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Members of ASDAN (Association of Seventh-day Adventist Nurses) head for a walk on the Weimar trails.

Weimar Hosts Nurses Retreat

The Northern California Chapter of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Nurses (ASDAN) asked Weimar Institute to host their annual Fall retreat. More than 40 nurses arrived for the weekend of September 18 through 20 for a time of spiritual enrichment, relaxation, and professional growth.

Institute staff planned all of the programs for the weekend. Chaplain Dick Winn initiated the session by focusing on God's call to love the unlovely. Betsy Stimple and Hal Mayer — Weimar College students who spent the summer in Spokane, Washington, operating a health education center — spoke Sabbath morning of the thrilling results of their work.

"We had a wonderful time," concluded Mrs. Del-talee Gates, ASDAN chapter

president, "and everyone particularly enjoyed the food served in the cafeteria."

Nurses received three hours of Continuing Education credits on Sunday morning, as staff members Vernon Putz and John Goley spoke on matters of professional interest.

Through its Retreat Ministries program, Weimar Institute desires to provide this type of service on a regular basis to the larger Adventist community. The rapid growth of the College, however, has limited the on-campus housing available for large groups of guests. We are planning a full calendar of special seminars and retreats during the summer months, when dormitories are more available. Watch the BULLETIN for more information on these plans.

Education and Work — Two Worlds or One?

By T. S. Geraty Director Work Experience Education Seminar

**Is the concept "Learn by doing" outmoded?*

**How old does a child have to be to learn responsibility?*

**Where does one learn how to work?*

**How can a child work when he is in school?*

**Doesn't the real world of living begin for a student after his graduation?*

**Is work-study a viable possibility in today's society?*

**How may school administrators provide successful work experiences for students during the school year, whether they be in elementary, secondary, or postsecondary school levels?*

These, and numerous other questions, were explored by a blue-ribbon group at Weimar College last July in the third annual Work Experience Education Seminar, which carried six quarter extension undergraduate and/or graduate credits from Pacific Union College. Four persons took it for undergraduate credit, seven for graduate credit, and the balance of the group for non-credit.

Coming from New Brunswick (Canada), Ohio, Missouri, and Tennessee on the east and from British Columbia (Canada), Oregon, and California on the west, the dedicated and enthusiastic participants convened

on the Weimar campus for an intensive three-week seminar. A daily schedule provided four clock hours of manual labor and four clock hours of classwork, besides personal study and library reference. Parents, teachers, principals, and one Conference Superintendent of Education constituted the corp.

Invited consultants who shared their expertise in the fields of their specialty included Ed J. Anderson, Dennis Blum, Paul Damazo, David Escobar, K. W. Hutchins, Paul Flemming, Raymond S. Moore, W. Fred Riley, Michael Salazzo, John Siphens, Colin Standish, and Charles R. Taylor.

Within the context of *balanced education*, we focused on the one facet of daily work-study, not as a panacea for all educational ills, but as a practice woefully neglected in Seventh-day Adventist schools. This kind of program was explicitly outlined in the heaven-inspired first vision of Ellen G. White on education in 1872. You may recall such references as:

"While a part of each day is devoted to mental improvement, let a stated portion be given to physical labor, and a suitable time to devotional exercises and the study of the Scriptures." FE 73.

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Military Priests Hear NEWSTART Chaplain

Father Fergus McGuinness, July guest in Weimar's NEWSTART program, is more than a Roman Catholic priest. He is also a military chaplain, assigned to shepherd the spiritual needs of Catholic military personnel at the Presidio in San Francisco.

Mr. McGuinness also has been coordinating the Day of Reflection, a monthly gathering of Catholic military chaplains from bases around Northern California, for spiritual encouragement and professional growth. And while listening to NEWSTART chaplain Dick Winn's daily devotional lectures, McGuinness became convinced that his fellow priests could be enriched by these same concepts.

And so on September 16, Chaplain Winn joined a small group of priests on the Treasure Island Naval Base, in the middle of San Francisco Bay.

For two hours, he shared with them about God's plan to restore our self-worth, and about God's method of ending the great controversy. The Day of Reflection ended with the celebration of the Eucharist, during which Winn presented the homily on the Scripture passages.

During the supper, which followed in the Officer's Club, one priest commented, "I'll admit to being somewhat suspicious about a Seventh-day Adventist minister speaking to us. But I have been deeply blessed by the truths that were shared today."

Throughout the meetings, Father McGuinness was told several times how much healthier he was looking than when his colleagues had seen him at previous meetings. He was enthusiastic in his endorsement of what the people and the program at Weimar Institute had done for him.



Thomas S. Geraty

JOIN the Weimar Tape Club

See page 6 for details



FROM OUR PRESIDENT

TAKE MY YOKE*

"Take My YOKE!" is the Master's plea.
 "But first, I urge you, learn of Me.
 When you understand My plan for you,
 When you recognize My love is true,
 With ease to Me you'll submit your will;
 With joyous service your whole life will fill.

"Take MY Yoke! No other ones will do.
 Try them, your peace and joy are through.
 When you seek your own bold course to chart,
 When you wait for others to indicate your part,
 You take on burdens you're not asked to carry;
 I set your load — another's I may vary.

"TAKE My Yoke! I urge you, take it now!
 Willingly accept it, no force can I allow.
 When you know Me as I really am,
 When you see the wisdom of My plan,
 In freedom will you choose My way;
 Not just once — the choice comes every day,"

TAKE MY YOKE becomes my greatest joy
 As I endeavor to His will employ.
 When I understand His purpose for my life,
 When I learn to look above my daily strife,
 My own life's goal takes on a greater scope:
 To give God glory — my privilege and my hope!

Robert L. Fillman

**This poem was read as part of the prayer breakfast address given by Weimar President Robert L. Fillman at the recent national A.S.I. Convention held in Colorado Springs, Colorado, September 23-26.*



"I Was Headed For A Nervous Breakdown."

By Father Fergus McGuinness
 As told to
 Glenna Gemberling, R.N.

We were driving on Highway 80 toward Donner, California. "Look! Here's Weimar! Fergus, this is where that Health Center is — the one I've been telling you about — the one that uses lifestyle change." My companion continued; "Have you thought any more about looking into it? You're a prime candidate for a heart attack you know."

My mind was traveling in a different direction. Yes, I knew Weimar well, the old Weimar Sanatorium, and the hopelessness, at that time, of the tuberculosis patients it contained. I had served the Catholic parish in Colfax just seven miles away. I had often been involved with that "house of death."

But times had changed. The old Weimar Sanatorium was out of business. Good. My life had changed, too. I was now located in San Rafael, involved with a busy ministry, a challenging one, that absorbed all my energies.

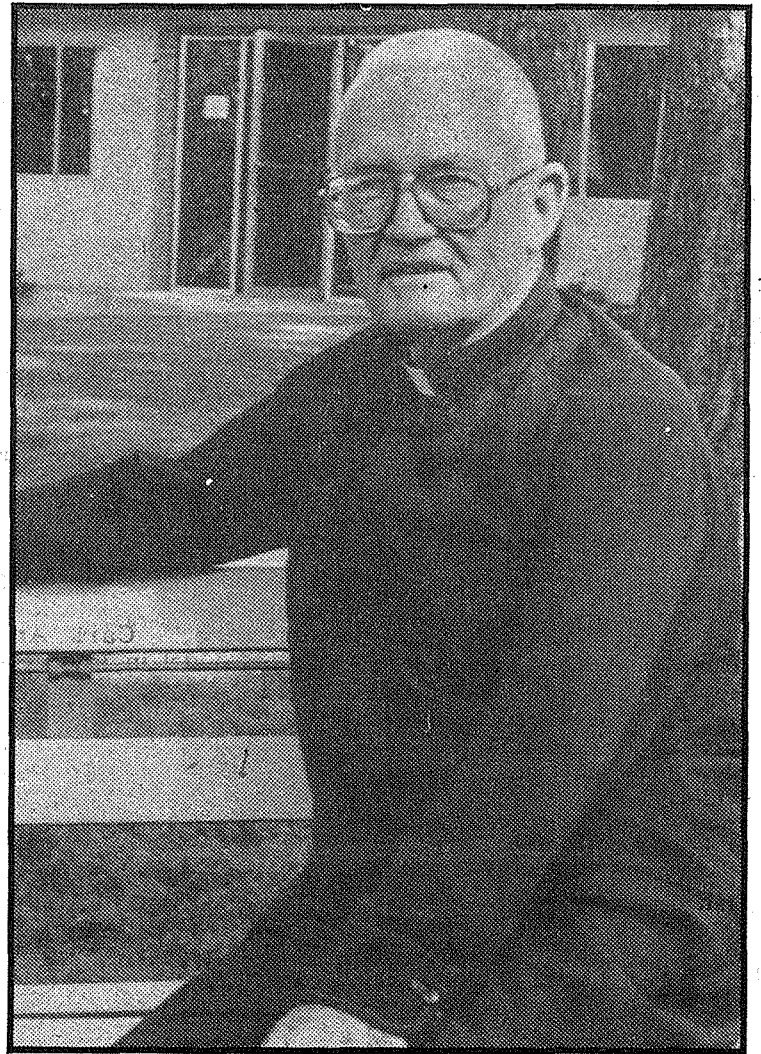
But my health wasn't good. A triple coronary bypass in March had given me temporary relief of my chest pain. But soon it was all there again: the pain, the fatigue, the frustration. I went back to see my doctor.

"Surgery has been able to undo some of the damage you've done to yourself but that's as far as we can go. Continue taking your medication — that should ease the pain somewhat, and help control your blood pressure. As for the stress, that's something you'll have to learn to cope with yourself. Maybe you should consider psychotherapy."

His words thudded upon my weary ears and discouraged heart. I had thrown away the medications I was gobbling by the handful prior to surgery. Was he telling me that I'd have to start the old routine again? And I'd had such trouble sleeping! For that I'd been told, "Try a few drinks in the evening. Beats any sedative or tranquilizer I could give you."

I tried it and it worked, but as time went on, I needed more and more to do the job. Soon I was drinking about six times as much as when I started. I knew I was drinking too much. Was I going to end up an alcoholic? The post-operative adjustments I was having to make, plus this growing fear of alcoholism became almost more than I could handle. I was sure I was headed for a nervous breakdown. Something had to change!

I had already contemplated changing my lifestyle. I'd heard of a health center in southern California. Yes, maybe that was what I needed. If I could regain my health and save my sanity, one month of ANYTHING



Father Fergus McGuinness

would be worth it! But my medical friend was talking about a new place — Weimar Institute. We had just passed it.

"I'm ready," I spoke out loud.

"Ready? Now? My companion was slightly startled.

"On my way back I want to visit Weimar. I want to see what they have to offer."

And so I did. During an interview with NEWSTART Director, Dr. Henri Wiebe, I began to experience hope. He indicated that there were alternatives to many medications, and ways I hadn't yet tried, to improve my health. Later that night at home I read the information I had been given. The next morning I placed a call to reserve a spot for me as soon as I could arrange my schedule. Five weeks later I drove in, ready to make my NEW START.

And that is what has happened. I learned what to eat and drink and when, and the value of exercise. I learned to utilize water, sunlight, fresh air and rest. It took considerable discipline to rearrange my old life patterns into health-building habits, but I was determined. I had made a commitment to myself to find a better way to live, and it was surely a touch of divine Providence that brought me to Weimar Institute.

After my heart surgery I had not altered my "slow kill" way of life. Now I learned new ways of handling life's stresses without damaging my body, without the price of later suffering. Though I (thankfully) lost weight, I had plenty to eat

and drink. I had plenty of everything that I really needed.

There was a cohesiveness among the NEWSTART staff and guests that gave me strength. In fact it reminded me of my monastery days ...the closeness, the camaraderie that lives on in one's heart. And the relaxed atmosphere was life-giving. I didn't feel at all threatened by the spiritual environment or the services conducted.

The physicians encouraged me to walk, walk, walk! I realize that I'm going to have to do some adapting in order to fit the NEWSTART program into my own circumstances — busy schedules, cafeteria food, and various other problems. But with God's grace and my friend's support I'm determined to stick with it.

And I'd better stick with it! You don't just throw a few thousand dollars around. Or time either — a month of my own life and that of the Weimar staff. But the gains are already tangible. I feel 10 years younger. I've lost 17 pounds. My cholesterol has dropped 100 mg, my triglycerides 300 mg. The treadmill tells a happy tale of improved exercise tolerance. But I shall miss the hydrotherapy treatments! Those were new and remarkable experiences I shall not soon forget.

It would be supreme folly to return to my old ways. This is something that many people need to know about. Which reminds me, I need to pick up some Weimar brochures to take back with me. My parishioners need to hear about this place!

Weimar College Holds Fourth Annual Colloquium

By Colin D. Standish,
Dean of the College

"The Staff — A Model," was the theme chosen for the fourth annual Weimar College staff colloquium, held Friday, September 18, through Sunday, September 20. Recognizing that Christ is the only true Model, the challenge of modeling the love and characteristics of Christ before students became the central topic of the weekend.

The colloquium was marked by many outstanding presentations followed by lively discussions, as the Weimar family sought to prepare itself more fully for the responsibilities and opportunities of the new school year. The weekend was highlighted by four presentations given by Paul Robberson, Executive Vice-President of the Hewitt Foundation. With his wide experience in management, and organizational structure, Paul focused upon the basis of effective Christian management, using the

following topics — "The Essentials of Management," "The Effective Executive," "Ellen White and Management Practice," and "Management Proverbs." It was noted that the principles presented in his talks frequently proved to be the springboard for other presentations.

The other presentations were made by various members of the Institute staff: "Model Leaders," Colin Standish; "Model in Work," John Sipkens; "Model in Finance," Salim Hasbani; "Model in Family Life," Dick Winn; "Model in Devotional Life," Wesley Taylor; "Model in Courtesy," David Grams; "Model in Sabbath Observance," Carl Anderson; "Model in Interpersonal Relationships," Dennis Blum; "Model in Dress," Francis Cossentine; "Model in Recreation," John Goley. Music was provided by staff members Bob and Lois Rusche. All presentations were taped and are available from the Weimar Institute

Tape Club.

Another highlight of this special weekend was the Friday evening vesper service conducted by Chaplain Dick Winn, which explored the true basis of Christ's love with a special focus upon how to love the unlovely. This vesper service was combined with the members of ASDAN (The Association of Seventh-day Adventist Nurses) Northern California Chapter, who also had a retreat that weekend.

The colloquium concluded with a Sunday evening gathering at the Bear River where supper was served. Robert Bohlman provided vesper thoughts before the faculty divided into prayer groups to commit themselves to the work of God at Weimar this year.

If there was one united thought that characterized the presentations, it was the desire to be fully committed to the leadership of Christ, and to more fully understand His Word.

Help Develop Weimar's Music Ministry

Much music is made at Weimar Institute. And it is not found only in the chapel or the rehearsal rooms.

Believing that the counsel of Paul to the Ephesians was meant for all Christians, the students and staff at Weimar talk with each other much about the Lord, quoting psalms and hymns and singing sacred songs, making music in their hearts to the Lord. (Eph. 5:19) And the desire to improve the gifts given to them by the Master Musician has led to an almost overwhelming demand for music instruction.

Choir director Francis Cossentine knew it would be impossible to meet these needs by himself. And so it is with joyful blessing that he reports the arrival of two new music teachers. David Grams and Lois Rusche are now contributing their dedicated skills to encourage and enlarge the

music ministry of the campus. They will be involved in the training of college, academy and elementary students.

One of the exciting results of having an enlarged music staff is the development of an orchestra, under the leadership of Mr. Grams, with the assistance of Mrs. Rusche. Our campus is blessed with many talented musicians who are combining their efforts to make music to the glory of God, but there is an urgent need for essential equipment and music. For instance, the music department has only two music stands!

Because we have had assurances that many of our friends would like to have a part in the growing music ministry at Weimar Institute, we are listing here a number of the items that would be put to good use by our students and staff:

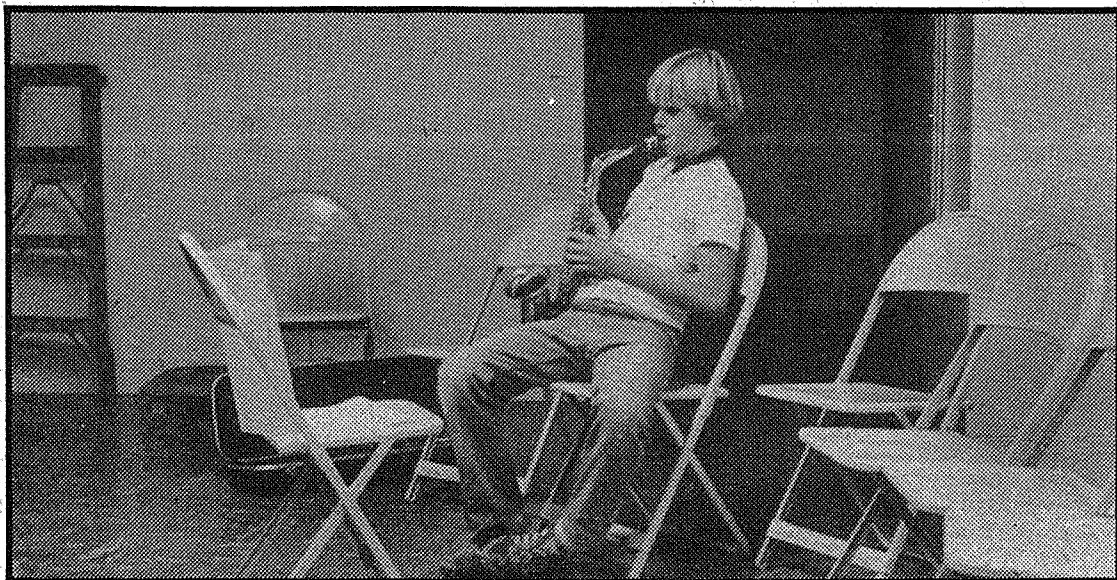
****PIANOS:** three uprights for studio and practice use; a 5'9" (or larger) grand piano for the chapel.

****MUSIC STANDS:** black standard school type, or chrome folding type.

****MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS:** flutes, clarinets, and other woodwinds; violins, violas, cellos, double bass; brass instruments and percussion.

****MUSIC:** orchestral music, especially sacred selections; collections of music for various instruments, both solo and ensemble; keyboard music and sacred choral music.

As you consider these needs before the Lord, we want to thank you for your continued support and your prayers.



Music stands are only one of the needs of Weimar's growing music department.

NEWSTART Schedule

Following are the dates for Weimar's
NEWSTART Health Center programs:

November 2 — November 26
November 30 — December 24

For further information contact: The Medical
Director, Weimar Institute, P.O. Box A,
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WEIMAR INSTITUTE

Weimar Institute is a multi-phased ministry whose keynote is SERVICE. Working in harmony with the basic tenets of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, the Institute is comprised of physicians, educators and other laymen. Our primary goal is to uplift God's character as the One who restores His image in His people on earth. Weimar Institute ministers to the physical, the mental and the spiritual aspects of humanity. Relying solely upon the free gift of the righteousness of God revealed in the Person of Jesus Christ, the Institute openly confesses that no function of its ministry can detract from the reality of that One Source of salvation. Rather, we desire that His righteousness shall become more believable to others because of this service to which we ourselves have been called. (2 Tim. 1:9, Eph. 2:9-10)

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Due to the rapid growth of the "Weimar family" we have extremely limited guest facilities. PLEASE, if you plan to visit Weimar overnight, make advance reservations. Otherwise, we cannot guarantee accommodations. Thank you for this consideration.

We do not conduct Sabbath services at Weimar Institute. If you plan to join us for Sabbath meals, please make prior arrangements for meal tickets.

A casual walk through the campus? Most anytime you want. A meeting with the President or other staff members — please write or phone ahead to confirm an appointment.

Welcome To New " "

CARL AND BESSIE ANDERSON

Dr. Carl D. Anderson comes to Weimar with a wealth of experience. He has pastored in Vancouver Island, taught in several church-related schools and colleges, and has written two books on history in which he combines secular, Biblical and Spirit of Prophecy concepts.

Dr. Anderson and his wife, Bessie, have been aware of Weimar since its beginning. It seems only natural that he now has come to take up the responsibility of teaching History at Weimar College. We are happy to have you both.

bach's first contact with Weimar Institute was via its cookbook. Subsequently, he sent for the monthly BULLETIN which he read thoroughly every month. Comments Fehrenbach: "I found myself concurring, and fascinated with the basic philosophy of the Institute, especially in regards to its health principles. I felt that this is the kind of place to which I would like to dedicate some valuable years of service." He is accompanied by his wife who is a dental hygienist by profession.

DAVID AND CHERYL GRAMS

Several months ago when David and Cheryl Grams visited Weimar Institute, they had no positive idea that they would return as staff members. However, the more closely they studied the educational counsel given to our church, the more they read (via the monthly BULLETIN) about the exciting things that were happening here, and the more evidences they had of Providential leadings, the more inclined they were to give consideration to the idea.

David, formerly of San Diego Academy, is filling the position of Academy Bible teacher and also director for the Academy and College bands. He says: "What I appreciated most in the monthly BULLETIN were the testimonies of the patients and those articles in the paper which told of actual happenings at the Institute. They just made you long to be a part of the success story."

David's wife, Cheryl, is assisting Shirley Fillman in the cafeteria both in preparing meals and in supervising students. The Grams have three children: Lori, Lynn and Kevin all of whom are attending Weimar Elementary school.

ROBERT AND BARBARA BOHLMAN

Robert Bohlman, new Weimar College and academy English teacher, comes to the Institute from the Modesto area, having taught at Rio Lindo and Modesto academies for several years. His wife, Barbara, has been secretary to the Principal of the Modesto Adventist Elementary School for the past two years. She is already finding useful occupation for her experienced skills as a secretary in the business office.

The Bohlmans had kept abreast with the progress and profile of the Institute through contact with Board member, Marilyn Wilcox and her son Karl, former student of Weimar College. Their interest intensified when they actually visited the campus for two days.

"We liked what we saw," says Bohlman, "and the sensible, yet adequate dietary program was really a plus factor in helping us to make a decision to come."

We are happy to have the Bohlmans join our staff. Their older son, Jeff, attends Weimar Academy; and son Greg is in the eighth grade.

JIM COLLINS

"I have known about Weimar Institute right from the start. In fact, every place I've gone, people have been aware of what's happening here," says Jim Collins who now works full time in construction.

It was while building a church in Arkansas that Jim met a former Institute staff member who encouraged him to join the Weimar staff. And he has done just that!

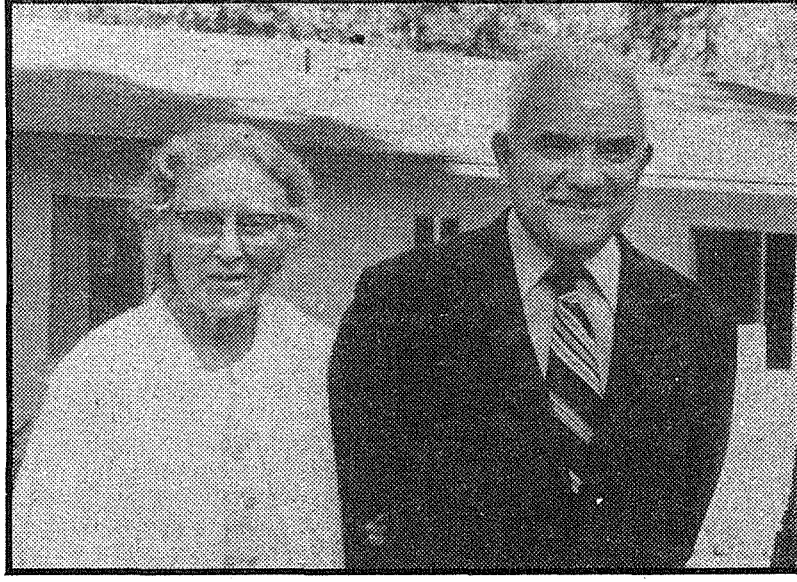
CAL AND FLORENCE FEHRENBACH

"I love the environment and I am enjoying the students," says Cal Fehrenbach, new purchasing agent for the Institute. Formerly agent and property manager for Home Owners' Association in Boulder, Colorado, Fehren-

SALIM HASBANI

Reflecting on the miraculous sequence of events which brought him here, Salim Hasbani, Weimar's Controller, comments: "Weimar is a unique place where miracles happen in the daily lives of students, staff, visitors and health guests. I believe the Lord has prepared a place where people can work together to hasten the coming of the Lord."

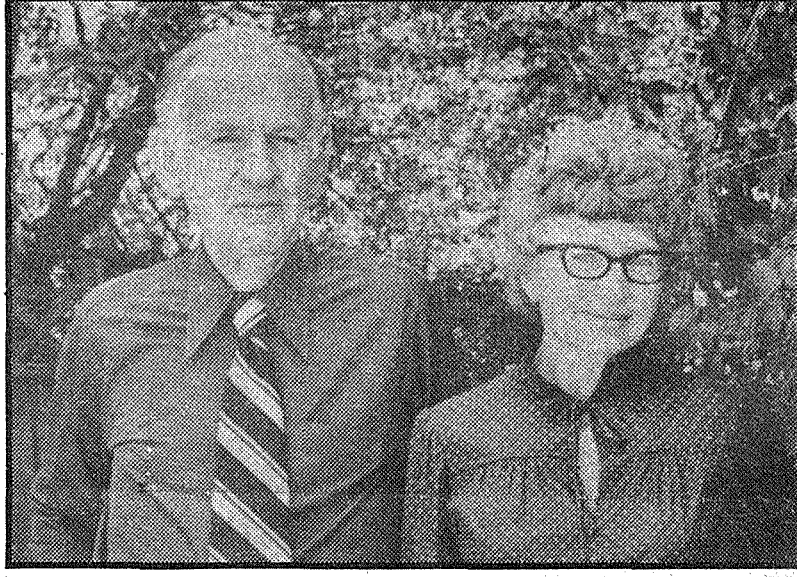
Mr. Hasbani's first contact with Weimar was approximately a year and a half ago when Institute personnel manned a health booth at the Orangewood Academy Health Fair. Subsequent contacts through the BULLETIN, friends, and visits have ended up in bringing Salim, his wife Cathy, and daughters: Connie, Elizabeth, Jor-Jean, and Christine to the Weimar family.



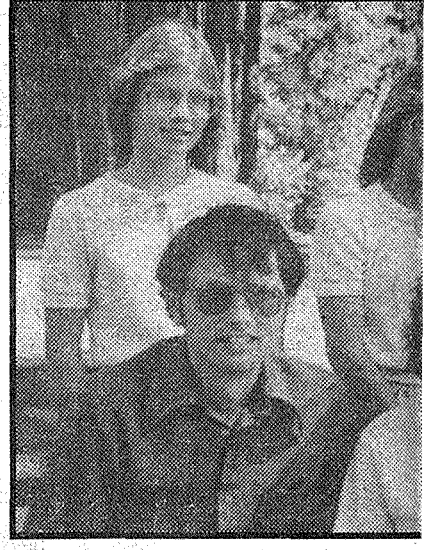
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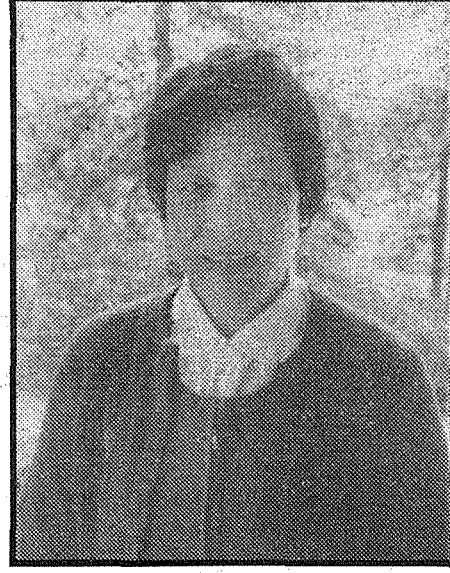
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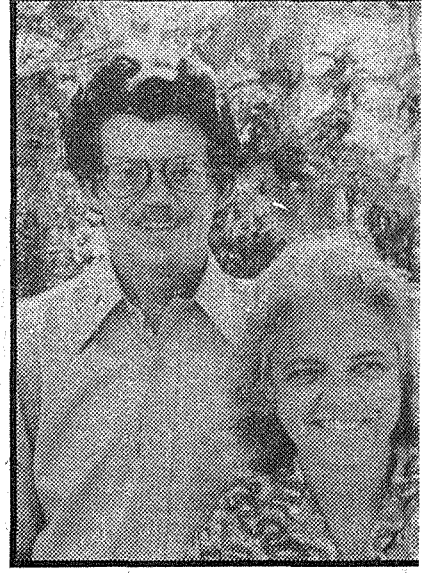
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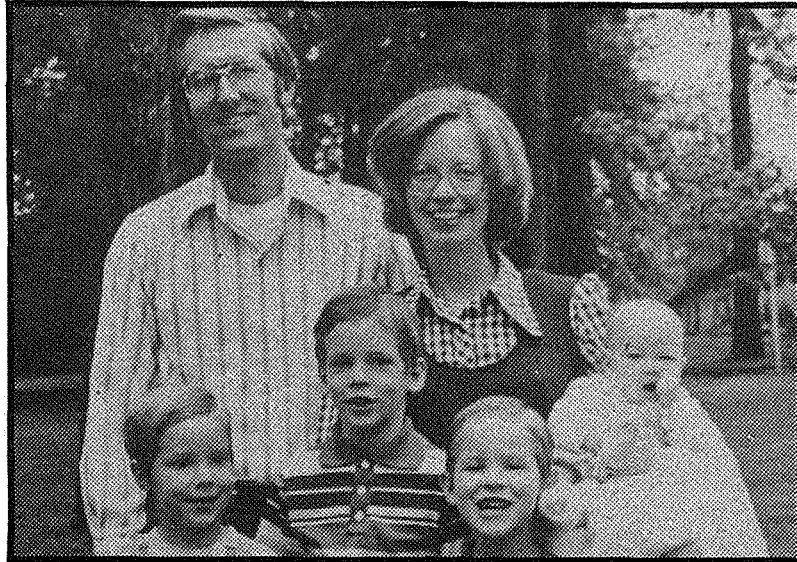
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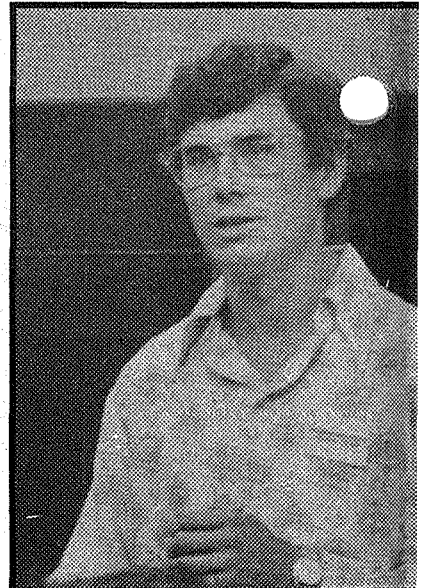
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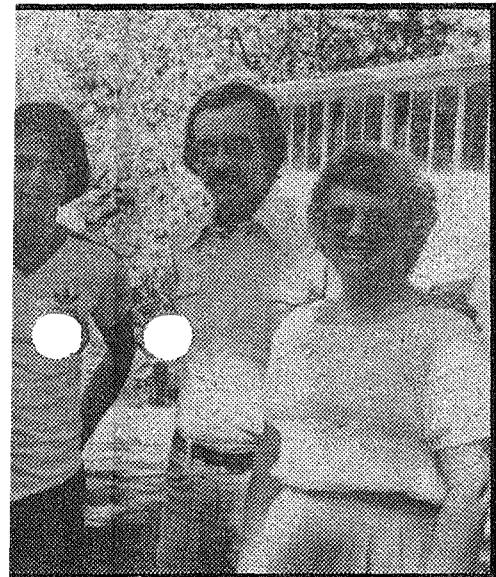


Gerald and Lanelle Northrop and their children, Thomas, Timothy, Thaddeus and baby Travis.

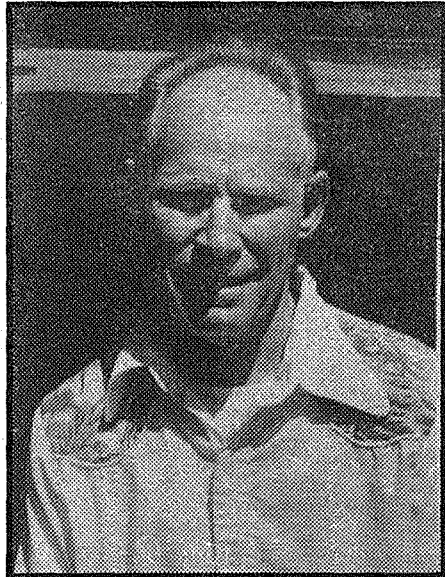


Sidney Nixon, MD

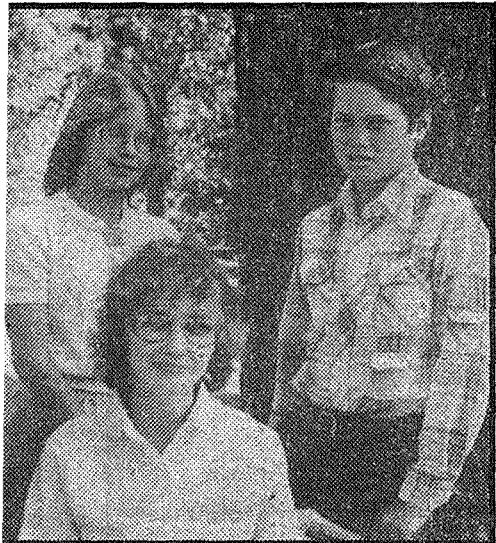
"Family" Members!



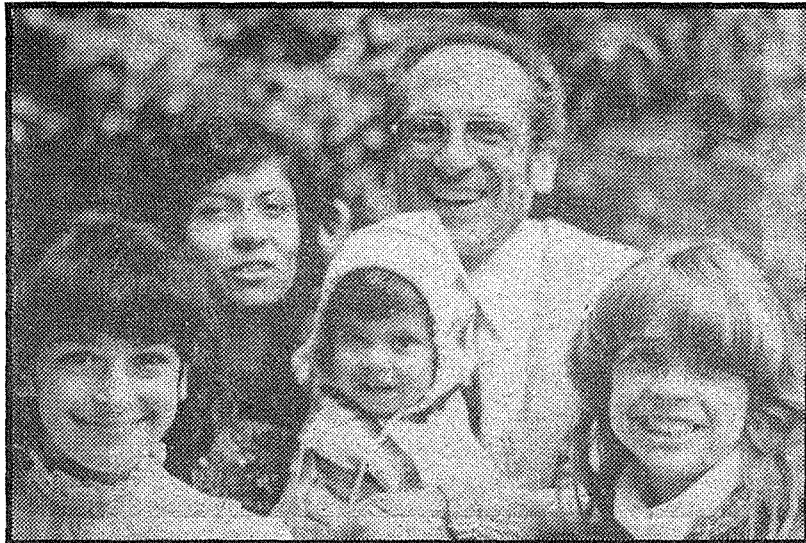
Man with sons, Greg and Jeff



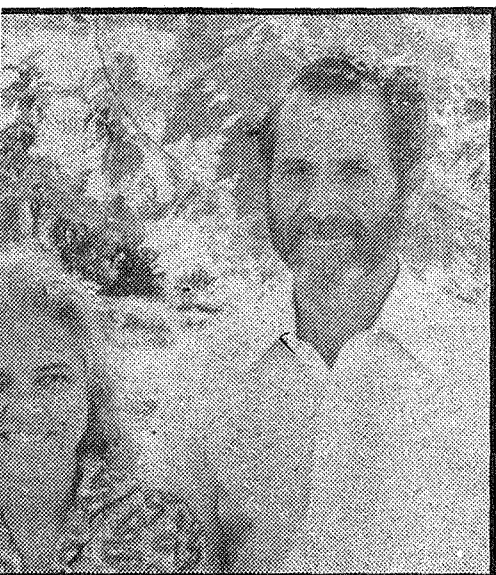
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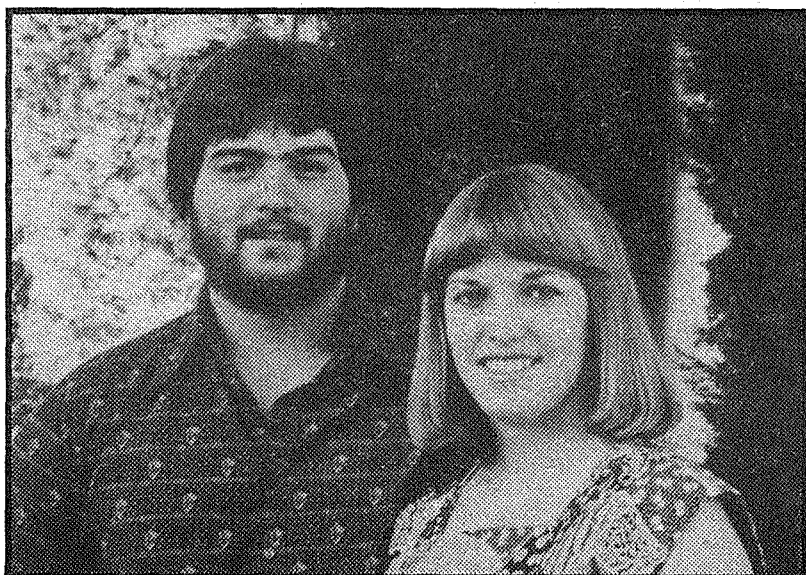
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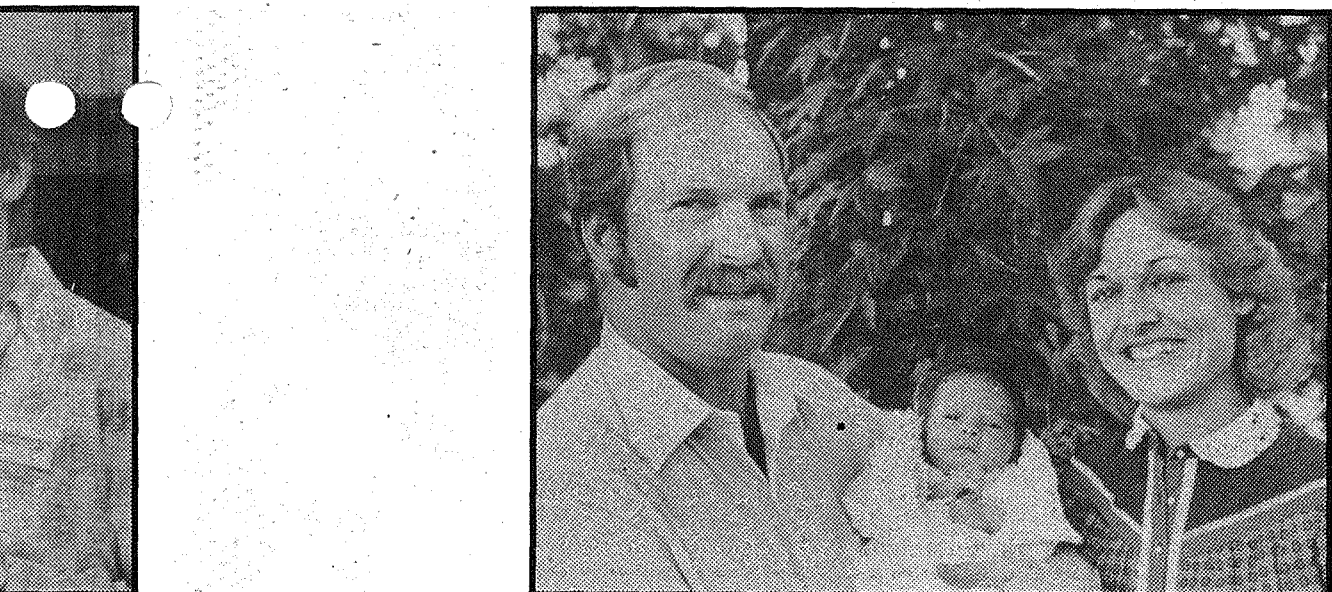
Salim and Cathy Hasbani with their children, Elizabeth, Christine and Jor-Jean



erry and their son, Jeff



Ethan and Terri Mulvihill



Mike and Lana Wesner with baby Sara

MARIA JIMENEZ

Three years ago an ASI meeting in Soquel sparked Maria's interest in Weimar Institute. She liked what she heard about God's marvelous dealings in the lives of people here, and decided that if given the opportunity she would like to be of service to the Institute. That opportunity came. "I am here because the Lord brought me here," comments Maria in her warm, brisk Mexican accent. She is one of the Institute's housekeepers (and official tortilla maker...according to the single staff!)

is where I need to be at this time. I feel like we belong here," comments Northrop.

With him is his wife, Lanelle, and their four sons, Timothy, Thomas, Thaddeus and baby Travis.

SIDNEY NIXON, MD

Dr. Sidney Nixon is our newest NEWSTART physician. He has been a part of the staff approximately six months.

Prior to coming to Weimar, Dr. Nixon worked as a Family Practice resident at Glendale Adventist Hospital, and then in the hydro/physical therapy department at Hospital Adventista, Valle de Angeles, Honduras, Central America.

The Weimar idea and environment are not new to Dr. Nixon. In February of 1978, just after finishing Loma Linda Medical School, he came to Weimar with Fred and Hazel Riley to help in the planting of the fruit orchards. And in April of 1980 he made a three week work/study visit at which time he became familiar with the NEWSTART program.

When asked how he perceives this adventure at Weimar Institute, the 31 year old physician replied with a thought-filled twinkle in his eye, "this place gives a taste of what it will be like in heaven with the happiness of unity. Money cannot produce a health staff that loves people as these do. And without such a team I alone could not successfully meet our patient's needs. I consider it a privilege to be here in this fellowship."

LESTER AND LIESEL MC SHERRY

There's been an increase of bookshelves, magazine racks and kitchen counters on campus over the past three months. They reflect the skillful work of students under the able supervision of Lester McSherry, new director of the cabinet shop.

Before joining our staff, Mr. McSherry had been in touch with Weimar through friends, and especially through his son, Jeff, a sophomore student at Weimar College. His wife, Liesel, joins him in his commitment to this new adventure.

ETHAN AND TERRI MULVIHILL

Both Ethan and Terri Mulvihill are recent graduates of Pacific Union College, majoring in Industrial Technology/Behavioral Science and Office Administration, respectively. Besides being fresh out of college, the Mulvihills are newlyweds.

Ethan is the director of auto body repair and painting here at the Institute. His aim is to develop this area of work into a viable student industry. Terri is receptionist for the Institute.

Says Ethan, "When I came to visit here for a few days, I was pleasantly surprised. I was not used to such open, sincere Christian friendliness. Here at Weimar you can't successfully walk down the sidewalk without someone stopping to talk to you or seeing how you are doing. We think it's beautiful!"

It's good to have you, Ethan and Terri!

MIKE AND LANA WESNER

Mike Wesner is our new assistant farm manager. Previous to this he worked in the Bay area as a diesel mechanic. His wife, Lana, was a student of Weimar College during its first year and always kept in touch with the Institute via the BULLETIN and through lasting friendships with several staff members.

We welcome Mike and Lana to the Weimar "family," along with their newborn little girl, Sara.

GERALD AND LANELLE NORTHROP

Gerald Northrop has been with us for several months as an electrician and as head of the maintenance department. He comes from Eden Valley Institute in Loveland CO, where he served in the same capacity.

Gerald expresses that he is sold on the college program with its operating work/study emphasis. "I believe that God is guiding here, and that this

And there are still more new "family" members! Space in this issue did not permit us to introduce them all. Watch for them next month.

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OCTOBER FEATURE

Two talks by Weimar Chaplain, Dick Winn. To the Glory of God, examining the supreme motive for our existence; and Trust, which deals with the ideal environment for growth which God provides for us. In these talks (the beginning of a series), Pastor Winn discusses the foundation principles upon which Weimar Institute has been established, and how these principles are relevant to our personal experience with Christ.

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NEWSTART Alumni Corner

Dear Alumni Family,

Unbelievable! One full year has passed since I teamed up with the Weimar staff. It seems like ages ago. And yet, sometimes as though it was just yesterday that I met a new "breed" of patients like Alma Spelman and John Dabaco, dined on the-rapeutic gourmet with Billie Watson, "garden therapized" with Caroline Eros, trekked (and panted) the trails with Loretta Peterson and Pilar Peniche, and giggled through an evening of role-playing with Vivian Snow. What a new nursing experience September of 1980 was for me!

Time adds a dimension to living, doesn't it? I more fully appreciate today because of yesterday's memories and tomorrow's dreams. My past has been valuable in helping me grow in maturity and in my relationships with God and with friends, staff and patients. I've learned through disappointments and challenges. Because of these, I've been able to establish "Eben-ezers" or waymarks — "Hitherto has the Lord led me." 1 Sam. 7:12

But it is easy to mis focus, to regret the weaknesses and mistakes and live in an "if only" world, or to exist on past glories. Life is growth; time moves on. So must I.

The future holds visions, new challenges and goals to strive for. What a sense of accomplishment I experience when they are attained! But unrealism can set in when I allow myself to fantasize, making tomorrow the day when "I'll really be happy" or "I'll be fulfilled when..." I can't live in the future - I am alive today.

I need to realize today what God has given me for right now. Today is enriched by past and future, but optimum living requires my attention now. I can live fully when I am strengthened by yesterday's experiences but am able to let them go and move on unhindered.

Today is when I can choose to:

- * munch a garden salad or a blushing peach
- * walk a brisk mile
- * guzzle a gallon of water or take a refreshing shower
- * wink at the sun
- * say Yes or No, and stick with it
- * expand my lungs around air
- * luxuriate in going to bed on time
- * trust God with a joyful heart

"This is the day that the Lord has made; I will rejoice and be glad in it!" Psalms 118:24

May you all experience the abundant life TODAY.

Joyfully,
Glenna Gemberling, RN

Two Worlds

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"Every student should devote a portion of every day to active labor..." PP 601

"Our teachers should not think that their work ends with giving instruction from books. Several hours each day should be devoted to working with the students in some line of manual training. In no case should this be neglected." CT 211

A decade ago the president of The Carnegie Commission on Higher Education in his Interim Report stated that,

"Society would gain if work and study were mixed throughout a lifetime, thus reducing the sense of sharply compartmentalized roles of isolated students v. workers and of youth v. isolated age. The sense of isolation would be reduced if more students were also workers and if more workers were also students, if the age mixture on the job and in the classroom conformed more closely to the structure of a normal community."

More recently the General Conference Department of Education in its "The Thrust

of SDA Education: A Christ-Centered Curriculum, K-12" recognizes that,

"Through SDA education, the student...."

8. *"Learns from teachers who are examples of Christian character and who are companions with the students in work, study, and recreation."*

14. *"Acquires the necessary skills for a life trade and develops an appreciation for the value and dignity of labor."*

Of course, in school administration — regardless of educational level — the providing of work-study opportunity will require adequate planning and possible redistribution of human and financial resources: But, for the sake of both staff and students together, realistic instruction and a practical education will result.

How long will it take us to follow implicitly the instruction from heaven? What are we as educators waiting for? With escalating tuitions and fees surely we shall not out-price Christian education for our students — children, youth, and older ones!

"The great principles of education are unchanged." Ed 30

Unless constituencies, school boards, and educators provide work-study for all students on all educational levels — elementary, secondary, and tertiary — they are really not providing Seventh-day Adventist Education.

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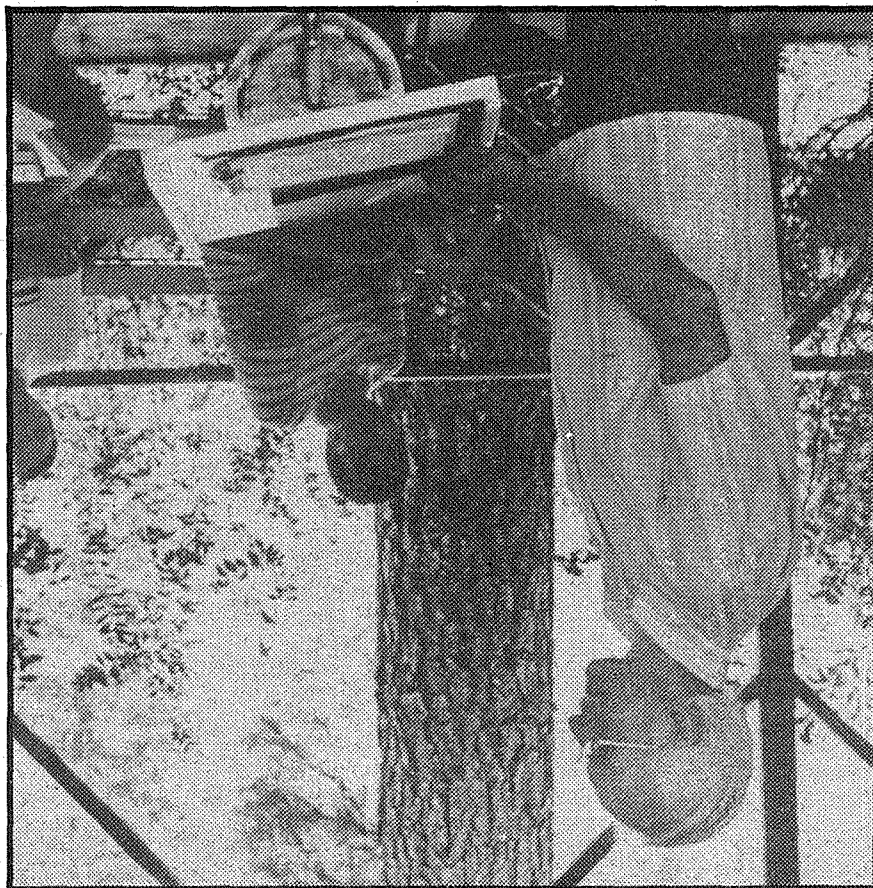
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Coming from as far away as Tennessee and New Brunswick, Canada, participants in the third annual Work Experience Education Seminar recently spent an intensive three weeks at Weimar Institute.



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FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Blessed Reality

"...and bless the missionaries and the colporteurs around the world. And bless Mommie and Daddy. Amen."

Surely millions of childish prayers have ended by invoking the blessings of God upon cherished and respected persons. And vastly more adult prayers — like fingering the beads of a rosary, or stroking a sacred amulet — plead for God to dispense His blessings upon our objects of concern. "Bless this food...bless my children...bless our worship...bless Uncle Harry while he is ill...bless my business...bless this school...and bless this offering."

Who would argue that God is not the source of all blessing? And who could fault needy humans for turning to the great Source to receive what we long to have?

But we might well ask what is assumed by the one who prays, "God bless —." The picture can be startlingly like that held by certain pagan religions. It implies a God who is

coaxed into dispensing His blessings when He has been properly "stroked" or placated. It presents a picture of God as being fickle and arbitrary — as passing out blessings to people who have curried His favor, or withholding them from those who have annoyed Him. Thus he is able both to "purchase" our love, and punish our failings, by the giving or retaining of the blessings He clutches in His arbitrary hands.

A man eats wholesome food, exercises regularly, gets proper rest, and protects the purity of body and mind. Does he enjoy good health because God has added some gracious blessing? Or is the good health inherent in the choices he has made? And does not God show His graciousness by defining for us the path of inherent blessing?

The path of blessing is the path of harmony with reality. Reality in turn, is that which God has made, and how He made it to function. The laws of physical health, for in-

stance, are laws which simply describe the way in which God made our bodies to function. That is reality. Our choice is simply to understand and harmonize with that reality, and enjoy the inherent benefits. And the same laws flow into the realms of emotional health, interpersonal relationships, financial stability, and spiritual health.

The prayer for blessing, then, is not a prayer of request, but of submission. To kneel in prayer is not the posture of the beggar, but of the humble learner. We do not say, "Lord, I beg for Your blessing;" but rather we say, "Lord, teach me your ways, that I might intelligently walk in the path of blessing...in the path of reality."

And as we pray this prayer, we find our understanding of God becoming more mature, more appealing. No longer do we see Him in the mode of a whimsical rich uncle, dispensing favors to His favorites. No longer do we maneuver to become His favorites, nor see His blessings as proof that we are.

Rather we see Him as the Author of reasonable reality. We see Him seeking to strip away the delusions about reality which Satan has

pulled down over our minds. We find God desiring, even more than our experiencing the blessings, that we understand the sensible path of

blessing, so that we may choose to live it throughout eternity.

And won't that be the ultimate blessed reality?

Thank-you for your help . . .

Dear Readers,

I am writing this thank-you letter from Seoul, Korea. Several months ago an article appeared in this BULLETIN asking you to help me raise the funds necessary for me to go to Korea as a student missionary. I am happy to report that a sufficient amount of money came in to meet all of my needs.

There are four language schools in Korea. Two are in Seoul, and the other two are in Gwang Foo and Pusan. I have been placed in the largest school in Seoul.

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Even though I've only been here a short time I know that God is blessing me and will teach me many things this coming year. Thank you for making it possible for me to spend a year as a student missionary in Korea.

May the Lord bless you as you labor for Him wherever you are. I will be sending further news to you in coming issues of this BULLETIN.

Sincerely, Dan Eveland
SM, Seoul, Korea

(For those of you who would like to write to Dan, his address is: Dan Eveland, c/o SDA Language Institute, P.O. Box 200, Cheong Ryeng, Seoul, 131, Korea. He'd love to hear from you.)