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Sandra Now Rejoices in the Truth!



By Joyce Seay

Each Friday evening during the Wellness Program, the “Everlasting Gospel” is presented to the guests during a voluntary Bible study. I noticed Sandra, who was a young guest and a Roman Catholic, was very attentive but gave no response to the message. Later, I learned that she had not understood because she spoke Spanish and only some English.

Through Veronica, a student counselor, Sandra asked if I would share the plan of salvation slowly to her privately. Veronica and I went to Sandra’s room the next day. We knelt in prayer with Sandra and asked the Holy Spirit to open her understanding.

Sandra understood perfectly as we slowly proceeded, with Veronica translating. At the end of the Bible study, I appealed to Sandra to

surrender her heart and life into the care of our loving Saviour. By this time tears were flowing down her cheeks. Veronica and I were also weeping as we witnessed the miracle of conversion. We all knelt in prayer thanking God for His transforming grace.

After she went home, some local faithful Seventh-day Adventists nurtured Sandra in her new faith. Sandra was baptized recently, accepting the Seventh-day Adventist message. Praise the Lord! Now Sandra tells us that several of her Roman Catholic family members are studying the truth every Thursday evening.

She wrote the following letter of gratitude:

Dear Hartland Friends, I want to thank God for giving me the blessing of knowing Hartland and all the wonderful people there that my Creator used to bring me to the arms of Jesus.

I want to thank God and everyone there who helped me to come to the light. I am very happy in Jesus. I was baptized one week ago. I ask for prayers for my family.

Your sister, Sandra Rosas

We praise God for not only restoring physical health to our lifestyle guests, but, more importantly, for restoring them spiritually to Christ’s likeness. 

Joyce Seay is the admissions coordinator and health consultant at Hartland Wellness Center.



I Had High Blood Pressure

By Joan Reichard and Hal Mayer



Riley Walker, 77, lives alone. He developed high blood pressure and went on medication to keep it under control. His blood pressure continued to give him problems. “I had a stroke a year ago. My sugar went up and down. I wasn’t walking too good or talkin’ too good. And I was drooling.” Riley knew he was in trouble, but didn’t know what to do. “I heard about Hartland Wellness Center from my church in Charlotte, NC.”

“I didn’t know what to expect, but my experience at Hartland has been fantastic. At first it was hard to follow the schedule because, with my stroke, I don’t move around too good,” Riley says. “The staff are very dedicated, kind and considerate. They work 100 percent to help you out. The students are always friendly, too. They seemed to be concerned about my welfare. They’ll help you out any way they can. Sometimes I get lazy and don’t want to walk, but a student comes and pushes me, ‘Come on. Let’s go.’”

“Now my blood pressure is under control and

stable. And I don’t have to take any medications if I do what I’m supposed to do.”

Riley is pleased with what he has learned. “I learned a few tricks while I was here. I learned how to make my own food. I learned to eat fruits, vegetables and grains. I learned how to make food that’s healthy for me. I’m not going to eat at night. If I do eat something, I’ll eat fruit. I’ll be more careful about what I eat and what I do. I’ll make sure I get enough rest and enough exercise and sunshine. I get up at 5:00 and walk in the park for about an hour. The park is not too far from where I live. So I drive my car there and walk around. I used to sit around the house and nap all day.”

The best place that you can get some help is the Hartland Wellness Center. 

Joan Reichard is the Stewardship Ministries Counselor.



MAILROOM TESTIMONY

“I was greatly impressed with the passion and desire that [Hartland] students have for the Lord’s work. Hartland has really used its ministry well in training soldiers for this last great fight. May God continue to bless you as you hold up the highest banner for Him”

Your sister in Christ, Valerie

What I Have Learned



KIRK MCKINNON,
Pastoral
Evangelism,
Canada. "I have
received a great

blessing from the present truth messages and classes, as well as the spiritual fellowship with the students. The standards and policies of Hartland provide an atmosphere to grow in."

SUNG EUN

CHOI, Bible
Worker, South
Korea. "I have
received an
answer through



the last quarter to the question 'Why am I here?' God calls us to work for many dying people in the world."



ROBBIE
BERGHAN,
Pastoral
Evangelism,
Australia

"Coming to Hartland took a miracle of enormous proportions. Now that I have completed my first term, I would have to say that Hartland is everything that I had hoped it would be and much more. God is using this institution to train me and others like me for the life-calling that God has placed on our hearts. I personally appreciate the balanced approach to true education of body, mind and soul. Praise God for institutions like Hartland where the Bible is the standard. Thank you to all who have supported

this modern-day school of the prophets. Please continue to pray for the staff and students as we continue with our studies.



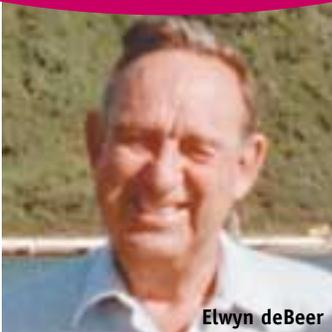
YOSHIYA KINJO,
Pastoral
Evangelism,
Japan. "I'm
grateful that the
Lord has kept

me healthy as I study or work and I'm thankful for this environment."

HYE-JIN LEE,
Elementary
Education, South
Korea. "I had an
experience that is
closer with God
during the last quarter. God is all
things in my life."



★ HARTLAND PUBLICATIONS



Elwyn deBeer

The Word Spreads in South Africa

By Faith Lyons

Recently, I received a letter from Elwyn deBeer of the Word of Life Ministry in Wandsbeck, South Africa. I want to share selected parts of the letter with our readers.

"Things are really moving here. Our ministry is being blessed and we are kept busy answering letters and phone calls. We are very pleased although it means we have to work harder.

Recently, I received a letter from a man in prison. He had received Behold He Cometh. One of my friends had handed out copies of this tabloid there.

He studied the lessons and was convinced that he should

keep the Sabbath holy. He told his friends, and when he wrote to us, there was a group of 30 keeping the Sabbath every week! He was transferred to a nearby prison and wanted more literature to start groups in the new prison.

Similarly, two other men in other prisons had also studied and started keeping the Sabbath. They also started witnessing to others and each one had a group of five keeping the Sabbath regularly. They have been transferred to other prisons and requested literature to start new groups.

Recently, a minister from another denomination saw a copy of Christ's Object

at Hartland College



GOCE SHAMAKOSKI, Christian Publications Management,

Macedonia. "This past quarter, I learned how to prioritize my responsibilities, and also I'm very thankful for the accounting classes I could take as a Christian Publication major."

RAFAEL LOPES

KOPKE, Christian Publications Management, Brazil. "The staff



members received me like I was their own son, with open doors. I am very happy with my new friends and all days I praise the

Lord for the happiness that I feel in my heart. Hartland is to me the best place to be in all my life."



THER-LING KWOK, Bible Instructor, Singapore.

"Although circumstances conspired to draw me away from Hartland during my first quarter, I'm glad I decided to trust in the Lord to work things out. It has taught me about God's grace and the true importance of tenacity to one's mission despite one's feelings. My character is being polished, and I am confident that here is where I'll be nurtured in developing my vision

for future ministry. (Phil. 1:6)"

AZEZE HAGOS, Pastoral Evangelism major, Africa.



"I felt that this place is where important training can be attained for those who determine to serve God by sacrifice."



BRANDON JONES, Pastoral Evangelism, United States.

"I learned education is more than just class education. I observed that balance is very important to life and education." 

Lessons which a friend of mine lent to another lady. He came to my friend and asked, 'Where can I get a copy of this book? I must have it even if I have to write to America.' My friend gladly gave him a copy. The Lord will use that book!

Recently, I met a man who knew that I was passing out literature. I told him I send out christian literature. He told me he was a lay preacher. I gave him a Great Controversy, Desire of Ages, Bible Readings and Christ's Object Lessons. A week later I spoke to him and then he thanked me, especially for Christ's Object Lessons.

He assured me he was going to use it to preach in his church.

You will remember that you sent us a lot of literature some time ago. I have handed these to our SDA friends.... They give the real Adventist message. This has strengthened the confidence of many of our friends. They now serve the Lord faithfully and labour for others – both Adventists and non-Adventists. We are now busy with out-reaching and in-reaching.

We have decided to approach you to request more literature, so we can build up the work in South Africa. We hope and pray you can accommodate us. Our financial resources are

limited, but we are eager to do the Lord's work."

Please pray for Word of Life Ministry in South Africa and let us know if you would like to have a part in helping send free literature to worthy ministries around the world. 

Be sure to check our web site as we are constantly adding new books, tapes and CD's. www.hartlandpublications.com

Faith Lyons is Director of Hartland Publications



“God Saved My Life”

by Frances Lundberg

There is an awesome responsibility when God has miraculously saved your life! December 10, 2003 dawned as any usual Monday. After four days of visiting with my children, I looked forward to getting back to work. As the secretary of the Culpeper SDA Church, I was also preparing for the Monday night board meeting.

At 6:30 p.m., after accomplishing much less than I had planned during the day, I left for the 20-minute trip to the board meeting. After having gone about 5 miles, I have no recollection of what happened next until I awoke in the emergency room of the Culpeper Regional Hospital. But the following was told to me.

Two New Staff in Hartland World Mission

By Frances Lundberg

Elvin and I have long known that Hartland World Mission is too big a department for two staff to manage! Finally, the Lord has led just the right people to minister with us—Sheri Trueblood and Carole Johnson.



Sheri Trueblood, a Hartland College graduate, has recently been ministering in Guanaja, Honduras. She had major

responsibilities teaching in the conference school, along with outreach to the parents, church members and general population. She will be a great asset in helping to plan overseas programs and relieve me of some of my extensive travel. Sheri will also assist with planning some of the on-campus programs. She is multi-talented and even helped in the kitchen of the Wellness Center during the December and January sessions while waiting for me to recover from my recent accident and get back into the office.

Carole Johnson, retired but certainly not inactive, comes to us from Maryland. She has attended our on-campus convocations and camp

meetings, and the Lord miraculously revealed to her a few months ago that she should lend her talents to Hartland. She will spend half her time helping with the office duties in Hartland World Mission and the other half time at Hartland Publications. She is currently finalizing her prior teaching and counseling commitments, and we expect her to join us about the end of January.



A 44-year-old woman had a diabetic reaction while driving and passed out. Her large Dodge Ram pickup truck crossed the center line and struck my small Hyundai head-on. Her truck then continued into a ditch on my side of the road. She was uninjured.

My car spun 180 degrees and continued going north, backwards, on the shoulder on my side of the road. Fortunately, it stopped before striking a tree.

As our loving, heavenly Father would have it, Walt Cross, the Director of Hartland Wellness Center and a qualified EMT, was the third car behind me. He was the first one to reach my car, even before the dust settled. I was so covered with blood that he did not recognize me and was shocked, upon inquiry, when I told him my name. He stayed by me, administering what aid he could, until the ambulance arrived. Not until asked to move so that the “jaws of life” could wrench off the door, did he leave my side.

I spent the rest of the night in the emergency room, my husband by my side, as the doctors worked to save my life. By the grace of our merciful God, my only injuries were multiple cuts on my face extending into the hairline and in my left ear, a broken right leg, a fractured left shoulder and a broken left forearm. For about two weeks, I thought my pelvis was broken but it turned out to be major bruising.

As I write this article, it is less than four weeks since the accident, but already I can thank the Lord for



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the lessons I have learned. I believe it would be a dishonor to God to murmur and complain since God’s Word tells us “All things work together for good....” (Romans 8:28). I have character defects that need to be addressed before the close of probation and I am so thankful that God allowed my body to be broken to save my soul.

The urgency of the times in which we live has been more fully impressed upon my mind. Statements such as “Faith is trusting God,—believing that He loves us, and knows best what is for our good,” (*Review and Herald*, December 24, 1908) take on new meaning.

Thank God for saving my life to continue to serve in Hartland World Mission and thank you for your continued support so that we can take the gospel to the world and hasten the coming of Jesus. 

Frances Lundberg is Director of Hartland World Mission.





By Sheri Trueblood

PROVE ME

God challenges us to “prove” Him in Malachi 3:10. As the Bible teacher of the Seventh-day Adventist school, I took up this challenge, by faith, in helping to plan evangelistic and revival meetings in Guanaja, a small island off the coast of Honduras. With the combination of drugs, alcohol, immorality, idleness outside of the church and lukewarmness in the church, it’s a rough place for a young person to grow spiritually.

After months of my trying to find someone able and willing to come to this little island in Central America, Reginald Wright, former student of Hartland, and Adrian McQueen from *Voice in the Wilderness International* answered the call. Their years of experience of working with youth in London, England and preaching the three angels’ messages made them just the ones we needed. The first obstacle was cleared—we had workers.

The next obstacle to surmount was airfare from England to Honduras during high season. That is where

Malachi 3:10 came in. Looking at the budget on a venture like this seemed initially overwhelming because we did not know where the money would come from, but didn’t God say He would “pour out blessings from the windows of heaven”?

If men are willing to risk for business ventures why not risk for God’s cause? God did prove Himself faithful. All expenses, which amounted to about \$3500 US, were paid in ways we did not foresee. In a third-world country where 17 lempiras equals one dollar and you are a stipend Bible teacher, that is a lot of money. I cannot explain how much this experience strengthened my faith.

And it was worth the “risks.” Not only were the meetings well attended and well received, but I was privileged to see my students responding to altar calls, making commitments and having seeds planted in their hearts at a very critical time in earth’s history. The messages were given with the power of the Holy Spirit. They dealt with the history of the great controversy and climaxed

with the parable of the ten foolish and wise virgins. Church members were awakened to a desire to learn how to study their Bibles and especially how to study prophecy. As a matter of fact, it was the church that got together and paid off the last amount needed to cover our expenses. They said the messages given were so valuable that it was worth much more than money. They did this the night before the young men returned to England. God came through right on time. Eternity alone will show the far-reaching effects of this mission endeavor.

Are you contemplating doing a work for God but don’t know where the resources will come from? I urge you, before it’s too late, to venture forward for God. Risk something; prove Him. He will not fail you. 

Sheri Trueblood graduated from Hartland College in 1999. She is now a staff member in Hartland World Mission.

Ladies' Dorm Makes Progress



Volunteers Alex Arroyo and Abel Valderrabano helping Hartland College students Steven Buttery and Clinton Herman pour footing and lay the first row of blocks.

With grateful hearts, we thank those whose gifts and hours of volunteering have brought such good progress.



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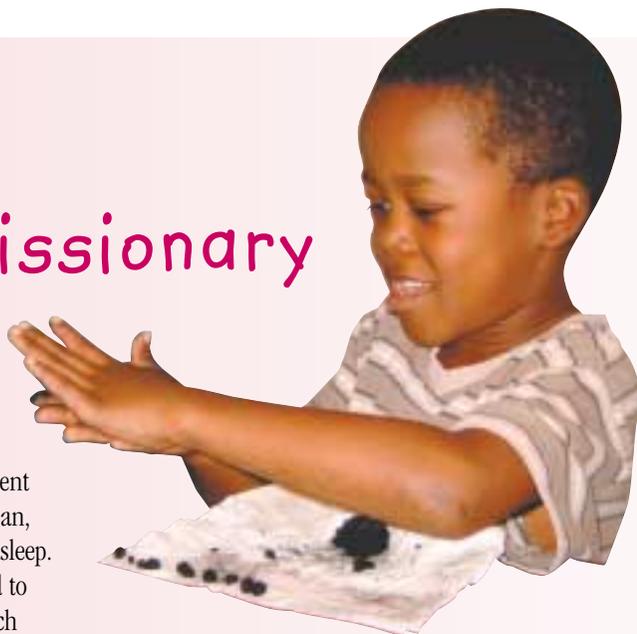
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By Walt Cross

Medical Missionary Training for Homeschoolers

As Maria walked into her patient assessment class this past October, she noticed Nathan, one of her students, lying under the table asleep. After a brief assessment of him, she decided to test her class on their assessment skills. Each student carefully took their turn; thoroughly checking Nathan in order to give their teacher an accurate assessment. All agreed that he had an elevated temperature and began addressing a treatment protocol.

The first item on their collective protocol was prayer. After two of the students prayed, they gave Nathan a warm blanket, hydration, a cool towel to the forehead and various herbal teas such as feverfew and peppermint. Each item of the care plan was thoroughly carried out by the class. After Nathan was treated, Mom carried him home for



Redmond learns to make a charcoal poultice.

follow-up care. Nathan's class was kindergarten through third grade.

Over 70 homeschoolers and parents were trained at the second one-week medical missionary Training Course sponsored by the Collegedale Homeschool Association in Collegedale, Tennessee. In an effort to follow their commission as medical missionaries, parents in the Collegedale Homeschool Association have determined to train their children in the medical missionary work now.

“We have come to a time when every member of the church should take hold of medical missionary work. The world is . . . filled with victims of both physical and spiritual disease.” *Testimonies to the Church*, Volume 7, p. 62.

Four groups, (K-3, 4-6, 7-12, and adults) were trained in the eight laws of health, hydrotherapy,

Former Hartland College student, Nayelyth Chirinos teaches the homeschool cooking class.



massage therapy, patient assessment, herbs and nutrition. The adults also received advanced training in chronic diseases and how to fulfill our spiritual commission.

“I haven’t had any sugar, and not one snack between meals in three weeks! That is a true miracle. The sugar withdrawals seem to be over,” said one participant. “Our oldest son is drinking Chaparral tea each day for acne. And despite the fact that it tastes DISGUSTING, he’s drinking it because it’s clearing up his face!”

Many families “latched hold” of God’s health plan during the training. “We are all eating more fruits and veggies, and our trips to Dairy Queen have ceased!” said Debbie.

There is also a growing desire to share the health message with others. “We (the kids and I) are going to begin having health classes each week. We are going to teach a hydrotherapy class on December 7 at the Pioneer Fellowship. And the following week we are going to have a “Healthy Desserts” demonstration at our home.”

After the course, Debbie Fine, the coordinator, was invited to the Ooltewah Homeschool Support group to talk about the MMTC. They are predominantly non-SDA, but are very interested in attending the course this year.

It is thrilling to watch our youth grasp the health message and take it to their families, neighbors and friends. 

Walt Cross is the former Hartland Wellness Center Director now living in Tennessee.



Webber Memorial Baptist Church

A Prison Cell Wouldn’t Stop These Two Preachers

by Hal Mayer

Neither religious liberty nor toleration were features of the Virginia Colony in 1688. From the beginning, the colony believed they could only control their members by “religion and law. They exercised despotism in both.”¹ Strong religious laws were established with severe penalties for those who did not participate and for dissenters such as the Baptists. Many Baptist preachers refused to obtain a license from the government of the colony because they believed that their license was given them in God’s word, and they had no need of a human license.

Many examples may be given of Baptist preachers who were arrested, imprisoned, fined and even whipped because they believed that the right (and duty) to preach the gospel was God-given and inalienable, and quite beyond the pale of legislators and courts.

Joseph Anthony and William Webber were zealous, powerful and effective young ministers. They were invited to preach to some of the inhabitants in Chesterfield County. The magistrate, discovering that they were turning many to “madness” (meaning to

Baptist beliefs) and likely to do the established Church of England much harm, issued warrants, had them arrested and thrown in prison. After several weeks they were arraigned. Since they would not violate their conscience and agree to stop their itinerant preaching, they were left in jail for three long months.

While in prison, they preached through the iron grates of the prison windows. Many people attended the preaching on the street outside the prison cell, and many were converted to the Lord by virtue of these persecuted ministers. In fact, Chesterfield was the worst persecuting county in the whole colony. But few counties had a greater response to the principles of the Baptists than Chesterfield.²

“Such was the power of Joseph Anthony’s ministry while in jail, as he lifted up his voice and proclaimed Christ to the crowds without, that it

was judged the best policy to dismiss him. The jailer was directed to shut the door of his cell, but to leave it unlocked, that it might be reported he had fled from prison. Mr. Anthony chose to continue. The door was then left open—still he remained.” A fellow prisoner tried to persuade him to escape, but he replied, “They have taken us openly, uncondemned, and have cast us into prison; and now, do they cast us out privily? Nay, verily, but let them come themselves and fetch us out.”³

Such courage is rare today. Most of us would take the opportunity to escape the jaws of punishment. But Mr. Anthony saw the trap. The authorities were going to accuse them of some evil by escaping from prison, which they themselves would have orchestrated. Have you ever seen that kind of thing happen? How many

faithful souls have been accused of wrongdoing when the accusers themselves set them up for it?

How Mr. Webber and Mr. Anthony were released has not come down to us. But they saw a higher principle. Why could not the magistrates have just as openly brought them out of prison as they had put them in? Because the people’s sympathies were with the imprisoned men and it would have been terribly humbling to openly release them without putting their characters under a further cloud. How often we will settle for less than the complete vindication of the truth, while its enemies run roughshod over its supporters. We need more Webbers and Anthonys, don’t we? **!**

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Letter From Tania

Now Working in India

“I’m so glad that I was able to receive the right education and training at Hartland College. I would not trade my experience for anything.

Right now I’m occupied with teaching the students at our school and orphanage. I am teaching Bible, English, history and geography for grades 7-10. I am thoroughly enjoying teaching them the things I have learned at Hartland. The Lord has surely blessed me with this wonderful job of molding and educating young minds for His service. This is exactly what I wanted to do after I had finished at Hartland. The Lord has been good to me in giving me this opportunity.”

Tania Tharasingh
Green Pastures School & Orphanage
SALUTE Ministries

Tania graduated from Hartland College in 2003. She was trained at Hartland by gifts to the Missionary Training Fund.

We are very glad that she has chosen self-supporting work in her beloved home country of India.



“I’ve grown spiritually!”

By Joan Reichard



Mary Sanchez from California first heard about Hartland Institute from Pastor Rogers Ballou, graduate of Hartland College. After meeting some Hartland students at M.E.E.T. Ministry last spring, she wanted to get better acquainted with Hartland and be in a spiritual environment while she was contemplating marriage. She called to volunteer for the ladies’ dorm project. In October she worked

at the construction site, which was a new experience. Then she was needed on the farm to prune roses, turn the soil, water plants, plant seeds, transplant seedlings and move plants into the greenhouses.

Later, she became a volunteer at the Hartland Wellness Center. During sessions, her duties were to help prepare food for the health guests, accompany them on walks and share devotional thoughts with them. “We were very busy. I learned to work fast. Cooking for so many people and getting it out on time is different than cooking for a family.”

She also had the chance to do Bible work with students and she is looking forward to colporteur next term.

Recently, she accepted a proposal for marriage. She plans to continue volunteering at the Wellness Center until February. “I feel like I’ve received a lot. I have grown spiritually! My time here was good preparation for marriage and for my future ministry. It has been a really nice experience and I’ll miss Hartland when I leave. Who knows? Maybe we’ll be back as volunteers!”

Thank you, Mary, for your willingness to serve God here at Hartland.

If you would like to volunteer at Hartland, please call us. We have opportunities for those who would like to use their talents in God’s work. 

Joan Reichard is the Stewardship Ministries Counselor.

I LOVE HARTLAND CAMP MEETINGS



“I love to go to Hartland camp meetings for a spiritual feast and rich fellowship that you cannot get in other places. There’s something special that happens when like-believers in present truth get together.

I also love Hartland Publications.” *Trudy Hunt, OH*

“I like the youth classes best at the Hartland camp meetings, because we go places and do interesting things for the Lord, like visiting nursing homes.”

Ann Farber, 17, OH



“At Hartland camp meetings, people treat you like you are a human being. In some places, people are snobby but not at Hartland.”

Marolyn Farber, 16, OH



“Burn Saddam at the Stake!”

By Hal Mayer

Recently, I was in a grocery store standing in the checkout line. There in the rack was a magazine with the now-famous picture of the captured Saddam Hussein looking haggard and bewildered.

As I was wrapped up in my thoughts, the man who chanced to be in front of me turned to me and said, “If I was George Bush, do you know what I’d do? I’d tell Saddam he has 24 hours to give me all the names of the insurgent leaders, or I’d burn him at the stake.”

I almost reeled back in shock, but managed to control myself. I haven’t ever heard that kind of talk from anyone. I’ve only read about the auto de fe (burning at the stake) in history books. Why talk of this barbaric punishment in this modern and enlightened age? If Saddam deserves to die, I would think a firing squad or an electric chair could do the job pretty well. Why burn him at the stake with a lingering painful death? But I suppose that was my companion’s point. Make it painful. After all, didn’t Saddam torture his victims?

Then it dawned on me. God had allowed me to hear this man’s deeply passionate feelings about Saddam, who is half a world away, for a reason. My checkout line companion cannot touch Saddam himself, but deep in his heart he is very angry at him. He was telling me what he would do if he could. Ellen White comments, “As religious aggression subverts the liberties of our nation, those who would stand for freedom of conscience will be placed in unfavorable positions.” *Maranatha*, p. 185.



Hal Mayer
Stewardship Ministries

When our faith is placed in unfavorable light, perhaps we will be painted as wicked as Saddam Hussein. What will be the feelings and actions of those around us who *have* the ability to harm us? Will they be as angry as the man in front of me at the grocery store? Will they perhaps try to take matters into their own hands? After all, *we* won’t be half a world away, perhaps only a few inches, as I was from my angry companion. God gave me this little insight so that I could see how easy it is to resurrect the methods of the Dark Ages in modern America.

Ellen White goes on to say, “For their own sake, they should, while they have opportunity, become intelligent in regard to disease, its causes, prevention and cure. And those who do this will find a field of labor anywhere.” *Ibid*, p.185.

Perhaps God’s medical missionaries will also find protection through helping others.

Satan is using the Saddams and the Osamas of the world to condition people to knee-jerk in certain ways when their emotional buttons are pushed. Get ready for trouble, folks. Once the focus shifts to God’s people, there’s no telling how far some will be willing to go to vent their anger, even to the infamous stake.

Our stewardship involves preparation. Becoming a medical missionary may be your best asset in difficult times. Build your prayer life, too. It is a resource you will desperately need. After all, you might face the stake. 

While in Australia recently, I received a letter from an old friend. The letter asked if there could be some leeway for the findings of science, especially concerning the Bible teaching of the six literal, consecutive, twenty-four-hour days of creation about six thousand years ago. He included a very carefully crafted article in which he pled for his Seventh-day Adventist scientist friends to accept the apparent scientific evidence for a much older world and thus reinterpret Genesis chapters 1-9.

This was not new. The real question is: Can we believe that the Bible is the basis of our faith concerning salvation while also recognizing that the Bible may not always be scientifically sound? My answer is an emphatic, "No!" "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God." 2 Timothy 3:16. Some seem to think that evidence for the "big bang" theory, for example, is not strong enough to cause Christians to waver from other literal understandings of the Bible. But my friend was also concerned that if we defend Bible stories as literal (such as the miracles of Christ), many young people trained in the knowledge of "science" would turn away from the Seventh-day Adventist faith, possibly from Christianity itself, because these stories could not be validated by science.

Copernicus, Galileo and others discovered that the earth was not the center of the universe, but that our solar system revolves around the sun. This fact was strongly opposed by the Roman Church during the 17th century. Galileo was brought before the Inquisition and sentenced to house arrest for the last eight years of his life for holding such heretical views.

The Catholic Church tried to use certain scriptures to buttress their opposition to Galileo. In frustration

he proposed that astronomy should not be judged by the Bible, but should depend upon observation. That view means Scripture should be interpreted to support the scientific evidence. Inspiration makes some interesting comments:

"Science is ever discovering new wonders, but she brings from her research nothing that, rightly understood, conflicts with divine revelation." *Education*, p. 128.

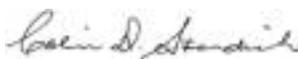
"Inferences erroneously drawn from facts observed in nature have, however, led to supposed conflict between science and revelation, and in an effort to restore harmony, interpretations of Scripture have been adopted that undermine and destroy the force of the word of God." *Ibid*.

Notice these important principles: 1) Science, properly understood, and the Bible are in complete harmony. 2) There is no inconsistency between science and the Bible. 3) The book of nature and the book of Revelation shed light upon each other.

Science can often change quickly and radically under further investigation. But the Bible does not change. Therefore, "The Bible is not to be tested by men's ideas of science, but science is to be brought to the test of the unerring standard." *Counsels to Parents, Teachers and Students*, p. 425. Many times, we have to wait for science to catch up to the Bible.

In the next *Hartland Ministry Report*, we will look at a few predictions of Ellen White that were thought to be erroneous and see if science has caught up.

God bless you.



Colin D. Standish, President



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Speaker: Colin Standish

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Speaker: Dr. Phil Collins “How to Treat the Body” **Call:** 800-763-9355 or 540-672-3100 ext 311

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Speaker: Hal Mayer

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March 19,20, 2004 – Deltona, FL

Speaker: Hal Mayer

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