey	\$ 1,665.00	\$ 2,014.72	121.0
Leduc	\$ 15,142.00	\$ 17,726.81	117.1
Airdrie	\$ 4,689.00	\$ 5,106.10	108.9
Smoky Lake	\$ 4,784.00	\$ 5,084.00	106.3
Olds	\$ 15,429.00	\$ 16,256.51	105.4
Sedgewick	\$ 20,153.00	\$ 20,796.50	103.2
Sylvan Lake	\$ 15,287.00	\$ 15,435.55	101.0
Stettler	\$ 14,230.00	\$ 14,274.90	100.3
Wetaskiwin	\$ 6,434.00	\$ 6,435.00	100.0
Edm-Korean	\$ 1,478.00	\$ 1,478.00	100.0
Ryley	\$ 6,128.00	\$ 5,940.42	96.9
College Heights	\$ 141,000.00	\$ 132,111.91	93.7
Fairview	\$ 8,040.00	\$ 7,482.35	93.1
Boyle	\$ 2,539.00	\$ 2,339.00	92.1
Peace River	\$ 3,996.00	\$ 3,632.81	90.9
Vegreville	\$ 6,167.00	\$ 5,071.31	82.2
Beauvallon	\$ 18,420.00	\$ 14,610.00	79.3
Lethbridge	\$ 14,913.00	\$ 11,650.65	78.1
Brooks	\$ 1,243.00	\$ 960.00	77.2
Bentley	\$ 10,017.00	\$ 7,502.89	74.9
Sherwood Park	\$ 27,656.00	\$ 17,791.74	64.3
Medicine Hat	\$ 26,065.00	\$ 16,676.80	64.0
Cal-Central	\$ 94,297.00	\$ 58,970.22	62.5
Yellowknife	\$ 3,782.00	\$ 2,308.00	61.0
Rocky Mt. House	\$ 4,354.00	\$ 2,618.67	60.1
Grande Prairie	\$ 18,662.00	\$ 11,214.00	60.1
Conference Church	\$ 12,444.00	\$ 6,708.28	53.9
Cal-Pineridge	\$ 23,263.00	\$ 12,467.29	53.6
Cal-Mountain View	\$ 22,880.00	\$ 11,987.53	52.4
Fort McMurray	\$ 7,930.00	\$ 3,892.46	49.1
Beiseker-Level Land	\$ 24,442.00	\$ 11,774.04	48.2
Bonnyville	\$ 5,793.00	\$ 2,670.00	46.1
Peoria Smoky	\$ 24,036.00	\$ 10,560.00	43.9
Hanna	\$ 5,888.00	\$ 2,581.38	43.8
Innisfree	\$ 3,151.00	\$ 1,331.80	42.3
Edm-Norwood	\$ 5,814.00	\$ 2,410.00	41.5
Lloydminster	\$ 3,346.00	\$ 1,361.70	40.7
Edm-Central	\$ 80,115.00	\$ 32,521.73	40.6
Lacombe Community	\$ 19,458.00	\$ 7,295.53	37.5
Drayton Valley	\$ 1,626.00	\$ 600.00	36.9
Ponoka	\$ 15,400.00	\$ 5,447.20	35.4
Red Deer	\$ 30,543.00	\$ 10,436.46	34.2
Cal-Korean	\$ 3,876.00	\$ 1,200.00	31.0
Foothills	\$ 3,030.00	\$ 650.00	21.5
Edm-South	\$ 34,760.00	\$ 7,434.90	21.4
Cal-Bridgeland	\$ 11,800.00	\$ 1,900.00	16.1
Edm-Clareview	\$ 6,266.00	\$ 852.69	13.6
Cal-Forest Heights	\$ 6,772.00	\$ 703.00	10.4
Drumheller	\$ 6,720.00	\$ 417.00	6.2
Edson	\$ 8,845.00	\$ 512.11	5.8
Northern Lights	\$ 3,315.00	\$ 23.20	0.7
Red Deer NW	\$ 3,151.00	\$ 13.00	0.4
Edm-West	\$ 19,400.00	\$ 37.80	0.2
Maskwachees	\$ 1,130.00	\$ 0.00	0.0
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$ 900,000.00	\$ 568,873.41	63.2



Project C.U.C Debit Summary

Original Debt	\$900,000.00
Less: Donations Received	(568,746.87)
	331,253.13
Add: Interest Costs	58,818.39
Less: CUC Op. App. Decr. 1.5%	(143,863.53)
Less: Other Conference Funds	(23,803.62)
Closing Deficit - Nov. 21, 1988	\$222,404.37

Reaching out...

...to the Native Indians

Exciting developments are taking place within hitherto unreached people groups in the North American Division which makes it most important for the Seventh-day Adventist Church to reach out in a significant way.

The Native Indian people have become disillusioned and dissatisfied with the way they have lived since they were placed on reservations and they are looking for more out of life. Although spirit worship is still a part of their culture, they have learned that the Christian lifestyle has answers to their frustrations.

The Adventist educational system is appealing since it provides both academic and vocational training as well as high moral principles and a healthy lifestyle. More and more Native parents are seeing the need to have their

children in this type of environment. Several other denominations have well-established, well-funded schools in the reservations.

There are only two Native Canadian schools operated by the Seventh-day Adventists. These schools, both located in Hobbema, do provide the right environment for Christian education. Since they opened their doors, they have brought help and hope to young Native Canadians. The enrollment in these two schools is currently higher than it has been in any past year. Some of its former students are currently attending Canadian Union College.

The Native Ministries Department of the Alberta Conference solicits your intercessory prayer on behalf of our Native schools and the teachers.

ALBERTA CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP "NET GROWTH" REPORT

End of 1986: 6956
End of 1987: 6955
To end of 3rd
qtr. 1988: 7044



...to Families

A recent study prepared for the North American Division by questioning "focus groups" outside of the Adventist church has indicated that "almost all respondents are attached to their religion not because of doctrine but because of 'family tradition' or social 'fellowship.'" The study concludes by stating that "Americans are far most receptive to messages emphasizing 'lifestyle' concerns (family, caring, youth, and openness to all types of people) than to strictly doctrinal messages."

This study creates an exciting new opportunity for Family Mini-

stries throughout our communities. The doors are open to a message shared from a "family/caring" perspective. Seminars such as "Positive Parenting," "Family Success," Dobson video series, "How to Really Love Your Teenager," Stress Control, "Time and Priority Management," "The Family Seminar," "Marriage Commitment," etc. are tools which can be used very effectively in reaching our communities. People are looking for a church that cares (not in name only) and really attempts to meet the needs of a society that is hurting.

Resources such as those mentioned above are available from the conference office family life department, but more than just resources there needs to be a commitment at each church to look for ways of reaching, touching, empathizing with our world. "And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things."

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

March 17 - 19

Apply early as space is limited!

If interested in attending contact:
Al and Beth Reimche
c/o Alberta Conference of S.D.A.
Phone: 342-5044

...via Cablevision

The Grande Prairie Church has been privileged to participate in a unique outreach program in 1988. This has come in the form of videotaping programs for the local Northern Cablevision station. In February, a crew was assembled from volunteers in the Grande Prairie Church to serve as director, switcher, cameraman, and floor director. Two different series, Pastor Hessel hosting a program on the Book of Revelation and Denise

Wombold and Dianne Bertold hosting a vegetarian cooking program called "It's Your Life", were taped on Sunday mornings from February to May and are now on the air in Grande Prairie. The programs have been well-received in the community and the church has benefitted from learning how to work together as a team. The church membership was able to participate in the cooking program by donating ingredients for the

recipes and receiving back a completed dish. It was a lot of hard work and fun and took a great deal of personal commitment and dedication. The latest good news is that the vegetarian cooking program will be distributed to ten other communities in Alberta where Northern Cablevision is located. The Lord has indeed greatly blessed this endeavor!

...thru Literature Evangelism



From left to right: Tyler, Pastor Braun, Dionna, Mrs. Kathy Chant during baptism in the Ponoka SDA Church

A sower went out to sow and it happened that some fell by the wayside. . . some fell on stony ground, . . . some among thorns. . . but other fell on good ground and yielded crop . . . But these are the ones sown on good ground, those who hear the word, accept it, and bear fruit. (From Mark 4:3-20).

Literature Ministry is a seed sowing work as the following story indicates:

"It was a day for tears of joy when Pastor Braun buried in Christ Kathy Chant and her two children Tyler and Dionna, to rise in newness of life. It all began with Vacation Bible Schools put on by Ponoka church members several years ago.

Lynden Hawes, a Literature Evangelist working in Ponoka always watches for people interested in Bible studies. When he called on Kathy's home she told him she would like to have someone help her to study the Bible. A short while later he and his wife Liisa returned to go over the Bible Says. Liisa remembers Kathy saying, "I want to believe but I don't know how." Lynden and Liisa talked of their own faith and Kathy read all of the literature they left. When Kathy learned they were Seventh-day Adventists her first memory was of Vacation Bible Schools. However, a few weeks later the family moved to

Delburne.

While there Kathy and the children began attending the Stetler church and a Revelation seminar conducted by Bob Richardson of the Red Deer church. When Kathy and her family moved back to Ponoka in 1988 she began attending the Ponoka church and enrolled Tyler and Dionna in the Woodlands SDA school. Elder Vern Snow's evangelistic meetings in Wetaskiwin this fall were in Kathy's words, "What I needed to get me off the fence."

On Sabbath, October 22, Kathy, Tyler and Dionna were welcomed into fellowship of the Ponoka church family. Our prayers are with you Kathy, your husband Glen, and with you Tyler and Dionna."

The Lord has blessed the literature ministry in Alberta. Last year we set a realistic goal for \$200,000.00 deliveries for 1988. At the end of October, 1988 our L.E.'s have already surpassed that goal by \$3,149.53. Students from CUC have contributed with approximately \$80,000 sales. Presently we have three full-time, one student and twelve part-time L.E.'s working in Alberta. We also had four pastors participating in one of our big weeks this year.

The following figures show sales comparisons for last year and this year:

1987		1988	
Jan-Oct hours	4489	Jan-Oct hours	7955.5
October sales	\$10,625.58	October sales	\$20,137.61
Jan-Oct sales	\$121,822.48	Jan-Oct Sales	\$203,149.53

October 1988 showed an increase in sales of 190%
Jan-Oct 1988 showed an increase in sales of 167%

Youth

Seventy-six Attend Peer Leadership Weekend

Special Guest!

LES CHRISTIE

Youth Minister of Eastside Christian Church of Fullerton, California

Author of: Unsung Heroes - How to Recruit and Train Volunteer Youth Workers; Dating and Waiting - A Christian View of Love, Sex, and Dating; Servant Leaders in the Making - Developing the Leadership Potential in (People) Youth; Getting a Grip on Time Management - Finding Time for Effective Youth Ministry.

Les Christie's youth group made the exciting films **KEVIN CAN WAIT** and **NEVER ASHAMED!**

Christie's seminars include:

1. NEVER BORING
- Keys to communicating effectively with youth
2. DEVELOPING LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL IN YOUTH
- Motivating young people
3. DISCIPLINE IN YOUTH MINISTRY
- Working with rude, obnoxious, apathetic youth
4. GETTING A GRIP ON TIME MANAGEMENT
5. RECRUITING-TRAINING-KEEPING AND OCCASIONALLY RETIRING VOLUNTEER WORKERS
6. HOW TO REACH UNCHURCHED YOUTH
7. HOW TO TEACH LOVE, SEX, AND DATING



In addition:
Some very special workshops for **PATHFINDER LEADERS!**

YOUTH/PATHFINDER AND HEALTH/TEMPERANCE CONVENTION January 27-29, 1989 Foothills Camp

Special Guest!

STOY PROCTOR

North American Division Health/Tempérance Director
Author of Breathe Free Program

Proctor's seminar's include:

1. BREATHE FREE MODIFICATION
2. SO YOU'RE A NEW HEALTH/TEMPERANCE LEADER!
3. THE LATEST IN HEALTH/TEMPERANCE MINISTRIES
4. HEALTH/TEMPERANCE RESOURCES
5. HEALTH/TEMPERANCE LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATION

To register: Phone 342-5044 VISA/MC accepted by phone
Mail cheque to: Alberta Conference of SDA
Box 5007
Red Deer, AB. T4N 6A1

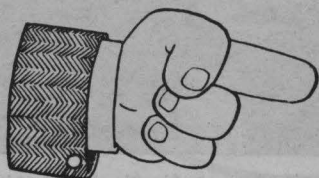
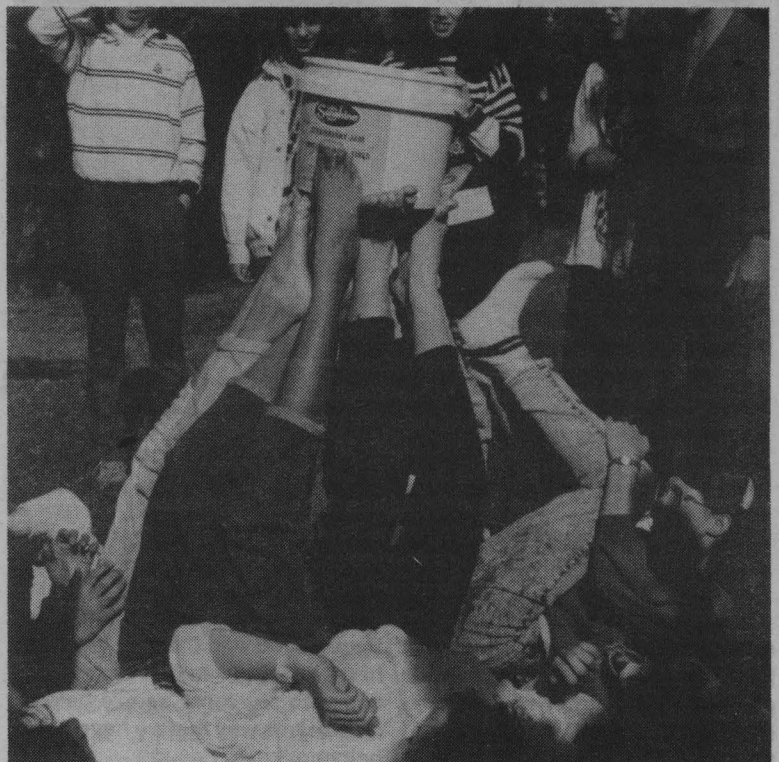
Cost: \$35 if registration paid by December 23
\$40 if registration paid by January 10
\$45 if registration paid at convention



DON'T MISS!



How to say "No" to peer pressure, developing self-worth, initiative games, being a spiritual leader - all these topics captured the minds and hearts of 76 students and teachers from Winnipeg to Peoria-Smoky at Foothills Camp October 13-15.



**Plan NOW to join the fun at the YOUTH RALLY
to be held March 11, 1989 - Calgary Jubilee Auditorium**

Spanish Church Organizes

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ceremony afterward, in which 14 new members were united with the church (in a future article we will share the inspiring story of one of those baptized on this occasion).

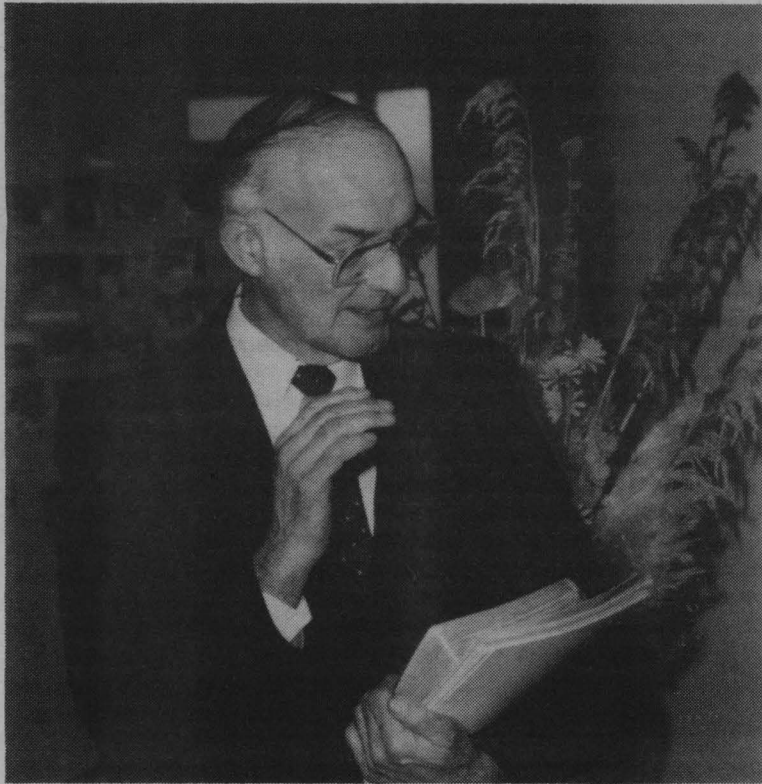
We cannot neglect to mention the excellent media support received. This came in the form of the personal presence of one of the editors of the Edmonton Journal; a column in said paper about the work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church; television channel 10 announcing the upcoming celebration for an entire week beforehand; and Dr. Schulz participating in a lengthy radio interview.

In a letter received a few days after the ceremony, Rod Ziegler, one of the editors of Edmonton's most respected newspaper, wrote the following: "...What I did see and hear I found most impressive. Clearly, the commitment of members of your congregation to the work of your church can only en-

sure the Spanish Seventh-day Adventist church grows and prospers."

All can agree that the Lord has blessed this newly born church. As a consequence of these ceremonies the name of our beloved organization is highly respected. For this we must truly thank the Lord. We would like to close this up-to-the-minute report with the words of the song the congregation sang to close the celebration, with the full glory of the pipe organ and trumpet accompaniment adding a festive and distinguished end to the event:

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice;
Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice;
O come to the Father,
Through Jesus the Son;
And give Him the glory,
Great things He hath done.



Elder Joseph Espinosa, of the General Conference, morning speaker at the organization activities.

A Heartfelt Thanks!

"There are no words which can adequately express our deep, heartfelt gratitude for all the love, prayers, and support which have been so abundantly given during the past several weeks. Thanks to you lay persons, pastors, Conference workers, ASI members, and professional people who actually dare to care, we are well on the way to healing and renewal. We especially want to thank everyone who prayed and gave so generously at the October LBM Seminar.

God truly worked a miracle through you and this has given us hope, courage, and a compelling desire to see more people helped in the same way that we have been helped.

Please continue praying for us. With whatever lies ahead we will only be able to face it with ongoing guidance and power from God. We both look forward to a better day - a day which has been made possible by God living and working in you."

Gary and Karen Bartanus

C.A.A.A. WINTER EXTRAVAGANZA

Come one! Come All!

Come, hear and see our new conference secretary, Elder Don King. Come with your health questions and have them answered. Come, share and enjoy the Caribbean sunshine and warmth of God's love as we fellowship together in the warm and cozy confines of the lodge at Foothills Camp. Bring your family and share the fellowship of our family. Join us as we say farewell to 1988 and usher in 1989, Caribbean style, and have your soul watered and fed with messages from on high in a most dynamic and unforgettable way. Miss this feast and you'll be sorry. Join us and God will bless you most abundantly.

**See you at Foothills
December 30, 1988
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CUC Singers

Last year the CUC singers introduced a new concept of fund-raising. This concept gave supporters of the choir an opportunity to contribute financially to the choirs' ministry and pursuits. Once again the CUC Singers invite you to become a Patron, Sponsor, or Friend of the choir. An individual will become a Patron by donating \$100 or more, a Sponsor by donating \$50 or more, or a Friend by donating \$25 or more.

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Lots of Action at CHAJA



Airplane ride to culminate spiritual emphasis week at CHAJA. From left to right: Indu Dara, Tanya Werner

There has been a lot of action at College Heights Junior Academy since school opened August 29. A salad supper and orientation for teachers, students, and families was hosted September 6 to provide opportunity to become better acquainted personally and to address educational matters. Other "get-acquainted" activities included a picnic for the grade two class at Michener Park. The grade nine class, having the most new students, shared a wiener roast and watermelon feast with their parents. Twenty-five families became acquainted as they participated in "banana" theme activities.

Friendship Week was the second week of school. Students had a secret friend for the week and endeavored to do something special for their secret friend each day. All secret friends were revealed in the Friendship Circle on the 15th.

The students were privileged to hear Tim Culver from Texas who is involved in prison ministries. Elder Lloyd Janzen led out in our Spiritual Emphasis Week October 3-7. Enthusiasm was generated with his attention devices. The students will remember the hidden dollars in the Bible, the "magic moving dots", and the jug that kept refilling. To conclude the week for grade nine students, he took them for a plane ride which was a most exhilarating experience.

Book Fair Week ended October 21 with many students, parents and community friends making purchases. This service made it possible to add books to our library. Our involvement in the Quality Gift Shoppe fundraising project brought a cumulative profit of \$3000 which will be spent on various class projects. To date, two classes have each bought a microwave for student use. Grade nine has made added funds from the sale of hot lunches at school and by participating in the CUC/PAA Food Fair.

Each class takes turns week by week contributing food and toiletry articles to the local food bank. The Pathfinders collected over 1200 items on Halloween.

Ellen Bell has organized a Thursday night ski program at Canyon for the winter months. Over 170 parents and students have registered.

Dr. Denise Herr coordinated a Heritage Program for the student body on October 27. She involved the talents of parents and other adults who acted the parts of Ellen and James White, Joseph and Priscilla Bates, William Miller, and others. The theme was "Catch the Vision" of those who have led in the past.

We pray that all aspects of our school program will nurture the "harmonious development of the physical, the mental, and the spiritual powers" of each student.



Paul, Keith, and Bernice Leavitt playing the part of inviting William Miller to come preach about the prophecies he had been studying.

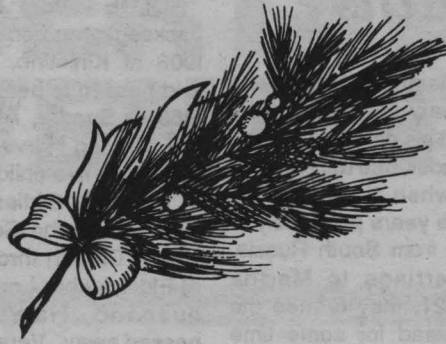
Adventist Singles Ministries



What a marvelous time was had by all at the Annual Fall Retreat held at Hope, B.C. on October 7-9. Even the weather cooperated by providing the most beautiful Indian summer weekend in such a majestic setting surrounded by mountains and warm, sunny autumn smells in the air. Singles attended this weekend from many places in the United States and western Canada, coming to partake in the great fellowship and rich spiritual food.

The guest speaker for the weekend was Dr. Joseph Barnes, teacher and psychologist from Walla Walla College. He provided spiritually stimulating food while he challenged each mind and shared his wonderful sense of humor.

The weekend was full of activities, from a diversified display of talent on Saturday night to volleyball, ping-pong, whirlpool, and table games. On Sunday there was a choice of five different activities to take part in - a six hour hike, a trip to Harrison Hot Springs, a hike down "Hell's Gate", a stroll along a river, or an easy walk through the railway tunnels. An intriguing travelogue on Palestine was presented by Eugene Bonas and Jacob Schellenberg on Sunday evening. There were many spontaneous and rousing sing-alongs and the chitchat and fellowship by the fire was enjoyed by all. It was another wonderful retreat and after saying goodbye to both old and new friends, everyone left for their homes with many new and happy memories to savor.



Education Search Committee Seeks Superintendent

The Alberta Conference is looking for a SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION. If you are interested in the position or know someone who may be suitable, please send a resume or information about a candidate to:

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The ASM weekend in Lacombe November 11-13 was also a great success with singles coming from as far away as North Dakota to join in a time of fellowship and fun. The Lacombe ASM and the Lacombe Community Church hosted the group, beginning with a Friday evening of getting acquainted with new faces, renewing old friendships, hot food, a heart-touching devotional, and a spirit-lifting hymn-sing accompanied by guitar and piano.

Sabbath morning saw the group together once again for a special Sabbath School and Church service put on by Liz Seeley and Marilyn Page. Thanks to George Haines for his special music. Following a fellowship dinner, more music and testimonies filled the remainder of the day. President Ed Desjarlais brought tears to many eyes by his touching testimony.

We know Ed's faith never falters, and he always comes up smiling.

On Saturday evening a vegetarian dinner in a downtown restaurant was a treat for all. This was followed by an unrehearsed talent show that was enjoyed as much by the participants as the audience.

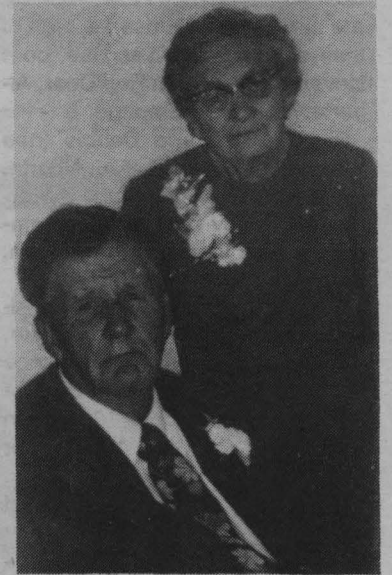
A pancake breakfast and discussion on the future of ASM in Alberta was held on Sunday morning. The group then said goodbye and went to various places, such as West Edmonton Mall, bowling, and some simply home.

Thanks to the executive who put this weekend together, and special thanks to everyone who took time to come, making this event a special blessing.

Two Couples Celebrate 50th



Peter and Anne Samograd of Vegreville celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on August 14, 1988. They were honored with a catered buffet dinner. Their children, brothers, sisters, family, and guests came to share in the joy of the event and wish them God's blessings and continued happiness.



Russel and Aural Fitch of Sylvan Lake celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on June 26, 1988 not far from where they were married 50 years ago in Bentley. Family and relatives hosted them to a banquet dinner after which friends new and old joined and wish them many more years of happiness.

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C.A.A.A. - A Message From the President

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell in unity. Psalm 133:1

September 1988 was one year since I assumed the presidency of this organization. Many things have happened since then, and the Caribbean Association has been involved in many things.

As we approach the festive season, the final year in this decade, and go into the second year of my presidency, I take this opportunity to thank the members of the association for the privilege you have afforded me of serving you.

I would also like to thank the members of our executive committee who have worked with me to bring about our achievements. In

addition, I thank all of those people who have supported and helped us in any way, as well as those who offered words of advice, support, encouragement, and kindness.

Finally, I thank our Conference president, Elder Corkum and his administration for their help and support, particularly the use of the Conference office for our executive meetings. I must also thank Dr. Ganson and Elder Leavitt at CUC, Pastor Richard Warman, Rudy James, Roy Jamieson, and Chris Kinman for affording me the privilege of sharing their pulpits. Together, brethren, we can live, love, work, and fellowship, and lead men and women to a saving knowledge of Jesus our Saviour. Will you please join me?

In closing, I would like to thank all who joined us for our retreat in September. If you want to have more of the same and better, join us at Foothills Camp December 30 to January 2. Come and hear our new Conference Secretary, Elder Don King. It is an experience you won't want to miss, and will long remember.

We look forward to seeing you there and trust that this festive season will bring you all you need, and above all, everything that God desires of you.

Thank you and God bless.
Yours in Christian service,
Wallace Cyrus, President CAAA

Births

BELL - Bruce and Darla (nee Schram) of Sylvan Lake, Alberta, are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Melissa Rae, born November 9, 1988 in Red Deer, Alberta. A sister for Daphne.

BELL - Stan and Debbie (nee Warner) of Sylvan Lake, Alberta, are delighted to announce the arrival of Lindsey Tess, born September 14, 1988 in Red Deer, Alberta. A sister for Nicole and Lance.

HODDER - Pastor Gary and Almyra (nee Murley) of Sylvan Lake, Alberta are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Natasha Leanne, born October 10, 1988 in Red Deer, Alberta. A sister for Shawn.

HOFFMAN - Darcy and Carol (nee Potorieko) Hoffman are happy to announce the birth of Sage Roseanne on September 27, 1988, in Red Deer, Alberta. A sister for Shauntelle.

JACKSON - Dave and Twyla (nee Kiehlbauch) are pleased to announce the birth of their firstborn son, Daniel James, born September 30, 1988 at Ridgecrest, California.

McCARTY - Linden and Marilyn (nee Troop) are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Colby Douglas on August 23, 1988 at Lacombe, Alberta. A brother for Lee.

RAGENOVICH - Alex and Eldene (nee Kiehlbauch) are pleased to announce the birth of their third daughter, Alexis Erin, born July 22, 1988 in Billings, Montana.

ROQUE - Born to Misael (Dave) and Evelyn (nee Concengo), a baby boy on September 13, 1988 at the Lethbridge Regional Hospital. Adrian Izaak weighed eight pounds. Dave and Evelyn thank their Lord for Izaak's safe arrival.

Weddings

TOMS - KIEHLBAUCH

Sandra Kiehlbauch, daughter of Adolf and Caroline Kiehlbauch, was united in marriage to James Toms on June 5, 1988 at the Bethany Atrium in Calgary. Following their honeymoon in SE Asia, they spent three weeks doing volunteer work with ADRA in the Philippines. They make their home in Calgary, Alberta.

KIEHLBAUCH - VON DORPOWSKI Adolf and Caroline Kiehlbauch are pleased to announce the September 4, 1988 marriage of their only son Milton to Angela von Dorpowski, daughter of Dr. Horst and Ruth von Dorpowski of State College, Pennsylvania. We thank the Lord for His protecting hand over their honeymoon in Cozumel during the rage of Hurricane Gilbert. Milton and Angela make their home in North Vancouver, B.C.

ANDERSON - Grace Esther Anderson, beloved wife of Oscar Norman Anderson, passed away quietly in her sleep September 14, 1988, at the age of 91 years in Lethbridge, Alberta.

Born November 15, 1896 at Thief River Falls, Minnesota, the former Grace Benston married Oscar Anderson on March 23, 1918. They lived in Lethbridge for a short while and then moved to Aden where they operated the General Store and Post Office in Aden for twelve years. Oscar and Grace returned to Lethbridge in 1953. It was here Grace joined her husband in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. During the last few years before her death, she had to deal with blindness, but always appreciated the singing groups that visited from the church on occasion.

Besides her loving husband, Oscar, Grace is survived by one daughter, Marie (Mrs. Ted Smith), of Lethbridge; one brother, Mr. Clarence Benston, of Thief River Falls, Minnesota; three grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and three nieces.

Grace will be remembered as a loving wife, a dear mother, and a fond friend and neighbor. She was always sociable and enjoyed visits and visiting. She made others feel so warm by remembering them after just one visit.

Her memory will be cherished by her family and friends as they remember her kindness, sense of humor, and positive attitude toward life. The funeral service was officiated by Pastor Jim Burgess. Interment followed at the Lethbridge Mountain View Cemetery.

JOSEPH - Elbert Ellsworth Joseph, Jr. was born August 25, 1978 in Toronto, Ontario. He died at Innisfail, Alberta early in the morning of September 5, 1988 at the age of ten. Elbert lived in Toronto with his parents until he was seven years old. In August of 1985 he and his family moved to College Heights, Alberta where his father is training for the ministry. At the time of his death, Elbert was a student in grade 5 at the College Heights Adventist Junior Academy. Left to mourn his untimely death are his loving parents, Elbert Ellsworth Joseph, Sr. and Eurice Joseph, his younger brother Qerlos and his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Joseph, and his aunts, uncles, and numerous cousins. Elbert will also be greatly missed by his grade five classmates and many friends. The funeral service, which was conducted by Elders Warren Trenchard, Rudy James, and Clarence Baptiste, was held in the College Heights Church. Elbert was interred at the Lacombe Fairview Cemetery where he will sleep in Christ until the great resurrection day.

Deaths

BADER - Reinhold Bader was born on January 26, 1897 in the sod home that his parents, Joseph and Louise Bader, had built on their homestead when they had immigrated three years previously to North Dakota from South Russia. After his marriage to Martha Mueller in 1921, they farmed the family homestead for some time before emigrating to Hilda, Alberta in the spring of 1929. One year later they moved to the Richmond, Saskatchewan area where they farmed for fifteen years. It was during this time that Reinhold and Martha decided to dedicate their lives to God and joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church. It was a decision that was held firmly through the remainder of his life. In every place that he lived he supported his local church by filling various duties as he was needed, and even occasionally preached for the Sabbath worship service.

Before retiring to the town of Lacombe, Alberta in 1962, Reinhold and Martha farmed in Acme, Beiseker, Mirror, and Rimbey districts. Besides farming, Reinhold enjoyed carpentry tools, music, and singing and having his family spend time together. On September 26, Reinhold passed away at the Lacombe Community Health Care Centre. He longed and prayed daily that the reunion day when Jesus would come would include his family and many friends who touched his life. He was predeceased by an infant son and daughter, two brothers, seven sisters, and his son, Levi. Mourning a great loss and cherishing the memory of their loved one are his devoted wife, Martha; his daughters: Virginia Fleck of Walla Walla, Washington; Marion and Irvine Anderst of Acadia Valley, Alberta; Jennifer Campbell of Williams Lake, B.C.; Sylvia Wells of Ponoka, Alberta; Belinda Bader of Lacombe, Alberta; his daughter-in-law, Joan Bader of Sherwood Park, Alberta; his eighteen grandchildren and twenty-two great grandchildren; one sister, Emma McElhinney of Mt. Mesa, California; and numerous nieces and nephews along with a host of other relatives and friends. He was laid to rest in the Alto Reste Memorial Gardens in Red Deer to wait till the glorious resurrection morning. Pastors Henry Bartsch and Roy Dubyna officiated.



HOLDE - Vera Elizabeth (nee Jackson) was born November 19, 1906 at Kinistino, Saskatchewan and passed to her rest August 31, 1988 at Sundre, Alberta. In 1928 she married Harvey Jones and to this union five children were born. In the early thirties they became members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church through the efforts of Elder Luther Long. In 1936, her husband, Harvey, suddenly passed away. Vera was a devoted Christian and mother and through the years faithfully attended campmeetings with her small children. These times still hold happy memories for her family. In 1956 she married George Holde. They will be fondly remembered by many as caretakers of the SDA camp at Canmore, Alberta. They retired in Rutland, B.C. where George passed away in 1979. Vera spent her later years in Sundre and at the Sherwood Park Nursing Home.

She is lovingly remembered by her family Marion (Bev) Evans, Beryl (Russell) Cherepuschak, Vernon (Betty) Jones, Blair (Judy) Jones, Gordon (Madeline) Jones, 25 grandchildren, 40 great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren, and many other loved ones and friends.

Funeral services were held in the Olds SDA Church where words of comfort were spoken by Pastor Bill Wigley and Pastor Norman Manweiler. Vera was laid to rest in the Sundre Cemetery where she awaits the return of her Saviour.

RIPPINGTON - Helen (Knutson) Rippington was born in Badger, Minnesota on June 23, 1904 and passed to her rest at the Lacombe Hospital on July 29, 1988 at the age of 84 years. Helen arrived at the College Heights "Hilltop" in the year 1910. She was the youngest daughter of Halvor and Telvina Knutson. Her three sisters were May, Hazel, and Myrtle.

Helen found great satisfaction in serving her church. She attended the church on the hilltop for 78 years - which must be something of a record for church attendance. She was a faithful supporter of the College, the Home-maker's Club, the Dorcas Society, and the Club of 100. Following her marriage to Charles Rippington in 1933, Helen distinguished herself as an able seamstress and landscape designer. She will be long remembered for her sincerity and depth of understanding she had for people around her.

Helen was predeceased by her parents, her three sisters, and her husband. She is survived by three nieces and three nephews. Funeral services were held at Wilson's Funeral Chapel in Lacombe, Alberta with Pastors Don Corkum and Roy Dubyna officiating. Helen often expressed hope in the soon return of Jesus. She was laid to rest in the Fairview Cemetery in Lacombe to wait until the resurrection morning.

BADER - On May 4, 1988, Levi Lester Bader of Sherwood Park, Alberta passed away at the age of 63 years. He is survived by his wife, Joan; two sons, Warren and Everett; two daughters, Linda Gertz and Gwen; three grandchildren, Kendra, Jana, and Kevin; his parents, and five sisters. He was predeceased by one son, Leon.

Funeral services were held on May 9 at the Sherwood Park Seventh-day Adventist Church with Pastor Mark Laws officiating. Interment followed at Glenwood Memorial Gardens in Sherwood Park.

Levi laboured in many ways for his Lord. He was a caring father and friend. His greatest joy was found in the love of Jesus, His soon return, and the blessed hope of resurrection.

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