GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS in less than a century of existence have spread throughout the world, preaching and teaching the gospel, carrying on medical missionary work, and printing educational and religious literature in many lands and tongues, having as their objective the carrying of the gospel message to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people. As their name indicates, Seventh-day Adventists observe the seventh day of the week as the Christian Sabbath, and stress belief in the second coming of Jesus Christ. (For a fuller statement of their beliefs see other pages of this folder.)

Their headquarters are in Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. While they are a comparatively small denomination, Seventh-day Adventists have made a steady growth since their beginning in 1845. The 525 Divisional, Regional, and Local Conferences conduct work in 975 countries, using 448 languages and dialects. During the past six years they have added 220 new languages to those in which they were working, or at the average rate of one in less than every ten days. They have institutional investments of $54,114,844.59. The number of new members received for the single year 1930 (the last available record) was 41,699. Members of the denomination pay the Biblical tithe (10 per cent of one's earnings or income) into the church, which amounts to about $5,000,000.00 a year. The total amount raised in tithes and mission offerings for the year 1932 was $9,857,037.45, or a per capita world-average of $5.56. In North America the average was $43.95 for each church member. The grand total of free-will offerings to foreign missions in the past seventy years is $55,401,668.99. The grand total amounts given for all lines of evangelistic work from 1928 to 1932 is $199,830,838.96.

World Headquarters, Takoma Park, D. C.

MEDICAL MINISTRY

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS believe in the gospel of health and to have established throughout the world a large number of dispensaries, hospitals, and sanitariums. Through this medical ministry they bring the blessings of health to hundreds of thousands each year. Whether it be in a lovely leper colony in Africa or in a modern sanitarium, as the one in Shanghai, China, they minister health by the most modern methods of healing disease, coupled with prayer and dependence upon the divine blessing.

They maintain a large "Class A" medical college in Los Angeles, and Los Angeles, California, where many physicians are trained.

Glenoak Sanitarium, Glendale, California

Their sanitarium-hospitals conduct nurses' training schools from which hundreds of missionary nurses are graduated each year. They operate sixty major institutions in various lands, besides many treatment rooms and clinics, to relieve human suffering. Last year over 65,000 persons benefited by the free clinic conducted by the White Memorial Hospital, Los Angeles, Cal. They publish two health magazines in the United States, "Life and Health," Takoma Park, Washington, D. C., and "Health," Mountain View, Cal.

Seventh-day Adventists are strictly a temperance people, using neither liquor, narcotics, harmful drugs, nor tobacco.

WELFARE WORK

Through Seventh-day Adventists' Welfare Work last year in the United States and Canada, 1,997,438 individuals received food and clothing in addition to the $200,000 sick who were treated. Penny-dish cafeterias and soup kitchens are operated in scores of centers to help the poor. Many women and girls out of employment have been provided with shelter.

CAROLINA SANITARIUM

Seventh-day Adventists Welfare and Temperance Union

BERdontAL Sanitarium

Seventh-day Adventist Church

CHILDREN'S HOME

Seventh-day Adventist Church

NEW HAMPSHIRE Sanitarium

Seventh-day Adventist Church

REVIVAL AND BIBLE WORK

Seventh-day Adventists own and operate sixty-eight publishing houses and branches located in central points throughout the world, and print gospel literature in 157 different languages. During recent years the sale of denominational literature has ranged from three and a half million dollars to five and a half million dollars a year. Sales since 1863 have amounted to the total of $258,975,034.75. The book "Present Truth" has sold a circulation of 85,000,000 copies. The books "Steps to Christ" and "Bible Readings" have had a phenomenal sale running into millions. It would cost $1,091,87 to buy one copy of each publication put out by Seventh-day Adventists.

More than 3,000 missionaries every day traverse the highways and byways of the world, taking the printed page from home to home. These missionary teachers sail along the waters of the Amazon in the interior of Brazil or wade back they go along the valleys of the high Andes; do they tend the lonely jungle trails of Burma and Java, or ride a bicycle they pedal from village to village on the wide African veldty, or climb the sandy desert by wheelbarrow they tend their way along the rice fields of China, and by dudgey they reach the frozen regions of the midnight sun.

The "Review and Herald" is the church's weekly organ published in Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. Other leading organs in English are "The Signs of the Times" (Pacific Press Pub. Assn.), "Mountain View," Cal.) and "The Watchman Letter" (Southern Pub. Assn., Nashville, Tenn.). For the blind, the "Christian Record" (of Lincoln, Neb.) is published in both Braille and New York Print—furnished free to all the blind. A free circulating library for the blind is issued, in many volumes.
What Seventh-day Adventists Believe

1. God the Father as a personal, spiritual being. 1 Cor. 8:6; Eph. 4:6; Dan. 7:9,13; Heb. 1:3; John 4:24; 10:30; 1 Cor. 10:1-4.

2. The deity and the vicarious atonement of Jesus Christ. Micah 5:2; Matt. 2:5,6; John 1:1,14; Heb. 2:9,18; 8:1,2, 4:14-16, 7:24.

3. Jesus as our only Mediator and personal Saviour from sin. 1 Tim. 2:5; Matt. 1:21; Acts 4:12, 5:31.


5. The inspiration of the Bible, which is the only rule of faith and practice. 2 Tim. 3:16,17; Isa. 8:20.


10. Eternal destruction for Satan and the impotent wicked. Mal. 4:1; Rom. 6:23; Ps. 37:9,10,20,34; Heb. 2:14; Ezek. 28:18.


12. The Lord’s Supper, with accompanying service. 1 Cor. 11:23-34; John 13.

13. Tithes and offerings for the support of the gospel work. Lev. 27:30-33; Mal. 3:8-10; Matt. 23:23; 1 Cor. 9:9-14; 1 Cor. 16:1,2.


15. Sanctification by the Spirit through a life of faith and obedience to the truth. John 17:17, 15:3; 2 Thess. 2:13; 1 Peter 1:2,22,23.

16. Simplicity in dress. 1 Peter 3:3-5.

17. Refraining from worldly practices, such as the dance, the card table, the theater, etc. 1 John 2:15.


25. Bible prophecy, confirming faith by disclosing the future. 2 Peter 1:19; Rev. 1:1-3; Amos 3:7; Deut. 29:29; Ps. 119:105.

26. Temperance as applied to food and drink. 1 Cor. 3:16,17; 10:31; Gen. 1:9; Lev. 11:1-31; Prov. 31: 4,5; Dan. 1:8; Prov. 20:1, 23:20,21,29,30.

27. Spiritual gifts. 1 Cor. 12; Eph. 4:8,11-16; Isa. 8:20.


THOSE DESIRING LITERATURE
Those desiring free literature on above-mentioned topics apply for same at the Seventh-day Adventist Exhibit Booth, Hall of Religion, A Century of Progress Exposition, or write to the

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