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The father's duty to his children should be one of his first interests. It should not be set aside for the sake of acquiring a fortune, or of gaining a high position in the world. In fact, those very conditions of affluence and honor frequently separate a man from his family, and cut off his influence from them more than anything else. If the father would have his children develop harmonious characters, and be an honor to him and a blessing to the world, he has a special work to do. God holds him responsible for the work. In the great day of reckoning it will be asked him: Where are the children that I intrusted to your care to educate for Me, that their lips might speak My praise, and their lives be as a diadem of beauty in the world, and they live to honor Me through all eternity?

-The Health Reformer, October 1, 1877

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Future for America has come into existence so that meat in due season may reach the flock at this time. . . . It is present truth that the flock needs now. We look to add our *flavor* to the many ministries available today.

Future For America is a self-supporting 501-C3 nonprofit corporation, and is funded by readers like you. We exist to assist those who are striving to be among the 144,000—through the Prophetic Word and the Health Message—by the power of the Holy Spirit. We hope to help God's people teach our Health Message by using the effective teaching and learning tools which we will provide. We also hope to inspire lay persons to do this by arousing them to the lateness of the hour through the Prophetic messages found in this publication, in seminars, and available in books and on both audio and video tapes.

* F. Y. I. . . .

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! Isaiah 52:7.

Brothers and Sisters, we are most happy to bring you a good report of the blessings and workings of our almighty God. Truly He is working mightily to bring His people to a saving knowledge of His truth.

Jeff and Kathy Pippenger have returned from the Philippines with reports that cause our hearts to burn within us, and to thank the Lord for His abundant mercies and unfailing love toward us. It is this great, unbounded love which draws us to Him.

In a week or two, we will be sending out a special newsletter with the complete report on the work done by the teams in the Philippines, but suffice it to say that nearly 300 were baptized and many more are in the process of preparing for baptism! Surely the Lord's arm is not shortened, but He is stretching it out to save all who will come to Him in faith, claiming His blood as a covering for their sins, and submitting their wills to His divine leading.

As June is the month which honors fathers, we have included an article from Jim Hohnberger presenting *A Heart to Heart Talk with Fathers*. Although this is primarily aimed at those fathers among us, it contains much interesting and helpful information for each of us. May our heavenly father bless you as you endeavor to be the father God designed for you to be.

In this issue we have printed an article from the pen of inspiration, sounding *A Call to Service*. This is the first of several articles which will be dealing with the call for us to be involved in the medical missionary work.

In addition to working in the medical missionary field for the healing of the body and the souls of others, we are to do a work within our own bodies:

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Romans 12:1. God calls for a living sacrifice, not a dead or dying one. When we realize the requirements of God, we shall see that He requires us

to be temperate in all things. The end of our creation is to glorify God in our bodies and spirits which are His. How can we do this when we indulge the appetite to the injury of the physical and moral powers? God requires that we present our bodies a living sacrifice. Then the duty is enjoined on us to preserve that body in the very best condition of health, that we may comply with His requirements. "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." 1 Corinthians 10:31.—Counsels on Health, 88.

Brothers and Sisters, I beseech you, let us work to be able to present our bodies to Him as a living sacrifice, as holy and honorably as it is possible for that sacrifice to be.

Starting with this issue we will be presenting simple, practical, and yet effective ways to improve health for His honor and glory, and to enable us better to represent Him who was willing to die in our stead. Please join with me in a rededication of all that we are, and all that we could and should be, so that we will truly be able to glorify Him—not only in our bodies, but also in mind and spirit.

We have received many requests for prayer, so we have added a place to list some of these requests. If you have a prayer request, please let us know.

The second of our simple, practical, and yet effective methods of improving our health is *Get Smart . . . Take a Bath!!!* It is astonishing when you read all the benefits we receive from a simple bath. Please note that it is my conviction that this is a full bath—not a shower! As you read, I believe you will reach the same conclusion.

We are very privileged to be able to present the first of several little nuggets by David L. Lin, showing that our God is still working in a mighty way to redeem His people. These *China Tales Worth Telling*, will present valuable lessons in faith to young and old alike.

It is our earnest desire that this little publication should present valuable and practical instruction which will aid us as we prepare for Christ's longed for return. If you have any suggestions that would aid us in fulfilling that goal, please let us know, that we may grow together as a temple of fit, living stones to the glory of our loving and beloved God.

Your sister in His service,

Denise Matlean

*For Your Information

A CALL TO SERVICE

By Ellen G. White

The Entering Wedge

I can see in the Lord's providences that the medical missionary work is to be a great entering wedge, whereby the diseased soul may be reached.—*Counsels on Health*, 535.

The evangelization of the world is the work that God has given to those who go forth in His name. They are to be co-laborers with Christ, revealing to those ready to perish His tender, pitying love. God calls for thousands to work for Him, not by preaching to those who know the truth, going over and over the same ground, but by warning those who have never heard the last message of mercy. Work with a heart filled with an earnest longing for souls. Do medical missionary work. Thus you will gain access to the hearts of the people. The way will be prepared for more decided proclamation of the truth. You will find that relieving their physical suffering gives an opportunity to minister to their spiritual needs.

The Lord will give you success in this work, for the gospel is the power of God unto salvation, when it is interwoven with the practical life, when it is lived and practiced. The union of Christlike work for the body and Christlike work for the soul is the true interpretation of the gospel.—*An Appeal for the Medical Missionary College*, 14-15.

The Compassion of Christ Revealed

Medical missionary work brings to humanity the gospel of release from suffering. It is the pioneer work

of the gospel. It is the gospel practiced, the compassion of Christ revealed. Of this work there is great need, and the world is open for it. God grant that the importance of medical missionary work shall be understood, and that new fields may be immediately entered.—*Medical Ministry*, 239.

Divine Origin

True medical missionary work is of heavenly origin. It was not originated by any person who lives. But in connection with this work we see so much which dishonors God that I am instructed to say, The medical missionary work is of divine origin and has a most glorious mission to fulfill. In all its bearings it is to be in conformity with Christ's work. Those who are workers together with God will just as surely represent the character of Christ as Christ represented the character of His Father while in this world.—*Ibid.*, 24.

The Gospel of Health

The principles of health reform are found in the Word of God. The gospel of health is to be firmly linked with the ministry of the Word. It is the Lord's design that the restoring influence of health reform shall be a part of the last great efforts to proclaim the gospel message.—*Ibid.*, 259.

As a means of overcoming prejudice and gaining access to minds, medical missionary work must be done, not in one or two places only, but in many places where the truth has not yet been proclaimed. We are to work as gospel missionar-

ies, to heal the sin-sick souls by giving them the message of salvation. This work will break down prejudice as nothing else can.—*Testimonies*, Vol. 9, 211.

The Right Hand of the Gospel

Medical missionary work is the right hand of the gospel. It is necessary to the advancement of the cause of God. As through it men and women are led to see the importance of right habits of living, the saving power of the truth will be made known. Every city is to be entered by workers trained to do medical missionary work. As the right hand of the third angel's message, God's methods of treating disease will open doors for the entrance of present truth.—*Ibid.*, Vol. 7, 59.

It Opens Doors

The right hand is used to open doors through which the body may find entrance. This is the part the medical missionary work is to act. It is to largely prepare the way for the reception of the truth for this time. A body without hands is useless. In giving honor to the body, honor must also be given to the helping hands, which are agencies of such importance that without them the body can do nothing. Therefore the body which treats indifferently the right hand, refusing its aid, is able to accomplish nothing.—*Medical Ministry*, 238.

In every place the sick may be found, and those who go forth as workers for Christ should be true health reformers, prepared to give

those who are sick the simple treatments that will relieve them, and then pray with them. Thus they will open the door for the entrance of the truth. The doing of this work will be followed by good results.—*Ibid.*, 320.

The Work for Today

Why has it not been understood from the Word of God that the work being done in medical missionary lines is a fulfillment of the Scripture, "Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. . . . The servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."

This is a work that the churches in every locality, north and south and east and west, should do. The churches have been given the opportunity of answering this work. Why have they not done it? Someone must fulfill the commission.—*Review and Herald*, May 25, 1897.

The Lord gave me great light on health reform. In connection with my husband, I was to be a medical missionary worker. I was to set an example to the church by taking the sick to my home and caring for them. This I have done, giving the women and children vigorous treatment.

I was also to speak on the subject of Christian temperance, as the Lord's appointed messenger. I engaged heartily in this work and spoke to large assemblies on temperance in its broadest and truest sense.—*Ibid.*, July 26, 1906.

An Early Call to Action—1867

I saw that the Lord was giving us an experience which would be of the highest value to us in the future in connection with His work. . . . I saw that God was fitting up my husband to engage in the solemn, sacred work of reform which He de-

signs shall progress among His people.

It is important that instructions should be given by ministers in regard to living temperately. They should show the relation which eating, working, resting, and dressing sustain to health.

All who believe the truth for these last days have something to do in this matter. It concerns them, and God requires them to arouse and interest themselves in this reform. He will not be pleased with their course if they regard this question with indifference.—*Testimonies*, Vol. 1, 618.

A Rallying Call in 1902

We have come to a time when every member of the church should take hold of medical missionary work. The world is a lazar house filled with victims of both physical and spiritual disease. Everywhere people are perishing for lack of a knowledge of the truths that have been committed to us. The members of the church are in need of an awakening, that they may realize their responsibility to impart these truths.—*Ibid.*, Vol. 7, 62.

The Call Repeated in 1907

Medical missionary work is yet in its infancy. The meaning of genuine medical missionary work is known by but few. Why?—Because the Saviour's plan of work has not been followed. God's money has been misapplied. In many places practical, evangelistic, medical missionary work is being done, but many of the workers who should go forth as did the disciples are being collected together and held in a few places, as they have been in the past, notwithstanding the Lord's warning that this should not be.—*Special Testimonies*, Series B, No. 8, 28.

The Call of Today

The purest example of unselfishness is now to be shown by our medical missionary workers. With the knowledge and experience gained

by practical work, they are to go out to give treatments to the sick. As they go from house to house, they will find access to many hearts. Many will be reached who otherwise would never have heard the gospel message.—*Counsels on Health*, 538.

A new element needs to be brought into the work. God's people must receive the warning and work for souls right where they are, for people do not realize their great need and peril. Christ sought the people where they were, and placed before them the great truths in regard to His kingdom. As He went from place to place, He blessed and comforted the suffering and healed the sick. This is our work. God would have us relieve the necessities of the destitute. The reason that the Lord does not manifest His power more decidedly is because there is so little spirituality among those who claim to believe the truth.—*Medical Ministry*, 319.

Zeal and Perseverance Required

Could I arouse our people to Christian effort, could I lead them to engage in medical missionary work with holy zeal and divine perseverance, not in a few places, but in every place, putting forth personal effort for those out of the fold, how grateful I should be! This is true missionary work. In some places it is attended with little success, apparently; but again, the Lord opens the way, and signal success attends the effort. Words are spoken which are as nails fastened in a sure place. Angels from heaven co-operate with human instrumentalities, and sinners are won to the Saviour.—*Ibid.*, 256.

In Time of Persecution

As religious aggression subverts the liberties of our nation, those who would stand for freedom of conscience will be placed in unfavorable positions. For their own sake, they should, while they have the opportunity,

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A HEART TO HEART TALK WITH FATHERS

By Jim Hohnberger

In the last verse of the Old Testament, the prophet Malachi speaks of a special work the Lord will accomplish, through the spirit of Elijah the prophet, just before His return: "He shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers." Malachi 4:6.

If I could paint two pictures, in the first I would illustrate that which depicts the fathers in Adventism today, and in the second I would illustrate that which God is calling Adventist fathers to become.

In the first picture I would paint a man with his hand reaching out to the world, while his other hand is slightly extended toward his family. This man is a symbol of three classes of fathers in Adventism today.

In the first class are those fathers that are actively reaching out to the world with the many facets of the Adventist message, but who have neglected the practical day-to-day work of being a high priest in their own homes. They have, in essence, placed their ministry for the world before the work in their own home mission field. While conscientious in their ministries, they have, as did the Old Testament priest Eli, neglected their first work—that of commanding their own households after the way of the Lord, that by a well-ordered, well-disciplined, Christ-centered family, they could present to the world, the practical influence of the gospel in their family.

The second class of fathers in our first picture can be seen in the light of the parable of the Rich Young Ruler. This man chose his riches instead of Jesus. In general these men give priority to their careers—even

above the true heartfelt needs of their families. The young ruler looked upon Christ with admiration, and his heart was even drawn toward the Saviour. But he was not ready to accept the Saviour's principle of self-sacrifice. So, today, many career-minded men are drawn to their families, but they choose their worldly careers, while the practical spirituality of their families, and their responsibilities as high priest, are left unattended. Men in this class would do well to remember the words found in 1 Corinthians 6:19: "Ye are not your own," for your family has a claim on you.

In the third class of fathers is seen those who are simply indifferent to the real spiritual needs of their little flock. They lose themselves in their sports, news, reading material, self-interest, or in a life of ease and a freedom from their paternal responsibilities as high priest of their homes. To me, Esau best represents this class of fathers. Esau loved self-gratification and centered his interests in the present. He delighted in the wild freedom of his sport; and for a dish of pottage he parted with his birthright. How many fathers today are carelessly bartering away the glorious spiritual heritage of their sons and daughters for some miscalled freedom, indulgence, or temporary pleasure? As Esau awoke to see the folly of his rash exchange when it was too late to recover his loss, I pray it will not be too late when those fathers who have bartered the heirship of their families for selfish gratifications, awake to their folly.

Let us now look at the second picture. In it I would paint a scene of a father with one hand securely and

resolutely embracing his wife and children, while his other hand, as well as the hands of his family, are fully extended to a world starving for a gospel that has power to transform lives. His is truly an all-encompassing work and carries far-reaching influence:

"One well-ordered, well-disciplined family tells more in behalf of Christianity than all the sermons that can be preached. Such a family gives evidence that the parents have been successful in following God's directions, and that their children will serve Him in the church. Their influence grows; for as they impart, they receive to impart again. The father and mother find helpers in their children, who give to others the instruction received in the home. The neighborhood in which they live is helped, for in it they have become enriched for time and for eternity. The whole family is engaged in the service of the Master; and by their godly example, others are inspired to be faithful and true to God in dealing with His flock, His beautiful flock.

"The greatest evidence of the power of Christianity that can be presented to the world is a well-ordered, well-disciplined family. This will recommend the truth as nothing else can, for it is a living witness of its practical power upon the heart."—*Adventist Home*, 32.

Enoch and Noah would be prime examples of fathers that not only put their arms around their families, but gave a warning message to a world about to perish in sin.

In this writer's opinion, before Adventism can finish the work in the world, it will first have to do the work in its own homes. However, to date,

the Adventist fathers have barely begun to touch their work at home even with the tips of their fingers. If we will first demonstrate to the world a gospel by which fathers, mothers, and children are all well-ordered, and well-disciplined—as well as surrendered in thought, word and deed to Christ—there will be found the **gospel** that has **power** to change the world!

To you fathers who find yourselves in the first illustration, whether you be ordained ministers or lay preachers, it may well be said that the greatest sin to be accounted against you is that your preaching is in theories and doctrines of truth, while your lives and those of your families are not "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." 1 Corinthians 2:4. Seriously consider this timely counsel:

"There are many even among those who teach the truth to others who will not receive the seal of God in their foreheads. They had the light of truth, they knew their Master's will, they understood every point of our faith, but they had not corresponding works. Those who were so familiar with prophecy and the treasures of divine wisdom should have acted their faith. They should have commanded their households after them, that by a well-ordered family they might present to the world the influence of the truth upon the human heart."—*Testimonies*, vol. 5, 214.

The servant of the Lord has told us that preaching is the least self-sacrificing part of the ministry, and that our labors will not be acceptable to God without well-directed personal labor; not only in the homes of others, but certainly in our own homes as well. See *Acts of the Apostles*, 526-527.

God had called Moses to lead His people out of bondage. Moses had forty years of special training to prepare him for his work! But on his way to Egypt, "Moses received a startling and terrible warning of the Lord's displeasure. An angel appeared to him in a threatening manner, as if he would immediately destroy him. No explanation was given; but Moses remembered that he had disre-

garded one of God's requirements; yielding to the persuasion of his wife, he had neglected to perform the rite of circumcision upon their youngest son. He had failed to comply with the condition by which his child could be entitled to the blessings of God's covenant with Israel. . . . While living in neglect of a known duty, he would not be secure; for he could not be shielded by the angels of God."—*Patriarchs and Prophets*, 255-256.

Fathers, we must ask ourselves: Are we living in neglect of any known duty while laboring in a ministry for God? How are our children? Do they have any of the character traits of Eli's sons, Hophni and Phinehas? Have we failed in any way to command our households after the God of Abraham? Are our children given to foolishness? Do they grumble and fuss at the least entreaty or correction? Are we then able to go out to do the Lord's work if our homes are in neglect? If we do, the work will not be a "demonstration of the Spirit and of power," and will we not lack the shielding of the angels of God?

Eight years ago God began to open my eyes, and impressed me to sell my prospering business, my country home and property, and to move to a quiet mountain setting to take up my first work. I can say that it has been most demanding, most progressive, and self-denying, yet at the same time, it has been the most rewarding work I have ever entered upon. To have a wife and two sons who truly know and serve God, who are not easily given to foolishness or temper, who find joy in serving others, and who are increasing in Christian character daily, is a wealth that is more precious than fine gold. As I have been willing to cooperate with God in addressing my first work, God has provided well for the needs of my family, blessing me with a home business, as well as an effective outreach to the world.

Fathers, let us never utter the words: "No time. I have no time to give to the training of my family." Then we should not have taken upon ourselves the responsibility of a family. If we have children, then we have a work to do, in union with the

There are many even among those who teach the truth to others who will not receive the seal of God in their foreheads. They had the light of truth, they knew their Master's will, they understood every point of our faith, but they had not corresponding works. . . ."

To the fathers who have placed their careers before their families, consider these words:

"We are too easily satisfied with our attainments. We feel rich and increased with goods and know not that we are 'wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.' Now is the time to heed the admonition of the True Witness: 'I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.' Revelation 3:17-18."—*Testimonies*, vol. 5:214-215.

mother and Jesus Christ, in the formation of their characters for the heavenly kingdom. May we all heed the words found in Luke 11:42: "These ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone."

The result of the indifference in the third set of fathers is well portrayed in Ecclesiastes 10:18: "By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through." Too many fathers think they can sacrifice their responsibility as priest of their homes, for a time, without becoming entirely reckless. But in this they deceive only themselves.

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~TIMELINES~

In the stream of time, near the end of the line.

DAD CAN'T PREACH TO KIDS

"The Massachusetts Supreme Court has ruled that a divorced man who is a fundamentalist Christian cannot share his faith with his children, who are being brought up as Orthodox Jews by their mother.

"In a unanimous ruling, the court ordered Jeffrey Kendall not to preach to his three children, saying it could affect their well being. 'Promoting the best interests of the children is an interest sufficiently compelling to impose a burden on the [father's] right to practice religion and his parental rights to determine the religious upbringing of his children,' wrote Judge Neil Lynch.

"... The court said Kendall may continue to hang pictures of Jesus on the walls of his home but may not enroll the children in Sunday school or take them to church.

"Kendall's attorney, Michael Greco, denounced the decision, telling the Associated Press, 'A court cannot—shall not—establish a religion for someone, and here the court effectively has established a religion for these three children.'"—*Church & State*, February 1998.

AUSTRIA: SDA NOT RECOGNIZED RELIGION

"Austria's parliament has passed a strict new law setting up a two-tiered classification system for religious groups that members of some denominations assert will make their adherents second-class citizens.

"Under the new law, 'official religions,' the top category, will receive tax exemption, state funding, five minutes a week on government television, religion teachers in the public schools and military chaplains. The 'official religions' consist of 12 groups recognized by the country's 1945 Constitution and are supposed to have at least 16,000 members.

"All other faiths will be considered 'public corporations.' These religions, which must have at least 300 members, must wait 10 to 20 years before they can apply for the same benefits enjoyed by 'official religions.' Groups such as the Seventh-day Adventist's, Jehovah's Witnesses and assorted Baptist groups will fall into this category.

"Austrian lawmakers debated the law for five hours Dec. 10, reported *The Washington Times*. In the end, members of the country's two largest parties, the Socialists and the conservative People's Party, joined forces to pass the measure. Members of three smaller parties protested, calling the law a violation of religious liberty.

"Members of faiths destined to be labeled 'public corporations' were angry. 'People who are members of religious minorities in Europe now are more or less second-class citizens,' said John Graz, a Seventh-day Adventist who heads the

church's International Religious Liberty Association."—Ibid.

HOUSE LEADER TOUTS 'MORALITY' MEMO

House Majority Leader Dick Armey (R-Tex.) has issued a controversial memo . . . demanding a greater focus on "morality" in the legislative process. The 10-page essay, titled "A Values Agenda," asserts that America is 'hungry for leadership on family values and morality' and contains suggestions for how the country can 'recover our moral emphasis.'

The memo includes an outline of a proposed agenda for Congress, which encompasses several of the Religious Right's political goals. Among them is a project Armey calls "Tools for Tomorrow," a voucher program designed to give tax dollars to "faith-based private schools."

Armey's memo, drafted with the help of Ralph Reed and Gary Bauer, also calls on Congress to "restore" religious freedom rights that have supposedly been jeopardized by "activist courts and regulations." Although he does not recommend a specific remedy, Armey is among the 153 House co-sponsors of the so-called "Religious Freedom Amendment," which is designed to effectively erase church-state separation from the Constitution.—*Church & State*, May 1998.

ROBERTSON-GINGRICH DEAL

Less than two weeks after the House Judiciary Committee approved US Rep. Ernest Istook's so-called "Religious Freedom Amendment," Christian Coalition Chairman Pat Robertson and House Speaker Newt Gingrich met in the nation's capital. . . .

According to a *New York Times* report, Gingrich agreed to move on several of Robertson's key concerns, hoping to stem the growing discontent among the Republican Party's fundamentalist wing. Gingrich said he would press for passage of the Istook Amendment, elimination of funding for the National Endowment for the Arts and approval of voucher-style tax deferrals for private school tuition.

A Republican Party insider told the *Times*, "Gingrich made a commitment to involve party leaders in promoting these issues heavily, and to bring all three pieces of legislation to votes in the House before the November elections."

The Robertson-Gingrich deal makes all the more certain a showdown in the House over the church-state separation provisions of the First Amendment, and it's probably coming soon. A floor vote on the Istook Amendment (H.J. Res. 78), which would effectively erase church-state separation from the Bill of Rights, is expected late this month or early June. . . .

Critics say the measure would force taxpayers to support sectarian schools and other ministries, allow coercive prayer and religious instruction in public schools and permit sectarian symbols at government buildings. . . .

Meanwhile, 56 religious and civil liberties groups from across the ideological spectrum have created the Coalition to Preserve Religious Liberty, a broad array of organizations united in opposition to the Istook Amendment.

"Now is the time to remind members of the House to defeat this disastrous constitutional amendment," said Americans United Executive Director Barry W. Lynn. "We need to keep up the pressure to defeat this dangerous proposal."—Ibid.

SENATE LAUDS TEN COMMANDMENTS

The US Senate has approved a resolution lauding the Ten Commandments and urging the display of the Decalogue in government buildings—as long as it doesn't violate the separation of church and state.

The curiously worded resolution received Senate approval April 2 on a voice vote after an afternoon of behind-the-scenes wrangling. The measure states that the Ten Commandments "set forth a code of moral conduct, observance of which is acknowledged to promote respect for our system of laws and the good of society. . ." and urges their display "in the Supreme Court, the Capital building, the White House, and other government offices and courthouses across the nation. . . as long as it is consistent with the establishment clause of the First Amendment of the United States Constitution."

. . . The non-binding resolution was offered as an amendment to an omnibus budget package that the Senate was eager to pass. [The] original version did not contain the language about displaying the Ten Commandments consistent with the First Amendment. . . .

. . . Barry W. Lynn, executive director of Americans United, [said] the Ten Commandments play is undoubtedly a payoff to James Dobson, Pat Robertson and other Religious Right leaders. . . .

"It's a sad day when TV preachers and other right-wing religious broadcasters who espouse theocracy can set the agenda for the US Senate," he said.

Religious Right leaders, however, are unlikely to be placated by a non-binding resolution that has no force of law behind it. After its passage, attorney Jim Henderson of Robertson's American Center for Law and Justice groused, "It looks like we are being thrown a bone. . . . The sentiment the resolution expresses is appreciated, but we hope for more substance from this congress."—Ibid.

Note: This resolution was piggy-backed "to a budget package that the Senate was eager to pass." It is a quick way to pass a controversial law. When it is attached to a popular bill, the chances of it being passed

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~PRAYER REQUESTS~

Please put my nephew's 10 year old son on your prayer list. He was just diagnosed with leukemia, and has already received his first round of chemotherapy. His name is **Matthew**. —DF

Amanda was a bouncy, blond, blue eyed 6-year old girl, until just a the middle of March when her mother discovered a lump on her back while she was giving her a hug. It turned out to be a tumor in her chest cavity. On March 27th Amanda underwent an operation which removed most of it, but they were unable to get it all because it was entwined around the spinal cord. One part of it was as large as a grapefruit, but the other part

was the size of a melon. Almost all of the tumor was benign, but there were some signs of cancer scattered throughout. At this point in time she is being carefully monitored. Please pray that the Lord will provide healing for this beautiful little girl, in such a way that it is evident that it is His work. —MS

Please pray for my mother and father, **Maria and Jose**. They both have diabetes, and now my mother is having problems with her heart. They have both decided to try God's natural healing methods. Pray that God will give us the wisdom we need, and that He will bless our attempts to use His healing ways, and restore them to health. For His glory! —HS

Please pray for my mother-in-law, **Harriet**. She has an aneurism, and was operated on for the bleeding in her brain. The operation lasted 6 hours. Now she is having problems with water on the brain which are retarding her recovery.

The past few weeks have been rather numb. . . . We found out my father has congestive heart failure. This last Friday he went for an untra sound to be tested further, but there is nothing that they can do. Only a heart transplant, and that they won't do because he is 55 and a smoker. They said they could barely read his heart beat or see that it was functioning. I am in need of a miracle!! Please pray for my dad. —DS

And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee. Deuteronomy 7:15.

~LETTERS~

Dear Brother Jeff,

I just this morning received your tapes. Thank you for sending them to me.

I was under the impression from your last newsletter I received that you were going to record them on video. I prefer video, as I can use them to let others know what the Bible says, and its meaning.

Not everyone has an audio player, but nearly everyone has video, and will watch where they don't want to listen to tapes.

I have met new neighbors who said they would like to watch video's of our sermons. This is a great chance to let them know the truth.

Thank you again. —BC-TX

Comment: The sermons have been video taped, and we are looking for a video editor to finish them. Please pray that the Lord will send us the right person. As soon as they are complete, and ready for sale, we will let you know. In the meantime, please pray for the video project.



Dear Elder Pippenger,

Soon after your Matthew 24 tape arrived this afternoon, tragedy struck before we had a chance to listen to it. I started to make a few copies of it and I inadvertently erased it.

Would you please send us another and we will reimburse you. Many thanks....

Our prayer is for the Lord to continue to richly bless, guide, and use you and your good wife in these closing hours of earth's history.

Sincerely yours in the Master's service. —E&PS-VA

Comment: The tape has been replaced. Please note that we believe it is the message that is important, and am more than happy to hear that tapes are being copied and distributed by others. May God bless the message.

Dear Sister,

I have enjoyed the set of tapes on *The Purification of God's Church*, and learned a lot from

them. Please send me three sets of them to give away, also send me three sets of tapes under the title, *The Denominated People*.

If Jeff has other sets of tapes on prophecy, I would appreciate it if you sent me two sets of each. The second set will go to my son. . . .

May the Lord continue to bless *Future for America*, and bless you personally in His service.

Sincerely, —SD-CA

Dear Jeff and Kathy,

Thanks for the informative tapes from the China Project. . . [and] from Steve Spencer's sermon. . . .

Betty Hewitt, African AIDS nurse (where 500 die each week of aids in the capital of Zambia), says the natives will devour your book and papers on Daniel 11. I bought some along with some tabloids.

I'm praying for you.

Thanks, —HB-WA

Dear Brother Jeff,

Thanks for your mail and tapes, etc. God bless you in what you are doing!

. . . We all want to be ready when He comes.

Sincerely and in His love, —AK-TN

Get Smart...Take a Bath!!!

By Melissa Lindgerg

"Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water." Hebrews 10:22.

"You must see Cascada de Agua Azul (The Cascades of Blue Water) if you go down to Chiapas. You'll love it," said Nere enthusiastically as she handed me a snapshot she had taken two weeks before while traveling through southeastern Mexican state which is near the Guatemalan border.

I wanted to see all the places she was showing me, but, alas, it costs money to travel and I concluded such adventures would likely never be mine.

"Someday I want to see the Cascades," I told her wistfully, but not hopefully.

Nevertheless, God was listening. Within three weeks, Amy, a friend of mine, was going on vacation, and to my unexpected joy, she invited us to join her in some kind of interesting venture, asking, "Any ideas where we should go?"

"Ideas? How I wish you could have seen the pictures my friend, Nere, shared of her trip into southern Mexico. You'd love it! She says it's the most beautiful part of the whole country." A few more enthusiastic remarks and Amy was convinced that we must go there, and she began making arrangements. Unbelievable! Unreal! Wonderful!

Less than a month after seeing the snapshots of Agua Azul, Amy and I were walking along the water's edge, camera in hand, enjoying the beauty of the tropical terrain and cascading waters. The trail followed the river uphill past dozens of small waterfalls and rapids. Each turn of the trail brought new surprises.

At one place we came upon two little girls, the older sister leading her baby sister along by the hand. They were dressed in clean, colorful

clothes and looked like a picture. "Snap their picture," I suggested.

"Ask them if we can," Amy responded. I knew only slightly more Spanish than Amy knew, but I tried. The child must have understood, for immediately she held out her hand, saying, "Peso! Peso!" "They learn early!" I thought.

Around the next bend we came upon a mother and three small children in the water at the river's edge. The mother was washing clothes, assisted by the older daughter. The two younger children were eagerly enjoying their morning bath, which to us looked like a wonderful frolic. What child wouldn't love bath time in such a beautiful setting! They were such playful, energetic and happy youngsters! And what a setting! Sunshine, huge shady trees, clean water! Free activity in the open air! What could be a better place for raising healthy children? It seemed to be a tiny picture of what Eden could have been like with families.

Health, of course, depends on many factors—including trust in God, proper rest and exercise, a good diet and pure water, fresh air and sunshine, personal cleanliness and purity of life. Often we hear about diet and exercise, but we hear very little about cleanliness. Yet we know that cleanliness of the person, home and environment are crucial to health.

But do you realize how much a good bath does for you? Admittedly, I was amazed when I read:

"Persons in health should on no account neglect bathing. They should by all means bathe as often as twice a week. Those who are not in health have impurities of the blood, and the skin is not in a healthy condition. The multitude of pores, or little mouths, through which the body breathes become clogged and filled with waste matter. The skin needs to be carefully and thoroughly cleansed, that the pores may do their work in freeing the body from impu-

rities; therefore feeble persons who are diseased surely need the advantages and blessings of bathing as often as twice a week, and frequently even more than this is positively necessary. Whether a person is sick or well, respiration is more free and easy if bathing is practiced. By it, the muscles become more flexible, the mind and body are alike invigorated, the intellect is made brighter, and every faculty becomes livelier. The bath is a soother of the nerves. It promotes general perspiration, quickens the circulation, overcomes obstructions in the system, and acts beneficially on the kidneys and urinary organs. Bathing helps the bowels, stomach, and liver, giving energy and new life to each. It also promotes digestion, and instead of the system being weakened, it is strengthened. Instead of increasing the liability to cold, a bath, properly taken, fortifies against cold because the circulation is improved and the uterine organs, which are more or less congested, are relieved; for the blood is brought to the surface, and a more easy and regular flow of the blood through all the blood vessels is obtained." *Testimonies*, vol. 3, 70-71. (1871)

Had you ever realized that you received so much from a bath? I want every benefit, of course, but the one I liked the best was that, "the mind and body are alike invigorated, the intellect is made brighter." Along with all of the others, I could certainly use that specific benefit!

There are other aspects of cleanliness that also affect our health and well-being—such as the cleanliness of our clothing and surroundings.

"Having the clothing neat and clean will be one means of keeping the thoughts pure and sweet. Every article of dress should be plain and simple, without unnecessary adornment, so that it will be but little work to wash and iron it. Especially should every article which comes in contact with the skin be kept clean and free from any offensive odor." *Child Guidance*, 461-462.

"From their infancy, children should be taught lessons of purity.

Mothers cannot too early begin to fill the minds of their children with pure, holy thoughts. And one way of doing this is to keep everything about them clean and pure. Mothers, if you desire your children's thoughts to be pure, let their surroundings be pure. Let their sleeping rooms be scrupulously neat and clean." *Counsels on Health*, 103.

"Every form of uncleanness tends to disease. Death-producing germs abound in dark, neglected corners, in decaying refuse, in dampness and mold and must. No waste vegetables or heaps of fallen leaves should be allowed to remain near the house to decay and poison the air. Nothing unclean or decaying should be tolerated within the home. In towns or cities regarded perfectly healthful, many an epidemic of fever has been traced to decaying matter about the dwelling of some careless householder. Perfect cleanliness, plenty of sunlight, careful attention to sanitation in every detail of the home life, are essential to freedom from disease and to the cheerfulness and vigor of the inmates of the home." *Child Guidance*, 108.

"The kitchen and all other parts of the building should be kept sweet and clean." *Adventist Home*, 88-89.

From childhood I had heard the expression: "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." Quite honestly I had reached adulthood before realizing this wasn't a Biblical statement; but it is certainly a Biblical principle. Heaven is all purity, and if we purpose to go there, we, too, must be pure. "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure." 1 John 3:2-3.

Want to be smarter? And healthier, too? **"Clean up your act!"** as the saying goes. And the best place to start is to be cleaner about every aspect of your life.

Need to inventory your personal habits and surroundings—and make some changes?

Do it as unto the Lord. ☞

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become intelligent in regard to disease, its causes, prevention, and cure. All those who do this will find a field of labor anywhere. There will be suffering ones, plenty of them, who will need help, not only among those of our own faith, but largely among those who know not the truth. The shortness of time demands an energy that has not been aroused among those who claim to believe the present truth.—*Counsels on Health*,—506.

The Distinguishing Sign

True sympathy between man and his fellow men is to be the sign distinguishing those who love and fear God from those who are unmindful of His law. How great the sympathy that Christ expressed in coming to this world to give His life a sacrifice for a dying world! His religion led to the doing of genuine medical missionary work. He was a healing power. "I will have mercy, and not sacrifice," He said. This is the test that the great Author of truth used to distinguish between true religion and false. God wants His medical missionaries to act with the tenderness and compassion that Christ would show were He in our world.—*Medical Ministry*, 251.

How slow men are to understand God's preparation for the day of His power. He works today to reach hearts in the same way that He worked when Christ was upon this earth. In reading the Word of God, we see that Christ brought medical missionary work into His ministry. Cannot our eyes be opened to discern Christ's methods? Cannot we understand the commission He gave to His disciples and to us?

The world must have an antidote for sin. As the medical missionary works intelligently to relieve suffering and save life, hearts are softened. Those who are helped are filled with gratitude. As the medical missionary works upon the body, God works upon the heart.—*Ibid.*, 246.

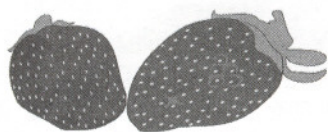
Ways Will Open

In the future our work is to be carried forward to self-denial and self-sacrifice even beyond that which we have seen in past years. God desires us to commit our souls to Him, that He may work through us in manifold ways. I feel intensely over these matters. Brethren, let us walk in meekness and lowliness of mind and put before our associates an example of self-sacrifice. If we do our part in faith, God will open ways before us now undreamed of.—*Manuscript 12*, 1913.

We shall see the medical missionary work broadening and deepening at every point of its progress, because of the inflowing of hundreds and thousands of streams, until the whole earth is covered as the waters cover the sea.—*Medical Ministry*, 317. ☞

Note:

These selections from the writings of Ellen G. White, are taken from the little booklet, *A Call to Medical Evangelism and Health Education*, Printed by Southern Publishing Association in 1950.



The Strawberry Patch

One of the reasons I went to Africa during the month of December was to attend an East African colporteur rally. Three countries were represented, Tanzania, Zambia and Malawi. We found more or less the same problem in the other countries as in Tanzania, a lack of Spirit of Prophecy books in the native and English languages. The many aspiring colporteurs out strip the supply of available books, and it can be years before they are printed again. *Early Writings* has never been translated into Swahili, the main language of East Africa. Mrs. White used the first part of *Early Writings* in her personal outreach work. That book has the whole message. This is one of our projects for the Swahili speaking people of East Africa.

In order for this work to go forward and expand into the other countries that speak the same language, we need your assistance in the support of the translation team to get a larger volume of books printed in Kenya. It cost us \$50.00 per person, plus expenses, for this work. The Kenyan press is very good to work with and is doing its best to keep up with the new demand being placed upon it. Rudy needs a Land Rover vehicle to navigate the rough terrain of the bush country of Africa, so he can place the books in more areas where the colporteurs can use them. The high cost of public transportation and the problem of moving twenty to thirty boxes of books on the African bus system is a monumental moving experience. Twice Rudy has hired the mission airplane to take him to Kenya to pickup books. Each trip costs \$1000 U.S. The amazing thing in all this is that the project is making its way financially and staying afloat. But, we see the opportunity before us. We believe when a work like this is going forward in Africa, the Lord's hand is in it. Please pray for Rudy and his wife and their two little children who have all had malaria and still fight the recurrence of it. Rudy is down with it again, and I can tell you it is no fun to have.

Ukraine

I was in the Ukraine in January, and want to bring you up to date on the publishing there. We have been holding up our

shipment to Kiev until better weather arrives. During this time, we have been praying for a new location so we can get out of our tight quarters in the private home we are now located in. I had hoped that real estate prices would crash in Kiev, but it hasn't happened yet. The staff notified us that they had found a location with a building on it that needed repair. The building we found is located on privatized land. That means the government has already sold the property at a state auction sale with title. We are buying it from the housing authority for cash and will get a real title not a lease like so many have. The price for the building and remodeling will be \$47,000 to \$50,000 US. We ask for your prayers and support in this project.

The press has been operating in the black since January 1996. We are able to do publishing and printing of SDA books and literature. We also print a weekly financial magazine in English. This started as a press run of 500 and is now up to 3,000 copies per week. This publication is available by subscription to all of the English speaking embassies and companies in Ukraine. Many copies are sent back to the states for distribution. As we have been blessed of the Lord, we have been returning tithe to the Lord. The union president has been asking our staff about the progress of our work. I

know all of you get many mailings from many different ministries. All I ask is to pray about what you should do with the blessings the Lord has given you. Each ministry has a work to do, and each one needs the leading of Heaven. Next month we will bring you an update on the Spanish work and more news on Ukraine.

Mexico

We have been assisting with a printing work in Mexico. This work certainly needs our prayers. The work started out very good. We had good relations with the conference and the related workers. This past month, a new president was elected, and we hope we can establish a good working relationship with him. The little printing work that has been started is struggling. I will be going down to see how, by the grace of God, to get it up and running on a profitable basis doing the Lord's work. I know it is possible, because if we are faithful, God will open doors. Of all the work I have been associated with, I have always felt that this work had the greatest opportunity for placing more colporteurs in the field selling books. Please keep this in your daily prayers, and may the Lord richly bless each one of you.

In Christian Love,
Stephen & Donna Dickie

GMO UPDATE

"Thousands joined a chorus of protesters who contacted their representatives and demanded a change to USDA regulations allowing organic food to contain sewage sludge or bio-engineered (GMO) material.

"Here is what Reuters Wire Service had to say:

"After being deluged with a record 200,000 angry letters, the Agriculture Department will roll back from proposals that now allow organic food to contain sewage sludge or bio-engineered material. . . .

"The USDA is going to say that they have decided to fundamentally

revise the organic program rules,' said one organic industry official, speaking on condition of anonymity. 'They plan to re-propose the organic rules for another round of public comment.'

"The department was expected to indicate that while it considers irradiation, genetically modified material and sewage sludge to be safe, they are not appropriate for foods labeled as 'organic,' the source said.

"The outpouring of letters and e-mail from the public—a record for any USDA policy issue—had overwhelmingly opposed permitting irradiation, sewage sludge or bio-engineered plants to be used in producing organic products."—*The Spotlight*, May 25, 1998.

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SHARE!

We have just recently received a telephone call from a man whose friend had just shared a Future for America magazine with him.

He was on fire for the Lord and for the work that is being done, and he requested that his name be added to the mailing list.

If you have a friend who would be interested in this phase of God's work, please share with him/her, and then send us their addresses.

We truly believe that this is the message to prepare God's people! Let's get it out there!

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A very close friend and I felt impressed to take three days apart from our families and spend them together in fasting, prayer, and in the study of God's Word. We were both quite anxious to know at the outset what great things God would reveal to us. At the end of the three days God overwhelmingly impressed us to go home to serve and meet the practical and spiritual needs of our families as never before. God showed us that now is the time to do this work—and that there would never be a more convenient season. Today is the day of salvation, but tomorrow, as we know, never comes. Let us heed the words of Christ to His well-intentioned disciples, when they tried to keep the children from Him, so that He could do a more important work: "Suffer the little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me." Matthew 19:14. May these words of Christ be reflected in our actions.

As I view my past, I have come to see that I was a blend of all three categories of fathers. I have come to see—as my mother rightly taught me—that it is easier to clean up your neighbor's backyard than your own. I have also come to see that it is easier to earn a six-digit income, than it is to face the mirror image of yourself in your own children—not to mention the ease of following your own selfish interests, while leaving your wife to attempt to carry the burden of both father and mother.

I liken the role of the father in the second picture to the time my eldest son and I climbed our first major peak together. We rose very early in the morning and drove to the head of a mountain lake, then canoed seven miles to the base of Rainbow Peak. There we began our arduous trek to the 10,000-foot summit. Many times I thought of turning back as my muscles became sore, my body tired, and my lungs were gasping for air. But no; I determined to go the whole distance, one step after another, with my son at my side.

Fathers, let us also endeavor to lead our loved ones on the path to

the heavenly kingdom, even though we find the path to be straight, narrow, and ever ascending. Even when the way is most trying, let us not despair. With our eyes ever upward, and our hand firmly about our loved ones, let us rightly lead them on to even higher ground.

When my son and I reached the summit that day, what a sense of accomplishment was ours! And we had done it together—as a team. As we canoed out that evening by the light of the moon, a tear or two came to my eyes as I sensed the special bonding that was taking place. I think of the prayer of Christ, found in John 17:21: "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe."

This oneness will be found in our families when we give ourselves as

Christ gave Himself. It will require consistent effort and self-sacrifice, but the prize is well worth the price.

Will you not join with me now in answering the prayer of Christ, and the prophecy of Malachi in turning "the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers?" Let us put our arms fully around our precious families, and with a secure hold upon them, let us then reach out to a perishing world. By the grace of Christ we will finish the work and go home to our heavenly Father. ☩

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CHINA TALES WORTH TELLING

By David L. Lin

LIU YUN FENG

Fortune-teller Liu Yun-feng lives in Yi-bin city, Szechwan province. She once bought a fortune-telling book based on the Chinese classic *Yi Jing*. The book stated that in occult calculations of a person's future, if a fatal calamity is foreseen, it may never faze him if he believes in Jesus. To prove his point, the author told of a case wherein he concluded that a certain woman was already dead. But her daughter told him that she was living. To make sure he was not mistaken, he took the case to ten other fortune tellers, who all said that the one in question was dead. How did she manage to outlive her fate?

The daughter then revealed that her mother was a Christian. So the writer recorded it as a unique case study. Sister Liu took note of this as a great discovery, and decided there must be great power in Jesus. She found a Bible, read it, believed it all, and gave up fortune-telling to become a preacher. At first she attended a church meeting on Sundays, and felt no conviction. Then she met some Sabbath-keepers, who taught her to obey God's commandments. Now she knew *this* was the truth, and wanted to share it with others.

Her husband persecuted her and sued for divorce. They went to the judge, who asked what each wanted. The husband wanted everything except two beds belonging to Sister Liu and her girl, plus two kettles in the kitchen. Liu wanted nothing except Jesus. The judge was amazed at this unusual case, and said, "Come next morning; I'll give you your papers." The next morning the husband relented and said, "I no longer want a divorce." ☩

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are greatly increased. Especially if there is no 'line item' veto. This scenario was presented to 30 years ago as the fastest and easiest way to get a Sunday law passed.

PUBLIC FUNDING FOR SDA COLLEGE

The Constitution forbids tax aid to church-affiliated colleges that integrate religion throughout their curriculum, Americans United for Separation of Church and State has advised a federal court in a dispute over public funding of a Seventh-day Adventist college.

In a lawsuit that could become a major test of the rules governing tax assistance to religious schools, Americans United has argued that Columbia Union College in Takoma Park should not get Maryland state scholarship funding if it is "pervasively sectarian". . .

Columbia Union was denied such aid because the state Board of Education found the school too pervasively religious to participate in a publicly funded program. A federal court ruled against the school's subsequent lawsuit, and the issue is now on appeal.

The *Columbia Union College v. Clark* legal challenge is being supported by conservative legal groups and scholars who want to lower the wall of separation between church and state. One of these groups is the Washington-based Center for Individual Rights, which successfully litigated a 1995 case at the University of Virginia that resulted in the school being forced to subsidize a student-run religious newspaper.

Advocates of Church-state separation note that the case has wide implications. If government aid to "pervasively sectarian" colleges is approved, it could clear the way for vouchers and other forms of tax aid to secondary parochial schools.—Ibid.

Question: Whatever happened to Seventh-day Adventists leading out in the fight for separation of church and state? Why are we suing for state funds for our schools? This is an abomination and surely at the end it will bite like an adder.

GLOBALIZATION

"Samuel Berger, White House national security advisor and now a Bilderberg regular . . . speaking to the Brookings Institution, itself an arm of the world shadow government:

" 'Globalization—the process of accelerating economic, technological, cultural and political integration—is not a choice. It is a growing fact. It is a fact that will proceed inexorably, with or without our approval. It is a fact that we ignore at our peril.'"

" 'For those in denial, Berger could not have more clearly said this is a world government they are building,' said a high State Department official and veteran Bilderberg watcher. 'There is no such thing as "political integration" without merging nations and abandoning nationhood, surrendering America's sovereignty.'

"Berger was also bemoaning Congress for balking at throwing another \$18 billion of taxpayer money at the International Monetary Fund (IMF), so poor, uncreditworthy nations could make huge interest payments to international bankers, who take huge risks that could be immensely profitable with the assurance taxpayers will guarantee their loans. . . .

"At almost the same time, the chairman of Chase Manhattan Corp. was demanding the IMF bailout at a meeting of the Business Council in Williamsburg, Va. The council is made up of rich executives of multinational corporations. . . .

"Also at virtually the same time, and acting on order of President Clinton, himself a member of Bilderberg and the Trilateral Commission, the US ambassador to the United Nations pushed for a permanent world court that would be superior to the US Supreme Court and to the courts of all nations. . . .

"Immediately following the Bilderberg session in Scotland, an international 'G8' economic summit will be held in Birmingham, England which Bill Clinton will attend—and where he'll get his marching orders."—*The Spotlight*, May 25, 1998.

US TO PAY USSR VETS?

"President Clinton has held discussions with Russian President Boris Yeltsin regarding former Soviet Red Army veterans, now living in the United States, being eligible for the same benefits provided US military veterans.

"Already, these former Stalinist-era veterans are receiving, having been granted refugee status, a plethora of American social welfare benefits from federal, state and local governments. These include housing assistance, where in some areas of the country they are given priority status over needy US native-born citizens applying for the aid.

". . . Last spring, hundreds of the Red vets descended upon Washington to demonstrate for the right to receive US VA benefits, 50 buses arriving in the nation's capital from the New York City metropolitan area alone. The vets' leaders claim that 4,000 ex-Soviet soldiers reside in the Brooklyn and Queens section of the city.

"In Washington, they were enthusiastically met by US Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-Minn.). . . .

"That the Red Army veterans have organized to lobby for US VA benefits was duly reported in an extensive story that appeared in the *New York Daily News* on April 30, 1997, headlined, 'Red Army vets eye a share of VA aid.'—Ibid.

MILLENNIUM BUG & CASHLESS SOCIETY

"In less than two years, computers around the world will fail when they cannot interpret the year 2000 correctly in their databases.

"What nobody is telling you is that this computer glitch, known as the millennium

bug, could cause bank runs in late 1999. Those bank runs will lead to government intervention and the establishment of the cashless society—a world in which every financial transaction is monitored and controlled by government, and freedom is a bygone dream. Everything is in place to make this happen. The historical precedents are clear. The laws and executive orders are on the books, just waiting to be used. A media-generated scare is already in the works. The architects of the new world order are salivating at the prospects."—Ibid.

REV. MOON & JERRY FALWELL

"Jerry Falwell's Liberty University has faced bankruptcy several times in its history, and now evidence has come to light that the school's financial woes have been alleviated by an unexpected benefactor: the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, founder of the Unification Church and self-proclaimed messiah.

"*The Washington Post* reported Nov. 23 that a Moon front group, the Women's Federation for World Peace, gave \$3.5 million to the Christian Heritage Foundation, which later bought a large portion of Liberty's debt. An official with the Moon group was quoted as telling the foundation that the money was meant for 'Mr. Falwell's people.'

"*The Post* also reported that News World Communications, a Moon group that publishes *The Washington Times* and other right-wing publications, lent \$400,000 to Liberty at 6 percent interest in 1996.

"Falwell spokesman Mark DeMoss claimed that Falwell was unaware of the Moon connection when the school obtained the loan through a broker. But he added, 'I'm not going to be pious and tell you we would have turned it down. Because it was a business transaction, we probably would have moved forward even if Dr. Falwell knew who News World Communications was.'

"In his *National Liberty Journal* newspaper, Falwell denied that Liberty had ever 'solicited or received funds, directly or indirectly, from the Unification Church.' Falwell, however, can't say the same thing about himself, since he has on several occasions accepted large fees from Moon front group to speak at church-sponsored events.

"Moon, a controversial Korean evangelist, has used his personal fortune to buy influence in conservative circles, and many Religious Right leaders have accepted his largess. This has occurred despite the fact that the Unification theology teaches that Moon is the Messiah, sent to complete the failed mission of Jesus Christ, a doctrine sharply at odds with Christian fundamentalism."—*Church & State*, February 1998. ☞