

Reflections

August 2005 Issue

A newsletter for beneficiaries of the NAD Retirement Plans of the SDA church.

Hill "400"

by Jack Harris

World War II was at its worst. The Allied armies were on a mad charge to enter Germany by fighting their way across France after experiencing the horrors of Omaha Beach and Normandy. They had struggled through the almost impassive "hedgerows", the boundary markers for the ancient French farm lands that had over countless years become barriers of tangled roots and limbs. Passage for soldiers, trucks and tanks became almost impossible. Finally the Allied armies had conquered France, moved into Belgium, and had pulverized German cities and towns on their way to the city of Aachen, Germany.

Days later they found themselves near the little town of Nideggen. Overlooking that tiny town was a hill identified as "Hill 400." It was so identified because it was 400 meters high, making it the highest land for miles, overlooking the Ruer River Valley. The battle of the Hurtgen Forest lasted ninety days. During that three month long battle through the most frigid weather imaginable, there were more than 24,000 casualties and another 9000 victims of disaster or combat, exhaustion or disease.

Thinking of this battle and the devastating number of men who died to win it, I thought of some other "hills or mountains" in the Bible and their influence on our lives. At least twenty-four mountains are identified in the Bible. Let me highlight just a few of them:

▣Ararat: The resting place of Noah's ark. It reaches up to 17,000 feet and is the traditional place where

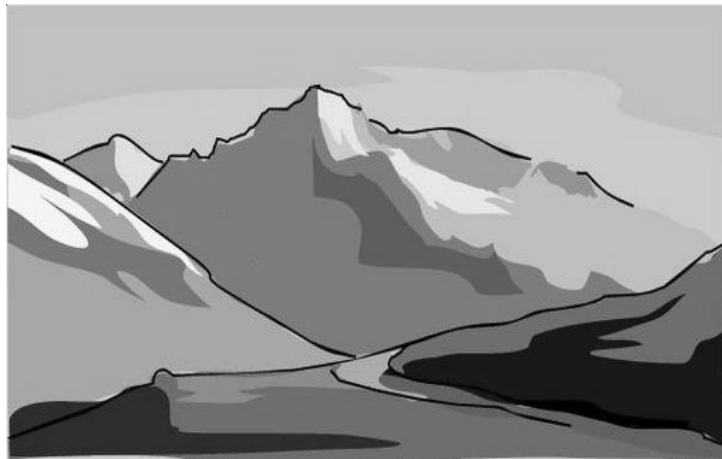
Noah later planted his gardens and was later buried.

▣Carmel: The region where two famous prophets of Israel, Elijah and Elisha lived.

▣Gilboa: the place where King Saul and his son Jonathan were killed by the Philistines.

▣Mt. Hermon: The place where Jesus healed the lunatic, and from which Jesus was transfigured.

▣Mt. Hor: 4,800 feet above the sea and 1700 feet above the town of Petra, also the place where Aaron looked out across the land and died as did his brother Moses at Mt. Pisgah also known as Mt. Nebo.



▣Moriah: There Abraham planned to sacrifice his son Isaac, Solomon's temple was built here, Gabriel announced to Zacharias that Elizabeth would bear a son named John the Baptist. Jesus conducted numerous healings and important events, the rending of the veil in the temple took place here. Judas threw away his "30 pieces of

silver" and Paul was seized in that temple. It is now a Moslem shrine.

▣Mt. Nebo: The place where Balaam talked to his donkey, and his donkey talked back.

▣Mt. Sinai: The place where Moses watched Jethro's flocks and had his view of the burning bush, where he spent 40 days with God and received the Ten Commandments.

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**If you don't read anything else -
Read and keep these items!
Checks/EFT Release schedule for 2005: August 26**

Important Reminder about a change this year in SHARP coverage:

Prescription drugs are causing us some grief. Our overwhelming success in convincing many of you to go to the home delivery system has become a problem for us. The savings that we enjoy from Medco's home delivery system are not enough to pay for the 90 day prescription, as opposed to the 30 day prescription under the retail or pharmacy purchases. Therefore SHARP is putting into place two levels of Co-Pays. The Retail Co-Pay at the local pharmacy will remain as it is now. But the home delivery Co-Pay will see a sizeable increase. In an effort to ease the pain of this increase, SHARP will take this in two steps:

	<u>Retail-Generic</u>	<u>Retail-Brand</u>	<u>Home-Generic</u>	<u>Home-Brand</u>
<u>2004</u>	\$10	\$20	\$10	\$20
<u>2005</u>	\$10	\$20	\$14	\$28
<u>2006</u>	\$10	\$20	\$17	\$34

Retirees are still better off to use the Home Delivery for any medication with a 60-90 day prescription, but the benefit is somewhat reduced with this change.

SHARP Open Enrollment

The 3 year anniversary open enrollment letters for those who enrolled in SHARP in 2002 will be mailed in September 2005. You will have until November to return the application for changes to your coverage.

The effective date for all change requests will be January 1, 2006. If you have questions, please email them to joyce.macatiag@nad.adventist.org.

Remember to check out the NAD Retirement website at <http://www.nadadventist.org/ret/>

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ARM 1-800-447-5002 - Healthcare Claims Queries
ARM Email address: RetireeHealth@adventistrisk.org
Submit medical claims: ARM, PO Box 4088, Silver Spring, MD 20914

Medco Health 1-800-841-5396 - Verify pharmacy participation with Medco Health

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Payroll 1-888-838-8955, Bulletin Board of **Payroll** Information

Fax 301-680-6190, Retirement Fax Number
Phone: (301) 680—

Barbara Yowell 6244 - Lost checks, direct deposits, 1099R, Tax Withholding, Change of Address, Verification of Benefits for loans, housing, Medicaid
Payroll Email: Payroll@nad.adventist.org

Dolores Allen 6249 - General Retirement Office Information
Chris Meier 6192 - Reporting a Death, Disability Reviews
Diane Jacobson 6289 - Tuition Assistance for Children
Joyce Macatiag 6269 - Healthcare Eligibility Queries



NEWS NOTES FROM MORT

Contributing Editor, Mort Juberg

Thousand Oaks, California ~ Shawn Boonstra is now the speaker and director of the television ministry *It Is Written*. Boonstra, a native of British Columbia, joined the Adventist Church 12 years ago after attending an *It Is Written* evangelistic rally. He graduated from the University of Victoria and attended the Seminary at Andrews University. He became a pastor and seven years ago joined *It Is Written* Canada as an associate speaker and later the speaker. He replaces Mark Finley who became recently director of Global Evangelism for the church.

Stockholm, Sweden ~ Swedish Adventists marked the 125th anniversary of the church's organization with a five-day business session and plans for evangelism. The re-elected leadership under the direction of president Bjorn Ottesen set clear directions for church growth. There are nearly 2,500 members of the church in Sweden in 42 congregations. The church operates a junior college, a publishing house and a natural foods company.

Seoul, Korea ~ A newly-organized church designed for young people, the first of its kind in South Korea, is attracting teenagers to the Toegyewon Adventist Church. Youth director Joshua Dong Hee Shin for the North Asia -Pacific, said, "There are not enough suitable culture or programs for the youth or teens in the church." In the new church teenagers are given more freedom and responsibility, operating their own worship service and programs. More than 100 attended the first service.

Berrien Springs, Michigan ~ Religious experts and leaders met recently on the campus of Andrews University to inaugurate the new International Religious Liberty Institute. The purpose of the Institute is to bring a new focus to vital issues and provide a working location to better enhance the religious liberty program. Attending were General Conference leaders as well as international visitors and leaders from other denominations.

Silver Spring, Maryland ~ The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) was one of the first

humanitarian agencies to provide emergency supplies to 530 Uzbek refugees in Kyrgyzstan. They fled to Kyrgyzstan after violence broke out in the city of Andijan, Uzbskistan. The refugees who were suffering from bullet wounds received clothing, hygiene products, towels, blankets, medical supplies books and other necessities valued at more than \$20,000.00

Wahroonga, New South Wales, Australia ~ HIV/AIDS in Papua, New Guinea, has been termed a crisis by Gad Koito, director of health ministries for the Adventist Church in Papua, New Guinea. There are 12,000 reported HIV/AIDS cases in the country but estimates suggest the real figure is between 50,000-60,000. The church in Papua, New Guinea, has established a commission and has asked each church organization to establish an HIV/AIDS committee.

Source: Adventist News Network

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▣ **The Mount Of Olives:** The mountain from which Jesus ascended to heaven, where the angels addressed the disciples.

▣ **Mount Golgotha:** The place where Jesus was condemned, where He met His mother, where Simon, the Cyrenian took up Jesus' cross, where Jesus was stripped of His garments, where He was nailed to the cross. This is also known as the *Via Dolorosa*, the *Way Of The Cross*.

Many men and women died on these mountains. Many sacred and historical events transpired on them. The blood of 24,000 soldiers who died on Hill 400 ran deep and painful. It was a turning point in the war. But all who have died on all of the mountains of the world put together could not equal or compare with the impact of that one solitary life, the Lord Jesus Christ who died on Mt. Golgotha for you and me and all who will accept Him as their Savior.

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven, given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12

NEW BENEFICIARIES,
2nd Quarter, 2005: [Disclaimer: Not all new beneficiaries under the Hospital Plan are necessarily retirees]

Anderson, Donald G
 Anderson, Robert W
 Banfield, Fred T
 Barksdale, Bernelda
 Baroi, Editha C
 Bates, Joyce M
 Beaven, Marc J
 Benedict, Judith J
 Bielas, Steven
 Bradford, Curtis M
 Brummett, Clarence
 Buxton, Marlene
 Calhoun, Neal
 Campos, Hilda
 Carr, Marilyn M
 Castillo, Cathy
 Childs, Lucy F
 Choi, John H B
 Collier, Annette
 Cook, Jeanie L
 Cooper, John F
 Cordaro, Bonnie J
 Cross, Garland R
 Crowther, Judith K
 Cruz, Pacita
 Culver, Robert R
 Cummings, Clinton
 Daley, Mary C
 Davis, Delmar I
 Dean, Jr., William M
 DeLeon, Efrain
 Denhom, Mitchell
 Dittberner, Dean W
 Duany, Ruben
 Durichek, Helen E
 Ehrlich, Donald F
 Erickson, Sharon M
 Ferguson, Margot
 Field, Marilyn S
 Forster, K J

Fredrickson, Jerome R
 Fry, Hazel M
 Garrett, Patsy K
 Gilbertson, Mildred E
 Gomes, Eliseu
 Grant, Grayce N
 Green, Richard E
 Grondahl, Marcel
 Gutierrez, R Marcie
 Hall, Janice W
 Halleson, Larry S
 Hawley, Carol M
 Haycock, Bud Joe
 Heid, Karl Jack
 Hinckley, Virginia Lee
 Howell, Glenn D
 Im, Margaret C
 Irimia, Eugen
 Issa, Nicolas
 Johnson, Clair L
 Johnson, Mary E
 Jones, Thelma D
 Lamond, Carol A
 Lesourd, Ann
 Little, Marjorie
 Livingston, Sharon L
 Lopez, Jose
 Lorenz, JoAnn J
 Luke, Richard
 Machado, Nerita O
 MacLafferty, Merritt
 Massey, Ruth C
 McCarthy, Norma
 McClelland, James D
 McComb, Terry Gene
 McCrary, D. Reid
 McDow, Barbara
 McGhee, Anna M
 McGrew, Olaya G
 McKenzie, Lilia B
 McKenzie, Roland L
 Melki, Mary G
 Metcalfe, Gerald B
 Miller, Iris
 Miller, Jeanne Adele
 Milliken, Nancy M
 Mitra, Dolores U

Miyasato, Loretta O. C
 Murphy, Margaret L
 Myers, Dorothea Ferne
 Needham, Evelyn F
 Nese, Ruth M
 Neuharth, Dennis K
 Ordas, Adelaida E
 Paden, Sr., Clifford A
 Paine, Sharon L
 Pallasa, Nora P
 Payne, Roger E
 Peel, James D
 Peterson, LeRoy H
 Piromgraiakd, Boonpin
 Pomeroy, Harold S
 Prouty, Jerry C
 Racine, Edwin L
 Radu, Stefan
 Ramseier, Pierre A
 Reed, Jerry D
 Roberts, Roy Dale
 Robertson, Earl Lewellyn
 Robinson, Elaine A
 Rooker, Carol W
 Rowland, T. David
 Ruvo, Phyllis A
 Scheibe, Robert S
 Schlenker, Doyleen E
 Schnell, Mavis L
 Selby, Lorraine
 Shaffer, Nancy
 Shimkus, Constance G
 Simpson, Daniel F
 Snider, Daniel
 Snider, Mary E
 Solis, Christine T
 Stender, Steven E
 Tan, Peter Y
 Tate, Robert E
 Taylor, Lois M
 Thayer, Jerome D
 Ulery, Phyllis
 Van Lange-Greaves, Thelda
 Vasquez, Nancy
 Velasquez, Millanao G
 Villegas, Andrew
 Villemain, David M

Vodeb, Astrid Abigail
 Wager, William S
 Wagner, John Henry
 Wallace, Gerald A
 Wang, Ardina
 West, Everett S
 West, Peggy A
 Wheeler, Donald K
 Whidbee, Marjorie
 Willsey, Steven A
 Wreed, Sharon
 Yang, Wan-Joo
 Yoder, Edith E
 Zaugg, Keith

RECENTLY DE-CEASED, 2nd Quarter, 2005:

Aaen, Margaret P. - 85
 Allen, William M. - 65
 Amundson, Amy Iola - 97
 Apostol, Vidal S. - 91
 Atwood, Priscilla M. - 83
 Babshaw, Jack G. - 63
 Baker, Cluer J. - 72
 Baker, Gertrude E. - 92
 Beck, Mabel J. - 76
 Behringer, Ruth C. - 88
 Benson, Grace - 90
 Blaser, Eva T. - 88
 Block, Janice G. - 67
 Boothby, Marion J. - 87
 Bowman, Belva L. - 84
 Boynton, Ruth - 87
 Britton, Jenny Sue - 74
 Brown, Milford O. - 84
 Brueske, Dewane A. - 83
 Buck, Gilbert W. - 85
 Bus, Shelte J. - 85
 Cabreira, Oliver - 77
 Carter, Eugene F. - 84
 Chudeusz, Sarah T. - 93
 Clarke, W. Arden - 89
 Cole, Cloyd - 95
 Collier, III, H. O. - 90
 Cortez, Zanaido E. - 85

Crosby, Annie Blanche - 91
 Davidson, Bernice S. - 88
 Davis, James B. - 82
 Davis, Thelma P. - 91
 DeBooy, Grace M. - 78
 Denham, Mary R. - 88
 Dobias, Joseph - 92
 Dover, Taylor - 84
 Drury, Margerette F. - 80
 Dunn, Robert H. - 86
 Eccles, Virginia M. - 79
 Eva, Gloria W. - 90
 Ferguson, George C. - 94
 Field, Alice - 95
 Fletcher, Lucille M. - 76
 Flores, Elisa M. - 86
 Gackenheimer, Bernice - 96
 Gardner, Musette R. - 89
 Garrison, Agnes G. - 91
 Gessele, Rupert M. - 82
 Grant, Rose - 76
 Groves, Ella-Belle - 92
 Hagele, Elmer J. - 85
 Haining, Wilma Jean - 77
 Hamel, Wanda - 87
 Harris, Esther L. - 88
 Hartnell, Catherine L. - 81
 Hatfield, Greeley - 87
 Hawkins, Ralph N. - 89
 Heinrich, Evelyn W. - 71
 Herr, Theodore G. - 89
 Hevia, Rafael - 93
 Higby, Ruby - 93
 Hill, Raymond Charles - 84
 Hines, Leslie N. - 91
 Hoffmann, Raymond H. - 82
 Holdridge, Phillip - 75
 Huff, Richard L. - 75
 James, Jessie M. - 92
 Jemison, Hedwig N. - 92
 Jenkins, Warren F. - 84
 Johnston, Clarence C. - 74
 Jones, Joyce M. - 81
 Jones, Juanita P. - 86
 Jones, Monty T. - 72
 Jones, Patty Lou - 71
 Katrib, Rose M. - 82
 Kemper, Vivian W. - 85
 Kim, Sung Soo - 86
 Kirk, William - 67
 Kost, Betty - 82
 Kriigel, Leila - 87
 Kryger, Rosalie - 66
 Law, Anna - 85
 Le Duc, Benjamin A. - 75
 Leiske, Wana Lucile - 93
 Leonard, Lillian B. - 86
 Lindbo, Arbutus M. - 77
 Liwag, Benjamin - 79
 Lonser, Ewald R. - 94
 Ludgate, Edna P. - 72
 Lutts, Donald - 77
 Marsh, Howard O. - 97
 Martineson, Esther E. - 92
 Mason, Jr., John T. - 85
 McIntosh, Arlita Davis - 77
 McKinney, Lila M. - 82
 Means, Hulda Gilliam - 81
 Mellor, S. Alphaline - 100
 Moore, Florence M. - 90
 Murff, Norma - 74
 Murphy, William H. - 76
 Nembhard, Hilbert E. - 84
 Newcomb, William H. - 75
 Nixon, Joseph H. - 82
 Norman, Ilene C. - 72
 Norwood, Ruth O. - 97
 Ochs, Grace L. - 99
 Pace, Tandy S. - 89
 Page, Alice M. - 94
 Pester, Florence - 92
 Peterson, John E. - 90
 Pierce, Bernice E. - 96
 Pomeroy, Laverne A. - 94
 Pommer, LeRoy G. - 84
 Pottinger, Luther - 94
 Qualley, Max C. - 79
 Quisido, Marcela V. - 97
 Rankin, J. Robert - 90
 Rapert, Otto C. - 77
 Reed, Thelma G. - 91
 Reinhard, Rudolf M. - 92
 Rich, Myrle E. - 73
 Richardson, Sr., Estel - 82
 Rick, Mary (Sherman) - 85
 Rippon, May - 90
 Romero, Jr., Luis - 76
 Rossier, Marilyn Sue - 72
 Russell, Mildred - 95
 Sample, Phyllis J. - 75
 Sample, Wanda J. - 83
 Schimke, Albert - 92
 Scofield, Paul H. - 82
 Scully, Mildred - 87
 Sears, Angelina - 89
 Sepulveda, Zoila E. - 90
 Severson, Vivian - 79
 Shaw, Clinton - 77
 Sheldon, Esther I. - 82
 Silver, Robert E. - 90
 Slack, Fred G. - 85
 Smith, Floyd - 92
 Smith, George E. - 85
 Solomon, Daniel M. - 77
 Staddon, Jack Elmer - 66
 Starks, Julia C. - 79
 Stone, Raymond O. - 93
 Taylor, Jimmie C. - 75
 Thacker, Eva - 78
 Thiofil, Maria - 96
 Thompson, Mary Belle - 96
 Tol, William - 80
 Tompkins, Ellen G. - 89
 Vliet, Eva H. - 92
 Wagner, Dorothy C. - 92
 Walling, Kathryn - 83
 Waln, Pearl L. - 97
 Walsh, Sallie M. - 85
 Warner, Tonsa L. - 103
 Wheeler, Barbara L. - 92
 White, Seth E. - 87
 Wiebe, Irvin H. - 81
 Wiles, Ruthe Alys - 89
 Wisbey, Millard L. - 92
 Woesner, Dora G. - 91
 Wombles, Cora B. - 79
 Wood, Mildred A. - 79
 Wright, Albert R. - 93
 Wyman, Frank C. - 80
 Young, Wiley N. - 88
 Zellers, Paul E. - 81

Out & About...

A new Adventist Prison Volunteer Network (APVN) has just been launched for Adventists engaged in ministry to prisoners and their families. APVN will serve prison volunteers and conference prison ministry directors in partnership with NAD Adult Ministries. Benefits include the monthly Network News electronic newsletter featuring Best Practices, Ministry Stories, Training Tips, Resources, Network Updates and more. Membership is free and open to all ministry practitioners. Contact: www.nadadultministries.org or call 301-680-6430 to request membership.

Large-print Discover Bible Guides are available from the Voice of prophecy Bible School. These lessons were developed by Christian Record Services for those with a visual handicap that prevents them from seeing better than 20/200 with corrective lenses. Cost: US\$5.00, plus shipping. Contact: 877-955-2525 toll free.

List/Schedule of Camp Meetings in North -
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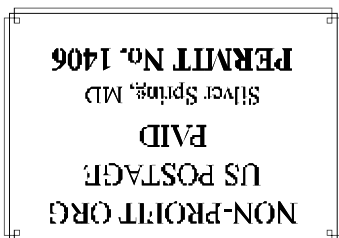
New Pacific Press President - Bob Kyte, president of Pacific Press Publishing Association for the past 15 years, has notified the Board that he will not continue past the Constituency Meeting in August 2005, as the president of Pacific Press. The Board has recently appointed Dale Galusha, PPPA Vice-President for Sales and Ministries, as the President-elect. Galusha will become the president following the Constituency Meeting on August 11, 2005.

New MINISTRY Editor - Will Eva, editor of MINISTRY magazine, has accepted a call to be an Associate Pastor of the Spencerville Church, Spencerville, MD.

ADRA Appointment - Byron Scheuneman, Vice President of ADRA, has accepted a position as a Vice President in Adventist Risk Management.

THE APPEARING - a five night series with Shawn Boonstra preaching, will be aired September 23-27, 2005. This will be a revival series to help prepare for the NET meetings that he will preach from March 10-April 8, 2006. NET 2006 will be uplinked live from Celebrity Theater, in Phoenix, Arizona.

Is your church prepared for Summer visitors? - Former members often visit their former churches as part of their summer vacation travel. Now is the time for church members to be prepared to welcome them. Check out the training package titled "Safety Zone," published by the Center for Creative Ministry to help churches interested in reconnecting with former and inactive members. It also is useful for churches seeking to build strategies for reaching all people for Christ. Contact: <http://www.creativeministry.org/resources/safetyzone/index.htm>



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