



The Lamplighter

Heart To Heart

By Pastor Richard Wright

We have been shocked and in a state of unrest and confusion since the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. We realize that we live in a very wicked world.

Genesis 6:5 says, "And God saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually." God was speaking about Noah's day. What must He think now? How can humans be so cruel as to take thousands of innocent lives? Only Satan could be behind this chaos and evil.

We realize that our government cannot totally protect us no matter how hard they try. We are vulnerable to attacks and violence for we live in a world of sin.

It is only in God that we can find protection and peace. Psalm 91:2 says, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in Him will I trust." Verse 11 says, "For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all

they ways." We can be secure in Christ no matter what happens on this earth and we can have peace in Him.

We can find strength and comfort in the words of Christ. In John 14:27, it states, "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you, not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

The tragedy we have experienced in our nation is one more sign that we are closer to the soon coming of Jesus. The important issue is, are we ready for Jesus to come? Are our hearts right with Him? Do we have a right relationship with Him? Because of His love and mercy he will come soon. In the meantime, lets continue to pray for the victims and their families. Let's pray for the President and leaders of our country that they will seek wisdom from God and do what is right and just.

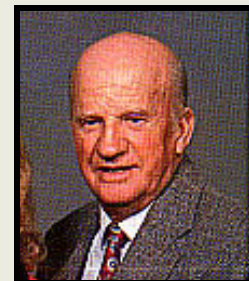


September 11, 2001 the reality of terrorism touched our American soil as never before. We were shocked, moved and awakened to the unfortunate taste of true hatred.

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We Will Miss You DON MASON



Nine Adventists Missing After Terrorist Attack

Adventist News Network (www.adventist.org/news/data/2001/08/1001010378/index.html.en)

Nine Seventh-day Adventist Church members are among the more than 5,000 missing and presumed dead following the September 11 terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C.

Ted Moy, a deacon at the Spencerville Church in Silver Spring, Maryland, worked at the Pentagon. He was on a training exercise at an office very close to the point of impact. Moy leaves behind his wife, Madeline, and two teenagers, Jessica and Daniel.

Michael Baksh, mid-30s, was working in Tower 2 of the World Trade Center (WTC), his first day on the job. He was a very active member of the Church of the Advent Hope in Upper Manhattan and was recently elected chair of the church board. He leaves behind a wife and two children.

Lissy Martinez, late 20s, was also working in Tower 2. She was a Pathfinder leader of the Spanish Fort Washington Church in Upper Manhattan. She leaves a husband and two children.

Maxima Jean-Pierre, mid-40s, worked in Tower 2. A youth Sabbath School teacher at the Spanish Patchogue church, in Long Island, New York, she leaves a husband and four children.

Josue Velasquez worked at Tower 1. He was a faithful member of the Spanish Intervale Church in Bronx and helped out with camp meeting programs. He leaves a wife and three children.

LeRoy Homer was co-pilot of United Airlines Flight 93 that crashed in Western Pennsylvania. He was a frequent visitor to the Mt. Holly English Church in New Jersey where his wife Melodie is an active member.

Jorge Velazquez was a member of the Passaic I Spanish Church in New Jersey. As chief of security in Tower 2, he was busy ushering people out of the building from the 31st floor. He called home to communicate with his family at that time, but has not been heard from since. "Your father is a real hero," the company president told Velazquez's family.

Steve Bunin, late 40s, was active in the audio visual department of the Corona Church in Queens. He worked for Cantor Fitzgerald on the 103rd floor of Tower 1. He leaves behind a wife, Hyacinth.

Michelle Nelson, 27, also worked for Cantor Fitzgerald on the 103rd Floor of Tower 1. She was a member of the Linden Church in Queens, serving as a clerk, Adventist Youth Services leader, and in the youth choir. Church members say she was well known for baking great pies.

Adventist members have also lost family and friends in the tragedy. Joan Silver, a member of the Sligo Adventist Church in Takoma Park, Maryland, lost a daughter, Valerie, 46, who worked near the top of one of the towers.

Dick Stenbakken, chaplaincy ministries director for the Adventist Church, reported that, despite rumors to the contrary, Rear Admiral Barry Black, chief of chaplains for the United States Navy and an Adventist Church member, was not harmed in the attack. "Chaplain Black was away when the attacks occurred and is safe," said Stenbakken.

"Our Adventist family has been hurt deeply in this tragedy," said Don Schneider, president of the Adventist Church in North America, on reading reports of those missing. He urged church members to "work even harder to share the hope that comes from knowing Jesus Christ" and to continue to pray for all those grieving loved ones lost in the attack.

Savannah Wilson's Favorite Bible Verse and Why

"For God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son. God gave His Son so that whoever believes in Him may not be lost, but have eternal life." John 3:16

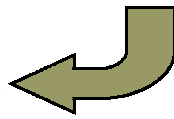
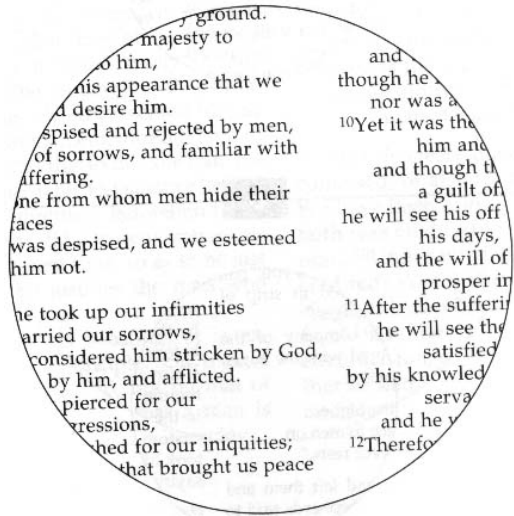
This verse tells me that God really cares and really loves us. If He didn't He wouldn't have come into our lives.

Point of Grace In Concert

Point of Grace with Special Guest FFH (Four For Him)
Friday, October 12 @ 7:30 pm
Cumberland County Civic Center in Portland Maine



Puzzier Page



Answer to Last Month's Circle Verse
This Scripture is found in Isaiah

So Wisely Spoken

"Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, to assure the survival and success of liberty."

John F. Kennedy



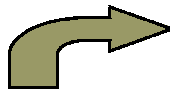
WHO AM I??



1. I have been to England, Holland, Belgium, France, Germany & Austria.
2. My approximate weight is 3200 oz..
3. You may not guess that my favorite color is blue.

Last Month's Who Am I was TIA GLADDEN

Concentrate on the four dots in the middle of the following picture for about 30 seconds.
 Then look at a light colored smooth surface (a wall or ceiling) and keep looking (try not to blink) until the white circle disappears.
 Have Fun!!



QUOTABLE QUOTES

- You can't control the length of your life, but you can have something to say about the width and depth of it.
- If it was going to be easy to raise kids, it never would've started with something called labor.
- Children are like wet cement. Whatever falls on them leaves an impression.

Woman's Ministry Weekend



On Friday, September 5th, One hundred thirty women from Northern New England Conference and as far away as Massachusetts and New York, gathered together at our own “Camp Lawroweld” for the annual Women’s Ministry Weekend. The theme for the weekend was “SONflower Seeds”. The featured speaker was Ginnie Allen from the Pacific Northwest. She was especially charismatic and animated. Her talks were not only inspiring but applicable to our everyday lives. Sherrie Shroader from Nashua, New Hampshire, shared her thoughts in a “good old fashioned bible study” format (as she called it) for Sabbath School study. Her approach towards revealing the true gospel of Christ was especially enlightening. Woodstock SDA had the largest group of women, totaling 20. Their presence in the Staff House Cabin was made well known to the rest of the camp, as evidence by their roars of laughter and fun. Their cabin became a magnet to others as the noise became contagious to the rest of the camp. What a ministry in itself. Other activities were enjoyed that weekend, including crafts, swimming, boating and hiking. It was a weekend enjoyed immensely by all those who went. Burna Wilson found the weekend to be “so uplifting and inspiring, very spiritual.” She described an “emphasis on commitment” Burna certainly hopes to return next year and encourages women who can to also attend. It will be a weekend you **won’t want to miss!**



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JOE PETE APPLEBY CHOOSES DEATH TO SIN AND LIFE IN CHRIST!!!

Hello Friends

By Laurie Wilson

Our family has raised many pets over the years, rabbits, birds, fish, Dogs, etc. We always said that we would get a dog for him or a cat for her but when our children went off to a friend's house for the weekend, a camping trip or eventually academy dorming for a week, guess who got to feed or bathe the pet? (At least we didn't have to participate in bathing the fish. Haha!) We once had a white weasel (wild, not a pet) that lived nightly in our house for a whole winter, seriously! It wasn't planned that he spent Christmas with us around the Christmas tree but he felt welcome and part of the family. Guess it was in God's plan that our friend wasn't meant to be caught as we tried many traps and covered the hole he entered but always to no avail. Just yesterday, I watched our friendly black lab, Rosco, crouch down, like a cat,

ever so quietly near a mouse hole hoping to pounce on a scurrying mouse. Our dog thinks he is still tiny like he was the day we brought him home! It surely was a funny sight to see a huge dog sitting by a small mouse hole patiently waiting for his toy to come to his presence. He could care less about his heavy breathing that sent the mouse to a far corner of the cupboard or just Rosco's black plush coat that was wedged into the hole was scary enough! The whole scene reminded me so much of a book I used to read to my 3 children over and over—"Clifford, the Big Red Dog." It makes me think even more about God's plan for us. We definitely are His precious ones and we know He is taking well care of us with the food He provides and the water we are given to bathe in. Let's come out of our mouse hole and trust that God

will love and protect us. We don't need to be afraid in this sinful world. He is calling us to live with Him forever. That's His plan.



"I asked the Lord for help, and he answered me. He saved me from all that I feared." Psalms 34:4

"But God will have a people upon the earth to maintain the Bible, and the Bible only, as the standard of all doctrines and the basis of all reforms. The opinions of learned men, the deductions of science, the creeds or decisions of ecclesiastical councils, as numerous and discordant as are the churches which they represent, the voice of the majority-not one nor all of these should be regarded as evidence for or against any point of religious faith. Before accepting any doctrine or precept, we should demand a plain "Thus saith the Lord" in its support. Satan is constantly endeavoring to attract attention to man in the place of God. He leads the people to look to bishops, to pastors, to professors of theology, as their guides, instead of searching the Scriptures to learn their duty for themselves. Then, by controlling the minds of these leaders, He can influence the multitudes according to His will." Great Controversy pg. 595

In this day of unrest in our country, despite the birth pains of Our Lord's return, despite talks of the end of time may we not be deceived by the prince of darkness. May we search out the truth for ourselves. Not looking to man for our ultimate guidance but to our Heavenly Father with whom, I pray, we have chosen to be our ultimate guide. We will continue to be bombarded with more and more information, but may we not let the "truth" be swallowed up by the shallow words of our deceiver, Satan, in his attempts to baffle our minds. We cannot fight this fight alone. We must know that our captain "Jesus Christ" has overcome the world already (John 16:33). With that reassurance may we find true peace amongst the chaos of this world.

Remembrance & Hope

By An Anonymous Woodstock SDA Writer

A clear day dawns
A commuter yawns
As life in the city has begun
But the day soon would end
With the terror "they" did send
To a country who's freedom abounds

Life was cut short
Making us want to retort
Against the hate toward our friends who have died
But try as we might
To deny we will fight
Is a dream in a pacifists' mind

For the lives that were lost
Will be a dreadful cost
If revenge is on our minds
But what must be done
Toward a terrorists fun
Who's motives seem all out of whack

There's rumor of war
That song I've heard before
Threatens to change the peaceful life I now own
And I cringe at the thought
That an enemy will be fought
With the innocent youth of our fold

Yes freedom was fought for
And many have died for
The comforts that I now enjoy
But what of the future
And how can I be sure
That more deaths are the answer now

There are tears being shed
For the missing and dead
And our minds struggle to grasp the reasons why
If the answers were clear
It might take away our fear
But what of the lessons we might learn

For it's in hardships our skin
Is found to be thick or thin
And our faith is put to the test
May this tragedy be
An awakening to me
To the pains of wrong choices made

May I remember this day
And continually pray
That the hate that abounds on the earth
Will be eternally wiped out
With a call and loud shout
Of our Lord and Savior calling us home

For a place of love
In heaven above
Sounds like beautiful music to my ears
May I always remember
This day in September
And be thankful this world is not my home.



Forestdale School News

By Bill Snow, Principal, Forestdale SDA School

We have started out the new school year with an excellent group of students. The good spirit and attitude have been really appreciated! We have added a kindergarten this year. We now have a program that encompasses grades K-9. Mrs. Wiggin teaches grades K-2. Mr. Stahl teaches grades 3-5, and Mr. Snow (yours truly) teaches grades 6-9 and is principal. We do not have a paid teacher's aide or 9th grade health teacher this year, however, Mrs. Stahl is volunteering once a week to teach 9th grade health.

Our playground continues to improve. As many of you know, last years Home & School Association worked to get new playground equipment. With the help of the Gadways we got it installed-just before snowfall. (Trust me it was tough digging!) Frank Hodson Jr. along with last years 9th grade (Kenny and Jeremy) built a magnificent fort. And most recently, Scott McLeon worked on "modifying" the fort and adding a double wide slide to it. Thank you! This has all taken a great deal of time, cash and effort. If you visited the school, I think you'll agree it has been worth it. We do have challenges and obstacles that we are facing, however. The school, just like the church or any business, needs more than kind words, prayers, and good thoughts—as important as those are. We must have a steady, reliable cash flow. At our last board meeting it was reported that we have outstanding tuition of nearly \$25,000. This was a shock to many (including myself) on our board. I usually do not write much about our finances—even though they are very important. That is not my department. Our school and church however is my business and it is yours as well. Recently both our church and school have shown a steady decline in income. This is not only unhealthy and alarming it is also in contrast to Biblical teaching. It is my sincere prayer and hope that our financial situation can be corrected both quickly and responsibly, not only for the sake of our institutions but for the sake of each individual involved. This should be a matter of both

prayer and action.

Beyond finances, we ask for your input, support and prayers on our school program as a whole. We have some difficult issues to decide during this school year. Our future will be shaped in part by the decisions we will be making in the coming weeks. We ask for you the parents and church members to be a part of this. Most importantly we ask that all our discussions and decisions be in accordance with God's will for our lives. After all, that is what is most important. Please stop by and see us if you get the opportunity. We would love to see you! Thank you to each one who has already helped us with so many things this year! Each one of you is appreciated!

I asked my students to report on some of the things that have been going on at school so far this year. I hope that you will take time to read what they wrote. After all, they are the reason we have a school.

God bless each of you and God bless our country.

Sincerely,

Bill Snow

Grade 6-9, Principal



IMMEDIATE NEED TO BRING BEFORE OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our children at Forestdale School are in an **IMMEDIATE NEED** of bark around their playground equipment. For the *safety of our students*, it is recommended that it be several inches deep. If you care enough to help please contact:

Frank Hodson Jr.—#665-2074 or Bill Snow—#539-4524

ALSO

Save your General Mills coupons for Forestdale School. You can give them to Goldie Mason



The Basketball Court

By Emily Vail, Grade 5

Last year's eighth grade class cemented our basketball court as a gift to the school. It looks and works well. Besides basketball, some other games we have played on the court are dodgeball and four square. We like it a lot.

P.E.

By Eden Bartholamew, Grade 6

Dear Readers,

Mr. Snow has been working us hard. We have to do pushups and up/downs, chinups, sprinters and laps around the church or Thurlow Hall. Everyone has decided that Mr. Snow is working us too hard. Unfortunately we do these exercises every day to help make us stronger and so we progress on with our exercises and we march on and on and on.

Fundraisers

By Savannah Lee Wilson, Grade 9

Hi,
Forestdale School has been doing the magazine drive again this year. It is a fundrasier that we do every year with the school. I sold 15 in all, this year. Every kid in the school did so well too. We get magazine prizes for different amount of magazines that we sell. Last year we made: \$3446. This year we made about \$1,274.85. Thanks to all the people that have helped over the years.

Climbing A Mountain.

By Chris Christianson, Grade 8

For outdoor school I chose rock climbing. I was surprised to find out that I was the only one in school who had. We spent the first night at camp. My bunk-mate took down our tent even though he wasn't supposed to, so we had to make it twice. The next morning we climbed the rock wall. Some parts were hard and some parts were easy but they were all fun. I found that many backpacks have a problem. They are too small! We all had trouble stuffing things into our backpacks, and when we got to the mountain it just exploded out. We climbed the mountain and then the cliff. It was really fun. I found a cave under a pile of boulders that had rabbit droppings all over the floor. We all made it up all the walls except the hardest one.

Backpacking

By Cody Ballweber, Grade 7

During outdoor school Mrs. Snow, myself and 11 other kids went backpacking on the Appalachian Trail. Mr. Snow invited, Morley Thomas as a guest speaker to talk to us. He has hiked all the Northern New England portions of the Appalachian Trail. Then we left for the trail. We hiked up to the Sabbath Day Pond lean to. We met two hikers at the Sabbath Day Pond lean to. One of the guys had a trail named "The Poet". The next day one of the counselors had a moose right in front of her tent. Later that day we fed birds right out of our hands. Then we hiked to the tent site. The next morning we left and got to the van. We got back to Lawroweld.

Lakes & Ponds

By Bradley Sica, Grade 6

I studied lakes and ponds in Camp Lawroweld. We got to catch crayfish and frogs. We also made an aquarium. We found the temperature of the water by putting the thermometer in the aquarium. We also waded in the water and caught livings things. The instructor was Mrs. Wall. She is very nice. Her assistant was Judy (I don't know her last name.).

I love to learn about lakes and ponds. We had to close our eyes and write down what we heard, when we opened our eyes we had to write what we saw.

Outdoor School

By Billy Snow, Grade 6

On Tuesday to Friday, September 11-14, grades 3-9 went up to Camp Lawroweld for Outdoor School. As soon as we got there we found where we were staying (Tumbledown), and unloaded our things. Then, there was time for a football game. We got to bed early that night! The next day was quite hard. After breakfast, everyone in grades 1-6 split up into groups. I was in the swamps/wetlands group. Everyone had a journal to use, and I wrote in it often. We had lunch next and then we had recreation. I was in the hiking group. The first day, we hiked Tumbledown by way of the Brook Trail. The next day, we hiked up Canter Hill, elevation 1640. Not bad compared to Tumbledown's 3000+ summit. After hiking period, there were other fun activities, like a maze, a rope activity, and an obstacle course. The next day, Friday, the groups had a show and tell, telling what they did and found. Then we packed up and left. I had a wonderful time.

Playground update

By Hannah Vail, Grade 6

In the past one to two years, Forestdale school has purchased new playground equipment. The most recent addition is the slide added onto the fort. We thank Mr. McLeon for his volunteer effort to put the slide in. The fort itself is new, along with pullup bars, monkey bars, parrallel bars, and tether balls. Last years graduating 8th grade class cemented the basketball court as a gift to the school. The school now has new playground equipment for students and staff to enjoy.



Changes

By Lyndon Mason, Grade 6

There have been many changes at Forestdale School this year. One change is that we have a new kindergarten program. There are three students in kindergarten. All the teachers teach different grades this year. Mrs. Wiggin teaches kindergarten through second grade. She has eleven kids in her class. Mr. Stahl teaches grades three through five. He has 7 kids in his clas. Finally Mr. Snow teaches grades six through nine. He has 9 kids in his class.

In My Humble Opinion

Thoughts Expressed By Lamplighter Editor, Christie Hodson

Believe it or not I had two editorials written for October's newsletter. I kept going back and forth in my mind as to which to use this month. That was until yesterday, when like many of you, I was paralyzed by the events that unfolded before all of us through various media forums. All too often such atrocities take place overseas, unbeknownst to us. Yesterday things hit home in a big way. As my children watched with me the horror of what was unfolding, I scrambled for words to explain. I explained that "someone with hate in their hearts wanted to hurt others". That seemed to be ok until my son said that he wanted Jesus to help those people and "make them new again". What a wonderful opportunity it was to talk of God's return to our chaotic earth to rescue us from Satan's playground. To escape this world of hate to a heaven where only love would abound. It seems unrealistic at times for adults to have such idealistic thoughts but for children, whose innocence protects them from all the details that muddle or manipulate our thinking, the thought of Heaven is a realistic and understandably wonderful thought. How I know it must grieve many of us to see our children experience tragic events, but we must "grow up" and be a pillar of strength for their vulnerable minds. As Christians we should feel at peace with all these events unfolding. Who should feel any freer than an American Christian. We've had such a tremendous life here in America as Christians. We mustn't fold. We must stand strong, we need to believe that God's in charge and that He has overcome the world. Why should we fear? Jesus even told His followers before returning to heaven, "In this world you will have trouble. But be brave! I have defeated the world." (John 16:33). What a pep talk! As I write this, I too feel a human fear as the rest of you may but I keep reminding myself that such fear will only impede my quest for a strong faith and a true peace. It has all but been established by our government that a man named Osama Bin Laden is responsible for an entire network of terrorist cells, that in the name of their "Allah" find it necessary to destroy the "evil ones" (Americans). It's a community of people that have perverted the Muslim religion maybe to fit their own personal vendettas. One knows not why such a hatred poisons their mind. It has united many in a struggle for liberty that we have so long been blessed with. What a joyous day on earth it would be to once again experience the freedom we experienced prior to this event. We have to wonder whether we will lose that freedom without a fight or be sickened by the reality of what may be the price we have to pay. Christ had such a decision to make on earth. His own people accused Him, yelled at Him, spat upon Him. Jesus was an innocent man. Christ had the power to save Himself but He knew what His mission was, "To redeem the world." Our mission as Christians is to realize what our Saviour has bought with His love, and share that love and assurance to all those around us. Yes, and to even forgive the unforgivable. That train of thought may not fit into our earthly ideals for our present situations, but it's an ideal worth looking at if we carry the title "Christian". This earth is but a stop on our way to our eternal home. May we this day look to the skies and shout, "Come, Lord Jesus come, I'm ready to go home." The following song by Chris Rice speaks to the questions we may have now. May we leave the world in bigger hands. May we leave it in Yours, O Lord. May we continue to angst for Your coming and prepare our hearts to be ready for that day whenever it may be.

Naive

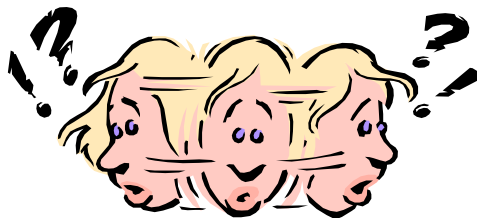
By Christian Artist Chris Rice

How long until You defend Your name and set the record right?
How far will You allow the human race to run and hide? Yeah.
And how much can You tolerate our weaknesses
Before You step into our sky blue and say "that's quite enough"

Am I naive to want a remedy for every bitter heart?
Can I believe You hold an exclamation point for every
question mark? Yeah.
And can I leave the timing of this universe to bigger hands?
And may I be so bold to ask You to please hurry?

I hear that a God who's good would never let the evil run so long
But I say it's because You're good You're giving us more time
'Cause I believe that You love to show us mercy
But when will You step into our sky blue and say
"that's quite enough, and your time is up" Yeah.

Am I naive?
Can I believe?
And can I leave in bigger hands?
And may I be so bold to ask You, to ask You, to ask You
How long?



October 2001

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 B - Bill Wisnosky	2 B - Rhonda Yap	3	4 B - Michelle Hume	5	6
7	8 * - School Board Mtg - 6pm @ Ledgeview * - Church Board Mtg - 7pm @ Ledgeview	9	10	11 B - Krystal Hadley B - Lyle Wiggins B - Ben Yap	12 B - Christina Bean B - Michael DePaula B - Marie Wilday	13 A - Ernie & Rhonda Yap
14	15 B - Bryce Mason	16 B - Brandon Yap	17 B - Daniel Hume	18 B - Thelma Murphy	19	20 B - Cris Douval B - Christopher Dow * - Church Potluck - Thurlow Hall
21 B - Donald Mason Jr.	22 A - Robert & Margery Gleason	23 B - Cody Ballweber B - Barby Mason B - Waywood Taylor	24 B - Roger Wilday * - Women's Ministry @ Goldie Mason's home @ 6pm	25 B - Jeanne Grover B - Rachel Wheeler	26 B - Darren Brown	27 B - Virginia Mason
28	29 B - Jerrold Mason	30	31 B - Micheal Turmenne			

A = Anniversary

B = Birthday

* = Event

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Guard Against Stereotyping, Urges Adventist Leader

Adventist News Network (www.adventist.org/news/data/2001/08/1000389379/)

In the aftermath of this week's terrorist tragedy, it is vital to guard against stereotyping of people based on religion or ethnicity, says John Graz, public affairs and religious liberty director for the Seventh-day Adventist Church worldwide.

"There is a very natural reaction of wanting to assign blame," acknowledges Graz. "But in this time of international distress, we must be sure that the innocent do not pay for the acts of the guilty."

"There are good people everywhere, but there are also fanatics everywhere, in all religions," says Graz. "This terrible suffering has been caused by fanatics who are blind to the value of human life."

"These people are a minority," he adds. "Most people, no matter what their religion or beliefs, want to live with their families in a world of peace."

In the days following Tuesday's attack, many Muslim and Arab groups across the United States and around the world have condemned the acts of terrorism. But in the United States, Muslim organizations have reported a marked rise in harassment of Muslim-Americans, especially of women who wear the traditional religious head covering, called a hijab.

Graz, who has been interviewed on a number of European radio stations over the past few days, says, "We must find more ways to build bridges

between all people of goodwill, in every religion, and present a united front against evil of this kind."

The Adventist Church will continue working to promote tolerance and respect for all individuals, regardless of their race or religion, says Graz.

"Hate, not religion, was at the root of these barbaric attacks," he says, "and we must resist the temptation to perpetuate this hate."

