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Agatha Thrash—  
God's hand on her life

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Dear Friend,

It doesn't seem possible that it's actually been a whole year since Camille and I got in our car and headed to Thompsonville, Illinois, to become a part of the 3ABN team—the most wonderful and committed group we've ever worked with.

This has been quite a year, and even though we've always felt the Lord has led us here, it's not always been smooth sailing. Remember that when the Lord sent His disciples across the Sea of Galilee, even though they were following His will, there was still a storm! However, when Jesus arrived, He stilled the storm.

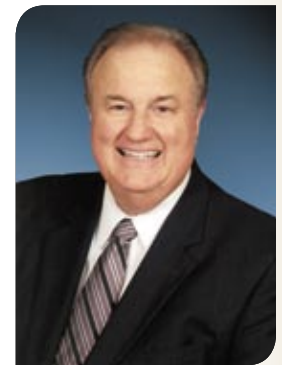
We feel, without question, that just before our Spring Camp Meeting and Ten Commandments Weekend, the Lord began to show us He had great plans for this ministry's future. Doors began to open, and our viewers, sensing the shortness of time, began to contact us in support of projects like opening the work in Nicaragua, and expanding our ministry in Canada. (We'll tell you more about those projects soon.)

We still face the challenge of fully equipping the Worship Center and studio, but by using our production truck, we've overcome those difficulties for the moment. Brenda Walsh and her fantastic kids are nearing completion of a whole new set of *Kids' Time* programs, and we have great hopes of getting them on the air before the end of the year. Danny Shelton is becoming more active again, and the sacrifice of our staff is so inspiring. They work tirelessly, and even though they were already working for sub-missionary wages, they've forgone raises. (Come to think of it, they're currently paying twice as much for gas as the last time they had a raise!)

So as we embark on this second year, it is with continued faith that the Lord is truly in charge here, and we're doing our best to keep up with Him! Please pray for 3ABN every day. We're praying for you!

*"To God be the glory, great things He hath done"—and is still doing!*

Your brother in Christ,



Jim Gilley is  
3ABN's president.

# WRITE TO US!

HAVE YOU BEEN BLESSED by 3ABN? Or have you come to know the Lord Jesus Christ by watching or listening? We'd love to know!

Your testimony can make a difference in our readers' lives, so why not sit down and drop us a line? You can write to us at: 3ABN World, PO Box 220, West Frankfort, IL 62896. E-mail us at: mail@3abn.org.

## SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS:

"I've been so blessed, encouraged and touched by 3ABN on channel 14 here in San Antonio that I plan to attend a local Seventh-day Adventist church

"I would like to express my deep gratitude for your *Face To Face* program, and for the opportunity to take the New Life Bible study course. Thank you for this wonderful project, and for your blessed ministry."

—KIEV, UKRAINE

service next Sabbath. Thank you so much for the beautiful music and comfort your family provides others like me."

## BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND:

"Greetings in Jesus' name. Because of a blood clot during an operation, I had a stroke in 2002. I came out of the hospital

unable to walk, and had to use a stair lift. By doing the exercises on *Body & Spirit* I can now walk up the stairs, go shopping, etc. Things are coming to a climax, and soon it will all be over. We need to be ready now, and that includes getting the message to all the world. God bless you as you labour to finish His work."

## ST. JOHNSBURY, VERMONT:

"Many people here in St. Johnsbury were getting 3ABN on the Sky Angel dish. After a short time of no reception, they were able to get it once again. Some folks turned to the Internet, but I was given a dish and am enjoying all your programs. My daughter and son-in-law drove ten hours to cement the dish pole into the ground so I wouldn't lose 3ABN when it rained. Then in April, right in the middle of the Sabbath School lesson, 3ABN stopped. After praying, I had a dream in which I was told to look behind my TV. I looked behind my set and found a disconnected wire. I didn't know where it went, but at least I knew the cause. 3ABN is on again!"

## PECKHAM, CLARENDON, JAMAICA:

"I first found 3ABN in February while I had lunch and was watching the Disney Channel.

I was bored and depressed, and I heard a voice say, 'Turn the TV to channel 94.' That's how I found 3ABN. Your *3ABN World* magazine is also a wonderful tool. I love to read about the blessing you're being to people around the world. 3ABN helps me to pray for others and their problems. May God bless you all for your time, patience, and the effort you have put into making 3ABN what it is today."

## GRANTS PASS, OREGON:

"After leaving the church for 40-some years I found 3ABN. Thank you! I am back loving Jesus more and walking closer to Him. God is my loving Father."

## VIA E-MAIL:

"This is not a letter to ask. This is a letter of thanks. You see, I've been having problems with my attitude lately—at least before I started watching *Kids' Time*. Your show has made a difference, not only in my life, but other people's lives, too. I still have some problems with my attitude, but it's getting better. Your show has helped me a lot. I am sure it will help other kids a lot, just like it helped me. I'm only 10 years old, but I'm old enough to know that there are a lot of things in my life that

need to change. I know that if I keep watching your show it will help me a lot. I know I've said it a lot, but I need to say it one more time: Thank You!"

## KIEV, UKRAINE

### [TO OUR 3ABN RUSSIA STAFF]:

"Peace be with you. I would like to express my deep gratitude for your *Face To Face* program, and for the opportunity to take the New Life Bible study course. Thank you for this wonderful project, and for your blessed ministry. Those six lessons form a textbook—not only for Christ's followers, but also for those who do not know anything about God. These courses are composed in a simple and easy-to-understand fashion, and are in full harmony with God's Word. Also, I would like to thank you for the *Steps to Christ* book. I'm deeply impressed after reading it. Written long ago, it is so relevant for our time. It's a priceless textbook for me, as well as for all Christians in our country. I was so enthusiastic telling my sisters about this book that many of them decided to buy it as well! I would like to buy as many copies as possible. I want to give them to my friends, and to my acquaintances who have not yet accepted the gift of salvation. May God bless you!" ■

Thank you for your comments, suggestions, prayers, and financial support as we seek to reach the world for Jesus Christ!

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# SOMETHING SO GENTLE

**F**or many years, Dr. Agatha Thrash has presented health information on 3ABN. Her calm, gentle voice and her simple remedies have endeared her to millions of view-

I realized that I loved taking care of sick animals. I also loved studying their diet, which was very regulated—in contrast to my mother’s kitchen!

ers around the world. Recently she gave us an intimate look into her life—a life of loving service to her fellow man, and to her Savior.

“My brother and I were raised in a Fundamental Baptist church with standards that were very similar to the Seventh-day Adventist Church in dress, music, marriage, and abstinence from alcohol and tobacco. But we didn’t understand a thing about diet, and we ate everything!”

“I was born in Baxley, Georgia, close to the Okefenokee Swamp,” she begins. “My

father was a dairyman turned politician, and my mother was a school teacher. I had a wonderful childhood, and my father believed that we should be taught every practical thing possible. I learned veterinarian medicine from him, and as I grew older Church was a big part of Agatha’s early life. “I was born on a Sunday, and the following week I was in church,” she says with a smile. “In fact, I never missed a day until I was eight years old, and then only because I had the measles. My little primer class met under the shade of an oak tree, and we had kerosene lanterns and one gasoline lantern that hissed—but oh, it gave such beautiful light! The bathroom facilities were rather



*Agatha Thrash loved going to the doctor when she was a young girl growing up in Baxley, Georgia.*

primitive, too,” she adds. “It was over the hill to the left for the women, and over the hill to the right for the men!”

When Agatha was 14 her father was elected sheriff, and they moved to the courthouse grounds, right in the middle of town. “Baxley had one traffic light and three doctors, and I was fascinated with doctoring,” she recalls. “I loved getting a sore throat, because I would get to go to the doctor and have my throat painted with mercurochrome or iodine!”

ple, riding across the river to see the atomic energy plant. Along the way I began to realize that Calvin wasn’t the typical vacant-headed medical student. I remember thinking he had at least two brain cells in his cranium! He wasn’t as studious as I was, but he was incredibly keen.” Her voice softens as she adds, “He was sweet, too. Very tenderhearted and kind. Two years later we married. I was cautious because I didn’t want to make a mistake. For me, marriage was for keeps.”

Agatha’s parents thought the local high school was “a wicked place,” so they sent her to a private Christian school. After graduation she attended Georgia State College for Women where she majored in chemistry and biology, and minored in music and mathematics. Then she enrolled in the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta.

“That’s where I met my husband,” she says. “We were on a blind date with another cou-

*While attending the Medical College of Georgia, Agatha met her husband, Calvin Thrash. Although they were both born to Christian families, they accepted the evolutionary theory and became atheists.*



PHOTOS SUPPLIED BY AGATHA THRASH

The next few years went by quickly as the young couple studied and worked. They moved to the University of Louisville in Kentucky, where Agatha did her rotations. “Emergency, pathology, surgery, dermatology, psychiatry—I loved it all!” she exclaims. “I kept saying, ‘*This is what I want to spend the rest of my life doing!*’ but I couldn’t decide. I finally settled on pathology because there were always mysteries, and I loved unraveling them. In fact, I continued to work with the State of Georgia for 38 years as a medical examiner, finally retiring five years ago when I was well into my 70s. I felt I needed to act my age.”

Her story takes a surprising turn as she describes her university years. “My husband and I attended church regularly because our social life was centered around Baptist people, and we sang in the paid choir. But one of my teachers gave me a book by Friedrich Nietzsche, the man who wrote, ‘God is dead.’ We were smart students, but the university trained us to be atheists. If one believes the evolution theory, they can’t believe in God because they are mutually exclusive. I remember we’d say things like, ‘I don’t believe that...’ and those were the first steps. In the end we were both quite willing to say we were atheists, but we

never told our parents because it would break their hearts.”

They moved to Atlanta, Georgia, where Calvin took more training and Agatha finished her residency. Then, with their two young children, Calvin III and Anne, they moved to Columbus, Georgia. Calvin opened a private practice in internal medicine, and Agatha was appointed chief pathologist for St. Francis Hospital. But there was another appointment scheduled. A divine appointment that would change their lives forever.

“I showed a colleague of mine a slide of a very lethal cancer one day. It was 100 percent fatal—so much so that if someone survived, it was because we had made a wrong diagnosis. He agreed with my evaluation, and I said, ‘Then that’s curtains for her.’

“‘It’s curtains—unless she has a miracle,’ he replied.

Agatha’s next question was laced with sarcasm. “Surely you can’t believe that a man could hold up his hand and stop a storm?” she asked, referring to Jesus on the Sea of Galilee.

“Yes, I do,” he answered.

“That sounded so old-fashioned and back-woods-y Baptist that I changed the subject!” Agatha says.

“Then one day our doorbell rang. Much to my surprise, this

man’s Seventh-day Adventist minister was there and asked if he could come in. To me he was an intruder, so I said, ‘Yes, you may come in, but when my husband gets back from the hospital you’ll have to go.’ My husband hadn’t been in business long, and was usually home early, but the Lord saw to it that he was two-and-a-half hours late that night! We sat in the living room, and he did his best to prove that the Bible was true. But when he asked me if I’d like to study it with him, I told him, ‘I can’t think of anything I’d rather do less!’

“By the time my husband arrived, though, my Southern training had come through and I thought, *I should at least be kind enough to let him give me one study.* So I told him I’d take a study at my office the following week.

“The following Tuesday, just as I was leaving, he showed up. I’d forgotten completely, but now I had no way out of it! He came in and gave me a study on what the Bible says about itself, but I believed some old Jews wrote the Bible, and his appeal fell flat.

Then he asked, ‘Did you like the study?’

“‘Well, yes....’ I stammered. *What was a Southern woman to say?*

“‘Same time next week?’



*Doctor Agatha Thrash, chief pathologist at St. Francis Hospital in Columbus, Georgia, makes a quick section to determine if the surgeon removed all the cancer during a surgery.*

I had no intention of doing that, but I agreed.

“Again, I totally forgot about his Bible study the next week, until he popped his head into my office. I thought, *If he’d come ten seconds later I would have been gone!* This time he talked about the Second Coming of Christ—but I didn’t even believe in the *first one!* Somehow, I couldn’t tell him no, and the next week he talked to me about what happens when we die.” Agatha pauses for emphasis. “Now for a pathologist, *that was magic!* Every pathologist



After challenging God, Calvin gave away most of the 147 fish he caught, arriving home with just a few. He never fished again!

knows that after a person dies there are no more thoughts. But that's not what I'd been taught in church.

"Do other religions teach this?" I asked.

"No, but that's what the Bible says," he replied. Now I listened with great interest."

Calvin put up with his wife's newfound interest in the Bible mostly because he didn't think she'd take to religion. "I studied for four or five months, and could talk about little else," she says. "Then we began to argue about evolution and creation. We'd never argued before, but now we got loud! I began to

think we couldn't talk rationally, so I wrote my arguments out in letters. It became a regular thing, and he'd spend half the night writing me back!"

Recognizing she could not drag him over the line, she changed her tactics. "He was a very social man who loved a party, so I arranged to have several doctors come over for a Bible study. I also invited the pastor. Our doctor friends never came back," she adds, "but my husband was hooked.

"He really had no difficulty—except for Creation. Then he met Robert Gentry, who'd been recently ejected as a researcher from Georgia Tech, because his findings on pleochroic halos in rocks were leading to a coercive idea that Creation was true! When my whisky-drinking, cigar-smoking, atheist husband came away from his lecture, he was a believing Christian!"

Although he surrendered his life to Christ, Calvin still struggled with prayer. "He didn't understand prayer, but one cold, windy day he decided to go fishing. The fish weren't biting at all, and he had plenty of time to review the things he'd learned. Finally he said, 'Lord, if there be a Lord, I know you'll hear my prayer because you heard another fisherman's prayer. If you

hear me, let me catch a fish.'

"The minute his lure hit the water, a fish struck. He cast again, and caught another fish. He kept casting and reeling them in until his arms were exhausted!" she says. "As he pulled up to the dock, he overheard the fishermen grumbling that the fish weren't biting at all. He was six-foot-one, and he picked up his string of fish with both hands and held them up as high as he could—147 fish in all! He never fished again!"

Calvin and Agatha began reading each night, instead of watching television, which, in her words, was nothing but "trash, trouble, and trivia." As they read the inspired writings of Ellen White, they got really excited about sanitariums, so they bought 200 acres in Seale, Alabama, and established Uchee Pines Institute and Lifestyle Center, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

"We were green, recent Christians, and wet behind the ears," she says. "Our first patient came, and all she had was the flu. But we gave her a hot bath and certain teas, and she got better. Then one of the doctors from Wildwood Hospital in Georgia heard about us, and came to stay with us for 10 days. Every night we'd come home from work and he'd talk about simple remedies

for sore throats, ulcerative colitis, arthritis, diabetes, and gastrointestinal problems. We took notes furiously, and we practiced from those notes for the next 10 years! We hired a research librarian and she found hundreds of articles on natural remedies, and as we experimented we began to acquire a store of knowledge we had no idea existed."

Soon other doctors came to see how they were practicing the healing arts. "We've had some very scary moments through the years," she admits. "We've encountered cases that outstripped our knowledge of physiology and simple remedies, and we've gone to our knees and implored God for wisdom. Then, invariably, a junior student will ask, 'Have you tried this or that?' and it's always a simple thing—like a hot bath, a charcoal compress, or an herb. When we try it, it's effective. *That's a miracle!* We realize that holy angels are walking with us as we minister to our patients, who often come here because we're their last hope."

Uchee Pines Institute and Lifestyle Center is very well known to many who watch 3ABN. Thousands have been helped through the use of simple and natural methods including exercise, vegetarian nutrition, hydrotherapy, massage, and the

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# ONE OF GOD'S GEMS

by Nikki Anderson

WQIN-LP, 102.9 FM, volunteers hard at work, editing and programming the station:

Top: Gaylene McFarland, Board Secretary

Middle: Arnold Cooper, Board Member

Bottom: Thelma Howell, Board President

In 1818, John Wood, from New York, bought 160 acres in western Illinois and called the settlement Bluffs, named after the bluffs around the town. In 1825 the town became the Adams County seat, and changed its name to Quincy, in honor of President John Quincy Adams. This lovely community on the Mississippi River is known as “Gem City,” for its sparkling reputation as a center of commerce, and for manufacturing and agricultural production. However, there’s another gem within the city, and that is WQIN-LP, 102.9 FM.

In 2000, when the Federal Communications Commission opened a window for applications to build low power FM radio stations, Thelma Howell, a member of the Quincy Seventh-day Adventist Church, was watching 3ABN and learned

about the stations being offered. Unbeknownst to her, another church member, Arnold Cooper, was also watching. They talked, and decided to explore the possibility of applying for a construction permit. Arnold Cooper and Pam Cross were the first ones to put up money needed to pay for the filing process. They are both board members and strong believers in the station and its programming. Arnold named their nonprofit corporation “The Three Angels Broadcasting Messenger.”

Thelma Howell, president of the radio station board of directors, and Gaylene McFarland, board secretary, refer to themselves as ordinary housewives, but they are a formidable force when working for the Lord! Neither one of them had any prior radio or broadcasting experience, but they both felt a calling

to work on this radio project. Just two years after applying, the station was on the air, and it has been broadcasting the consistent three angels’ messages of Revelation 14 ever since.

The board prayed for God to send someone with experience to help them with the station. “If you’re willing to work for God, He’ll bring the people to you and provide the knowledge!” Gaylene said from the beginning, and soon an employee of Broadcast Electronics was transferred to the Quincy area, and just showed up at church one Sabbath! Ismael Verastegui, or “Smiley” as his friends call him, has been a tremendous help at the station and to the board!

At one point, early on, Thelma thought the station might have to be located in an enclosed porch at someone’s home. But God provided a place in a vacant school building in Quincy, instead. The antenna tower stands on the property of Dorothy Hankins, Thelma’s sister. She owns the home they grew up in, and back in the 1960s their father built a 100 foot tower, which they believe has been in place all these years just for this purpose—and at just the right height! Although it is only a 100-watt station, God stretches the signal 20 miles in some directions! On some days

the broadcast can be heard in Palmyra, Illinois, and also across the river in West Quincy and Hannibal, Missouri.

About two years ago a WQIN-LP listener had questions about the so-called secret rapture. She’d been listening to the station every day on her way to work, and when she heard the sermon about the rapture, she called 3ABN’s phone number. She said she wanted to learn more, and asked for the location of a Seventh-day Adventist church in the Quincy area. I gave her the telephone number for the station, and two weeks later, I saw Thelma at 3ABN’s Fall Camp Meeting and got the rest of the story. The listener did call the station that day, and Thelma invited her to the meetings that just happened to be going on that week at the Quincy church. The lady did attend that night, and I’m sure the Holy Spirit has been working on her heart ever since, because the speaker’s topic that very night was—the secret rapture! (No accident there!)

“The idea behind this station is to help people have better lives,” says Thelma, “We go by the Bible. If it’s not in the Bible, we don’t go for it.”

So if you’re looking for one of God’s gems, tune in to WQIN-LP, 102.9 FM, the next time you’re in the Quincy, Illinois, area! ■



Nikki Anderson is the administrative assistant for 3ABN Radio.

PHOTO: MICHAEL KIPLEY, PHOTOGRAPHER, QUINCY HERALD-WING

## Just a Note...



*"We were fed spiritually, and it gave us strength for the day."*

by **Idalia Dinzey**

I love to read letters. I love to hear testimonies, and love to share them. I find my job to be very rewarding, and although I may not know these people personally, they are the instruments the Lord uses to get us going. They make us say, "This is all worthwhile!"

Let me share a couple of translated notes we've received recently at 3ABN Latino Network:

A family from Machaquilá, Guatemala, writes: "Dear brothers and sisters, I will not cease to give God glory for 3ABN Latino Network. My day goes by as quickly as the snapping of my fingers. We have your channel on from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., and it's always a great blessing!"

"Gabriel, our son, said to us,

'Every time I see *Amiguitos de Jesús* ["Jesus' Little Friends"] I always learn something new.' We tell him 'Of course you will, because 3ABN Latino is a part of God's plan! It's based on the Word of God, so that's why we are all learning new things all the time.

"One day I turned on the television and Pastor John Dinzey was preaching a sermon about divine mercy. It filled us with so much hope, and it seemed as if the message was customized for our family! I think that was about eight days ago. Thank you, Pastor Dinzey, for that message. It was well delivered and to the point. We want you to know the Lord used you to give us a personal and exclusive message. We were fed spiritually, and it gave us strength for the day. God's

angel was there. May the Lord bless you much."

Melinda in San Juan, Puerto Rico, writes: "I watch 3ABN Latino Network, and I always recommend it to everyone I talk to! I give away a lot of literature because I love sharing books with others. Even though I'm up in my years, I like to do my personal ministries work in my area. I thank God for the 3ABN Latino Network ministry, and support it financially every month. Thank you, again, for all your hard work in preaching the gospel to all the world!"

From Elmer in Orange, California: "I am in prison, but I found a book called *El Mandamiento Olvidado* ["The Forgotten Commandment"] by Danny Shelton that really caught my attention. I would like to have more materials like

this in Spanish. I thirst for the Word of God. I really want to learn more about His Word. I want to learn His Word from the heart—not superficially. Please pray for me and remember us in prison!"

These are just a few of the many letters we receive here at 3ABN Latino Network. We also have blind viewers! I've received phone calls from them, asking us to air a devotional-type program in the morning, because otherwise they would have to wait until their family gets home in the evening to have their morning devotional book read to them!

The blind, the prisoners, the young, and the young at heart are all blessed by 3ABN Latino Network. When you support this ministry, you are investing in precious souls for God's kingdom! ■



*"I really want to learn more about His Word."*



*Idalia Dinzey works for 3ABN Latino and loves sharing testimonies from viewers.*



# “A VERY GOOD DAY”

Vickie Leach loves Southern Gospel, and when a friend mentioned that the Sky Angel satellite package offered a channel dedicated to her kind of music, she ordered it right away. “I grew up in a Bible-believing church, and I’ve attended all my life,” she says. “But my real love is singing Southern Gospel music, and I got Sky Angel specifically for the 24-hour Solid Gospel radio station!” But her satellite dish brought her much more than music.

“One day my husband Kerry and I saw a program in the Sky Angel listings called *Israel In Prophecy*, and since we were planning a trip to Israel, we were very interested. After the third program, though, Kerry noticed the Seventh-day Adventist Church listed in the credits. I knew nothing about Adventists, but I held up my hands in front of me and said, ‘Whoa!’ Why I did that, I don’t know. I just knew it was different than what I’d practiced all my life. But I was intrigued,

so I kept watching 3ABN—ever listening for something I would have to refute. That never happened, of course, because the teachings I disagreed with were backed up by many scriptures.”

Vickie was especially fascinated by the Sabbath. “I’d grown up believing the seventh-day Sabbath was just something the Jews observed. But Steve reminded us that God established, sanctified, and hallowed the Sabbath with *mankind* clear back in the first week of Creation—2,000 years before there were any Jews!

“Isaiah 66:22–23 said that in the New Earth *all flesh*—not just the Jews—would come to worship the Lord from one Sabbath to another. It seemed so clear that God had never changed; nor would He ever change His holy day from Sabbath to Sunday in the future!

“I saw other things about which I’d been taught differently, like the state of the dead, and the rapture that isn’t silent or secret. My entire world was



Vickie Leach and Sheri Christie have become best friends. They attend the Lansing Seventh-day Adventist Church at 5400 St. Joe Highway, in Lansing, Michigan.

PHOTO SUPPLIED BY VICKIE LEACH

turned upside down, but it all rang true in my heart. So I prayed and I cried—a lot!”

At the time, 3ABN and Amazing Facts were broadcasting Pastor Doug Batchelor’s revival series, *Here We Stand*, from Lansing, Michigan—the very city where Vickie lives. She decided to visit the Lansing Seventh-day Adventist Church that weekend, but when she walked in, she realized nearly the entire church was downtown at Pastor Batchelor’s meeting.

“I was warmly greeted, and we watched the program on a big screen, but when Pastor Quentin Purvis introduced himself, I couldn’t help but cry as I told him how I’d struggled for the past three months,” she says.

“I continued attending both

Sabbath and Sunday services for three more months, then decided to meet with my pastor. He looked sober-faced, and didn’t want to hear about or read anything I had with me. Instead he said, ‘Let’s look into God’s Word.’

“I was delighted! The first passage was 1 Corinthians 16:2, where Paul asks the believers, ‘On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come.’

“Does it say they *worshipped* on Sunday?” I asked. He sat there a full minute in total silence, but never answered.

“Next he turned to Acts 20:7, which says, ‘Now on the first day of the week, when the disciples

came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight.' My pastor said that he interpreted 'breaking bread' as 'they worshipped together.' He told me these were 'clues' to why we worshipped on Sunday. But none of them said 'God commanded,' or 'Thus saith the Lord.' Later, when I re-read that passage, I realized that it says they broke bread together on the first day of the week, but the story continues with Eutychus falling from the third-story window after midnight and dying. Then, after Paul resurrected him, they went back

tion, Jesus *never once* told His disciples He wanted to change God's day of worship! Scripture tells me God never changes. Jesus is the same—yesterday, today, and forever."

Her pastor also gave her an article about the "Lord's Day," stating the Apostle John was referring to Sunday in Revelation 1:10, when he wrote that he "was in the Spirit on the Lord's day." But the more she read the article, the more Vickie questioned it.

"Was the church observing Sunday when John wrote Revelation? Not according to that article," she says. "It was riddled with phrases like, 'The period immediately after the New Testament sheds little clear light on the Church's observance of the Lord's Day,' and, 'The trend developed after the 4th century.' It also said, 'Toward the end of the 8th century, the Sabbath command was specifically transferred from Sabbath to Sunday.' This *did not* prove to me that God wanted to change His day of worship! Rather, it proved that *men* brought this about over an 800-year period.

"I faced a major decision. Would I continue to worship on Sunday based on 'clues,' or would I follow God, worshipping Him on the day He created, sanctified, made holy, and never changed?"

in and broke bread again. That meant they broke bread on the first day of the week, and again the next day—Monday.

"Jesus never changed to Sunday worship even after continual harassment about His 'violations' of the Sabbath. He never started a new tradition, and He didn't give instructions in His New Covenant to commemorate His *forthcoming* resurrection by worshipping on Sunday instead of on Sabbath. For 40 days after His resurrec-

## “Would I continue to worship on Sunday based on ‘clues,’ or would I follow God...?”

With a heavy heart Vickie wrote to her church saying she was leaving their congregation. "They honestly think I've left God and joined a cult. But nothing could be further from the truth!" she says.

A few Sabbaths after she began attending church, Vickie met Sheri Christie. "I recall being a little frustrated that I'd caught a cold, since I rarely get them," Sheri says. "I didn't have time for a cold, and I remember asking the Lord, *What's going on?* Then I found myself sitting alone in the back pew—and I never sit there. But there I was, right next to Vickie. After the service I greeted her, saying I'd never seen her before. As we got acquainted, she related how she'd found 3ABN and the Bible truths that were turning her life upside down. I knew then why I came down with my awful cold—the Lord had arranged this divine appointment!"

Sheri continues, "Vickie was teary, and under such conviction. I felt impressed to give her an entire set of Bible studies, and a copy of *The Great Controversy*, by Ellen White—something I wouldn't typically do to a visitor. I just sensed she was a serious Bible student who would read everything I gave her. I was right, too!

"When our Bible worker started a discipleship training



*Kerry and Vickie Leach began watching 3ABN when they saw Steve Wohlberg's Israel in Prophecy advertised.*

group, I asked Pastor Purvis if Vickie could be my partner, even though she wasn't yet a member. We had so much in common, and we both loved to study God's Word more than anything! Vickie felt that her life lacked a focus on witnessing, but now she's very excited about sharing God's love and plan of salvation with others. Vickie and her husband Kerry have become very dear to me."

Pastor Purvis agrees wholeheartedly. "Vickie is a remarkable lady who has studied herself into our church," he says. "She has a thirst for Biblical knowledge and a desire to be active in God's remnant church."

This year on June 14, Vickie was re-baptized, and joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church. "I thank the Lord for being raised in a Christian home," she says, "and I was honored when my parents came to my baptism." She pauses and adds, with a smile, "My dad said, 'This was a very good day!'" ■

# New Children's Studio

**H**ow excited our first 3ABN workers must have been as they saw the first images coming back from satellite that cold winter day in 1986. At first the programs aired on our brand new network were mostly produced by the Adventist Media Center in California. But it wasn't long before our small studio began taping interviews, music, and sermons. As our confidence grew, so did our variety of programs. Health, evangelism, and even a few on-location shoots were exciting additions to our meager lineup!

But the prospect of producing quality children's programming seemed difficult at best. How could we capture children's attention without using the gimmicks of the world? Somehow cartoons and silliness were out of the question. The Lord had given us the challenge to counteract the counterfeit, and we needed programming that was both relevant and reverent.

Through much prayer, the Lord brought some incredibly dedicated people to 3ABN.

People like Janice Smith, who produced her first series, *Janice's Attic*, in our small studio. Brenda Walsh had grown up nearby and had prayed for God to use her in a bigger way. Soon she became the producer of 3ABN's successful and long-running *Kids' Time* series. She also inspired her two sisters, Cinda and Linda, to produce *Tiny Tots for Jesus*. More recently, Joyce Neal's *Grandma's House* joined the lineup, but with each step forward, 3ABN's viewers have begged for more.

Children's programming is by far the most difficult and expensive to produce, and even though the ideas are there, the constant demands for more programming for the 3ABN and 3ABN Latino networks have kept us constantly strapped for studio time. As sets are put up and taken down, the wear and tear, as well as the occasional lost prop, has been frustrating, to say the least. The need for a new studio exclusively for children's programming has been so great—and the Lord has been so faithful!

What a blessing the Adventist-laymen's Services and Industries



of children are spending their vacation time working on new programs this summer. Their families have sacrificed and traveled thousands of miles (at their own expense) to share their talents on programs which are airing on 3ABN's English and Latino television networks.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God." Luke 18:16. God's precious little ones are constantly in harm's way. Satan will battle for their hearts and minds—and their viewing habits! We're so grateful to our loyal supporters for making it possible for us to reach out to them, telling them about Jesus, and winning them for eternity. ■

*Above: Kids' Time is one of many children's programs that will be taped in our new studio.*

*Left: 3ABN director, Brad Walker (R), works on the new Kids' Time set with help from Jim Craddock, a volunteer from Hiwassee, Arkansas.*

## Leaf Skeletons

Hey kids, check out how to start a leaf collection! We'll even show you how to make your own leaf skeletons! [www.3abn.org/kids](http://www.3abn.org/kids).



## Hi Kids,

What kind of job or career do you think you might have when you are older? Maybe a chef, or a truck driver? A doctor, or a farmer? How about a carpenter? I've collected a few names of people from the Bible. Can you match them with their jobs? Remember, whatever you choose to do in your life, find a way to always be a blessing and a witness to the people you meet, letting them know that you love Jesus!

Love,  
Tammy



Match the people below with the correct title

- |           |                |
|-----------|----------------|
| Jeremiah  | Carpenter      |
| Joseph    | Prophet        |
| Luke      | Shepherd       |
| Peter     | Tent Maker     |
| Solomon   | Doctor         |
| David     | Queen          |
| Aquila    | Fisherman      |
| Nicodemus | King           |
| Haman     | Soldier        |
| Esther    | Rabbi          |
| Caleb     | Chariot Driver |
| Gideon    | Prime Minister |
| Jehu      | Tax Collector  |
| Zacchaeus | Spy            |

### Answer Key

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|-----------|----------------|
| Zacchaeus | Tax Collector  |
| Jehu      | Chariot Driver |
| Gideon    | Soldier        |
| Caleb     | Spy            |
| Esther    | Queen          |
| Haman     | Prime Minister |
| Nicodemus | Rabbi          |
| Aquila    | Tent Maker     |
| David     | Shepherd       |
| Solomon   | King           |
| Peter     | Fisherman      |
| Luke      | Doctor         |
| Joseph    | Carpenter      |
| Jeremiah  | Prophet        |

"Whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

1 Corinthians 10:31



This schedule is an overview of the program lineup for North American and website broadcasts. Check out the schedule listings on our website, 3abn.org, for additional details and program changes.

Abbreviations and symbols: PDT = Pacific Daylight Saving Time (UTC-7); MDT = Mountain Daylight Saving Time (UTC-6); CDT = Central Daylight Saving Time (UTC-5); EDT = Eastern Daylight Saving Time (UTC-4). = Closed captioned. = Live program. = New series. = Repeat of live program. Program titles in red are changes effective this month.

## Thursday LIVE / September 2008

Time: Thursday at 8:00 p.m. Central

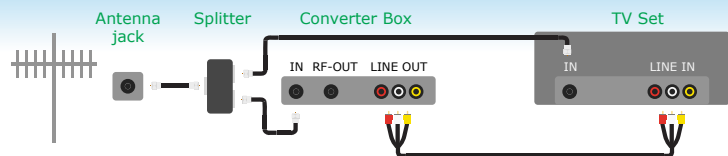
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| <b>Sep 4</b>  | Curtis & Paula Eakins                  | <b>Sep 18</b> | 3ABN Behind the Scenes              |
| <b>Sep 11</b> | Don King, Richard Marker, Traver Baker | <b>Sep 25</b> | 3ABN Homecoming (Fall Camp Meeting) |

For more program information, please visit our website, [www.3abn.org](http://www.3abn.org)

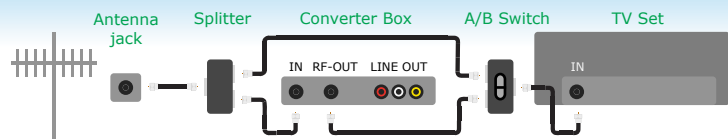
### Hooking Up Your DTV Converter Without Pass-Through

HERE ARE TWO DIAGRAMS to help you hook up your DTV Converter Box (without pass-through) to an analog TV. Please note that the A/B switches are only necessary in areas where 3ABN still has an analog signal. For a list of 3ABN DTV stations, please visit our website at [3abn.org/dtv](http://3abn.org/dtv).

**Diagram 1:** Use this diagram if you have RCA jacks on your TV.



**Diagram 2:** Use this diagram if you *don't* have RCA jacks on your TV.



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| <b>Sep 12 – Sep 20</b> | <b>LIVE Amazing Adventure</b> , Richardson, Texas. Daily 7:00–8:30 p.m.; Sat. 9/20 10:30 a.m.–12:00 noon; 6:00–6:45 p.m., 7:00–8:30 p.m. CDT.   |
| <b>Sep 25–Sep 27</b>   | <b>LIVE 3ABN Homecoming (Fall Camp Meeting)</b> , 3ABN Worship Center, Thompsonville, Illinois. Thu. 8:00–10:00 p.m.; Fri. 9:00–10:00 a.m., 10:30–11:30 a.m., 12:00–1:00 p.m., 2:00–3:00 p.m.; Sat. 9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m., 2:30–4:00 p.m., 7:00–9:00 p.m. CDT. |

## 3ABN: SEPTEMBER

### ▼ SUNDAY

| PDT    | MDT    | CDT    | EDT    | ◀ CHOOSE YOUR TIME ZONE                        |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| Midnt  | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | Exalting His Word (Shelley Quinn)              |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | Breath of Life (Walter Pearson)                |
| 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | Amazing Facts Presents... (Doug Batchelor)     |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | Battles of Faith                               |
| 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | Digging Up the Past (David Down)               |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | It Is Written (Shawn Boonstra)                 |
| 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | Kenneth Cox Ministries Presents...             |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | Body & Spirit (Dick Nunez)                     |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | His Words Are Life/Grandma's House             |
| 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | Kids' Time (Brenda Walsh)                      |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | Kids' Time Praise                              |
| 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 3ABN Today                                     |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | India: Face to Face/World Prophecy News        |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | Exploring the Word (Lonnie Melashenko)         |
| 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Inspirational Hour                             |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | ...continued                                   |
| 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | Revelation Insights (Lyle Albrecht)            |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | ...continued                                   |
| 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | Praise! (Kelly Mowrer)                         |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | Marriage in God's Hands                        |
| 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3ABN On the Road                               |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | ...continued                                   |
| Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | Out of Thin Air (Shawn Boonstra)               |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 3ABN Today LIVE (repeat)                       |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | ...continued                                   |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | The Carter Report (John Carter)                |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | Adventures in Missions                         |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | In Search of Truth (Charles Byrd)              |
| 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | Celebrating Life in Recovery (Cheri Peters)    |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | Issues & Answers                               |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | In the Footsteps of Paul (Tony Moore)          |
| 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | 3ABN Today                                     |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | ...continued                                   |
| 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | White Horse Media Presents... (Steve Wohlberg) |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | ...continued                                   |
| 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | Mon    | Making Waves (Jim Ayer)                        |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | Wonderfully Made                               |
| 10:00p | 11:00p | Mon    | 1:00a  | Books of the Book (Gibson & Rafferty)          |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | ASI Video Magazine (Dan Houghton)              |
| 11:00p | Mon    | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3ABN Today                                     |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | ...continued                                   |

### 3ABN: SEPTEMBER

### ▼ MONDAY

| PDT         | MDT         | CDT         | EDT         | ◀ CHOOSE YOUR TIME ZONE |   |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|---|
| Midnt       | 1:00a       | 2:00a       | 3:00a       |                         | Up Close <span>CC</span>                                    |
| 12:30       | 1:30        | 2:30        | 3:30        |                         | ...continued  |
| 1:00a       | 2:00a       | 3:00a       | 4:00a       |                         | Revelation Speaks Hope (Brian McMahon) <span>CC</span>      |
| 1:30        | 2:30        | 3:30        | 4:30        |                         | ...continued  |
| 2:00a       | 3:00a       | 4:00a       | 5:00a       |                         | Celebrating Life in Recovery (Cheri Peters) <span>CC</span> |
| 2:30        | 3:30        | 4:30        | 5:30        |                         | ...continued  |
| 3:00a       | 4:00a       | 5:00a       | 6:00a       |                         | Faith Chapel  |
| 3:30        | 4:30        | 5:30        | 6:30        |                         | Heaven's Point of View (Hal Steenson) <span>CC</span>       |
| 4:00a       | 5:00a       | 6:00a       | 7:00a       |                         | Body & Spirit Aerobics (Dick Nunez)                         |
| 4:30        | 5:30        | 6:30        | 7:30        |                         | World Prophecy News/Grandma's House                         |
| 5:00a       | 6:00a       | 7:00a       | 8:00a       |                         | Janice's Attic (Janice Smith)                               |
| 5:30        | 6:30        | 7:30        | 8:30        |                         | <b>Wonderfully Made</b>                                     |
| 6:00a       | 7:00a       | 8:00a       | 9:00a       |                         | 3ABN Today  |
| 6:30        | 7:30        | 8:30        | 9:30        |                         | ...continued  |
| 7:00a       | 8:00a       | 9:00a       | 10:00a      |                         | House Calls (John Lomacang) <span>▶</span>                  |
| 7:30        | 8:30        | 9:30        | 10:30       |                         | ...continued  |
| 8:00a       | 9:00a       | 10:00a      | 11:00a      |                         | Thinking About Home (Kathy Matthews)                        |
| 8:30        | 9:30        | 10:30       | 11:30       |                         | Maranatha Mission Stories (Dick Duerksen)                   |
| 9:00a       | 10:00a      | 11:00a      | <b>Noon</b> |                         | His Harvest Is Ready (C. A. Murray)                         |
| 9:30        | 10:30       | 11:30       | 12:30       |                         | ...continued  |
| 10:00a      | 11:00a      | <b>Noon</b> | 1:00p       |                         | Digging Up the Past (David Down)                            |
| 10:30       | 11:30       | 12:30       | 1:30        |                         | Breath of Life (Walter Pearson) <span>CC</span>             |
| 11:00a      | <b>Noon</b> | 1:00p       | 2:00p       |                         | Grandma's House/His Words Are Life                          |
| 11:30       | 12:30       | 1:30        | 2:30        |                         | Abundant Living (Curtis & Paula Eakins)                     |
| <b>Noon</b> | 1:00p       | 2:00p       | 3:00p       |                         | Body & Spirit (Dick Nunez)                                  |
| 12:30       | 1:30        | 2:30        | 3:30        |                         | ShareHim Newsmagazine                                       |
| 1:00p       | 2:00p       | 3:00p       | 4:00p       |                         | 3ABN Today  |
| 1:30        | 2:30        | 3:30        | 4:30        |                         | ...continued  |
| 2:00p       | 3:00p       | 4:00p       | 5:00p       |                         | Tiny Tots for Jesus (Linda Johnson)                         |
| 2:30        | 3:30        | 4:30        | 5:30        |                         | Kids' Time (Brenda Walsh)                                   |
| 3:00p       | 4:00p       | 5:00p       | 6:00p       |                         | Generation of Youth for Christ 2007                         |
| 3:30        | 4:30        | 5:30        | 6:30        |                         | ...continued  |
| 4:00p       | 5:00p       | 6:00p       | 7:00p       |                         | Health for a Lifetime (Don Mackintosh)                      |
| 4:30        | 5:30        | 6:30        | 7:30        |                         | Melody From My Heart  |
| 5:00p       | 6:00p       | 7:00p       | 8:00p       |                         | House Calls (repeat) (John Lomacang) <span>▶</span>         |
| 5:30        | 6:30        | 7:30        | 8:30        |                         | ...continued  |
| 6:00p       | 7:00p       | 8:00p       | 9:00p       |                         | Exploring the Word (Lonnie Melashenko)                      |
| 6:30        | 7:30        | 8:30        | 9:30        |                         | World of Praise (Wintley Phipps)                            |
| 7:00p       | 8:00p       | 9:00p       | 10:00p      |                         | 3ABN Today  |
| 7:30        | 8:30        | 9:30        | 10:30       |                         | ...continued  |
| 8:00p       | 9:00p       | 10:00p      | 11:00p      |                         | The Carter Report (John Carter)                             |
| 8:30        | 9:30        | 10:30       | 11:30       |                         | ...continued  |
| 9:00p       | 10:00p      | 11:00p      | <b>Tue</b>  |                         | Here We Stand (Doug Batchelor)                              |
| 9:30        | 10:30       | 11:30       | 12:30       |                         | ...continued  |
| 10:00p      | 11:00p      | <b>Tue</b>  | 1:00a       |                         | ...continued  |
| 10:30       | 11:30       | 12:30       | 1:30        |                         | Maranatha Mission Stories (Dick Duerksen)                   |
| 11:00p      | <b>Tue</b>  | 1:00a       | 2:00a       |                         | 3ABN Today  |
| 11:30       | 12:30       | 1:30        | 2:30        |                         | ...continued  |

### ▼ TUESDAY

| PDT         | MDT         | CDT         | EDT         | ◀ CHOOSE YOUR TIME ZONE |  |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|--|
| Midnt       | 1:00a       | 2:00a       | 3:00a       |                         | Wonderfully Made                                       |
| 12:30       | 1:30        | 2:30        | 3:30        |                         | By My Spirit (Ed Reid)                                 |
| 1:00a       | 2:00a       | 3:00a       | 4:00a       |                         | Nature's Lesson Book (Greg Evans)                      |
| 1:30        | 2:30        | 3:30        | 4:30        |                         | ...continued   |
| 2:00a       | 3:00a       | 4:00a       | 5:00a       |                         | Faith Chapel   |
| 2:30        | 3:30        | 4:30        | 5:30        |                         | Praise! (Kelly Mowrer)                                 |
| 3:00a       | 4:00a       | 5:00a       | 6:00a       |                         | Everlasting Gospel <span>CC</span>                     |
| 3:30        | 4:30        | 5:30        | 6:30        |                         | ...continued   |
| 4:00a       | 5:00a       | 6:00a       | 7:00a       |                         | Body & Spirit (Dick Nunez)                             |
| 4:30        | 5:30        | 6:30        | 7:30        |                         | In Search of Truth (Charles Byrd) <span>CC</span>      |
| 5:00a       | 6:00a       | 7:00a       | 8:00a       |                         | Revelation Insights (Lyle Albrecht)                    |
| 5:30        | 6:30        | 7:30        | 8:30        |                         | ...continued   |
| 6:00a       | 7:00a       | 8:00a       | 9:00a       |                         | 3ABN Today LIVE (repeat) <span>▶</span>                |
| 6:30        | 7:30        | 8:30        | 9:30        |                         | ...continued   |
| 7:00a       | 8:00a       | 9:00a       | 10:00a      |                         | ...continued   |
| 7:30        | 8:30        | 9:30        | 10:30       |                         | ...continued   |
| 8:00a       | 9:00a       | 10:00a      | 11:00a      |                         | Help Yourself to Health (Agatha Thrash)                |
| 8:30        | 9:30        | 10:30       | 11:30       |                         | Variety  |
| 9:00a       | 10:00a      | 11:00a      | <b>Noon</b> |                         | Revelation Speaks Hope (Brian McMahon) <span>CC</span> |
| 9:30        | 10:30       | 11:30       | 12:30       |                         | ...continued   |
| 10:00a      | 11:00a      | <b>Noon</b> | 1:00p       |                         | 3ABN On the Road                                       |
| 10:30       | 11:30       | 12:30       | 1:30        |                         | ...continued   |
| 11:00a      | <b>Noon</b> | 1:00p       | 2:00p       |                         | Heaven's Point of View (Hal Steenson) <span>CC</span>  |
| 11:30       | 12:30       | 1:30        | 2:30        |                         | Let's Cook Together                                    |
| <b>Noon</b> | 1:00p       | 2:00p       | 3:00p       |                         | Body & Spirit Aerobics (Dick Nunez)                    |
| 12:30       | 1:30        | 2:30        | 3:30        |                         | Books of the Book (Gibson & Rafferty) <span>CC</span>  |
| 1:00p       | 2:00p       | 3:00p       | 4:00p       |                         | 3ABN Today   |
| 1:30        | 2:30        | 3:30        | 4:30        |                         | ...continued   |
| 2:00p       | 3:00p       | 4:00p       | 5:00p       |                         | Tiny Tots for Jesus (Linda Johnson)                    |
| 2:30        | 3:30        | 4:30        | 5:30        |                         | Kids' Time (Brenda Walsh)                              |
| 3:00p       | 4:00p       | 5:00p       | 6:00p       |                         | Kids' Time Praise                                      |
| 3:30        | 4:30        | 5:30        | 6:30        |                         | Melody From My Heart                                   |
| 4:00p       | 5:00p       | 6:00p       | 7:00p       |                         | ShareHim Newsmagazine                                  |
| 4:30        | 5:30        | 6:30        | 7:30        |                         | Exalting His Word (Shelley Quinn) <span>CC</span>      |
| 5:00p       | 6:00p       | 7:00p       | 8:00p       |                         | Secrets Unsealed Presents...                           |
| 5:30        | 6:30        | 7:30        | 8:30        |                         | ...continued   |
| 6:00p       | 7:00p       | 8:00p       | 9:00p       |                         | Battles of Faith                                       |
| 6:30        | 7:30        | 8:30        | 9:30        |                         | Making Waves (Jim Ayer)                                |
| 7:00p       | 8:00p       | 9:00p       | 10:00p      |                         | 3ABN Today   |
| 7:30        | 8:30        | 9:30        | 10:30       |                         | ...continued   |
| 8:00p       | 9:00p       | 10:00p      | 11:00p      |                         | Discover (David Asscherick) <span>CC</span>            |
| 8:30        | 9:30        | 10:30       | 11:30       |                         | ...continued   |
| 9:00p       | 10:00p      | 11:00p      | <b>Wed</b>  |                         | Ten Commandments Weekend 2008                          |
| 9:30        | 10:30       | 11:30       | 12:30       |                         | ...continued   |
| 10:00p      | 11:00p      | <b>Wed</b>  | 1:00a       |                         | Special Feature  |
| 10:30       | 11:30       | 12:30       | 1:30        |                         | ...continued   |
| 11:00p      | <b>Wed</b>  | 1:00a       | 2:00a       |                         | 3ABN Today   |
| 11:30       | 12:30       | 1:30        | 2:30        |                         | ...continued   |

### 3ABN: SEPTEMBER

### ▼ WEDNESDAY

| PDT    | MDT    | CDT    | EDT    | ◀ CHOOSE YOUR TIME ZONE                                    |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| Midnt  | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | Books of the Book (Gibson & Rafferty) <span>CC</span>      |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | Exploring the Word (Lonnie Melashenko)                     |
| 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | Battles of Faith   |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | Laymen Ministries (Jeff Reich)                             |
| 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | World of Praise (Wintley Phipps)                           |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 3ABN Classics  |
| 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | Generation of Youth for Christ 2007                        |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | ...continued   |
| 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | Body & Spirit Aerobics (Dick Nunez)                        |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | Back to Nature/Grandma's House                             |
| 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | His Words Are Life/World Prophecy News                     |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | Thinking About Home (Kathy Matthews)                       |
| 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 3ABN Today   |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | ...continued   |
| 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | Kenneth Cox Presents...                                    |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | ...continued   |
| 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Marriage in God's Hands (Tom and Alane Waters)             |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | In the Footsteps of Paul (Tony Moore)                      |
| 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | Revelation Now (Jac Colon)                                 |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | ...continued   |
| 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | In Search of Truth (Charles Byrd) <span>CC</span>          |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | Liberty Insider (Lincoln Steed)                            |
| 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | By My Spirit (Ed Reid)                                     |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | Abundant Living (Curtis & Paula Eakins)                    |
| Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | Body & Spirit (Dick Nunez)                                 |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | World of Praise (Wintley Phipps)                           |
| 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 3ABN Today   |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | ...continued   |
| 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | Tiny Tots for Jesus (Linda Johnson)                        |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | Kids' Time (Brenda Walsh)                                  |
| 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | Teen Pathways  |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | Exploring the Word (Lonnie Melashenko)                     |
| 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | Issues & Answers   |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | Wonderfully Made   |
| 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | White Horse Media Presents... (Steve Wohlberg)             |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | ...continued   |
| 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | It Is Written (Shawn Boonstra) <span>CC</span>             |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | Amazing Facts Presents... (Doug Batchelor) <span>CC</span> |
| 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | 3ABN Today   |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | ...continued   |
| 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | 3ABN On the Road   |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | ...continued   |
| 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | Thu    | Revelation Insights (Lyle Albrecht)                        |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | ...continued   |
| 10:00p | 11:00p | Thu    | 1:00a  | Secrets Unsealed Presents...                               |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | ...continued   |
| 11:00p | Thu    | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3ABN Today   |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | ...continued   |

### ▼ THURSDAY

| PDT    | MDT    | CDT    | EDT    | ◀ CHOOSE YOUR TIME ZONE                                     |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Midnt  | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | Help Yourself to Health (Agatha Thrash)                     |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | In Search of Truth (Charles Byrd) <span>CC</span>           |
| 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | House Calls (repeat) (John Lomacang) <span>↩</span>         |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | ...continued  |
| 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | Health for a Lifetime (Don Mackintosh)                      |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | Issues & Answers  |
| 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | Amazing Facts Presents... (Doug Batchelor) <span>CC</span>  |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | Adventist Frontier Missions <span>CC</span>                 |
| 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | Body & Spirit (Dick Nunez)                                  |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | So Send I You (May Chung)                                   |
| 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | Out of Thin Air (Shawn Boonstra) <span>★</span>             |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | ...continued  |
| 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 3ABN Today  |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | ...continued  |
| 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | Nature's Lesson Book (Greg Evans)                           |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | ...continued  |
| 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Liberty Insider (Lincoln Steed)                             |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | Laymen Ministries (Jeff Reich)                              |
| 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | Keepers of the Flame  |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | Health Headlines/World Prophecy News                        |
| 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | Secrets Unsealed Presents...                                |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | ...continued  |
| 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | Melody From My Heart  |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | Let's Cook Together   |
| Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | Body & Spirit Aerobics (Dick Nunez)                         |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | Marriage in God's Hands                                     |
| 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 3ABN Today  |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | ...continued  |
| 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | Tiny Tots for Jesus (Linda Johnson)                         |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | Kids' Time (Brenda Walsh)                                   |
| 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | Kids' Time Praise   |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | Making Waves (Jim Ayer)                                     |
| 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | The Carter Report (John Carter)                             |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | ...continued  |
| 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | Central Study Hour <span>CC</span>                          |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | ...continued  |
| 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 3ABN Today LIVE <span>⚡</span>                              |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | ...continued  |
| 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | ...continued  |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | ...continued  |
| 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | Kenneth Cox Ministries Presents...                          |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | ...continued  |
| 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | Fri    | Celebrating Life in Recovery (Cheri Peters) <span>CC</span> |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | ...continued  |
| 10:00p | 11:00p | Fri    | 1:00a  | Heaven's Point of View (Hal Steenson) <span>CC</span>       |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | Praise! (Kelly Mowrer)                                      |
| 11:00p | Fri    | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3ABN Today LIVE (repeat) <span>↩</span>                     |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | ...continued  |

### 3ABN: SEPTEMBER

### ▼ FRIDAY

| PDT    | MDT    | CDT    | EDT    | ◀ CHOOSE YOUR TIME ZONE                        |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| Midnt  | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 3ABN Today LIVE (cont.)                        |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | White Horse Media Presents... (Steve Wohlberg) |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | The Carter Report (John Carter)                |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | Central Study Hour                             |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | Body & Spirit Aerobics (Dick Nunez)            |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | Exalting His Word (Shelley Quinn)              |
| 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | Kids' Time Praise                              |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | Making Waves (Jim Ayer)                        |
| 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 3ABN Today                                     |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | Special Feature                                |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | ...continued                                   |
| 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Health for a Lifetime (Don Mackintosh)         |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | Digging Up the Past (David Down)               |
| 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | Ten Commandments Weekend 2008                  |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | ...continued                                   |
| 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | Up Close                                       |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | Books of the Book (Gibson & Rafferty)          |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | Abundant Living (Curtis & Paula Eakins)        |
| Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | Discover (David Asscherick)                    |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 3ABN Today                                     |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | Tiny Tots for Jesus (Linda Johnson)            |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | Kids' Time (Brenda Walsh)                      |
| 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | In the Footsteps of Paul (Tony Moore)          |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | Variety  |
| 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | Breath of Life (Walter Pearson)                |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | Praise! (Kelly Mowrer)                         |
| 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | Secrets Unsealed Presents...                   |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | It Is Written (Shawn Boonstra)                 |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | Maranatha Mission Stories (Dick Duerksen)      |
| 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | 3ABN Today                                     |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | ...continued                                   |
| 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | Everlasting Gospel                             |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | ...continued                                   |
| 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | Sat    | ShareHim Newsmagazine                          |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | Exalting His Word (Shelley Quinn)              |
| 10:00p | 11:00p | Sat    | 1:00a  | Revelation Speaks Hope (Brian McMahon)         |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | ...continued                                   |
| 11:00p | Sat    | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3ABN Today                                     |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | ...continued                                   |

### ▼ SATURDAY

| PDT    | MDT    | CDT    | EDT    | ◀ CHOOSE YOUR TIME ZONE                   |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Midnt  | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | Revelation Now (Jac Colon)                |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | ...continued                              |
| 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 3ABN On the Road                          |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | ...continued                              |
| 2:00a  | 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 3ABN Classics                             |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | In the Footsteps of Paul (Tony Moore)     |
| 3:00a  | 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | Ten Commandments Weekend 2008             |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | ...continued                              |
| 4:00a  | 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | His Words Are Life/Back to Nature         |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | Kids' Time Praise                         |
| 5:00a  | 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | Tiny Tots for Jesus (Linda Johnson)       |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | Kids' Time (Brenda Walsh)                 |
| 6:00a  | 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 3ABN Today                                |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | ...continued                              |
| 7:00a  | 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | Central Study Hour                        |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | ...continued                              |
| 8:00a  | 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Worship Hour                              |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | ...continued                              |
| 9:00a  | 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | Here We Stand (Doug Batchelor)            |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | ...continued                              |
| 10:00a | 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | ...continued                              |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | Keepers of the Flame                      |
| 11:00a | Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | Back to Nature/His Words Are Life         |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | Issues & Answers                          |
| Noon   | 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | House Calls (John Lomacang)               |
| 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | ...continued                              |
| 1:00p  | 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 3ABN Today                                |
| 1:30   | 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | ...continued                              |
| 2:00p  | 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | Maranatha Mission Stories (Dick Duerksen) |
| 2:30   | 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | Kids' Time (Brenda Walsh)                 |
| 3:00p  | 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | Kids' Time Praise                         |
| 3:30   | 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | Tiny Tots for Jesus (Linda Johnson)       |
| 4:00p  | 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | Laymen Ministries (Jeff Reich)            |
| 4:30   | 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | Melody From My Heart                      |
| 5:00p  | 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | Discover (David Asscherick)               |
| 5:30   | 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | ...continued                              |
| 6:00p  | 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | Books of the Book (Gibson & Rafferty)     |
| 6:30   | 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | Heaven's Point of View (Hal Steenson)     |
| 7:00p  | 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | 3ABN Today                                |
| 7:30   | 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | ...continued                              |
| 8:00p  | 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | Revelation Now (Jac Colon)                |
| 8:30   | 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | ...continued                              |
| 9:00p  | 10:00p | 11:00p | Sun    | His Harvest Is Ready (C. A. Murray)       |
| 9:30   | 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | ...continued                              |
| 10:00p | 11:00p | Sun    | 1:00a  | 3ABN On the Road                          |
| 10:30  | 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | ...continued                              |
| 11:00p | Sun    | 1:00a  | 2:00a  | 3ABN Today                                |
| 11:30  | 12:30  | 1:30   | 2:30   | ...continued                              |





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**3ABN RADIO: SEPTEMBER**

| CDT         | SUNDAY                                       |
|-------------|--|
| 2:00a       | Thinking About Home                          |
| 2:30        | Dynamics in the Science of Prayer            |
| 3:00a       | Heaven's Point of View                       |
| 3:30        | Faith Chapel                                 |
| 4:00a       | A Closer Look                                |
| 4:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 5:00a       | Musical Meditations                          |
| 5:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 6:00a       | Rags to Riches/Growing in Grace              |
| 6:30        | Freedom's Ring/The StoryHouse                |
| 7:00a       | Your Story Hour                              |
| 7:30        | Bible Answers                                |
| 8:00a       | 3ABN Today                                   |
| 8:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 9:00a       | <b>His Words Are Life</b> /Melody From My H. |
| 9:30        | The Bible in Living Sound                    |
| 10:00a      | Central Study Hour                           |
| 10:30       | ...continued                                 |
| 11:00a      | Worship Hour                                 |
| 11:30       | ...continued                                 |
| <b>Noon</b> | Lift Him Up                                  |
| 12:30       | Marriage in God's Hands                      |
| 1:00p       | Revelation Speaks Hope                       |
| 1:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 2:00p       | It Is Written                                |
| 2:30        | Left Behind: Fact or Fiction?                |
| 3:00p       | 3ABN Today LIVE (repeat) ♻️                  |
| 3:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 4:00p       | ...continued                                 |
| 4:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 5:00p       | Musical Meditations                          |
| 5:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 6:00p       | A Closer Look                                |
| 6:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 7:00p       | More Abundant Life                           |
| 7:30        | Rags to Riches/Growing in Grace              |
| 8:00p       | 3ABN Today                                   |
| 8:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 9:00p       | Bible Answers LIVE ♻️                        |
| 9:30        | ...continued                                 |
| 10:00p      | Your Story Hour                              |
| 10:30       | Marriage in God's Hands                      |
| 11:00p      | Homeschool of Health                         |
| 11:30       | Freedom's Ring/The StoryHouse                |
| <b>Mon</b>  | Discover Prophecy                            |
| 12:30       | ...continued                                 |
| 1:00a       | 3ABN Today                                   |
| 1:30        | ...continued                                 |

**This schedule begins September 1.**

| CDT         | MONDAY                                      | CDT         | TUESDAY                                 |
|-------------|---|-------------|---|
| 2:00a       | Help Yourself to Health                     | 2:00a       | Bible Answers LIVE ♻️                   |
| 2:30        | His Words Are Life/Rags to Riches           | 2:30        | ...continued                            |
| 3:00a       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines         | 3:00a       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines     |
| 3:30        | Your Health News/Growing in Grace           | 3:30        | By My Spirit                            |
| 4:00a       | Kids' Time                                  | 4:00a       | Kids' Time                              |
| 4:30        | It's Your Money!                            | 4:30        | Issues & Answers                        |
| 5:00a       | Musical Meditations                         | 5:00a       | Musical Meditations                     |
| 5:30        | ...continued                                | 5:30        | ...continued                            |
| 6:00a       | Thinking About Home                         | 6:00a       | Health for a Lifetime                   |
| 6:30        | Christian Concerns                          | 6:30        | Freedom's Ring/ <b>Endtime Insights</b> |
| 7:00a       | The Bible in Living Sound                   | 7:00a       | The Bible in Living Sound               |
| 7:30        | Wonders in the Word                         | 7:30        | Wonders in the Word                     |
| 8:00a       | 3ABN Today                                  | 8:00a       | 3ABN Today                              |
| 8:30        | ...continued                                | 8:30        | ...continued                            |
| 9:00a       | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio ⚡                  | 9:00a       | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio                |
| 9:30        | ...continued                                | 9:30        | ...continued                            |
| 10:00a      | Bible Answers                               | 10:00a      | Lift Him Up                             |
| 10:30       | <b>Your Family Health</b> /Health Headlines | 10:30       | Homeschool of Health                    |
| 11:00a      | 3ABN On the Road                            | 11:00a      | 3ABN On the Road                        |
| 11:30       | ...continued                                | 11:30       | ...continued                            |
| <b>Noon</b> | Your Story Hour                             | <b>Noon</b> | Your Story Hour                         |
| 12:30       | Freedom's Ring/Melody From My Heart         | 12:30       | Abundant Living/Growing in Grace        |
| 1:00p       | Help Yourself to Health                     | 1:00p       | By My Spirit                            |
| 1:30        | His Words Are Life/Rags to Riches           | 1:30        | Dynamics in the Science of Prayer       |
| 2:00p       | Kids' Time                                  | 2:00p       | Kids' Time                              |
| 2:30        | It's Your Money!                            | 2:30        | Issues & Answers                        |
| 3:00p       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines         | 3:00p       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines     |
| 3:30        | Wonderfully Made                            | 3:30        | Women at the Well                       |
| 4:00p       | Discover Prophecy                           | 4:00p       | Discover Prophecy                       |
| 4:30        | ...continued                                | 4:30        | ...continued                            |
| 5:00p       | Musical Meditations                         | 5:00p       | Musical Meditations                     |
| 5:30        | ...continued                                | 5:30        | ...continued                            |
| 6:00p       | 3ABN On the Road                            | 6:00p       | 3ABN On the Road                        |
| 6:30        | ...continued                                | 6:30        | ...continued                            |
| 7:00p       | The Bible in Living Sound                   | 7:00p       | The Bible in Living Sound               |
| 7:30        | Wonders in the Word                         | 7:30        | Wonders in the Word                     |
| 8:00p       | Heaven's Point of View                      | 8:00p       | Health for a Lifetime                   |
| 8:30        | Thinking About Home                         | 8:30        | Genesis to Revelation Seminar           |
| 9:00p       | 3ABN Today                                  | 9:00p       | 3ABN Today                              |
| 9:30        | ...continued                                | 9:30        | ...continued                            |
| 10:00p      | Your Story Hour                             | 10:00p      | Your Story Hour                         |
| 10:30       | Wonderfully Made                            | 10:30       | Women at the Well                       |
| 11:00p      | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio                    | 11:00p      | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio                |
| 11:30       | ...continued                                | 11:30       | ...continued                            |
| <b>Tue</b>  | Discover Prophecy                           | <b>Wed</b>  | Discover Prophecy                       |
| 12:30       | ...continued                                | 12:30       | ...continued                            |
| 1:00a       | 3ABN Today                                  | 1:00a       | 3ABN Today                              |
| 1:30        | ...continued                                | 1:30        | ...continued                            |

### 3ABN RADIO: SEPTEMBER *(continued)*

| CDT         | WEDNESDAY                                   | CDT         | THURSDAY                                |
|-------------|---|-------------|---|
| 2:00a       | Help Yourself to Health                     | 2:00a       | Help Yourself to Health                 |
| 2:30        | His Words Are Life/Rags to Riches           | 2:30        | His Words Are Life/Rags to Riches       |
| 3:00a       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines         | 3:00a       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines     |
| 3:30        | Bible Answers                               | 3:30        | Bible Answers                           |
| 4:00a       | Kids' Time                                  | 4:00a       | Kids' Time                              |
| 4:30        | Issues & Answers                            | 4:30        | Issues & Answers                        |
| 5:00a       | Musical Meditations                         | 5:00a       | Musical Meditations                     |
| 5:30        | ...continued                                | 5:30        | ...continued                            |
| 6:00a       | Health for a Lifetime                       | 6:00a       | Thinking About Home                     |
| 6:30        | Christian Concerns                          | 6:30        | The StoryHouse/ <i>Endtime Insights</i> |
| 7:00a       | The Bible in Living Sound                   | 7:00a       | The Bible in Living Sound               |
| 7:30        | Wonders in the Word                         | 7:30        | Wonders in the Word                     |
| 8:00a       | 3ABN Today                                  | 8:00a       | 3ABN Today                              |
| 8:30        | ...continued                                | 8:30        | ...continued                            |
| 9:00a       | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio                    | 9:00a       | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio                |
| 9:30        | ...continued                                | 9:30        | ...continued                            |
| 10:00a      | Left Behind: Fact or Fiction?               | 10:00a      | Genesis to Revelation Seminar           |
| 10:30       | <i>Your Family Health</i> /Health Headlines | 10:30       | Stop Smoking Clinic                     |
| 11:00a      | 3ABN On the Road                            | 11:00a      | 3ABN On the Road                        |
| 11:30       | ...continued                                | 11:30       | ...continued                            |
| <b>Noon</b> | Your Story Hour                             | <b>Noon</b> | Your Story Hour                         |
| 12:30       | When God's People Pray                      | 12:30       | Heaven's Point of View                  |
| 1:00p       | Help Yourself to Health                     | 1:00p       | By My Spirit                            |
| 1:30        | His Words Are Life/Rags to Riches           | 1:30        | His Words Are Life/Rags to Riches       |
| 2:00p       | Bible Answers LIVE                          | 2:00p       | Kids' Time                              |
| 2:30        | ...continued                                | 2:30        | Issues & Answers                        |
| 3:00p       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines         | 3:00p       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines     |
| 3:30        | Wonderfully Made                            | 3:30        | It Is Written                           |
| 4:00p       | Discover Prophecy                           | 4:00p       | Discover Prophecy                       |
| 4:30        | ...continued                                | 4:30        | ...continued                            |
| 5:00p       | Musical Meditations                         | 5:00p       | Musical Meditations                     |
| 5:30        | ...continued                                | 5:30        | ...continued                            |
| 6:00p       | 3ABN On the Road                            | 6:00p       | 3ABN On the Road                        |
| 6:30        | ...continued                                | 6:30        | ...continued                            |
| 7:00p       | The Bible in Living Sound                   | 7:00p       | The Bible in Living Sound               |
| 7:30        | Wonders in the Word                         | 7:30        | Wonders in the Word                     |
| 8:00p       | Health for a Lifetime                       | 8:00p       | 3ABN Today LIVE                         |
| 8:30        | Your Health News/Freedom's Ring             | 8:30        | ...continued                            |
| 9:00p       | 3ABN Today                                  | 9:00p       | ...continued                            |
| 9:30        | ...continued                                | 9:30        | ...continued                            |
| 10:00p      | Your Story Hour                             | 10:00p      | Your Story Hour                         |
| 10:30       | Wonderfully Made                            | 10:30       | It Is Written                           |
| 11:00p      | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio                    | 11:00p      | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio                |
| 11:30       | ...continued                                | 11:30       | ...continued                            |
| <b>Thu</b>  | Discover Prophecy                           | <b>Fri</b>  | Discover Prophecy                       |
| 12:30       | ...continued                                | 12:30       | ...continued                            |
| 1:00a       | 3ABN Today                                  | 1:00a       | 3ABN Today LIVE (repeat)                |
| 1:30        | ...continued                                | 1:30        | ...continued                            |

| CDT         | FRIDAY                                      | CDT         | SATURDAY                                |
|-------------|---|-------------|---|
| 2:00a       | 3ABN Today LIVE (cont.)                     | 2:00a       | Lift Him Up                             |
| 2:30        | ...continued                                | 2:30        | Genesis to Revelation Seminar           |
| 3:00a       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines         | 3:00a       | 3ABN On the Road                        |
| 3:30        | By My Spirit                                | 3:30        | ...continued                            |
| 4:00a       | Kids' Time                                  | 4:00a       | A Closer Look                           |
| 4:30        | Issues & Answers                            | 4:30        | ...continued                            |
| 5:00a       | Musical Meditations                         | 5:00a       | Musical Meditations                     |
| 5:30        | ...continued                                | 5:30        | ...continued                            |
| 6:00a       | Health for a Lifetime                       | 6:00a       | Rags to Riches/Growing in Grace         |
| 6:30        | More Abundant Life                          | 6:30        | More Abundant Life                      |
| 7:00a       | The Bible in Living Sound                   | 7:00a       | Your Story Hour                         |
| 7:30        | Faith Chapel                                | 7:30        | Bible Answers                           |
| 8:00a       | 3ABN Today                                  | 8:00a       | 3ABN Today                              |
| 8:30        | ...continued                                | 8:30        | ...continued                            |
| 9:00a       | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio                    | 9:00a       | Freedom's Ring/ <i>Endtime Insights</i> |
| 9:30        | ...continued                                | 9:30        | Christian Concerns                      |
| 10:00a      | Bible Answers                               | 10:00a      | Central Study Hour                      |
| 10:30       | <i>Your Family Health</i> /Health Headlines | 10:30       | ...continued                            |
| 11:00a      | 3ABN On the Road                            | 11:00a      | Worship Hour                            |
| 11:30       | ...continued                                | 11:30       | ...continued                            |
| <b>Noon</b> | Your Story Hour                             | <b>Noon</b> | Heaven's Point of View                  |
| 12:30       | When God's People Pray                      | 12:30       | Women at the Well                       |
| 1:00p       | Help Yourself to Health                     | 1:00p       | Revelation Speaks Hope                  |
| 1:30        | Breath of Life                              | 1:30        | ...continued                            |
| 2:00p       | Kids' Time                                  | 2:00p       | Issues & Answers                        |
| 2:30        | Issues & Answers                            | 2:30        | Faith Chapel                            |
| 3:00p       | Voice of Prophecy/Between the Lines         | 3:00p       | House Calls                             |
| 3:30        | Marriage in God's Hands                     | 3:30        | ...continued                            |
| 4:00p       | Discover Prophecy                           | 4:00p       | 3ABN On the Road                        |
| 4:30        | ...continued                                | 4:30        | ...continued                            |
| 5:00p       | Musical Meditations                         | 5:00p       | Musical Meditations                     |
| 5:30        | ...continued                                | 5:30        | ...continued                            |
| 6:00p       | 3ABN On the Road                            | 6:00p       | A Closer Look                           |
| 6:30        | ...continued                                | 6:30        | ...continued                            |
| 7:00p       | The Bible in Living Sound                   | 7:00p       | Heaven's Point of View                  |
| 7:30        | More Abundant Life                          | 7:30        | Rags to Riches/Growing in Grace         |
| 8:00p       | Health for a Lifetime                       | 8:00p       | 3ABN Today                              |
| 8:30        | Thinking About Home                         | 8:30        | ...continued                            |
| 9:00p       | 3ABN Today                                  | 9:00p       | Bible Answers                           |
| 9:30        | ...continued                                | 9:30        | Christian Concerns                      |
| 10:00p      | Your Story Hour                             | 10:00p      | Your Story Hour                         |
| 10:30       | Marriage in God's Hands                     | 10:30       | Left Behind: Fact or Fiction?           |
| 11:00p      | Crossroads on 3ABN Radio                    | 11:00p      | Faith Chapel                            |
| 11:30       | ...continued                                | 11:30       | By My Spirit                            |
| <b>Sat</b>  | Revelation Speaks Hope                      | <b>Sun</b>  | Revelation Speaks Hope                  |
| 12:30       | ...continued                                | 12:30       | ...continued                            |
| 1:00a       | 3ABN Today                                  | 1:00a       | 3ABN Today                              |
| 1:30        | ...continued                                | 1:30        | ...continued                            |



# To Hell and Back?

by John Lomacang

In 1962, Hell opened its own post office, and today it's painted bright red! Sound far fetched? Not if you visit the town of Hell in the Cayman Islands, which took its name from the nearby sinister-looking black rocks.

Bill Wiese claims in his book, *23 Minutes in Hell*, that he was

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plunged into hell—literally—because God wanted him to warn others. Since nothing is known about hell outside of the Bible, it is the only means to test Bill's account.

Jesus taught that hell's destruction is still in the future: "As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world." Matthew 13:40 (KJV).

In Malachi 4:1, 3 (KJV) the Lord says, "For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an

oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet."

Many ignore these verses in favor of others that seem to suggest the wicked will burn forever, like Revelation 14:11 (KJV) which says, "And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night."

Wherever sin has stained the world, a righteous God will cleanse with fires of destruction: "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up." 2 Peter 3:10 (KJV).

David understood that only one method would suffice:

"Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more." Psalm 104:35 (KJV).

What does John say about hell? In Revelation 20:9–10 he wrote, "They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever."

Notice he says the fire "devoured" them. The reason Revelation includes this powerful word is obvious—it means "to be consumed"! John was by no means in conflict with other Bible writers!

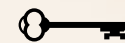
In Jude 1:7 we are told the corrupt cities of Sodom and Gomorrah suffered the "vengeance of eternal fire." Obviously they aren't burning today, so

the *results* were eternal, not the *process*.

John 3:16 says that God gives eternal life to believers. The wicked don't have *eternal* life, so therefore they *can't* burn *eternally*. David makes it clear that the opposite of eternal life is to perish: "But the wicked shall perish; and the enemies of the Lord, like the splendor of the meadows, shall vanish. Into smoke they shall vanish away." Psalm 37:20. (See also Romans 6:23.)

After this final destruction ends, God's gift to the righteous will be an eternally peaceful earth. "For yet a little while and the wicked shall be no more; indeed, you will look carefully for his place, but it shall be no more. But the meek shall inherit the earth, and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace." Psalm 37:10–11.

So visit Hell on your next vacation to Grand Cayman. But don't get too comfortable—it won't be there forever! ■



## KEY VERSES

- Mat. 13:40
- Mal. 4:1, 3
- 2 Pet. 3:10
- Rev. 20:9–10
- Jude 1:7
- John 3:16
- Psa. 37:20
- Rom. 6:23
- Psa. 37:10–11



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# COUNT ZINZENDORF

*AMONG THE MOST INSPIRING observations a person can take from the study of our Christian history is the confluence of beliefs and convictions from separate movements across the centuries. The heritage of a single reformer is handed down to his successors, and taken up by the disciples of another spiritual tradition, and together their beliefs meld into something deeper. Thus, through time, our legacy of beliefs becomes an ever wider and richer reservoir of truth.*

by Michael Prewitt

**T**he name Nikolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf may not be familiar to many Christians today, but he played a key role in igniting one of the most powerful religious awakenings in Christian history.

Zinzendorf was the godson of Philipp Spener, a Lutheran pastor and theologian who helped start the Pietist movement within the Lutheran Church, which Zinzendorf joined. The goals of this movement included empowerment of the laity through small group studies and increased church participation, relating to unbelievers with kindness and charity instead of harshness and condemnation, an emphasis on personal devotion, and preaching that gave more attention to conversion than to mere theology and philosophy. At the time it was considered a

groundbreaking and controversial movement.

Zinzendorf was a wealthy German count of Austrian nobility, with several towns under his jurisdiction. After studying law at Wittenberg, he turned down a career as a diplomat—against the wishes of his family—to focus on a spiritual calling at his estate of Bethelsdorf, namely raising up a vibrant, outreach-minded body of fellow Lutherans. He also began publishing books, tracts, Bibles, and hymnbooks.

In 1722 a group of immigrants from Moravia and Bohemia (modern day Czech Republic) moved into Zinzendorf's area. They were the spiritual descendants of John Huss, the first Protestant. Zinzendorf was impressed that he needed to shelter and nurture these pilgrims, and others with them



AFTER AN ENGRAVING OF COUNT NIKOLAUS LUDWIG VON ZINZENDORF BY ARTIST UNKNOWN

who were retreating from persecution across Europe. A new town, Herrnhut, sprang up on the edge of his estate, where the immigrants settled. Zinzendorf's plan had its challenges. Because of persecution, many of the refugees had been stirred into white-hot fervor, and they were splintered along many lines of theology. The infighting was intense. Reportedly, on more than one occasion, and despite his unselfish efforts, Zinzendorf was accused in his own home of being the Beast of Revelation.

But finally his patience, pastoral care, and focus on godly living won out. Zinzendorf achieved a family-like spiritual community, and was eventually ordained bishop of the new Moravian Church; and under his leadership, in 1727 the community of

Herrnhut experienced a spiritual renewal sometimes called the "Moravian Pentecost."

The influence of this body of believers spread far. Theirs was the first large-scale Protestant missionary movement. They were the first to use lay missionaries, the first to evangelize slaves, and the first to have a presence in many countries from the West Indies to Greenland, from the Baltic States to South America. Zinzendorf personally shared the gospel in places as distant as the United States, where he preached to the Native Americans and oversaw various church affairs. In the early years, all of the outreach from Herrnhut was financed by Zinzendorf personally.

The Pietists and Moravian Christians were the first wave of a new movement to restore the place of rebirth and discipleship to a Christianity that had lost its way. They helped redirect the aims of religion from political power and dictatorial control, to the kingdom of God "within us" (Luke 17:21), to personal growth in grace (2 Peter 3:18), and the pursuit of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18–20). Their sparks helped light another fire that spread across England and around the world; but that will be our story next month! ■



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# EXPANDING OUR BORDERS



**A** brand new television production truck—proof positive that the Lord continues to bless and impress His people to support 3ABN’s goal to reach the world

*“His name shall endure forever; His name shall continue as long as the sun. And men shall be blessed in Him; all nations shall call Him blessed. Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only does wondrous things!”* PSALM 72:17–18

with “the undiluted three angels’ messages of Revelation 14.” During these difficult economic times, purchasing and equipping another television production truck can only be called miraculous!

Our large television production truck has served us well, logging thousands of miles each

year, and providing live and taped programming for 3ABN’s viewers all over the world. But the need for a smaller truck with lower operating costs was evident—and necessary!

Through the combined efforts of 3ABN’s Engineering Department, and hundreds of hours of production staff labor, this new tool was recently dedicated to the glory of God!

After a maiden voyage to cover a Spanish youth conference in Berrien Springs, Michigan, it traveled to Tampa, Florida, where it served as our control room for the dozens of taped interviews at this year’s ASI Convention. Filled with state-of-the-art digital equipment, its size and weight provide cost-effective televi-

sion production in a smaller package.

“The new production truck is just the beginning of what we hope, by the blessing of the Lord, to be a real advancement of the work in Canada,” says 3ABN president, Jim Gilly. “The technology is being worked out for us to include the required 30 percent Canadian content, so that 3ABN Canada will be acceptable to cable outlets, and we pray that they will soon be a reality all over that great nation.”

Although the truck can be used anywhere in the continent, it will be sent to Canada and the northwestern United States to produce programs to the glory of God, under the watchful eye of Larry Ewing,

3ABN’s former chief financial officer.

“This truck will be used in Canada to build a base of Canadian content programs that can be used to comply with the broadcasting requirements in our country,” Larry says. “This will enable 3ABN to be broadcast on local TV stations, as well as on cable and satellite networks. We are very excited about the possibility of television evangelism in Canada.”

We want to thank all those who have caught the vision for evangelism. Your prayers and support of this project have made all the difference to those who have lived in spiritual darkness. Truly God is expanding the borders of this ministry! But the best is yet to come! ■

*3ABN’s new production truck is ready for service to the Lord.*

*Left: Audio engineer Joel Baker tests the new equipment.*

*Center: Michael Younkin (L) and Robert Stotz (R) at the video switcher.*

*Right: Moses Primo (L) and Hernando Cruz (R) discuss installation details.*

## Did You Know?

# IT'S YOUR FAULT I CAN'T SLEEP!

by Hal Steenson

As we turn the next page of Danny Shelton's dream, we're standing in a television studio in my charismatic church. Danny had called me, saying he wanted to talk to me about a dream he'd had about a television station. As he started sharing, I could see excitement radiating from him. He shared his dream about a television station that would reach the world, and I sat there, fascinated by his enthusiasm, and his childlike faith.

I'd known Danny for two years, and respected his dedication to Christ. However, this was going to take more than commitment. It was going to take money—and lots of it! He'd come to me because I knew something about television, but also by the divine guidance of the Holy Spirit. When I asked him if he was aware that it would take a million dollars to get this project off the ground, he answered that he didn't, but I could tell that didn't discourage

him. He knew his dream and call were from God, and his faith didn't see any difference between believing God for a thousand dollars or a million dollars; it takes the same amount of faith for either one.

Two weeks earlier, a pastor from Indiana had come by and inquired about purchasing our church's television equipment. What had started as an evangelistic television outreach had now become an undertaking God hadn't called me to do. I'd voiced this to a few people, and the pastor had heard about it. Now there he was, check in hand, willing to buy it all.

Suddenly I balked, and told him I would pray about it. I did pray, and then I heard a quiet question in my spirit asking, *Hal, are you willing to give this equipment away?* I told the Lord I would gladly give the equipment to that minister—and there was silence.

As Danny spoke about the three angel's messages, and a

station that would counteract the counterfeit, I didn't relate. However, he added something that pierced my soul; it was "reach the world." That's what God had given me, a *world vision*. Now I knew why heaven had been silent. This equipment would be the spark God would use to get the 3ABN fire blazing! I told Danny what the Lord had asked me to do, and his eyes danced as I said, "I'm getting the feeling that you may be the one I'm supposed to sow this equipment into." Then, I left it at that.

A little after eleven o'clock that night, Danny called me. I knew what he wanted, but we just did the casual chitchat until I asked, "What's on your mind Danny?"

"Well," he finally began, "after what you told me today about your television equipment, I'm so excited I can't sleep. But you never said you'd give it to me. So I figured that every hour I'm awake I'd give you a call,

because it's your fault I can't sleep!"

I told him to go on to bed, since earlier that day God had impressed Mollie and me to give him the equipment. "Danny," I said, "we recently changed the name of our church from Praise Chapel to Praise World Outreach. We did it because I had a dream—a dream that southern Illinois was somehow the hub of a wagon wheel, with spokes reaching the entire world for Christ. I thought that dream was for me, but now I know it was for me to support you in this endeavor." Later, Danny told me that when I said the equipment was his, the last shred of doubt was removed from his mind. He never looked back.

Through the years, I've watched Danny persevere through the good times and the bad. I've observed him only wanting to do the Father's will—nothing more, nothing less, nothing else—no matter what the cost. ■



*Danny Shelton's call from God was confirmed when Hal Steenson (L) promised to donate all his television equipment.*



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## A STORY OF TWO WIDOWS

“And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.” 1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

by Rita Westphal

I don't recall ever hearing a sermon on James 1:27: “Pure and undefiled religion before . . . the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble. . . .” In many societies the orphans and widows are among the most destitute and vulnerable of all. The orphans become “nobody's children.” And the widows? An unwanted and ignored presence.

Anna was widowed with two young boys. She had very few means, and only a basic education. So she worked as a maid, cleaning houses, and whatever else she could find.

One day a *colporteur*\* stopped by and shared Jesus with her, inviting her to visit the local Seventh-day Adventist

church. She gladly accepted, and was warmly received. Quickly the church embraced her, and she became a faithful member—fully integrated in the “family of God.”

Members made plans to enroll her boys in Adventist schools, and they grew up to be well-educated, extremely successful businessmen. Always thankful to the Lord, they continue to be a blessing, giving millions of dollars to build schools, orphanages, churches, and Christian radio stations. They never forgot the fellowship and love they'd received since they were children.

Now let me tell you about Fatima. She and her husband arrived in New York from India full of hopes and dreams. But everything was so different. They went through a terrible

culture shock, and struggled to survive. Fatima carried her pain from church to church—Catholic, Evangelical, Protestant—it didn't matter. She longed for love and fellowship, but nobody seemed able or willing to help, and her family suffered much depression.

Then, a few years later, her husband died. Alone and scared, Fatima finally found a steady job, and was able to barely survive. Again she made her church rounds, begging for fellowship and friendship. She quietly asked people to talk to her daughter, who felt abandoned and desperately lonely. Once she even asked someone if they would consider inviting them over for Christmas, if only for her daughter's sake! Instead she was told that there were places that provided food for people who had no place to go during the holidays. For *twenty years* she was unable to find someone willing to share their time.

Then one day, much later, she noticed a Seventh-day Adventist church just a few blocks from her house was holding a series of meetings, and because she knew so little about prophecy, she decided to attend. As Fatima marveled at the new truths, a desire welled up in her to serve the Lord with all her heart. She started passing out literature,

and to this day, her greatest joy is to proclaim the love of Jesus!

But she still feels a deep pain. She still hasn't quite found that fellowship she craves—that “belonging” to the family of God.

Her biggest concern is for her daughter, an extremely intelligent woman who graduated *cum laude* with a double master's degree from a top university. Unlike Anna's children, she may never use her talents for the Lord because she was never shown unconditional love and fellowship growing up.

“This is My commandment,” Jesus said, “that you love one another as I have loved you.” John 15:12. The greatest need our world has, is to know that God cares, that Jesus lives, and that He has great plans for us. He wants us to be in His family. That's why He created us!

The greatest gift you can give the world is compassion, and to reflect the great love God has for you. Go ahead, wear a smile, look at the people around you, touch a hand. Give a hug, start a conversation, ask a question, give a compliment. Ask a child or teenager for their name. *It will make a difference.* Get involved!

“By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.” John 13:35. ■



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\*A *colporteur* is a person who travels to sell or publicize Bibles, religious books, etc.



Calvin Thrash's caring legacy lives on through his son, Calvin Thrash III, president of Uchee Pines Institute. Together, the Thrashes see a bright future ahead as their ministry continues to grow.

rational and judicious use of herbs and supplements. But most importantly, they practice a firm faith in the Divine Healer.

“We do quite a bit of health education, too,” she adds. “Every day we have classes in our parlor for our patients, but we usually have between 14 and 20 students in our lifestyle educator course and 6 to 10 in our lifestyle counselor course. Our facility is too small, and we’ve almost completed a brand new one on the hill. We expect that the Lord will provide the funds to finish what He has started.”

Six years ago her husband of 50 years passed away. “The Bible says that a man and his wife are joined together and become the same flesh,” Agatha says. “But when one of them dies, it’s like dismemberment—flesh is lost. Divorce is that way too, it’s still dismemberment.

“I couldn’t picture myself in the role of a widow,” she continues. “I had to fill out forms which

asked me for my marital status, and it was one of the saddest moments of my bereavement. I never realized how all-pervasive the loss is. Just last week some funny things happened, and I immediately thought, *Calvin will enjoy this*. And then, *No, he’s not there*.

“We have a little cemetery at Uchee Pines, and we had a funeral for a church member’s daughter about three weeks before Calvin died. I was already steeling myself for his death, but when we lowered her into the ground, I thought, *I can never put Calvin into this ground and leave him here!*

“But the Lord comforted me with a thought, and when we laid Calvin to rest I remember thinking, *The ground is his friend and it will keep him until the Resurrection*. He was a good man who loved the Lord and devoted his life to glorifying God and blessing His people.

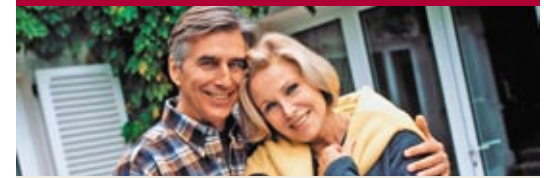
“The Lord is good to me, too. There have been times when I didn’t know how to proceed, and I would pray and present God’s promise to be a husband (Hosea 2:16). It’s my testimony that the Lord has *always* provided for my need after that prayer.

“When you lose a loved one you begin to get comfort from things that never gave you comfort before, like rocks, or clouds,

ants making their hills, or bees—things of nature. My mind is drawn to those things, and I praise my Heavenly Father who made them. I think, *Why did He make them this way? He didn’t have to, but He made the flowers to help me when I’m stressed, and to give me comfort, joy, and peace*. When I look at those things, I know that He loves me. And that’s what faith is,” she adds, “trusting God, believing that He loves me, and knows what’s best for my good. With faith, I’m totally at peace.

“When we got hurt as children we might have asked, ‘Daddy, blow on it. Blow on it, Daddy,’ and it helped. We’re like children to the Lord. He understands our need, and He blows on it something so gentle as the beauty of a flower.” ■

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