



# Lampletter

News for our Wisconsin church family

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Wisconsin Church Family:

In over 20 places this Spring, Wisconsin pastors and lay members are (or soon will be) holding evangelistic meetings and seminars. How thrilling are the reports from where this is happening!

Scores of new persons have come to the meetings already under way. Two ministers of other faiths are among the group. Some of the attendees have already asked about uniting with our Church family. Pray for our pastors and laity who are leading out in these meetings, and pray for these new friends who have chosen to come to study with us.

These Spring months mark the culmination of **HARVEST 90** in the World Church. Wisconsin pastors and lay members are praying and working so that precious souls can also be gathered in this portion of God's vineyard.

The Great Commission is "GO", and as we go, to "MAKE DISCIPLES." The

Lord is depending on us! If we fail to go, if we neglect His work, His disappointment is beyond description and, at the same time, we hurt ourselves as we see fewer and fewer people in our churches and schools. If we take His work seriously, however, and move forward with His blessing, Heaven rejoices over every person who is won and we rejoice over each new member who joins the family.

Let's all be part of the grand culmination of **HARVEST 90!** The report of God's blessing in this worldwide thrust, where we have seen **two and one quarter million new members** unite with His Church, will be given at the General Conference Session in Indianapolis in July.

Thank you for the part you are having in advancing and strengthening God's work.

Sincerely,

Arnold Swanson, President

**TRIUMPHAL CULMINATION OF HARVEST 90**

## H A R V E S T 9 0 N E W S

**Withee** - **Wendell Springer** is conducting a **Kenneth Cox Video Crusade** in the **Adventist Living Center chapel**. **Fourteen non-SDA's** attended the first night, and **24** the second night! There has been an average of **12-14 non-Adventists** in attendance each evening.

**Poy Sippi** - In this village of **400** residents, **Ken Knutsen** is holding a **Revelation Seminar**. Ken reports an average of **8 to 9 non-SDA's** at the evening meetings.

**Richland Center** - **David Livermore** has completed a **Family Seminar** on the **UW campus** in **Richland Center**. **Twenty-two non-SDA's** visited the **Richland Center Church** early in **March**. **David** is continuing his study with these individuals in a **Daniel Seminar** now being held in the **Richland Center Church**.

**Baraboo** - **Twenty-nine non-SDA's** attended the opening night of the **Kenneth Cox video crusade** being conducted in **Baraboo** by **George Shaver**.

**Lake Country Company** - **Steve Cook** reports **6 to 8 good interests** developing from a **Prophecy Seminar**, in spite of a movement to stop this seminar by local residents who made more than **50 complaint calls** to the school where the seminar is conducted and put a notice in the local newspaper advising readers not to attend.

**Wausau** - Two sessions (one in the afternoon and one in the evening) for the **Wausau Prophecy Seminar** are being conducted by **Clint Meharry**. **Clint** reports **15 non-SDA interests**.

**Delavan** - **Mike Weakley** reported **15 non-SDA attendees** at the meetings in **Delavan**.

**Shawano** - **Retiree Paul Scofield** is conducting a **Revelation Seminar** two nights a week, assisted by his son, **Pastor David**. They report **12 non-SDA interests**.

**Marshfield** - **Layman Paul Kenyon** will begin a seminar, "**How to Make Christianity Real**" in **Marshfield** early in **April**.

**Madison** - Two **Prophecy Seminars** began in the **Madison area** on **March 10** - one at the **Quality Inn**, led by **Bob Stauffer** and another at the **Sheridan Inn**, led by **Ron Gladden**.

**Elder Stauffer** reports **6 non-SDA's** continue to attend now that the meetings are continuing two nights a week in the **Madison East Church**.

**Elder Gladden's** seminar is continuing at the **Country Life Restaurant** with an average of **15 non-SDA's** in attendance each evening. On the first Sabbath the group was invited to the **Madison Community Church**, over **20 adults** came for the worship service and fellowship luncheon.

**Rice Lake** - **Ray Plummer** will begin a **Revelation Seminar** in **Rice Lake** on **April 5**.

**Oxford** - **Lifestyle evangelism** will begin **April 21** with **Elder Norman Kinney**, reports district pastor, **George Shaver**.

**Franklin** - **Steve Cook** will conduct a **Prophecy Seminar** **3 nights a week** beginning **April 6**.

**Germantown** - **Layperson, Dee Kesson**, began a **Prophecy Seminar** on **March 27** in this **Milwaukee suburb**, reports **Pastor Steve Cook**.

**Columbus** - **Pastor Richard Habenicht** continues his weekly **Daniel Seminar** for several inmates at the **Fox Lake Correctional Institute**.

**BOOKMOBILE LOSES BUMPER - BUT ALL IN GOD'S PLAN:** Esther Nelson, ABC Manager relates a Bookmobile experience as follows:

"It was one of those days. We had completed 4 Bookmobile stops and were heading to our 5th and last stop. We had been through it all that day. We left the Clearwater Church early that morning with several inches of new, clean, white snow on the ground. Our first "adventure" came as we tried to enter the main highway - we got hung up on the ice and spent several minutes just spinning our wheels.

At our next stop, we received a telephone message that we should skip the next stop for reasons known only to the message giver. Later we drove into fog and heavy snow. For a few miles we moved at a turtle's pace with near zero visibility. On the stops we made, the sales were well attended and our courage was good as we headed toward the final stop.

As we were driving along, a man in a van pulled up beside us and pointing to the Bookmobile mouthed a message to us. "Your bumper fell off!" Quickly we stopped to survey the damage. Sure enough, the bumper

was gone, as was the spare tire attached to it. We started to hike back along the side of the road looking for the lost bumper. Time was getting away from us. We were going to be late for the next sale. About a mile behind us we found the bumper laying on the highway.

Now the challenge was how to get back to the trailer with that heavy piece of equipment. We started back to the trailer carrying the bumper between us. A few minutes later a car stopped and two men jumped out. Opening their trunk they helped load the bumper onto their car and then took us to the trailer. Just as we were loading the bumper onto the truck, a second car stopped and a young man climbed out, calling us by name. We immediately recognized him as a member from the church we had not stopped at because of the telephone message.

Checking at the church earlier that day, he had waited some time for the Bookmobile and then returned again to see if we had arrived. As he drove down the highway, he watched for the Bookmobile along the way, hoping he could catch us at a later stop. He had nearly convinced himself that he would

not find us and felt badly about not getting the books he wanted, when he saw us beside the road.

We knew then that the Lord was still in control. Right there, parked beside the highway, we had a "mini" sale and then left to meet our next appointment where the people were still patiently waiting. What a joy to do the work of the Lord! So many times we can see His leading, in the events of our day, in answered prayer and even in a lost bumper!"

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#### IN TRANSITION

#### COMING TO WISCONSIN

David Koeffler, his wife, Jennifer, and three children, Kim (6), Josh (4) and Melissa (1) to intern in the Green Bay District with Elder Marvin Clark. The Koefflers arrived March 15 and will be serving in the Green Bay, Fish Creek and Sturgeon Bay churches until they enter the Seminary at the end of August.

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**\* \* COMING EVENTS \* \***

**April** 1 K-12 Science Fair - W.A.  
8 Lay Advisory Committee  
13-14 W. A. Alumni Week-end  
14 Offering - Andrews Univ.  
25-29 W.A. Home Leave  
28 Education Sabbath  
29 VBS Workshop - Conf.

**May** 6 Pathfinder Fair - W.A.  
7 Academy Day - W.A.  
13 Mother's Day  
19 Offering-Adv. World Radio  
20 NW Regional Mtg - Wahdoon  
25-27 W.A. Graduation Week-end  
28 Office Closed - Holiday

**ADVENTIST WORLD RADIO - EUROPE**

A second special offering will be received on **Sabbath, May 19**, in churches throughout the world for Adventist World Radio - Europe. This offering is to be used in the construction of a high-powered radio station in Italy that will send our programs via the air waves from Portugal to India and from Morocco to Soviet Asia -- a total population of 1 billion.

Gifts of \$100 to \$1,000 will go a long way towards helping Wisconsin reach its share of \$30,590 in this world appeal for \$7.5 million. Aside from special large gifts, we encourage each member to give \$10, or each family \$25, towards this world appeal.

**WISCONSIN ACADEMY NEWS**

The Academy Music Department welcomes a **NEW TENOR**, five pound, eleven ounce, Timothy Michael Rasmussen, who made his debut Monday, March 26 with a piercing tenor wail according to his proud parents, Bruce and Rosalie Rasmussen.

**CAMP MEETING 1990**

**A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM CAMP MEETING LOCATING.**

**FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE** in setting up your campsite prior to Camp Meeting, Elder Richard Habenicht will be available to assist you on the two Sundays prior to Camp Meeting -- **June 3 and June 10**. Pastor Habenicht will be at Camp Go-Seek by 10 o'clock a.m. each Sunday morning. You may make arrangements with him to enter your campsite anytime before 4:00 p.m. on June 3. Since Camp Pitch will begin on June 10, you may register anytime after 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 10, and throughout the rest of the week.

This special arrangement has been made so that those who cannot get off from work early on Friday will be able to bring their R.V.'s, campers or other camping equipment to the campgrounds earlier and, will, therefore, not need to set up camp during the sacred hours of the Sabbath.



**HARVEST 90 VICTORY BAPTISM**

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