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Opening Comments

LEARNING TO LOVE

A s the world becomes increasingly interested in international relations, Southern College students and faculty are being prepared for culturally integrated lives. Here, the world-encompassing diversity of the student body, overseas experiences and backgrounds of the faculty, and on-campus international organizations provide a wealth of opportunities to learn about other cultures.

Although the change is happening slowly, we are learning to respect and appreciate our differences. Southern College is like a special seasoning salt. Each spice is unique and comes from a different plant. Yet, when the individual flavors come together, they complement each other and create a powerful and distinctive blend.

This special issue of SOUTHERN COLUMNS has given us, students of Dr. Lynn Sauls in his Magazine and Feature Article Writing class, an opportunity to share with you a few of Southern's most memorable international stories, and to show that, regardless of race or cultural background, we are all children of the living God.

> Alicia Goree Student Editor

WHERE WE GO FROM HERE

B rainstorming the future of Adventist education, Adventist education at Southern College in particular: This was the agenda for more than two dozen trustees and a half dozen administrators when we met at Cohutta Springs Adventist Center for three days in February. On Sabbath we were joined by the faculty of the Religion Department for a refreshing time of devotion and a look at the future of the college in the context of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

l found it to be a most encouraging time. While some other colleges talk basic survival, we found ourselves exploring ways to reach out in wider ministry. We explored choices for change that could perhaps increase efficiency, lower cost, improve programs, or enhance services for students. We recognized the necessity of change in a changing environment. "Change is required for survival, but change must be made in the context of mission," Malcolm Gordon, our board chairman, reminded us. And our facilitator, Dr. Ed Wright, pointed out that change brings incredible risk. We can lose it all if we change the wrong things.

Here at Southern, as we nudge students to explore the world of ideas, we must continue to approach that world within the framework of belief. Education may very well be, as Alvin Toffler has said, "a major way of anticipating change." But at the same time, Christian education builds on the unchanging principles of God's kingdom.

> Donald R. Sahly President

COVER: Representing the cultural integration at Southern College are students Scott Baker, Delton Chen, Becky Pike, Rick Thongs, and Sonia Perez. Photo by Grady Sapp.



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GLIMPSES OF EUROPE

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An Alp here, an opera there; a cathedral here, a prison camp there; a leaning tower of Pisa here . . . OK, you get the drift. It's a combination of fun and serious learning known as the Southern College European Study Tour. From June 25 to July 24, 1994, 24 students, faculty sponsors, and alumni toured Europe on the ninth trip of its kind since the semiannual tours began in 1982.

"It's basically a trip for those who have never been to Europe," says Dr. Bill Wohlers, who began the regular study tour prior to his move from the History Department to the Student Services vice presidency. Not only that, the trip provides college credit in history, if arranged, which gives the student background to the sights.

Varying slightly from year to year, the trip encompassed France, the Netherlands, Germany, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, and Belgium. To obtain credit hours the students read books, prepared outlines, and kept a journal of events and information. "It's an academically oriented trip," says Wohlers. "We give legitimate college credit."

The group toured famous sights such as Notre Dame, the Eiffel Tower, Colloseum, Corrie ten Boom's house, the Dachau prison camp, and Versailles. But they did not go strictly to famous or "touristy" areas. Explains Wohlers, "We stayed away from some of the most touristic cities." He focused on areas of historical and cultural importance rather than just neat gift shops such as the last stop of the trip in Brugge, Belgium. Due to its economic

importance in the Middle Ages, he takes groups to Brugge rather than to Brussels. "It's a combination of history and ambiance," says Wohlers.

Some travelers appreciated the finer things in life . . . like food. "I liked the waffles in Belgium," says Junior Heidi Aasheim. "You could buy them anywhere. They were yummy."

The group traveled by train which, according to Wohlers, is the most economical, interesting, and efficient way to travel. Senior Alyssa McCurdy says "It was neat sleeping on trains, because when you woke up you were in another country."

The trip taught more than history and facts. "Each country is like a totally different world with a different language, a different culture," says McCurdy.

"Instead of just reading about European history, I got to see and experience it," says Brandon Bryan, sophomore. "I got left behind in the Austrian Alps, so while I was waiting for everybody, I watched people," says Bryan.

Wohlers views the trip of '94 as a success and is planning another in '96. Wohlers' wife accompanies him and though some might see it as a great vacation opportunity, Wohlers says it's a lot of hard work. There are papers to grade, a curriculum to plan, and over 20 people to keep punctual and headed in the right direction. But he views it as the Wohlers' contribution to Southern and says the benefits outweigh the disadvantages. And it must not have been too much of a sacrifice. "Every city we went to," says Bryan, "Wohlers had to find the best *gelati* (ice cream) store."

Ed. Note: On May 9 Ed Lamb, Behavioral Science Department chair, and a group of seven students departed on a study tour to nine European countries.



t was a hot and balmy Sunday when John Appel boarded the *Luzeiro XXI*. This small wooden boat, with its clean white and baby-blue paint, is one of several "Light-bearer" medical launches which serve the islands of the Amazon Delta. John's companions were two other Student Missionaries from Southern College—nurses Marci Williams and Jill Sasser (now Schlisner), and a Portuguese pastor.

As the *Luzerro* got under way from Manaus, Brazil, John set down his belongings, a backpack with only the necessities: toiletries, a camera, medical books, stethoscope, a few t-shirts, long-pant scrubs (they were for church), and his Bible. He wore his other change of clothes, a pair of green faded cut-off scrubs, and a baseball cap.

When John, a two-year nursing graduate from Southern and a native of Florida, made the decision to go as a Student Missionary to Brazil, he didn't know what to expect. Now, as John stood on the bow of the *Luzeiro XXI*, looking out over the Amazon River, his future experience still seemed uncertain, but not scary. He was still too much in awe of his unique surtoundings to worry about homesickness or fear.

Once out of the city, John found jungle reaching to the edge of the Amazon. He viewed dense green mazes of vines, tall grass, and trees. Monkeys played in their branches. There were anacondas, parrots, crocodiles, boas, and even dolphins that became John's nearest neighbors over the next ten months.

From July through April, John would be a dentist, a nurse, a doctor, an evangelist, and a friend to the people in the villages along the river. A typical day for the passengers of the *Luzeiro* began at the break of dawn. Every morning John would roll out of his hammock and have a breakfast of eggs and bread, and finish just in time to meet the lines of people needing medical care. "The word spread fast that we were here to help," remembers John. "Some even came to us in cances from farther down the river."

unior English Major

The villages of small thatched roof huts averaged 250 residents. The villagers had limited hygiene and no education, so foreign help was a welcomed luxury.

"J didn't realize how uneducated the people were until one day, a lady brought her son to me for medication," John recalls. "The people love medicine. They tried to find things to take medicine for. When I asked the lady why her son needed medicine, she said, 'because he's stupid.' I tried not to laugh, because she really was sincere."

Not all of John's patients were easily remedied. One such case came, unexpected, one afternoon as the *Luzeiro* glided down the tiver on its way to another village. A man paddled up to them in his canoe and spoke in a frantic native tongue. jolted. John heard a crash as he tumbled to the floor.

"I was scared. We couldn't see anything. I heard people shouting. We had hit another boat, but we couldn't see them. Isaiah, the captain, was thrown out of the boat. He didn't swim, so I jumped in and helped him back on deck. There was a

illagers in the Amazon Delta islands

John, the other two nurses, and the pastor followed the man to his little hut nestled alone on a hill beside the river. His wife was in labor and the baby was breech. John helped the woman to the boat and they took her down the river to the nearest city, 12 hours away.

"I was really impressed at how well the women handled pain. Handled everything. They worked all day long, watching over countless numbers of children, while the men went fishing for their meals. If they didn't catch anything, then there wasn't any dinner. That's the way they lived."

The people survive on less than the necessities. "They didn't have any luxuries like Americans do," says John. "One of the little boys who came to me for treatment looked at my hat the whole time he was on the boat. When he was leaving, I gave it to him. I knew he probably would appreciate it more than I did."

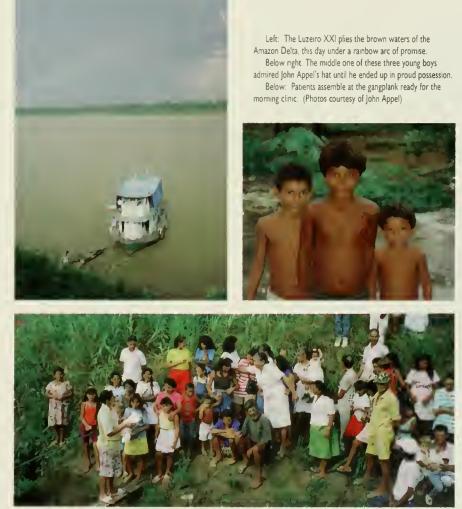
After long days of doctoring, meeting the people's physical needs, John and his fellow missionary friends reached out to touch the spiritual needs as well. They held meetings each night of their weeklong stay at a village. And finally after the last few villagers were gone, John and the others would settle down in their hammocks and cover themselves with their mosquito nets for a night's rest.

One dark night didn't end so peacefully for John. It was during two months when John was the only nurse on board that the accident happened. John had settled in for the night. The *Luzeiro* had no lights on board, so the captain was "feeling" his way down the river. Without warning, the boat huge hole in the side of the boat. I was scared we were going to sink. Somehow, we made it to a city where we could get repairs," says John.

"That wasn't the only time God answered our prayers for help." John pauses. "I realized He was the most important instrument we had." John is quiet now as he thinks back to his last day on the river. He sat on the roof of the boat, one of his favorite places to go and be alone, and he looked out over the land that had become his life and the river that had become his home, and he was sad to leave.

"I know I'll probably never be able to return to the Amazon," says John, "but it will always be a good memory. It was worth it. I'm glad I went."

Like John, many others at Southern have answered the call to go beyond our world of comfort and bring light into darkened lives. And at this very moment, as John tells his story, six other Student Missionaties from Southern College—Ryan Anderson, Becky Byers, Jay Facundus, Karen Phillips, Jimmy Spilovoy, and Gary Sundin—have taken up the *Luzeiro* mission.





ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATOR VALUES TRAVEL

BEYOND OUR SHORES

by Julie Tillman Junior Public Relations Major

On a table in his office is a set of nesting dolls, each doll the image of a Russian leader. The dolls are progressively smaller so that they fit inside each other. He says he picked them up in Moscow. The biggest is painted as Boris Yeltsin and others are Gorbachev, Brechnev, Stalin, and Lenin.

Next to the nesting dolls is a child's toy of red, yellow and blue pieces that stack on a rod. When put together it resembles the Spasky Tower in Red Square, Moscow.

Dr. Floyd Greenleaf, vice president for academic administration, says that he and his wife don't spend a lot on souvenirs. "We do try and get a bell from every country we visit. My wife has a bell collection and it's a nice way to add to it. Once, while we were visiting Spain, we made a quick trip to Gibraltar. They have a colony of monkeys that live over the town in the trees. So we got a bell that had a monkey on it. When we get a bell, we try to get one that is unique to the country we visited."

"I'm not sure I'm the one you should be interviewing," Greenleaf says as we sit down. "There are so many other teachers who have traveled much more than I have." While that may be true, Greenleaf's travels to 36 different countries are nothing to laugh at. Southern College encourages the faculty and staff to travel.

"It is very educational, and it helps to broaden our horizons," he explains. "It helps us to see the diversity in the world."

Some have been pleasure trips, others have been with Southern-sponsored tours such as the 1989 orchestra trip to Greece. He's also spent a lot of time in Mexico.

During his doctoral studies, he became interested in the Mexican Revolution and chose the topic of Mexican foreign policy for his dissertation. He traveled to Mexico City and did research at the Foreign Ministry. He tells of one time he talked to a college girl on the trolley. "She was a very opinionated young lady. She was studying an Italian textbook. I asked if she spoke Italian and we got into a rather animated discussion. She began telling her thoughts and attitudes on Mexican/American relations. She said, 'It's not the people we don't get along with, it's the governmental policies.'

"Her statement really made an impression on me. I found it very interesting that she was able to deal with individuals instead of governments. Not everybody is able to do that. She was very frank and open—very unapologetic for her views."

Although Dr. Greenleaf claims he isn't fluent in Spanish, when I asked what language he and the young lady used in their conversation I discovered it was Spanish.

Once while he and his wife were on vacation in Europe, his wife commented that ever since she was a little girl she had wanted to see the Swiss Alps. "So," he says, "we decided to go see the Swiss Alps. We found a gondola to take us to the top of the mountain. At the top was a small village. They didn't have cars. There were wide paved sidewalks instead of roads.

"As I was taking a picture of my wife against the backdrop of the Alps, a lady came along and offered to take a picture of us together. We gave her the camera and she took the picture. After that, the three of us started talking. She spoke perfect English. She asked if we would like to see her house so we could see how people in the Alps lived. We agreed. She took us to her house and showed us every nook and cranny. North Africa 1991

Bermuda 1993



"We discovered that she was a language teacher in another part of Switzerland. When she was not teaching she would go to her house in the Alps. She had grown up there and considered it her home.

"She was so proud to show us het house and het village. As we walked down the hillside to meet the gondola, we heard someone calling out. We didn't turn around because we didn't think anyone would be calling us. However, the calling continued, and we finally looked back. We saw the lady we had just met. She was standing on her balcony waving goodbye."

Greenleaf says when they're on vacation they travel without advance reservations. "We just wander around," he says with a smile. With few exceptions, they've always had a nice place to stay.

"The first time we went to Germany, we stayed at a bed and breakfast inn. It had the most wonderful goose-down comforter," he says. "The weather was quite cool, and the comforter was fluffy and big. It took very little time after crawling under one of those things before we were all toasty warm. Every place we stayed in Germany had a featherbed."

Another fun thing for the Greenleafs to discover is food. "Food is always such an interesting cultural thing. Some say that in order to eat food in foreign countries, you need 'nerves of steel and a cast iron stomach,' " he laughs. "In a lot of places, the food is quite different, and you'd hetter he ready for some interesting changes. In Europe the pastries are nice and in Latin America there's such a variety of fruit. Of course there are certain foods you can find nearly everywhere, such as pizza and french fries. Part of the fun of traveling is the food."

When asked which country is his favorite, he rubbed his chin, thought for a moment, then sighed. "I don't know. You remember different places for different reasons. As far as sheer enjoyment, Switzerland is as satisfying as thete's ever been. As far as seeing exciting things, I've seen some very exciting things in Europe and Latin America. The old Indian ruins in Mexico and Peru were very exciting to me. I'll never forget some of the natural wonders such as the Andes Mountains and the great Iguazu Falls on the border of Brazil and Argentina. In Europe, there was the beauty of the Swiss countryside, the Alps.

"I visited Russia after the Communist fall. It is one of my favorite memories. These Russians were the people that as a teenager I had been taught were my enemies. I was told 'if we don't get them first they'll get us.' Now, years later, I was visiting with them. On Friday night at the Zaokski Seminary we worshipped together. It was moving to experience a brotherhood with these people. I really felt close to the Russian Adventists."

Just as Greenleaf's Russian dolls show the progression of leaders, Greenleaf's experiences show the progression of interpersonal relations with the Russian people.

"I realized that no matter what our nationality," says Greenleaf, "we are all one human family. We all belong to the Lord." •

SOUTHERN IS PEOPLE

Mari-Carmen Gallego

Once upon a time, a young girl named María del Carmen Gallego [pronounced gah-yay-go] Arandilla left her home in Spain to attend school at Collonges, France. She didn't speak French. She went because it was the only way to finish her theology degree. Gallego grew up in a non-Adventist home in Bilbao, Spain. She began learning English in the sixth grade and continued English classes through her senior year. During her sophomore year in high school, she began attending a Seventh-day Adventist church with a school friend. At Christmas of her senior year, she was baptized.

"My parents and family weren't thrilled about my decision, but they accepted it," she says. "After a while, they were pleased to see how determined I was to attend an Adventist college." In Spain, most schools are public, so students don't need to work in the summers. "They just party, sleep in, and give their parents a pain in the neck," she says with a smile.

"But I was supporting myself and going to school—that's really unusual in Spain," says Gallego. She earned enough money to attend the Adventist college in Sagunto.



"I chose theology because I wanted to work for the church.

My original plan was to go to Africa as a missionary." After graduating at Collonges, she felt she wasn't ready to be a missionary.

"I decided to come to the States to get my master's in French," she says. She also finished a Spanish minor at Andrews University. The new graduate began work at Broadview Academy as assistant dean and French, Spanish, Bible, and math teacher. Two years later, in 1992, she was invited to teach modern languages at Southern.

After living in three different countries, Gallego has found that "People are so much more open-minded here. In Europe, there's the attitude, 'if it's good enough for my parents, it's good enough for me.' I find that frustrating."

Gallego is partial to the U.S. "I enjoy life here. Everything is much more convenient." There are also things that really annoy her about the U.S. "I think that everybody has gotten carried away with lawsuits. I'm all for freedom and rights, but it's gotten to the point that you have to be really careful so that you don't offend anyone."

Gallego has settled very well into life in Collegedale and is deciding whether or not to become an American citizen.



EUROPE 101

by Jennifer Schmidt Senior English Major

A composite of the experiences and perceptions of Southern College students who have enrolled in the Adventist Colleges Abroad program. These students spent a year learning a foreign language at the Adventist college in either Bogenhofen, Austria; Collonges, France; or Sagunto, Spain.

The light shining through the stained glass window slurred Mr. Rudi's figure as he approached the first students. Since Joe's family name started with Z, he was the last student in line. Crossing borders and oceans didn't change *everything*.

It was June. Graduation. From his inthe-corner vantage point, Joe observed the assembled students representing 13 countries and four continents. They'd made an interesting group, but after today, it was time to fly. Mr. Rudi sauntered toward Joe's Ukrainian roommate. Last year, if someone had offered Joe \$100 bucks to provide three facts about the Ukraine, his answer would have run something like "small—in Europe/Asia—women with hairy legs." Now having celebrated Christmas and New Year's with his roommate's family, he felt qualified to write a book on the subject.

His roommate reached out a rough, worn hand to accept his state-stamped certificate. "That makes four," Joe thought. "Four languages to my two." He smiled and shook his head, "and back home people'll think I'm amazingly intelligent."

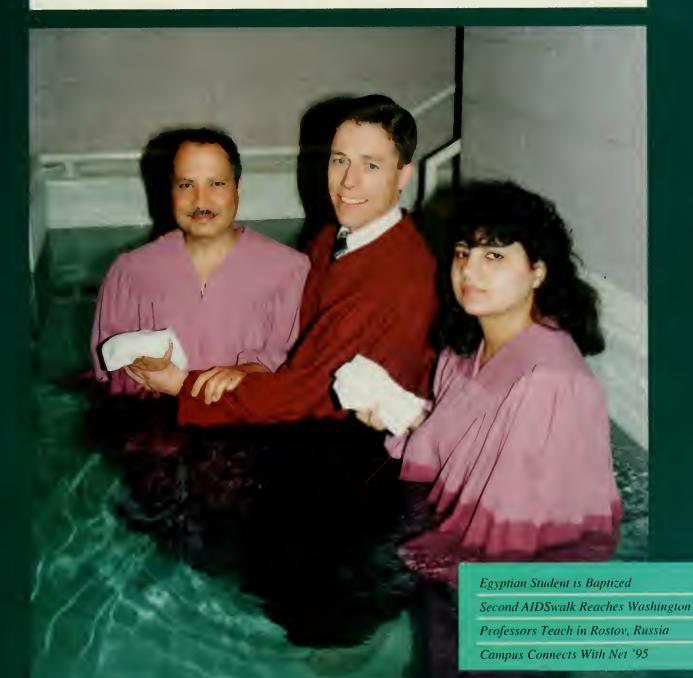
Joe glanced down the line. Lars came next. He remembered Lars playing soccer, Lars on the volleyball court, Lars surrounded by attentive women, Lars in a new activity geared to liven up the week, but most of all, he remembered Lars in the classroom. At first, he had wished Lars would jump in a Viking boat and sail home. Admiration was all Joe could manage now. Lars was amazing —the Scandinavian Renaissance man. Mr. Rudi worked his way down the line passing out language certificates—beginning, intermediate, advanced. Ernesto from Mexico, Olga from St. Petersburg, Elizabeth from California, Zelko from Bosnia and his cousin Myladen from Serbia—from whom Joe had received first-hand crisis information all year: "Forget the *New York Times*, man," and "Rob" from China. "Rob" was the Americans' name for him, since no one could pronounce his real one. But Rob's r's sounded like I's. So his name actually turned out "Lob."

Joe focused on Mr. Rudi again. He'd stopped, turned around, and begun a story. Joe shaded his eyes, trying to make out who it was about. Rochelle. This would be good.

It had been fall, the beginning of the



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Charlie Eklund helps run the cement mixer

Maranatha Students

Make a

Run for the Border

by Tony Barkley and Debbie Case

What would you say if someone asked you to give up your Christmas vacation to drive 50 hours one way in a packed van, work eight to ten hours a day for free, and pay \$500 to do it? Ten Southern College students answered the question with a resounding "Let's go!"

On December 15, 1994, Tony Barkley, Jose Cintron, Charlie Eklund, Becky Gomoll, Agnieszka Jaworska, Eddie Morgan, Matthew Niemeyer, Eileen Ramos, and Arnold and Emily Thurman packed themselves and two weeks' worth of supplies into one van and left Collegedale for a Maranatha Volunteers International Christmas adventure. After fifty long cramped hours, the group arrived at their destination—Cajigal, Mexico.

"The van was packed to the gills," said Charlie. "At times it was really claustrophobic."

"I didn't mind the van ride too much," remembers Jose. "If it hadn't been for Arnold letting us use his van, I wouldn't have been able to go...the plane ticket was too expensive."

Despite the long ride, everyone arrived in Mexico ready to work. "There were 24 of us in all," said Eileen. "We worked from the day we got there till the day we left." Sabbath brought welcome rest.

"We were supposed to work eight-hour days but we usually worked longer," said Becky.

"The students really showed a true joy and enthusiasm about their work," said Dr. Ron du Preez, Southern College religion professor who coordinated the trip and participated in it. "I was working alongside young people who genuinely love the Lord."

Starting with only a concrete foundation and a metal superstructure, the group worked for two weeks on the 2,500-square-foot church. "We put the roof on and finished the last wall Friday afternoon," said Matthew. "We had Sabbath services in the church the day before we left ...it was awesome."

"We really had to push those last few days," said Emily. "But when we stood up front in the finished church on Sabbath, it was worth it."

The project was coordinated by Steve Case, president of Piece of the Pie Ministries. Construction superintendent was Fred Specht. He has been on 23 Maranatha trips. Meet-



ing the goal of bringing together college-aged students from around the U. S., students also participated from Union College, Pacific Union College and a few public universities.

Maranatha Volunteers International is a non-profit organization committed to building Adventist churches and other buildings in needy areas around the world. Their goal for 1995 is to build 50 new churches and complete 100 previously started churches in the country of Mexico.

> Left: Matt Niemeyer witnesses to children Below: Eileen Ramos tells a children's story Bottom: The Mexico 94 group





CHURCH RAISED IN MEXICO

Last summer, Simon Madrigal from Southern and Oscar Alba, from Pacific Union College, went to Mexico to conduct a mini-crusade in the staunchly Catholic town of Ameca, where there were no Seventh-day Adventists.

Simon and Oscar began their work using health evangelism as an entering wedge. They took blood pressure and cholesterol readings and gave invitations to a stop-smoking clinic. The clinic, held at the governor's own forum for health services, got a tremendous response. The stop-smoking seminar was followed by a healthful living seminar, then flyers were distributed and local media was used to advertise the upcoming meetings.

But some rather unusual things began to happen: Simon's vehicle was wrecked while parked; many holes showed up in the portable baptistry after it was placed in a rented area; and the rental agreement for the hall was canceled with the excuse that rental was not allowed for political or religious use. (However, the following month a political rally was held there, and a local priest conducted a mass there).

With the hall canceled on short notice, Simon and Oscar spent days searching for another meeting place. Eventually they located a disco-like room, complete with har and huge beer advertisements. Bible meetings were held there for two weeks with an attendance of about 40 to 50 people, an amazing blessing since Ameca is such a strongly Catholic town.

Near the end of the second weekend, Ameca's political elections were held. No public meetings were permitted during this time, but the crusade was allowed to conclude with police guarding the doors.

In spite of the problems encountered, 11 were baptized and 30 requested Bible studies. The West Mexican Mission has assigned a pastor to this church.

May God be praised for the way He led in raising up a new church in an unentered area. "All things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."

Walking for Life: AIDSwalk for Abstinence

Participants reach their destination, Washington, D.C., where they meet Congressman Zach Wamp



During the spring break for two years running (make that "walking") Dr. Ron du Preez, associate professor of religion at Southern College, has led a group of students from the college on an AIDSwalk for Abstinence.

This year 16 students and five adults joined Ron on a 600-mile trek to the nation's capitol from the Collegedale campus. Last year's 440-mile hike from Florida to Tennessee involved 11 students.

Their efforts were designed to raise awareness of abstinence from drugs and extramarital sex as the only safe way of combating AIDS.

This year's relay took seven walking days, a pace of nearly 90 miles a day. Along the way the group made more than two dozen media contacts, one leading to a news brief in USA Today, others to radio, television, and print coverage.

The media helped spread the abstinence message last year as well, with interviews on a dozen TV stations, as well as in the pages of a dozen newspapers. One TV station featured the AIDSwalk 16 times.

"One of the biggest surprises of the walk was media reaction," says Ron. "They really encouraged us and never once accused us of being naive or out of touch with reality. The message of abstinence from drugs and extramarital sex was very well received, especially since young people were promoting it."

Highlight of the 1995 trip was meeting with Congressmen Roscoe Bartlett (Md.) and Zach Wamp (Tenn.) in Washington, as well as with Dr. Ben Carson of Johns Hopkins Medical Center.

"AIDS is the only disease known to mankind that is totally fatal. It is also the only disease that would disappear in one generation if people simply behaved themselves," Congressman Bartlett told them.

Along the way the group made contact with students at nearby Lee College (where 10 students joined the walk for two rainy miles), the

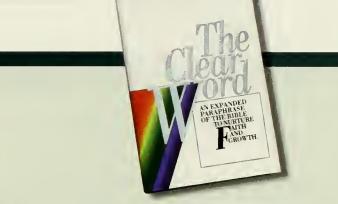
AIDS would disappear in a generation if people simply behaved themselves.

University of Tennessee at Knoxville, and Liberty University.

Generally two walkers were on the road at all times, 23 hours a day, except during morning and evening worship and the Sabbath. Each student walked between 10 and 20 miles a day, estimates Ron.

The 1994 seven-day walk began in Panama City where thousands of students celebrate spring break. Nearing home, they paused in Atlanta and met with Dr. James Curran, U.S. Assistant Surgeon General at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, who told them, "Peers will listen to peers."

Throughout both journeys walkers distributed *Abstinence or AIDS* leaflets which had been researched and produced by Ron. One of last



ROYALTIES DONATED TO MINISTERIAL SCHOLARSHIP

After a decade of work Dr. Jack Blanco completed a paraphrase of the Scripture called *The Clear Word*, printed by the Review & Herald Publishing Association.

Tens of thousands have been sold and many people have written to express their appreciation for the blessing it has been to them. A number are coming to church again and some have given their hearts to the Lord for the first time.

"When young people with glowing faces tell me how it has changed their lives, when older brothers and sisters with tears in their eyes tell of the blessing that has been theirs, and when little ones ask parents to read from *The Clear Word* because they can understand it, all those hours of work in the early, early morning have been worth it," says Dr. Blanco.

All royalties are going directly into a Ministerial Scholarship for theology majors in the Religion Department of Southern College.

year's student walkers, Kristina Fordham, put it simply: "It's important for people to know that it's cool to be abstinent."

"One of my goals in life is to find creative ways to reach the world with the Bible's message," explains Ron. "The AIDSwalk for Abstinence was carefully thought out. I wanted to find a noncontroversial, relevant issue through which we could send a positive biblical



message to the world." As for reaching the world, Ron has already spoken to non-SDA and Adventist groups both in the USA and South Africa. "I've realized that the church's young people need the abstinence message also," adds Ron who disagrees with those who promote the compromising message of condom use as the best way to combat AIDS.

A secondary focus has been to promote a healthy lifestyle through walking. As the 1993-94 Tennessee Champion Race Walker, Ron knows the health benefits of walking. "It's an excellent form of exercise, virtually injury free," Ron adds, "and one that Ellen White heartily commends."

Ron hopes to some day walk across the USA promoting abstinence as the best solution to the spread of AIDS. "God has shared so much with me. In whatever I do I want to share Him with others."

To this end Ron has had to make some big sacrifices. "But, it's all worth it," he smiles, "when I see young people give their lives to Christ, and elect to live healthy, happy lives, centered around God's Word. It's something I'd walk a million miles to achieve."

Destination Rostov-on-Don

by Douglas Bennett

ur destination was Rostov-on-Don, a city of two million people about 800 miles south of Moscow. Rostov is headquarters of the North Caucasus Conference. Conference membership is 40,000, with 70 widely dispersed churches.

There are two SDA churches in Rostov, one with about 200 members and one with 400 to 500. Like most churches in the conference. both meet in rented auditoriums, but rental is expensive and availability uncertain. Vladimir Predoliak, North Caucasus Conference president, indicated that building churches would be nearly impossible since a 500-seat-capacity building would cost \$70,000 to \$100,000.

A team from Wildwood, Ga., and Southern College was invited to Rostov in

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of our pastors.

Dear Dr. Blanco,

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президент северо-кавказской конференции

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May 1994 to promote spiritual growth and conduct special education classes. Classes were held for 120 pastors and leaders who had been brought to Rostov by the conference for instruction in health and public evangelism and biblical stud-

ies. I taught classes each morning and some afternoons and was able to complete a study of the books of Daniel and Revelation.

Dr. Roby Sherman, her husband, Bill, and others provided health lectures. classes, and demonstrations. Henry Uhl, director of Adventist Interchurch Ministries.

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conducted a nightly evangelistic meeting and a stop-smoking clinic. The 600-seat auditorium was nearly full. Since Russians have a great interest in learning English, classes

> were held by Nell Bennett. As English classes grew, it was necessary to teach a children's class, a beginning class, and a conversational class.

The Russians are a gracious and talented people. The townspeople supplied the music with choral groups, string ensembles, duets and solos. The music director is a gifted musician who washes windows for his livelihood.

Several things stood out in my mind: The people's

sincerity and acceptance. Night after night they came to the auditorium for a three-hour service. They were attentive, and many took notes each evening. These people live under crude conditions, yet they make the best of what they have and



do not complain. An SDA pastor makes about \$70 a month. (A monthly ticket to travel by bus costs \$40.) A ride through the streets of *Rostov* is unforgettable. The streets are broken and have huge potholes. There appear to be no laws governing traffic. A sacred and meaningful baptism of 30 was conducted on the first Sabbath. The 22-hour train ride from Moscow to Rostov was unforgettable. I saw the country people and their homes from a different perspective.

I was impressed with the devotion and generosity of the Russians. Though their resources are limited they give what they have. We went to minister, yet we left knowing they had actually ministered to us.

Departures are sad. A delegation came to the train to bid farewell to their American friends. As the train sped away, we all felt we were leaving a part of ourselves in Rostov. 👤

My Christmas Gift to Russia

by Ron Springett

At the request of the Russian North Caucasus Conference, the Religion Department at Southern College invited me to go to Rostov to conduct a class in New Testament Epistles for the pastors there.

The officers of that conference

Abroad

Classes began immediately and with a break for lunch went from 9 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. for 10 days. About 120 students were in the class: however, the church was always full because many members not in the class also sat through the

> course. The coordinator from Zaokski was present for many of the lectures, and all the leaders were anxious for things to run smoothly. This was the first course for which they hoped to get seminary credit.

The pastors were eager for explanations of Scripture and information, since they have been deprived of both for so long. It was a pleasure to teach them and to answer their many questions. I taught through the Christmas holidays because in Russia, January 7 is Christmas Day and the big celebration is New Year's day. So the only time off was the morning of January 1; we only began at 1 p.m.

Oleg Predoliak, a Southern student and my translator, typed the list of study questions which I gave the students near the end of the course. The pastors studied these during January; then in February I sent a test to the conference office to be administered to the pastors during their regional meetings. The conference office will mail the tests back to me for grading and I will send the grades to Zaokski to be recorded.

Because of the rapid growth of Adventism, church buildings are in great need. The brethren in Rostov and in other places are negotiating with the government to retrieve some of the properties which were confiscated by the Communist regime or at least receive some other properties to replace them. At this time I do not know the outcome.

l returned to Moscow and spent some time the evening of January 4

exploring Red Square and delivering messages for Dr. Ray Hefferlin, a physics professor at Southern College who has many friends in Russia.

It was a small sacrifice to give up my Christmas vacation in order to help these people whose needs are so much greater than ours in so many respects.

have negotiated with Zaokski Theological Seminary to make Rostov an extension school of the seminary which can conduct classes for credit. Thus, pastors in this region not only will save the expense of traveling the long distance to Zaokski in order to study, but they can receive credit for work done at Rostov. There is

also a branch of the seminary at Kiev in the Ukraine, and one at Vladivostok in Siberia. Zaokski has appointed a coordinator for these branches.

I arrived in Moscow on December 19, 1994, with the temperature at -30° Celcius! After a brief visit at the Division office, a 22-hour train ride took me to Rostov.





Into China

by Jack Blanco

I STAND HUMBLED AND IN AWE OF WHAT THE HOLY SPIRIT IS DOING IN CHINA TO REACH THOSE WHO ARE LONGING FOR GOD AND PEACE OF HEART WHICH ONLY HE CAN GIVE. AS IN SCRIPTURE, "WHEN THEY SEEK ME WITH ALL THEIR HEART THEY SHALL SURELY FIND ME."

Along with the dean of the Seminary at Andrews University, Dr. Werner Vyhmeister, and ten General Conference representatives, I was invited by the Chinese government to visit mainland China in May 1994. This was the church's first official visit to China since the founding of the People's Republic in 1949. Our visit sought government permission to train youth for the ministry, and more equitable treatment for our church members.

China has five officially recognized religions—100 million Buddhists, 20 million Moslems, 10 million Taoists, 7 million Protestants, and 5 million Catholics. Yet these make up a small fraction of the population—about 150 million out of 1 billion, 2 hundred million people.

Protestant denominations are

grouped by the Bureau of Religious Affairs and are guided toward postdenominationalism-excluding Catholics. Protestants come under the guidance of Three-Self Patriotic Movement (TSPM) leaders. Three-Self means self-administration, selfsupport and self-propagation. In 1980 the China Christian Council (CCC) formed to facilitate the postdenominational move. TSPM and CCC officers are elected every five years by provincial representatives who form the National Christian Conference, the supreme authority of both organizations.

Adventists are not officially recognized as a denomination but are respected and accepted as fellow Christians by the TSPM and the CCC. Various degrees of freedom are allowed depending on local Protestant leadership. In some areas they are permitted to build churches beautiful ones—but are not allowed to put the SDA name on those churches. In other places they are permitted to worship in other large Protestant churches. And in still other areas Adventists are only allowed an inadequate room or basement. This has created many "house churches."

Part of our delegation visited Manchuria in northern China where over 4,000 had recently been baptized. According to the official government count, we have over 250,000 Adventist believers in China.

Two problems facing our church in China are that there are few ordained pastors. One is as old as 104! So our people look to untrained lay leaders who give what time they can to pastoring. The majority of believers in China are women and many like the men—give time to pastor various-size congregations.

No Adventist young people are being trained for full-time ministry. Though we met with Zhu Shi Yuan, department chief of the Second Department of the Bureau of Religious Affairs; Bishop Ding, head of the TSPM: and Bishop Shen, head of the CCC in charge of theological education, we were unable to make ar-

Over 250,000 Adventist believers are in China.

rangements to train our young people for ministry. The Religion Department, under the auspices of the Robert H. Pierson Institute of Evangelism and World Missions, is trying to solve this problem by recording Southern's theology courses and transmitting them into China by way of Adventist World Radio.

The office staff of the Southeast Asia Committee in Hong Kong in charge of producing audio and video productions to be transmitted into China are a hard-working and committed group. In addition to their regular broadcasting work, they travel weekly into mainland China with supplies such as hymnals. Bibles, and other books for our believers. Two Chinese students whom we sponsored to study at Southern are now part of the staff. Daniel Jiao, a theology graduate, is translating into Chinese God Cares by Mervyn Maxwell, Geoffrey Church, a communications graduate, produces videos for use in China. Since monitors and VCRs are purchased easily in China, plans are being laid to produce videos for the training of lay leaders and potential pastors.

We were able to visit our former China Division in Shanghai, where we once had division offices, a hospital, a theological training school, and a publishing house. Now only the small church survives, engulfed by huge buildings.

Near the end of our visit we stopped in Hangzhou at the Sir Run Run Shaw Hospital, operated by Loma Linda University. Officially opened in May 1994, this hospital is the first built in China since 1949. It is the most modern hospital in China and better equipped than many in the U.S. Dr. David Fang, a physician from Loma Linda, is in charge and has been there from its inception as engineer, architect, and fund raiser.

In Shanghai *The Desire of Ages* has been translated into Chinese and our believers are making arrangements with the government and the CCC to have it printed. Other Christians are printing Bibles with permission from the government. One million copies a year! We praise the Lord. Without a doubt, people are hungry for the Word of God.



Nazih and Mervat at their baptism by Pastor Ed Wright

COPTIC MONK CONVERT by Stacy Spaulding DeLay

Nazih Yacoub's arrival did not go unnoticed. Nazih walked off the airplane in a full-length black robe—his monk's habit. Fern Babcock, director of the Teaching Materials Center, and some others remember it well. "We made a sign with his name in Arabic, so Nazih would know who we were," says Babcock. "But there was no doubt who he was."

Even as a young boy in Egypt, Nazih wanted to become a monk. "I read books about St. Anthony, the first Egyptian monk," he says. "I liked his life." Nazih entered the monastery in 1978 and was ordained a priest after two years. He then served as a monastery secretary in Alexandria before becoming secretary to Pope Shenouda III, the leader of the Coptic Orthodox Church, an independent branch of the Roman Catholic Church. He also served churches in Egypt, England, and Holland, and even had opportunity to become a bishop. "I refused," he says. "Because as bishop, everyone comes to bow to you, and I don't like that."

When Nazih went to Holland in 1990, he started studying the Bible by himself. "I began to hate that life," says Nazih. "I knew that my church had many traditions which weren't in the Bible and I was frustrated because the Bible doesn't change, yet tradition and monks change all the time." Through his study, Nazih found that the Bible doesn't say anything about monks. "It also doesn't say anything about the Pope, the seven sacraments, or worshiping the saints," says Nazih. About this time, Nazih met some friends who were Seventh-day Adventists, and he saw they believed the same things he learned in the Bible.

When Pope Shenouda published an article about Seventh-day Adventists and Jehovah's Witnesses, Nazih studied more. "He said they were the same," says Nazih. "I felt there was a difference between the two." He discussed his concerns with the Pope. "I told him about the Sabbath and said 'Give me any verse in the Bible that shows Sunday is the Sabbath. You have studied the Bible and I have studied the Bible. When was the Sabbath changed to Sunday?" The Pope said, "Every day is for God." Nazih also talked with him about the monk tradition. "When I said there are no monks in the Bible, he told me about the prophet Samuel," says Nazih. "But I told him, Samuel was married and had sons." When the Pope couldn't answer, he told Nazih, "You are a Protestant now."

Pope Shenouda ordered Nazih to return to the monastery to retrain his mind, but he refused. This caused Nazih many problems in the church. He even received death threats over the phone because of his beliefs. In 1993 Nazih left the Orthodox Church. "I left everything because I loved God," says Nazih. "I needed Him, not tradition."

About this time, a friend asked Nazih to take care of his wife, Mervat, and his daughter in case he should die. "He was not sick at the time," says Nazih. "But three weeks later he died from a heart attack." Nazih helped Mervat settle her estate. "Nazih was so good to her," says Babcock, "that when he was put out of the church she ignored the ban on helping him."

Nazih felt he needed to study more. He came to Collegedale in 1994 and now has a student visa. Nazih and Mervat had planned to marry before he left, but the situation got so bad that Mervat wanted Nazih to leave before he got killed. "They were constantly on the telephone," says Babcock. "He was delirious the day he found out she was finally able to come."

Nazih and Mervat married last August. Now, Nazih is taking religion classes, and studying English with Mervat. He hopes to share his experience with others. "It would be hard for me to go back to Egypt," he says. "All of my family are in the Orthodox Church. The church might make trouble for me. But there are millions of Egyptians in the United States," says Nazih. Many are members of the Coptic Orthodox Church. In fact, there are 55 Coptic Orthodox Churches in the U.S. "I want to tell these people what I have learned," says Nazih.

But for now, Nazih will study. "He loves studying," says Babcock. Nazih smiles, "I'd rather read than sleep."

Learning by Doing Health Evangelism Students

by Leo R. Van Dolson

We have come to a time when every member of the church should take hold of medical missionary work." Inspired by that challenge from the pen of Ellen White, students in Southern College's Health Evangelism class "learn by doing" in the Chattanooga area. During the 1994-95 school year, students assisted with the Net '95 program in Chattanooga and conducted health-related seminars designed to develop interest for the Mark Finley evangelistic series.

During the fall semester, Debra Carby, Nicole Dixon, Aaron and Colette Muth, Eileen Ramos, and

Julia Struntz, along with noncredit registrants Josene Spencer, Effie Thompson, and Sherry and **Barney Tilley** assisted in the Discoveries in Daniel Seminar presented by Mark Finley. They also helped their instructor, Dr. Leo Van Dolson, and Jim Erwin, pastor of the McDonald SDA Church. conduct a fol-



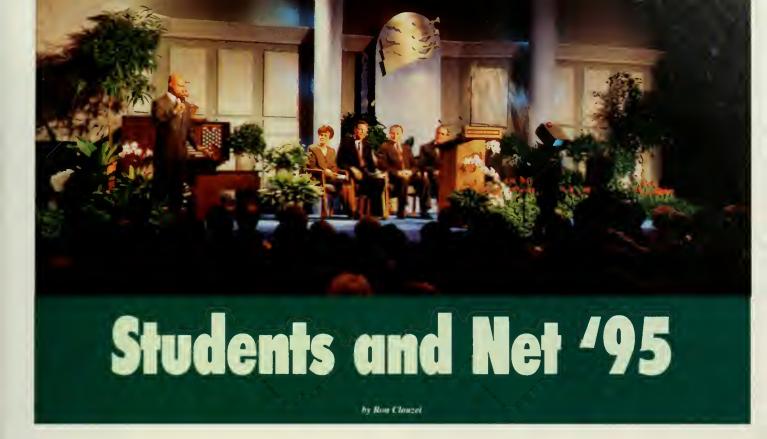
low-up Your Health and Your Future seminar in the nearby Harrison Bay area. Health topics closely tied to each chapter in Daniel were presented nightly before the Discoveries in Daniel lessons.

In addition, the class participated with Drs. Robert Dunn and Leo Van Dolson in presenting a five-session stress seminar. The introductory first session discussion on Understanding Stress was followed by one evening devoted to studying the physical, mental, psychosocial, and spiritual strategies for stress control. This Taming Tension Through Total Health seminar

was conducted at the Life Enrichment Seminar facilities rented from the Jewish Community Center of Chattanooga.

The winter semester students included Brandon Bryan, Andrew Caban, Joel DeWild, Tamera King, Philip Neal, Mark Peterson, Todd Silver– stein, Melissa Smith, and Carli Sullivan. Students jumped right into community service by assisting in the Natural Lifestyle Cooking classes held by Mark and Teenie Finley at the Chattanooga Convention Center. The Finleys presented the first two weeks of a series of five cooking classes. Three followup sessions were held in eight churches with the Health Evangelism class taking responsibility for the classes conducted in the Ooltewah Seventh-day Adventist Church near Collegedale.

The students also took part in the Discoveries in Prophecy evangelistic series that eulminated the Net '95 presentations in the Chattanooga area. This largest-ever Adventist evangelistic series in North America was telecast by satellite throughout the Division. From February 24-26 the students teamed up with others from Southern's nursing department and health service and the Wildwood Lifestyle Center in putting on a Health Expo at the Convention Center from 6 to 7 p.m. just before the evangelistic meeting. The Health Expo centered around eight instructional booths illustrating the natural remedies outlined in The Ministry of Healing. Health Evangelism students followed up the Health Expo with nutrition, cancer prevention, and stress seminars also held in the evenings before the evangelistic series. Presentations were based on the laws of health found in the writings of Ellen White who, under divine inspiration, directed: "To make plain natural law, and to urge obedience to it, is a work that accompanies the third angel's message" (Counsels on Health, p. 21). In connection with the Net '95 program in Chattanooga, Southern College students demonstrated how this can be done.



he most ambitious evangelistic goal in our church will have taken place by the time you read these lines. And Southern College and religion majors had something to do with it. Net '95 downlinked Mark Finley's evangelistic meetings from the Chattanooga Convention and Trade Center to almost 1000 churches and other centers in North America with a potential viewing audience of more than fifty thousand people. January's Discover Jesus Seminar and Natural Lifestyle Cooking Class drew 800 and 600 people, respectively. Also there are about 180 personal Bible studies being conducted.

What is Southern's role in all this? The Religion Department coordinated a field school of evangelism with students preparing for ministry. They visited interested guests, gave Bible studies, helped during the evening crusade, as well as helped people prepare for baptism, and attended evangelism classes with trainers Brad Thorp, Don Gray, and Mark and Teenie Finley.

The Personal Evangelism class has many students who joined others in following up personal Bible studies tied with Net '95. Over 100 Student Prayer Warriors met for prayer and intercession at various times of the week since October. For the ten days preceding the start of the crusade, students met every morning, noon, and evening to pray for a mighty outpouring of God's grace upon Chattanooga, as well as the campus community.

Hundreds of posters were placed throughout the city. Around 20,000 brochures were hand delivered as invitations to three zip codes areas in the vicinity. All this by students at Southern College. Weeks of Prayer at a half-dozen area schools have been conducted during the last few months by Student Ministerial Association members and others in preparation for the meetings.

There were high expectations about what God could do through this outreach. Much more, through what God could do with His church as His children yielded in service and love for the sake of others.

Net '95 by Jack Blanco

From February 18 through March 25, eight Southern College students from the Religion Department successfully participated in the Net '95 evangelistic thrust held by Mark Finley in the Chattanooga Convention and Trade Center. They were enrolled in the course RELP 465 Personal Evangelism, in addition to RELP 466 Public Evangelism, and will participate in the evangelism follow-up program until May 5. Each received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Net '95? Southern and its Religion Department had something to do with it!

Report Card

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Student baptized

Helen Banvelos had been sent by a Pentecostal church to teach English in an economic school located in Xinjiang Province in the extreme northwest portion of China. While there she began listening on her shortwave radio to an Adventist World Radio (AWR) program "College on the Air." As she continued listening to this daily broadcast, recorded by Dr. Douglas Bennett, she became convicted concerning the Adventist message.

After returning to the United States in 1994 due to illness, Helen contacted Dr. Bennett and made plans to come to Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists to prepare for baptism. On November 26, 1994, she was baptized at the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church. Back in China Helen left behind some Muslims who have also been listening to "College on the Air" programs. Helen planned to return to China in March 1995 to resume her work there for the Lord.





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This mission objective will be implemented by Southern College faculty and students by such means as: teaching classes at seminaries, holding field schools of evangelism, presenting health education and health evangelism programs, conducting radio and television classes and other instructional programs.

In addition the institute will produce a publication that will report on its functions and activities, and will develop a study and research center on the Southern College campus dedicated to promoting the objectives and programs outlined above.

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SOUTHERN COLLEGE OF SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS Collegedale, Tennessee 37315-0370 year. For some reason, the teachers were convinced they must include all students in the Week of Praver service. Rochelle had ended up having the scripture. "It's all written out for you," they'd told her. "You won't—it would be almost impossible to make a mistake. The text has only 23 words." So, on a glowing fall European morning, shy Rochelle sat behind the podium, ready to make her first public "speech" in a foreign language.

She'd been nervous as she faced the mike. Even from the back row, Joe could see her blush. Maybe she thought she'd make it better—add a little disclaimer before she began, try to get audience sympathy just in case she did mess up, who knew? However, what she thought she knew—the word for "embarrassed"—she teally didn't. What she actually knew was the translation for the word "pregnant." Unfortunately, when she had whispered shakily into the mike "I hope you'll pardon me, but it's just that I'm pregnant...," she still didn't realize her error.

Now as the laughter died down, Rochelle smiled and recalled it as the best mistake she'd ever made. Sure, Rochelle. "No really, it was in that moment that I became a devout believer in vocabulary/verb lists."

"Lists that paid off," thought Joe, as Rochelle reached out to accept her certificate, one which had enabled her to sit for the state examination. She'd be entering the university in the fall. He wished his plethora of grammatical usage and intonation mistakes had paid off in more ways than just for the amusement of his fellow students.

Mr. Rudi moved down the line talking, reminiscing, and commending, his thoughtful, yet lined face becoming more distinct as the sunlight lost touch with the last colorful window. "It certainly won't be the same program without him," thought Joe.

He remembered the director's understanding of and respect for the many cultures and lands represented in his classroom. Even more, Joe recalled his amazing gift for teaching—not just the language, but culture and local traditions. Mr. Rudi instilled a new pride in his students—a pride for each one's own country.

Remembering meals in the cafeteria nuts and sugar on top of noodles, those big, brown ball-things they had eaten, the mystery-meal stew, and countless other eurocooked wonders . . . Joe thought maybe it was out of respect for Mr. Rudi that they'd walked through line, smiled, said thanks, sat down, and hoped they weren't the only ones planning to go out to eat later on. Mr. Rudi had helped them understand and accept the bad with the baguettes—the good. He was irreplaceable.

Mr. Rudi held one more certificate. Joe looked at it, the last one. The last class, the last trip, the final weekend. It seemed to have flown by, like a speeding European train that hovers above the tracks. Had he actually touched this all, felt it all, learned it all? Had he immersed himself in life here or had he just whizzed by only concerned with a final destination?

He remembered clearly when this day had been his final destination. Later, the wings outside his window had entered furious grey clouds. Rain. Climbing higher, head forced back against the seat, pressure in his ears, higher and higher, wanting to turn around-land, find his parents, get in the cat, drive home, forget this whole yearabroad idea, have his ears feel normal again. Suddenly light streamed in, bright and hot on his face. The plane had broken through. Craggy peaks shot through the white fluff. They were flying—level, pressure gone. Seemed they were floating. He'd smiled. Two minutes-already a change, already the difference between night and day.

Joe looked up into Mr. Rudi's face. He smiled—grasped the certificate. A glint of sun broke through the foyer window and washed across the group. Light—he saw a world bathed in it; not just a state of country, but a world that was his. A world that he had touched.

Ed. Note: Since 1980, the ACA experience has enriched the education of 77 Southern students. Of these, 29 studied at Sagunto, 27 at Collonges, 20 at Bogenhofen, and one in Singapore. Opposite page: Tasha Paxton and Kenia Morales sip a milkshake during their student days at Sagunto, Spain.

Below: Trudi Hullquist took this photo of Le Source, the administration building at Collonges-sous-Salève, France, while she and two others from Southern attended school there as ACA students.

Trudi, left, rides a friendly hippopotamus with another international student at a park in Geneva, Switzerland, during a Pathfinder treasure hunt.

Elizabeth Dameff picks up a Canadian friend in front of the Louvre in Paris. Liz attended school in France last year.







SOUTHERN UPDATE

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• A tour to Washington, D.C., sponsored by the History Department and Southern Scholars, took eight students and Dr. Ben McArthur to the nation's capital during spring break. Visits included the White House, the National Archives, and the Library of Congress. They also had a State Department briefing and met with two senators.

• Students participating in **Partners at** Wellness (P.A.W.) have signed a personal fitness contract which encourages healthy lifestyles. Kelli Matthews is the student director of the program.

• Southern College is in its **45th year of continuous accreditation** with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. This accreditation extends to all of Southern's programs, and the next reaffirmation is due in 2002.

• Environmental awareness grew on campus this spring, due in part to an interdepartmental competition organized by the Environmental Conservation class with the support of college administration and the Biology Department. Departments were judged on efficiency in water conservation, environmental management, recycling, etc. The Nursing Department won grand prize.

This year's guest for the annual supper

and vespers meeting of the Communication Club was Atlanta News Anchor Brenda Wood. Her topic was "Keeping the Faith." She spoke of her own experience of becoming a professional anchor while maintaining her faith in God and belief in the Sabbath.

• The Music Department collaborated with the English and Speech Department, as well as the Art Department, to present the musical "My Fair Lady" this semester, with Wendy Carter as Eliza Doolittle, Vince Romeo as Colonel Pickering, and Scott Huling as Henry Higgins.

• The students who form **The Destiny Drama Company** will be directed next year by James Appel. As a witnessing tool for Christ, their focus this past year was on the Great Controversy and its conclusion with the Second Coming of Jesus. They have performed in Massachusetts and Maryland, at Bass Memorial Academy in Mississippi, and at Winter Fest in Colorado. Carrie Young was the student director for 1994-95.

• The Life Care Foundation for Education and Research has awarded an initial grant of \$75,000 to fund scholarships for Long-Term Health Care Administration students. The money will be received in \$15,000 installments over a five-year pe-



DESTINY DRAMA COMPANY SHARES GOSPEL

A student group seeking to communicate the joy of friendship with Christ, Destiny Drama Company took their message to a thousand youth at the Sixth Annual Adventist Winter Festival in Colorado in March. Last fall they performed for hundreds of Pathfinders at a camporee. In January they performed at Highland View Academy, world church headquarters in Silver Spring, Md., and at Sligo Church. "The Present End," their major production, focuses on the Great Controversy and the Second Coming of Christ.

riod, and originates with the Benjamin M. Preston Memorial Scholarship Fund. Recipients will be known as Benjamin Preston Scholars, in recognition of the father of Forrest L. Preston, president of Life Care Centers of America.

• This semester's week of spiritual emphasis focused on "God's Hand in My Life," presentations by faculty members based on personal experience.

• Three dozen students under the direction of Vanessa Brown formed a back-up choir for the **Steve Green concert** sponsored by the Chaplain's Office and held on campus this semester.

• The theme of Black History Week, Out of One, Many; Out of Many, One, focused on diversifying and unifying issues. Highlights included music by the Morehouse College choir, an assembly presentation by Eric Anderson, historian from Pacific Union College, and Sabbath services with Chaplain Barry Black.

• After Southern Scholars students made original Christmas cards for residents of the nearest Life Care Center, the activity director wrote, "Thank you for all of the beautiful homemade Christmas cards. The residents were thrilled and showed them off continually. The students at Southern do such a wonderful service in our community."

• Among the unconventional summer classes this year are a European study tour May 9 to June 6 offered by the Behavioral Science Department and led by Ed Lamb; Tropical Marine Biology under Dr. Steven Nyirady with a week of field work in the Caribbean country of Belize; Communication Workshops May 8 to 11 conducted by the Journalism and Communication Department; and a Public Evangelism Field School in Jacksonville, Fla., from May 19 to June 24.

• The Behavioral Science Club collected over 400 books for Chattanooga area preschoolers enrolled in Head Start. The RIF (Reading Is Fundamental) book drive was intended to combat literacy by helping children discover the pleasure of reading. by Stacy Spaulding DeLay

Freshman Kamil Cak used to be an atheist. But that changed after communism fell in Czechoslovakia and a pastor named Tony Mavrakos, '86, decided to preach in the eastern bloc.

Growing up in communist Czechoslovakia, Kamil says he and his family could not go to church. He also had to guard his words. "There were agents everywhere."

After communism fell, Kamil and his family began talking about the possibility of God and the purpose of life. At that tume, Kamil became involved with the Slovakian National Unity Party. "The party leader was Catholic. He asked me to talk to his priest," Kamil says. "Three times I went, but when I got to the door, every time I walked away. I don't know why."

Eventually, Kamil found out what this leader and his party really stood for. "He was for the separation of Czech and Slovakia," he says. "If by the end of the year separation had not come through, he planned to carry out terrorist attacks."

Even though 15-year-old Kamil hadn't actually joined the party, the state knew that he associated with members, and the secret police opened his mail. "My mom got scared then," says Kamil. "I didn't know what to do. I wanted to get out of it. It was dangerous for my family."

That's when he received an invitation to Tony Mavrakos's meetings. Kamil's

mother, Katka, called and reserved seats.

Junior Public Relations Major

The evening the meetings were to start, however, Kamil had to stay late at school and wasn't able to attend. The next night, Kamil thought to himself, "I have to go tonight," and left home two hours before the meeting was to start. "I got there an hour early," he says.

The presentation sounded good, says Kamil, but he wanted proof. "We had no Bibles. [A shipment was late.] I didn't know much, but I knew that the Bible was the authority for Christians. But I couldn't compare what Tony said with the Bible."

On the third evening, Kamil's mother persuaded his brother Csaba (pronounced Chaaba) to attend. Reluctant at first, he ended up enjoying the meeting, and by the next evening, even Kamil's four-year-old sister was at the children's program.

"That evening we got the Bibles," recalls Kamil. "I was pretty excited. We were supposed to leave them there and take them home at the end of the meetings. But I took mine home that night. I wanted to go over the lessons."

Kamil studied his Bible. "I came to believe what Tony said because I could see it in the Bible," he says. "It was something I was looking for."

Kamil told one of the pastors that he wanted to be baptized. "It shocked him at first," he says. "I was the first person from that series who wanted to be baptized." The pastor arranged to visit Kamil's home, and his baptism was set for a month later.

A week before Kamil's baptism, Tony felt moved to talk about a dream he had had in 1968. He saw a woman beating on a glass door with her hands asking him to come help. This reminded Kamil of his mother, who had cut her arm on glass a few years earlier.

The next night Kamil's mother decided to share this with Tony and show him her scar. "She talked to Tony's interpreter," says Kamil, "and the interpreter went to Tony and said, 'This woman wants to talk to you.' " Surprised, Tony said that she was the lady he had seen in his dream.

Afterwards, Kamil's mother decided to be baptized along with him. The evening before the baptism, Kamil's brother decided to join them. On March 1, 1992, they were all baptized together.

Tony also made it possible for Kamil to come to the U.S. to study. Now Kamil is studying religion at Southern. He says he's very satisfied with his education here.

"In Slovakia, there is one pastor for every four or five churches," he says. "Many are just lay pastors and not educated in a seminary, since there were no seminaries during Communism." Kamil hopes to go back to his country to preach to his people.

Southern People

• Michelle Erwin, a sophomore biology major, received a four-month internship at the Dolphin Research Center on Grassy Key in Florida. Michelle's research involves studying calf independence to discover different dolphin parenting techniques.

• Bob Garren, art professor, and Orlo Gilbert, music professor, spent ten winter days in St. Petersburg at the invitation of Aleksei and Leonid Sokolov, two Russian resident guest artists who spent time here last fall.

• By invitation Dr. George Babcock, chair of the Education and Psychology Department, presented a series of lectures in Dubai at the national teachers convention sponsored by the government of the United Arab Emirates.

• Dr. Bill Hayes, associate professor of biology, is the editor of the *Iguana Times*, a four-color newsletter of the International Iguana Society, Inc.

• Brent Goodge, a senior from Knoxville, and his team of 4 were named champions of the 12th annual College Bowl. A double elimination tournament in this "academic sport of the mind" determined the winners. This was his third time in four years to be on the winning team. Stan Hobbs has coordinated the tournament for 10 years, and as a student helped organize it two years earlier.

• The importance of outdoor ministries—leading youth to know their Creator through nature—was the topic of **Carl Swafford**, assistant professor of education, at the North American Division Camping Ministries meetings held in conjunction with the 1995 American Camping Association convention in Orlando. Southern is the only Seventh-day Adventist college teaching courses in Outdoor Ministries and Environmental Education.

• Rick Halterman, associate professor of computer science, is beginning his doctoral study leave at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville next fall. His book, Fundamentals of Programming: An Introduction to

Computer Programming Using C++, is now in use at Southern as well as at several other institutions. It was published by William C. Brown just last January.

• Nearly 100 students, staff, and faculty have enrolled this year in Surfing the Internet, a course taught in the Journalism and Communication Department by **Dr. Pamela Harris**, chair of the department. Southern College joined the Internet in August 1993.

• Southern College students Stephanie Kime (violin, Ohio), Warren Janzen (cello, Tennessee), and Chad Carlson (horn, Florida) won places as soloists for the Concerto Concert presented this semester by the Southern College Symphony Orchestra. Other winners among 22 entrants were Sharlyn Pellington and Brian Liu from Collegedale Academy and Sara Beth Nordmoe of Bryan College.

• Dr. Cecil Rolfe, professor emeritus of business administration, returned to campus briefly this spring to speak on economics in the E. A. Anderson Business Lecture Series. He was one of 10 speakers who participated in the 24th year of the series.

• Jerre Conerly, a 27-year employee at the College Press, has been promoted to

assistant manager. Filling his place as pressroom foreman is **Terry Haight**.

• President of the Student Association in 1995-96 will be **Luis Graeia**, a religion major from Florida. Executive vice president will be **Jeremy Stoner**, a biology major from Kentucky. **Peter Hwang**, a marketing major from Georgia, was elected social vice president.

• Student publications for next year will be edited by Stacy Spaulding DeLay and Larisa Myers, Southern Accent (student newspaper); Sandra Larsen, Southern Memories (yearbook), and Bianca Andersen, Joker (student directory). Grady Sapp III and Cindy Willey were elected Festival Studios (the year in pictures) directors.

• Dr. George and Fern Babcock and Dr. Bob and Elaine Egbert have been invited by the Romanian Union and the Euro-Africa Division of Seventh-day Adventists to teach for three weeks at the Romanian Seminary near Bucharest this summer. Some 200 teachers are expected. The Babcocks and Dr. Egbert are on the Education and Psychology Department faculty, and Mrs. Egbert is the administrative secretary in Talge Hall.

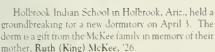


SENIOR CLASS SELECTS OFFICERS

The graduating class of 1995 chose Alexandria Alonso, center, of Hagerstown, Md., as president. With her, from left to right, are Shelley Patterson of Collegedale, Tenn., vice president; Andrew Corbett of British Columbia, Canada, pastor; and Rondora Jefferson of Atlanta, Ga., secretary. Class sponsors are Ken Rogers, campus chaplain, and Dr. Steve Nyirady, chairman of the biology department.

Compiled by Lansa Myers





Grace (Porter) Mvers, '24, died in an auto accident on March 5. She had been a secretary for the Florida Conference and served 20 years as a hospital volunteer.

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Doris (Davis) Albock, '35, recently moved to Mississippi. Her husband passed away in January 1991.

Anne (Bovce) Denslow, '33, lives in Orlando, Fla., where she is retired.

Thelma (Thomson) Hartwell, '37, lives in Avon Park, Fla. Her husband, Donald, deceased, worked at Florida Hospital in Orlando and Walker Memorial Hospital in Avon Park. Thelma's three children, Frances Ann, Kathleen, and Ray, are all Southern graduates.

Covne Knight, attended, graduated from Loma Linda and practiced medicine in St. Petersburg, Fla., from 1950 to 1953. He is now retired and living with his wife, Jean, on Anna Maria Island in Florida.

Lucille (Ward) Lukat Myers, '37, recently died following an extended illness and unsuccessful heart by-pass surgery. She lived in Stapleton, Ala.



Several members of the 1945 graduating class of Southern Juniot College and Collegedale Academy are without addresses in the Alumni Office. Please give any information or names of individuals who might know these class members to the Alumni Office (615-235-2527): Sandy Truitt Campbell, Raleigh, N.C., Donald Ray Danner, Hickory N.C., Gerald Lewis Harvey, Charlotte, N.C., Hilda Henderlight Cook, Knoxville, Tenn., Wilma Marie Young, Turtletown, Tenn., Robert Kenneth Ray, Athens, Tenn., Leo Dean Tucker, Murray, Ky., Carl Hamilton, Pensacola, Fla., Cynthia Proctor, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Charles Dobbs, attended, retired after teaching for 35 years and now travels full time

Talietha (Belz) Foust, '42, works as a hospital administrator in Sacramento, Calif.

Carol, attended, and Walt Herrell, former employee, live in Keene, Texas, where Carol works in a dental office. They have two children, Jon and Debra.

B. Page Haskell, '47, retired from his associate treasurer position in the Southwestern Union Conference. He still lives in Burleson, Texas.

O.R., '47, and Mary (Riley) Henderson, '46, are retired and living in Avon Park, Fla.

Jack '45, and Donna (Connell) Just, attended, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary March 4 They live in Salem, Ore

Mildred (Berggren) Kreger, '47, taught church school for 35+ years both overseas and in the United States - She is married, works as a librarian at Walker Memorial Junior Academy, and lives in Avon Park, Fla.

THOSE WHO WALKED THESE HALLS

Harold, '38, and Gracie (Beaube) Pervis, '40, are both retired from the medical field and raise palm trees in Palmetto, Fla. They have two children, seven grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Dorothy Jean (Graves), '49, and Phaize Salhany, '50, are retired in Lawrenceburg, Tenn. He is on special assignment with the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

Ruth (Snide) Sandin, attended, is a retired R.N. living with her husband, Don, in Napa, Calif. The couple has three children and two grandchildren.

Hazel (Brooks) Snide, '42, died on March 5. She lived in Hendersonville, N.C.

Renie Veltman, '49, lives in Angwin, Calif., and works part time in telecommunications.

Robert H. Wood, '47, retired in March after serving as president of the Texas Conference and vice president of the Southwestern Union Conterence. He lives with his wife, Sandi, in Parthenon, Ark.



Jack, '57, and Donna (Weber) Bohannon served 17 years as missionaries in Iran, Lebanon, and Africa. They now live in Glenwood Springs, Colo.

Annetta Boyles, '53, is retired from elementary teaching and medical transcribing and is now involved in home health nursing. She lives in Punta Gorda, Fla., and enjoys crafts, needlework, oils, and wedding cake decorating.

William R. Catron, attended, married Linda A. (Newsom) and has been involved with State of Florida economic services since 1981.

Pat. '51, and Gordon Cross, attended, are living in Punta Gorda, Fla. She is semi-retired as a hair stylist and he retired in September 1994 from McKee Foods. They have three daughters and four grandsons.

Dale Fisher, '51, is the owner and administrator of a tool manufacturing company in Corona, Calif. He is now semiretired and manages several country, mountain-type rental shops.

Roy, '52, and Miriam Frith retired from school teaching and are living in Mount Dora, Ela.

Carl Jansen, '58 and '63, is associate medical director at San Bernadino County Medical Center and chairs the Radiology Association. He lives in Redlands.

Harry Brooker (H.B.) Mills, II, '57, retired from the Air Force in November 1994 and is living in Apopka, Fla.

LaVerne (Hughes), '53, and Robert E. Northrop, '53, live in Loma Linda, Calif., where she teaches elementary school for the Southeastern California Conference and he works for Loma Linda University in accounting. LaVerne is working on her dissertation for her Ed.D. at La Sierra University.

Beth (Hardy) Peterson, '47 and '50, enjoys retirement in Longwood, Fla., where her husband, Garland, still teaches band.

Joe Reams, '54, retired from pastoring in 1987 and lives in Avon Park, Fla. The has worked for the Southern Union, Southwestern Union, and Columbia Union conferences. The has a son and two grandchildren who have attended Southern, and one grandchild is currently a junior here.

Hugh M. Shepard, Jr., attended, is retired and lives in Avon Park, Fla. He has three children and five grandchildren.



Eleanor (Lohr) Brayshaw, attended, lives in Jacksonville, Fla., with her husband, Gerald, and works as a physical therapist.

Larry Caviness, '65, recently accepted an invitation to be president of the Nevada-Utah Conference. He and his wife, Linda, have two children after losing their son Tad.

JoAnn (Winkler) Croley, '63, and her husband, Bill, live in Dayton, Ohio. She holds a master's in psychiatric-mental health nursing from Emory University in Atlanta, Ga., and a master's in hospital and health care administration from Xavier University in Cincinnati. She works at Good Samaritan Hospital.

Glenn A., '62, and Jeannine (Holley) Fuller, attended, live in Collegedale where Glenn is president and CEO at Sovex Natural Foods and Jeannine is coordinating a laymen's health ministry into Georgia-Cumberland's "dark counties."

Jack Leitner, '66, is a professor of computer science at the University of North Florida. He lives in Jacksonville.

David Osborne, '64, is pastor of the Carmichael SDA Church and lives in Sacramento, Calif.

Sharon (Derosia) Quinn, '68, lives in Spring Valley, Calif., and works as a clinical dietitian at Paradise Valley Hospital.

Wilfred Reyna, '60, lives in Chula Vista, Calif., and serves as a chaplain at Paradise Valley Hospital. His wife, Gloria, is a physical therapist and the couple has three married children and three grandchildren.

Barhara (Foster) Starnes, '62, is living in Longwood, Fla., with her husband, Richard, attended.

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Dale Bohannon, '77, lives in New Castle, Colo., where he is a bus driver.

Terry Benson, '72, and his wife, Jerilyn, pastor the Peachtree City SDA Church in Atlanta. She is director of Lifeline Ministries. Their daughter Heidi will graduate from Atlanta Adventist Academy this year, their son, Jonathan, is a sophomore at AAA, and their daughter Laura is in sixth grade at Peachtree City SDA School.

Rose (Melba) Cavanaugh, attended, and Glenn, '69, live in St. Petersburg, Fla. She works at Manatee Memorial Hospital in quality improvement. Their sons, Andrew and Steve, are in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Wanda Chamberlain, attended, is a court reporter in Avon Park, Ela., where she lives with her four children.

Judith (Osborne) Crabtree, '71, lives in Sacramento, Calif., and works as a nurse practitioner in obstetrics and gynecology.

Larry Dunford, '76, graduated from the Loma Linda University School of Dentistry. He has finished a residency in prosthodontics at the Medical College of Georgia and now practices in Fort Myers, Fla.

Wanda (Weikum) Freitas, '74, lives in Sacramento, Calif., and works as an R.N. She is married and has a daughter, Brittanie, 5.

THOSE WHO WALKED THESE HALLS

Gary Gryte, '70, is a youth pastor in Boulder, Colo. He and his wife, Ladonna, attended, have three children ages 21, 20, and 12.

Elven M. Hudson, '71, taught elementary school from 1969-73, taught incarcerated juveniles from 1974-88, and now teaches public special and mainstream education. He lives in Arcadia, Fla.

Tristan Ivey, attended, died on December 13, in Nashville, Tenn. He owned Tire Town and Tire Town Auto Sales and was an active member of the Cleveland Pachyderm Club.



The Kay family

David Kay, '79, his wife, Irene (Ruprecht), attended, and family live in San Antonio, Texas. David is the first of two Army physician assistants selected by the Department of Defense to work on advanced studies leading to a doctoral degree. He is attending the University of Texas at Austin to get a Ph.D. in Higher Educational Administration. Irene is completing her bachelor's degree in early childhood education.

Lorinda Lang, attended, is now a senior dental student at Loma Linda after being a dental hygienist for 10 years.

Sandee (Huston) Lawrence, '70, has taught grades three and four for 23 years. She and her husband, Alan, live in Lake Suzy, Fla.

Carolyn (Mullins) Lowe, '75, is a homemaker and director of her home church's preschool of 90 students. She and her husband, Michael, have two sons, Shawn, 13, and Evan, 7.

Lillian (Grav), '73, and William McKinney, former employee, are retired in Collegedale. They have three children who live in Portland, Seattle, and Boston.

Marion Moses, attended and former staff, and his wife, Miriam (Swallen), live in Groveland, Fla. Marion works as dean of the Massage Associates in Florida and is head elder of the Leesburg Church. Miriam is the head Sabbath School superintendent and still holds her C.D.M.

Sharon (Swinson) Priest, '71, teaches grades two through four at New Port Richey Adventist School. She has two daughters, Cherie, a freshman at Southern, and Becky, a junior at Forest Lake Academy.

Don Rima, attended, is president of Custom Systems Solutions, Inc., in the D.C. metro area. His wife, Cindy (Secrist), '86, is working on her master's in nursing and nurse practitioner license at George Washington University.

William Roberts, Jr., '76, his wife, Lynn (Phelps), and son, Ryan William Arnold, born February 3, live in Frederick, Md., where William has a dental practice.

Kathy (Cross) Sanderford, '77, works part time as a nurse in outpatient surgery. Her husband, Danny, is a dentist in Ft. Myers, Fla., and the couple has two sons, Justin, 10, and Aubrey, 7. Kathy is active in music and serves as a home and school leader. John, '79, and Patti (Pierce) Shanko, '78, live in Jacksonville, Fla., where John is a nurse anesthetist. The couple has three cats.

Doug Tallman, '77, is chaplain for Campion Academy. His wife, Sandy, attended, is dean of girls. The couple has a son, B.J., 10.

Larry Zumstein, '75, is in his tenth year as vice president for finance at Paradise Valley Hospital. He and his wife, Linda Fave, have two daughters, Holly, 11, and Heather, 6.

Daniel Zunitch, attended, graduates from Loma Linda University School of Dentistry in May. His daughter, Kim, plans to begin her nursing studies at Southern College this year.



Patti (Schuman) Aguas, '85, is married to Michael, '87, and is assistant director of advancement at Forest Lake Academy. Michael teaches biology at Forest Lake and the couple has three children, Jonathan, 7, Amanda, 6, and Cassi, 3.

Thomas Baez, '80, lives in Calhoun, Ga., where he works as the evangelism and adult church ministries director for the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. He has two daughters, Christina, 8, and Steffenie, 5.

Ronald Boston, attended, was named the Chattanooga Public Schools *Teacherofthe Year* for 1994. As a result, he was invited to the White House in October for a ceremony in the Rose Garden. While there, he met President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore. His wife, Patricia (Nunley), also works in the Chattanooga Public School System.

Evan, '83, and Jan (Hawthorne) Chesney, '82, live in Maitland, Fla., where Evan is minister of music at the Forest Lake SDA Church. He received his master's degree in music in 1990 from the Eastman School of Music. Jan is an R.N.

Kevin K. Costello, '87, recently returned from Guam and now serves as treasurer of the Oklahoma Conference. He lives in Oklahoma City.

Sally (Pierson) Dillon, '80, her husband, Bruce, and sons, Michael and Don, live in Timberville, Va. She is CEO of BSJ Associates, an information services firm. She chairs the health care branch, gives critical care and management seminars, and is a freelance writer with articles appearing in *Guide*, *Insight*, *CatholicDigest*, *KidsSuff*, *Touch Juawa Trails*, *AccentonLwing*, and more. In April of 1994, Andrews University Press published herbook, *Crossroadsin Time*.

Tom Eisendrath, '85, is a literature evangelist and lives in Elizabeth, Colo.

Angela Estrada, '89, works at Florida Hospital in Orlando in surgery. She has completed her AORN and ACLS certifications.

Hilma L. Griffin, '82, is assistant principal in the Riverside Unified School District and a contract teacher for La Sierra University. She graduated in 1993 from La Sierra with a doctorate in education and is engaged to be married on Oct. 8, 1995, to Rodney Watson.

Dixie Henderson '86, is an image consultant for color analysis and skin care cosmetics in Portland, Ore. Her two brothers, Rocky and Cliff, also live in Portland. Jeff Holweger, '81, worked as a CRNA for Erlanger Medical Center in Chattanooga and is now staff CRNA at Pickens County Medical Center. He married Jeri Lynn (Albrecht) in 1988, and the couple lives in Reform, Ala., with their daughter, Heather, 10.

Navy Lt. Cmdr. Jeffrev C. Kuhlman, '83, was recently designated a Naval flight surgeon. His wife, Sandy (Montaperto), attended, and two children live with him in London.

Lucinda (Emde), '89, and Todd Lang, attended, are co-owners of Bayside Eye Centre. Lucinda has been office manager there since September 1991 when Todd began his private practice in optometry. He ran his fourth marathon in Portland, Ore., in October 1994 with his dad and two brothers, Rob and Chris.

Don MacLafferty, '89, was ordained last August by the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference. He and his wife, April (Thayer), '88, minister in the South Fulton Tennessee district.

Bruce, '83 and '87, and Kathy (Brooks) McCorkle, '81, live in Jacksonville, Fla., where Bruce works as a nursing home administrator and Kathy is an x-ray technologist.

Joel McQuistan, '86, is boys' dean at Mt. Vernon Academy in Mt. Vernon, Ohio. His wife, Shari (Bergman), '86, is a stay-at-home mom with Korinn, 4, Adam, 3, and Caleb, 1.



The McQuistan family

Juvernia Oft, '84, lives in Avon Park, Fla., and keeps busy as head deaconess of Walker Memorial Church.

Bo Smith, '88, works in network administration at Mckee Foods in Collegedale. His wife, **Tina (Frist)**, '89, is free-lancing in the Chattanooga area.

David, '83, and Debra (Scheibe) Stunkard, attended, live in Orlando, where David is the associate pastor for youth/young adult ministries at Orlando Central Church. Debra is secretary to the assistant vice president for human resources at Florida Hospital. They have two children, Darlene, 9, and D.J., 7.

Jim and Lucia (Gilkes) Tiffany, '81, live in Bamako, Mali, in West Africa. Jim is country director for ADRA. They have two sons, Benjamin and Jeremy.

David Twombly, '82, is an RN at Moccasin Bend Mental Health Institute in Chattanooga. A National Guard 2nd Lieutenant, he served in Desert Storm.

THOSE WHO WALKED THESE HALLS

John White, attended, married Janice Smith on March 11. John is a project manager over residential homes with D.M. White Construction Company in Elizabethtown, N.C.

Doug Whitsett, '83, lives in Dunnellon, Fla., with his wife, **Maryse**, attended, and children Stephanie, 6, and Brian, 4. Both Doug and Maryse are R.N.s.

Chuck, attended, and Maureen (Mayden) Wisener, 'S4, live in National City, Calif., and work at Paradise Valley Hospital. Maureen is working on a master's in mass communication at San Diego State University. The couple has a year-old son, Jeffrey.



The Wong family

Robert Wong, '83, graduated from Andrews University in June of 1994. He, his wife, Mary, and son, Wesley, plan to do some missionary work in Hong Kong this year.



James Appel, attended, just returned from service as a Student Missionary in Ecuador and Brazil. He currently attends Pacific Union College.

Arthur Chamberlain, '93, 15 finishing his master's degree in public relations at the University of Florida.

Donna Denton, '94, moved to Apopka, Fla., last August and teaches at Forest Lake Academy.

Joel Henderson, '94, is an advertising executive for *The News-Sun* in Sebring, Fla. He married **Teri (Mote)**, attended, on July 4

Jamie Lewis, '87 and '92, is an R.N. in the critical care unit at Florida Hospital, Orlando.

Rick Mann, '94, teaches U.S. history and drama at Campion Academy in Colorado..

Luc Sabot, '93, has postponed his studies at Andrews University to serve as intern-pastor of the Hawksbury and Nepean churches in Ontario. He married Anita (Gonzalez), '94, on July 31. They live in Ottawa.

Ray Stephenson, '93, has returned from spending a year as a Student Missionary in China and is living in Winston-Salem, N.C.

DeAnn (Champion) Torkelson, '92, married Ken, attended, in August 1994 and attends Loma Linda University School of Medicine.

Julie Vatel, '93, is an R.N. at Florida Hospital, Orlando, and is pursuing a B.S.N.

Woody White, '91, and Tammie Mentzel, attended, will get married July 29, in Fayetteville, Ark. Woody practices law, focusing on criminal and civil litigation, at Hester, Grady, Hester & Greene in North Carolina. Tammie graduated from Union College in May of 1992 and has been working as a sales associate for Wrangler, Inc., in Fayetteville, Ark. They plan to live in North Carolina.

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