

1. Report on Eastern Africa: Elder L D Raelly, EAD president, reported on significant events in that division.

! **Ethiopia:** The government has declared a 5-day work week. Since the decree, our churches have been filled to capacity and the church in Addis Ababa now has two services.

! **Zimbabwe:** 7,000 women are engaged in door-to-door evangelism, resulting in hundreds of decisions for Christ.

! **Botswana:** Today there is a new church in Artesia, the capital of the Desert (Calahari) district, as a result of a new laymember who returned to share the message in his home town. The young people of Maun held a series, baptizing 23 souls.

! **Malawi:** We are awaiting the results of the open-air evangelistic series which began May 8, and is conducted by 400 Dorcas women.

2. Progress in Guinea-Conakry: 62% of the 7.5 million inhabitants of the small, French-speaking, west-African country of Guinea-Conakry are Muslims, 30% Animists, and less than 5% are Christians. The beginnings of the work in Guinea-Conakry find their roots in the simple sharing of faith carried out by a European lay couple between 1987 and 1989. However, it was not until 1990, with the arrival of refugees from Liberia (including many Seventh-day Adventists), that the Lord's work took a dramatic turn. These worshipped with Elder Woniyouwu who, like many of his fellow refugees, escaped death and fled from Liberia where he had served as a licensed minister after completing a 2-year training program in Ghana. Pastor Woniyouwu conducted Bible seminars—in English—and these were translated into French and later several local dialects as well. As a result, since 1992 one organized church and eight companies have been established and are attended by more than 700 each Sabbath. They also have a school of 170 students.

3. ADRA Feeds displaced persons in Sudan: ADRA is helping to feed 275,000 displaced persons in Sudan. These people are living as refugees in

their own country, due to a decade-long civil war that had divided the country. ADRA, which serves as an umbrella agency for 12 other non-governmental organizations, receives, stores, and delivers food supplies to feeding centers run by these other NGO's, and also monitors the distribution of the food to the hungry to ensure its fair distribution. ADRA has been working in these camps since 1985 and has one of the largest relief programs in the country.

4. Global Mission and Volunteers: Global Mission is being energized by thousands of lay volunteers, young and old, who have made a commitment to serve and are involved in a range of ministries such as health, ADRA, Maranatha building projects, teaching, Branch Sabbath Schools, Bible studies, and public meetings.

Tentmakers are lay members, who find secular employment in unentered areas of the world, with the purpose of establishing the Church. In the past 6 months, Global Mission's Center for International Relations has had 43 doctors, 170 nurses, 160 accountants, 220 elementary teachers and 258 secondary teachers request information on tentmaking opportunities. These individuals have been notified of 80 jobs located in 41 countries that have very little Adventist presence. In this manner, professionals are serving this Church in many places around the world.

To inquire about tentmaker opportunities write the General Conference Global Mission Office, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904. (In North America, call toll free 1-800-648-5824.)

I believe the last great movement of this Church will be marked by an unprecedented lay involvement.

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