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## 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's 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 275 countries, using 485 languages and dialects. During the past six years they have added 229 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 \$54,114,844.52. The number of new members received for the single year 1932 (the last available record) was 41,629. 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 \$9,257,037.43, or a per capita world-average of \$25.56. In North America the average was \$43.26 for each church member. The grand total of free-will offerings to foreign missions in the past seventy years is \$58,401,668.99. The grand total amounts given for all lines of evangelistic work from 1862-1932 is \$199,836,838.96.

Shanghai Sanitarium-Hospital, China

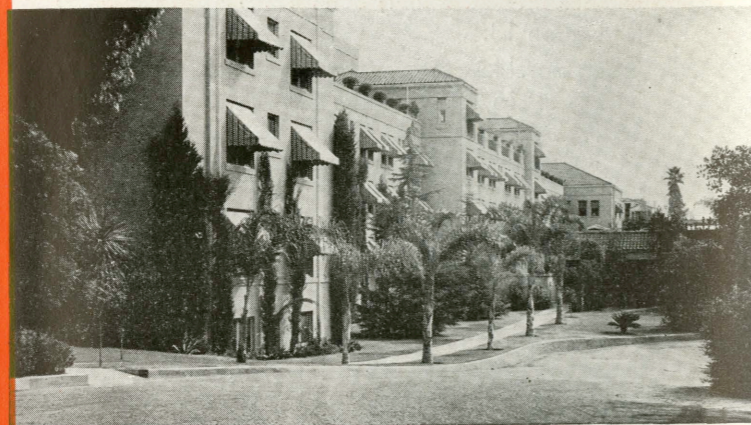
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## MEDICAL MINISTRY

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS believe in the gospel of health and so 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 lowly 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 Loma Linda and Los Angeles, California, where many physicians are trained.



Glendale 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 90,000 persons benefited by the free clinic conducted by the White Memorial Hospital, Los Angeles, Calif. They publish two health magazines in the United States, "Life and Health," Takoma Park, Washington, D. C., and "Health," Mountain View, Calif.

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

## WELFARE WORK

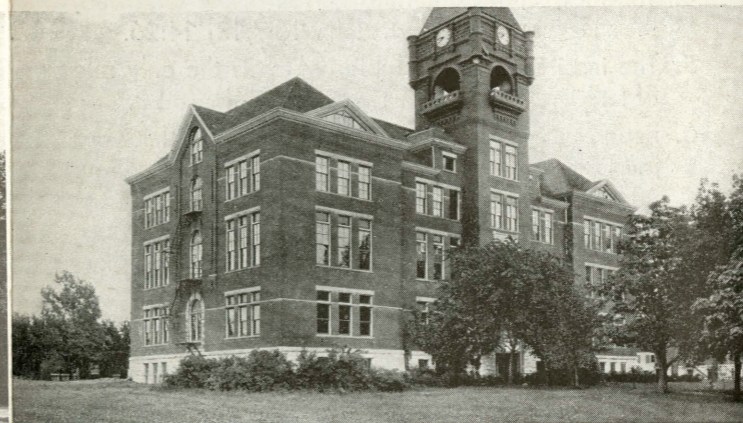
Through Seventh-day Adventists' Welfare Work last year in the United States and Canada, 1,227,438 individuals received food and clothing in addition to the 200,000 sick who were treated.

Penny-a-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.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

THE Seventh-day Adventists have established a system of schools that take the child from the kindergarten through to his college degree. They hold that true education is the harmonious development of one's physical, mental, and spiritual powers. At present they have in training 78,824 children and youth in 204 colleges and academies and 1,650 elementary schools.

Frequently in non-Christian countries a school is one of the first things established by the pioneer missionary. Their educational system ranges from a school in an Indian village with but a handful of native boys as students, to a well-equipped college, as Helderberg,



Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska

near Cape Town, Africa, or the Chiao Tou Tseng Training Institute in China; but wherever you find Seventh-day Adventists, you find facilities for Christian education.

Besides the day schools, Seventh-day Adventists conduct Sabbath schools in conjunction with their regular Sabbath morning church service. For an hour approximately the entire church membership, old and young, engage in class Bible study. During the past twenty-two years these Sabbath schools have contributed in offerings to foreign missions the generous sum of \$26,000,000, which is an average of one million dollars every seven to nine months, or about \$28,000 every Sabbath.

## RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

An important department of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is the Religious Liberty Association, whose avowed purpose is to uphold the true principles of civil and religious liberty as opposed to religious legislation — the restriction of the inalienable rights of conscience. Their official organ, "The Liberty Magazine," is published at Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.



Review and Herald Publishing Association

## PUBLISHING 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 grand total of \$95,975,034.76. The paper "Present Truth" has had a circulation of 86,000,000 copies. The books "Steps to Christ" and "Bible Readings" have had a phenomenal sale running into millions. It would cost \$1,951.87 to buy one copy of each publication put out by Seventh-day Adventists.

More than 3,000 colporteurs every day traverse the highways and byways of the world, taking the printed page from home to home. These missionary salesmen sail along the waters of the Amazon into the interior fastnesses of Brazil; on mule back they go along the valleys of the high Andes; afoot they trudge the lonely jungle trails of Burma and Java; astride a bicycle they pedal from village to village on the wide African veldt; by camel back they cross the sandy deserts; by wheelbarrow they wend their way along the rice fields of China; and by sledge 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, Calif.) and "The Watchman Magazine" (Southern Pub. Assn., Nashville, Tenn.). For the blind, the "Christian Record" (of Lincoln, Nebr.) is published in both Revised Braille and New York Point—furnished free to all the blind. A free circulating library for the blind is issued, in many volumes.

Newbold Missionary College, England

"Penny-a-dish Cafeteria, Shreveport, Louisiana





Public Evangelistic Service, Long Beach, California

## EVANGELISTIC PREACHING

In addition to their health work, their educational work, and their literature ministry, Seventh-day Adventists put emphasis on the power of evangelistic preaching. Their evangelists, supported by tithes and offerings, are sent forth with an open Bible into all the world, preaching the word of God and its prophetic message for this day, with the result that literally thousands are being converted.

Among remote tribes, hands once dyed in human blood are now lifted every day in prayer to the true God; feet that once hastened to steal and plunder are now seeking the paths of righteousness; souls that once quailed in abject fear before gods of wood and stone are now radiant and free in Jesus; minds once degraded and hearts once shadowed with superstition now pulsate with love for God.

Inspired by the belief of Christ's soon return, Seventh-day Adventists push on and on and on with the gospel message of hope to the millions that "sit in darkness and in the shadow of death."

"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come."—Jesus.

# 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.
4. The Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Godhead, the vicegerent of Christ. John 16:7,13; 14:26.
5. The inspiration of the Bible, which is the only rule of faith and practice. 2 Tim. 3:16,17; Isa. 8:20.
6. Repentance and conversion as necessary "that your [our] sins may be blotted out." Acts 3:19; Prov. 28:13; John 3:1-8.
7. Man, mortal by nature. Job 4:17; Rom. 2:6,7; 1 Cor. 15:51-53. Born in sin, must be born again. Job. 14:4; Ps. 51:5; John 3:3; Acts 3:19; Matt. 18:3.
8. The sleep of death. Eccl. 9:5; Ps. 146:3,4; Job. 14:21; Isa. 38:18,19; 1 Thess. 4:13; John 11:11-14.
9. Resurrection of the dead "both of the just and unjust." Acts 24:15; John 5:28,29; 1 Thess. 4:16,17; Rev. 20:5.
10. Eternal destruction for Satan and the impenitent wicked. Mal. 4:1; Rom. 6:23; Ps. 37:9,10,20,34; Heb. 2:14; Ezek. 28:18.
11. Baptism by immersion — the memorial of Christ's death and resurrection. Matt. 3:13-16; Acts 8:38,39; Rom. 6:1-6; Col. 2:12.
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.
14. Justification and righteousness by faith. Rom. 1:17; 3:20-26; 5:1; 2 Cor. 5:21.
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.
18. Divine healing as set forth in the Scriptures. James 5:14,15; 1 Cor. 12:28.
19. The ministry of angels. Heb. 1:13,14; Ps. 34:7.
20. The privilege of prayer. Phil. 4:6; Luke 18:1.
21. Liberty of conscience; complete separation of church and state. Matt. 22:21; John 12:47,48; Acts 5:29; Revelation 13.
22. God's moral law of Ten Commandments. Ex. 20:1-17; 31:18; 32:15,16; Ps. 111:7,8; Matt. 5:17-19; Luke 16:17; James 2:8-12.
23. The seventh-day Sabbath (Saturday). Gen. 2:1-3; Ex. 16:4,5,22-30; 20:8-11; Isa. 58:13, 14; Mark 2:27, 28; Luke 23:52-56; Isa. 66:22, 23.
24. The marriage institution as of divine origin. Gen. 2:18-24; Mark 10:6-9.
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. 1:29; 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.
28. The personal, visible second coming of Christ. Acts 1:9-11; Rev. 1:7; 1 Thess. 4:16; John 14:1-3; Matt. 24:27, 29-31.
29. The new earth, the final home of the saved. Matt. 5:5; Ps. 37:9-11; Isa. 65:17-25; 66:22,23; 2 Peter 3:10-13; Isaiah 11 and 35.

### 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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