After weeks of giving Bible studies, distributing handbills and praying, Kingsview Village Seventh-day Adventist Church went into full evangelistic mode with the *Words of Life Series: God’s Answers for an Anxious World* that took place from May 26 to June 16, 2007.

During the three-week series, Kingsview Village’s assistant pastor, Mathew Feeley opened up his heart to the congregation. Not only did he shed light on Christian doctrines, but gave the congregation a candid glimpse into just what God’s transforming power means to him on a personal level. When giving a sermon called “The Gospel According to Mathew,” Pastor Feeley told the audience how an old life of self-destructive behaviour, including substance abuse, was changed by the saving grace of Jesus Christ. After the sermon, he pleaded with others to follow his example and surrender fully to God.

For five nights each week, along with daytime Sabbath services, Pastor Feeley presented messages that revealed new truths to visitors, while giving current members a fresh perspective on well-known biblical doctrines. In addition to the sermons, there were interactive quizzes, special gifts and prizes, and beautiful songs performed by singing evangelist, and Pastor Feeley’s long-time friend, Pretha Radlein.

On the Sabbaths of June 9 and 16, the Lord led 21 souls to commit their lives to Jesus Christ through baptism. The Kingsview Village pastoral team is eagerly following up with others who would like to learn more about the Bible after attending this evangelistic series.
The significance of 2008

Kingsview Village Seventh-day Adventist Church has a lot to praise God for. In His divine mercy He has brought us to another year full of new expectations, new possibilities, new hopes—and yes—even Kingsview’s new newsletter, Our View.

Just like this newsletter, 2008 is an opportunity to start with a blank page and write the next chapter in Kingsview’s history. While we, as mere humans, cannot control time and change the past, we can definitely use past lessons to positively affect the months that lie ahead.

As the year progresses and we get that much closer to the coming of the Lord, my hope is that we will grab hold of this opportunity and make 2008 a year like no other in the history of this church. A time in which we can take an in depth look at what went well in ’07, what left something to be desired and what we, through the Holy Spirit, can do to further God’s work in ’08.

Just like our individual lives, as a church we shouldn’t strive to maintain the status quo, saying, “It brought us this far, let’s keep on doing the same thing”—as God’s children we must constantly strive for perfection through our perfect Saviour, Jesus Christ. Let us follow the words of Paul in Romans 12:2 and fight against the temptation to conform to this world and let God transform us through the renewing of our minds.

This type of transformation only happens through the tried, tested and proven method found in the Holy Bible—praying without ceasing, constantly studying the Word and letting the Holy Spirit work in us by resisting the trials of life and praising the Almighty for every blessing, regardless of size or circumstances.

If we lose our love for talking to our Father, not just individually, but as a church, we are passing up one of our greatest sources of strength. We must trade in our complacent attitude toward corporate prayer by taking an active role in our much neglected weekly prayer meetings, monthly prayer and praise gatherings (on the month’s first Sabbath), weeks of prayer, and other prayer activities—if the sinless Son of God depended so much on prayer, if the disciples who walked with Him put so much emphasis on meeting together for prayer, shouldn’t we do the same?

Also, this is a time to learn more about God by studying the Bible, Spirit of Prophecy literature and other books that are firmly rooted in the Bible. If we don’t know what we believe or what to expect we have no one to blame but ourselves for the Lord has given us all the necessary learning tools, not to mention more than enough time. Any self-imposed ignorance will almost certainly lead to our downfall in which we can take an in depth look at what went well in ’07, what left something to be desired and what we, through the Holy Spirit, can do to further God’s work in ’08.

Realizing the urgency of these times, we will fully understand the significance of 2008.

ROPE program helps teen boys lead lives free of violence

Black teenagers stand a better chance of overcoming social barriers thanks to the Rite of Passage Experience (ROPE) program. ROPE is the product of a joint partnership between Kingsview Village Seventh-day Adventist Church and the African Canadian Christian Network (ACCN) that helps youth lead productive lives, free of violence.

The ROPE program helps black males aged 13 to 18 who live in single parent homes within the Toronto area. It has been successful in assisting these young men in dealing with issues that could lead to violent and other self-destructive behaviour later on, while also strengthening their families.

Youth in the program learn the importance of caring for their overall wellness—body, mind and soul—and developing good self-esteem. They also acquire the problem-solving skills and learn strategies to successfully deal with issues such as gun violence, drug addiction, bullying, and other social issues facing some of today’s youth.

Activities include a combination of manhood training, recreation, mentoring, parenting workshops and supportive counselling services that deliver a holistic approach to addressing youth violence.

The ROPE program recruits and trains competent and respectable black male adults as mentors and matches them with youth in the program to form a mentor-mentee relationship. Mentors meet once a week with their mentee to guide them and provide leadership and help their mentee understand the importance of overall health and wellness.

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Youth Just Claim It at World Prayer Conference

Nikki Rampersad

What an opportunity!

I could still remember hearing about one of the biggest events to impact Seventh-day Adventist youth in years. From the beginning, it sounded like one of those major opportunities that I just couldn’t miss.

It was during the summer of 2006, shortly after the Ontario Conference Camp Meeting, when I heard about the North American Division’s first World Youth Prayer Conference called Just Claim It. It was an exciting opportunity that gave young people a chance to connect with other Adventist youth from around the world for one purpose—to draw closer to God through prayer.

What an awesome thought—youth from around the world gathering together in Dallas, Texas all for the love of prayer and a desire to have a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

And I wasn’t the only one to see the potential. Kingsview Village Church’s assistant pastor, Mathew Feeley, quickly took a leadership role among the youth by publicizing Just Claim It throughout the church and spearheading fundraising events to help out with event registration and travel expenses.

Over the next few months, Kingsview’s youth would show other church members just how serious they were about going on this spiritual journey. They organized an outing to a Toronto Raptors basketball game, as well as a Sabbath evening concert and refreshment sale to raise funds for the trip down south.

With months of preparation behind us, it was time to leave for Dallas on February 27, 2007. When we arrived in the city, we quickly found that it wasn’t as warm as we had hoped, though still better than the Canadian winter! After making it to the hotel, we got down to the business of unpacking and getting ready for the following morning—the first official day of Just Claim It 2007.

The first day

The first day of the conference was full of excitement as crowds gathered at the Dallas Convention Center eagerly chatting with their friends. It was obvious why this was the World Youth Prayer Conference with registration areas for the Southern Union, North Pacific/Pacific Union, Atlantic Union, (our very own) Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada and other Adventist divisions from around the world.

I received a “Just Claim It” bag filled with stationery and other items. Of special interest, was a small piece of orange paper with the name of another person at the conference that I was told to pray for—right away I was given a special prayer opportunity!

Daytime fun

From the second day onward, daytime at the Dallas Convention Center could be summed up in one word—workshops. Whether it was a workshop on a more powerful prayer life, organizational skills, the Christian music industry, relationships, creative ministries, youth evangelism or one of the many other interesting topics, there was no lack of variety.

In between workshops, I took the opportunity to visit the many booth exhibits that featured organizations like Amazing Facts and individuals such as poets and musicians. These booths had a lot to offer visitors, such as Christian literature, CDs and books.

However, nearby was probably the most interesting exhibit of all—the Messiah Mansion. This was a large-scale representation of the Old Testament sanctuary. Groups were given guided tours inside of the “sanctuary,” which included mini-lectures that shed light on the old Jewish system and its relevance for us Christians.

In addition to the Messiah Mansion, there were some other unique elements to this conference, such as the prayer tents pitched in various areas of the convention centre. It was refreshing, in the midst of so many people, to be able to step into one of those prayer tents and have a private conversation with my Heavenly Father.

Also, there was a prayer wall where people could write their special requests to God and prayer ‘rocks’ (made to look like the real thing) placed in different parts of the venue. People were invited to place pieces of paper with their prayer requests upon these “rocks.”

Out to lunch

Starting from the first day of the conference everyone had the opportunity to pre-purchase lunch for the upcoming Sabbath. This was to be a delicious Mexican-style meal served at a Spanish Seventh-day Adventist Church. Even more memorable than the meal was how we got there.

The first order of business was getting a bus to transport us to the church; however when we stepped out of the convention centre and into the chilly outdoors there was no bus waiting for us. Fortunately, Pastor Feeley managed to find the missing vehicle and called for us to come over. That’s when the rush to get on the bus began as all of us Kingsview Village Church representatives hurried towards the bus, not wanting to be left out in the cold (both figuratively and literally).

Leave it up to Kingsview to liven things up. Two of our members, Rohan Grant and Joseph London, decided to turn what probably would have been an average bus ride into a spontaneous song service. Their enthusiasm was contagious as others on the bus quickly joined in—soon the entire bus was praising God through music. Up to this day, I believe the Holy Spirit was leading that choir on the bus.

When we arrived at the church, everyone was energized as we waited in line for our lunch. At the end of our delicious meal, it was time to head back to the Dallas Convention Center.

Nighttime drama

From the first evening of the conference, we were introduced to what would become a daily evening event—General Session. This was a time for everyone at the conference to unite by gathering together in one of the convention centre’s massive halls and rejoice in the Lord.

These sessions combined youth preaching, song services, special musical performances and more.
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wellness consisting of care for the body, mind and soul.

A unique element of the ROPE program is the required participation of the mothers of the youth. Through parenting workshops, the mothers gain new skills and strategies for adequately addressing the special issues they face in raising these teen boys.

In addition, ROPE staff provide training and offer effective counselling support services to all participants in the program to achieve a successful outcome.

In phase one of the program, which ran from February to May 2007, staff observed remarkable changes in the attitudes of the youth.

While there are slow changes in some of the youth, overall, we have seen a noticeable difference in behaviour. Participants have improved their attendance and success at school, have increased self-esteem, and are more concerned about wellness issues. This progress makes the program more attractive to other youth who could benefit from the life-skills that are taught.

Phase two of the program was launched on October 8, 2007. There were 12 youth in the program which ran until December 15, 2007. Community acknowledgement and support for the program structure and content continues to grow and the progress of phase one makes the program more attractive to other youth who are struggling with the issues addressed in the program.

ROPE took place weekly on Sabbath evenings at the Kingsview Community School in Etobicoke.

For more information on the ROPE program, please call 416-633-3190 or 647-746-3983 or visit www.adventfamilyservices.org. You can also visit their office at 365–A Wilson Avenue, Unit 206, Toronto, or e-mail them at adventfamilyservices@yahoo.com.

Serving the community in Jamaica

Noreen Johnson

On Sunday, July 16, 2007, seven of us went to Jamaica on a mission trip. Although we had only two weeks, we were able to accomplish our mission. In our preparations, we collected enough donations to fill six barrels with clothing, shoes, beddings, hygiene products and medical supplies. We sent these things to Jamaica and made the trip there in faith.

The people who went on this mission trip were: Noreen and Kenwick Johnson, Kena Brown and Sharon London from Kingsview Village Seventh-day Adventist Church; Oneta George from Agape Seventh-day Adventist Church, as well as Lorna Baker and her mother from Bronte Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Clarendon was our base where we spent much of our time. A few days were also spent in St. Mary.

We picked up the barrels in Mandeville at the house of Lawrence and Ianthie Patrickson. It was quite a challenge getting the barrels to Clarendon where we were staying. At the same time we knew that we had quite a few challenges coming up in getting everything out to all the churches and people.

Once we settled in Clarendon, clothes were sorted. The plan was that the nurses would check blood pressure and do seminars on blood pressure, diabetes and certain types of cancer.

Most of our visits were planned well in advance with the local churches so that people would have prior notice of our coming. We also spent time visiting other people in need, including those who were in the hospital.

Our first main church visit was at Halse Hall Seventh-day Adventist Church where we set out to educate people on blood pressure, diabetes and certain types of cancer. Kena Brown spoke about cancer and encouraged people to have regular checkups. Oneta George taught about high blood pressure and stroke. Lorna Baker presented information on diabetes and how to take care of one’s body.

At the end of the presentations, free blood pressure and diabetes check-ups were given. The local people at the church provided us with a nice lunch of ackee and saltfish, roast breadfruit with rice and chicken, which we all thoroughly enjoyed.

Later on that day, we went to visit Anderson’s Place of Safety which is a home for children. It was started by a lady who wanted to help children who needed a place to stay. We supplied stuffed toys, clothing, hygiene products (toothbrushes and toothpaste), shoes, clothing and candies for the children there. We also promised to keep open communication with the co-ordinator for future interest.

From there we went to visit CLASP which is a shelter for mentally challenged men. We also donated clothing, hygiene products (toothbrushes and toothpaste) and shoes.

We left for St. Mary on July 20. On the Sunday, the nurses performed the same services for the people as they had in Clarendon.
elaborate stage dramas to create a spectacular event night after night.

For me, General Session wasn’t just another part of the prayer conference; it was an exciting, motivational experience. I especially enjoyed the dramas. Each one used a story set in biblical or modern times to demonstrate the unseen Great Controversy between good and evil, the forces of God against those of Satan. These skits used acting and music to give us a better idea of what goes on behind the veil separating us from the supernatural world, giving the audience a glimpse into the schemes of the devil and the ultimate victory of God in the lives of those who trust Him.

Claiming the blessing

Just Claim It 2007 was a blessed success. I am thankful to God for allowing me to go to such a wonderful conference where I got to praise God and focus on the power of prayer. These are memories that will last a lifetime.

Great year for Adventist Youth

Joseph London

The year 2007 was a special one for the Adventist Youth Society.

At the beginning of the year, a number of the youth attended the Just Claim It 2007 Youth Prayer Conference, the first ever of its kind. This trip had a huge impact on those who attended and the influence of the Holy Spirit was evident in their lives. Many of the youth began one-on-one Bible studies with our Assistant Pastor, Mathew Feeley. This was the first complete year with him at our church and he has helped tremendously with many areas of the Adventist Youth Society. Pastor Feeley also started a Friday night Bible Study open for all the youth of the church.

We also saw a number of the young people attend many other events outside the church walls such as the Young Women’s Ministries Retreat, The Steppin Up: Young Men & Young Women’s Conference, the Xperience Xtreme Makeover Youth Rally and the CYSA Track and Field Day. All the events were enjoyed and benefited the youth that attended them and I am confident that our youth are looking forward to attending similar events this year.

Last year we also held a Youth Week of Prayer, which featured many of our youth preaching the Word of God from the pulpit. The week ended with a Youth Sabbath which saw a number of our young people give their lives to God. Over 10 young people were baptized this year and have caused the church family to rejoice in their decision to follow Jesus.

We are looking forward to this new year and what God has in store for the youth of Kingsview Village. A change has definitely occurred within many of the youth and they are clearly thirsting for a deeper knowledge of Bible truth and a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. We pray that God will do great things in the lives of our youth at Kingsview Village in 2008.
Surprise donation on Community Clean-up Day

Nikki Rampersad

An atheist decides to make a donation to a Christian church. No one knocks at his door asking for a donation, no one begs him for money and no one lays a guilt trip on him by telling him about all the poor, impoverished people who need his help. The avowed atheist goes to the church out of his own free will—without any verbal or written appeal for money—and donates money to an organization preaching about the very God he doesn’t believe in.

You may be thinking this doesn’t make any sense. Can this story be for real? Well the answer is yes, because the church is Kingsview Village and the atheist is a Kingsview Boulevard resident who surprised everyone by voluntarily driving into the church parking lot to make a donation that was never asked for.

This blessing was part of the Community Services Clean-up Day on Sunday, June 3, 2007. Community Services members decided to follow the example of Jesus Christ by tending to the physical needs of others before introducing them to the Gospel. Kena Brown, Janet London and Nikki Rampersad picked up trash on Kingsview Boulevard, while Community Services director, Noreen Johnson, along with her husband Kenwick Johnson, Georgeena Sarlat and Don Goh worked on Dixon Road.

“If we are to reach the community for Christ, we have to show them that we care about their day-to-day needs first,” says one Community Services member. “This is how we back up our testimony with action.”

After working, the Kingsview Boulevard group made its way back to the church, not noticing that they were being followed all along. Shortly after returning to church, a man pulled up in the parking lot.

“I want you to know that the work you’re doing isn’t going unnoticed,” he said before proceeding to give us his 10 dollar donation.

The group invited the man to the Words of Life evangelistic series that was being conducted by Pastor Mathew Feeley, but he declined, since he was an atheist. Under the circumstances, this was a shocking admission—an atheist had just made a donation to a Christian church. However, as surprise gave way to reflection, everyone knew that this was the Holy Spirit at work.

Afterward, he revealed that he had grown up in another Christian denomination, but had lost faith in the Bible later on in life. Please pray that this man will be convicted to donate more than money to the Church, but will one day offer his entire life to Christ.
On Sunday, August 19, 2007, the Family Life department threw a back-to-school party that was both educational and entertaining for Kingsview Village’s youngest members.

These little guests began the festivities with a devotion led by Pastor Mathew Feeley before proceeding downstairs to the children’s rooms for age-appropriate classes focusing on the importance of good manners.

Classes had interactive discussions and activities that centered on treating each other with respect and learning proper table etiquette including the use of different utensils.

After classes, it was time to play! All the kids eagerly rushed outside to have fun with one another and enjoy the great weather.

The day was topped off with a delicious meal that ended with a special sweet treat—cake!
Kingsview Village hosts GTA Singles Conference

Nikki Rampersad

Dozens of eager churchgoers assembled at Kingsview Village Seventh-day Adventist Church for the GTA Singles Conference. From Sabbath School until Sabbath evening, singles got to enjoy inspiring presentations and meaningful fellowship with one another.

Sabbath School had what could be called a dramatic ending as the singles group from Mount Zion Seventh-day Adventist Church did a skit based on the parable of the 10 virgins as recorded in the Gospels. Their re-enactment of the story clearly demonstrated the importance of being filled with the Holy Spirit in order to meet Jesus at His Second Coming.

The featured speaker for the Divine Service was Andrea Hicks, co-ordinator for the North American Division Adventist Single Adult Ministry (NAD ASAM). The self-described S.T.S. (“second-time single”) talked about her experience as a divorcée and her struggle to re-adjust to life as an unmarried woman. But before getting too far into her presentation Andrea made sure she cleared up some misconceptions about the Adventist Single Adult Ministry.

“ASAM is not about hooking up or finding a mate,” Andrea pointed out. “It’s about being a whole person and once you’re whole you can find a mate if you choose to go in that direction.”

She also addressed the notion among many singles that marriage automatically equals happiness. “Some of us say we would be so happy if we were married. But if we’re not happy now, what makes us think we would be happy if we were married.”

Andrea revealed the connection between being a healthy-minded single and having healthy relationships. “Some of us are trying to help others, but are not healed ourselves. Then we take that bad and bring it to our relationships.”

In true Adventist fashion, the speaking wasn’t the only highlight of the service. There was also a musical feast by four guest singers. The special music was done by Eliver del Mundo; the offertory song was an a cappella by Verley Walker (from gospel quartet REECH) and his son; and the song of meditation was a duet between Eliver del Mundo and Madielyn Garcia.

After service, singles got to fellowship over lunch in the social hall before making their way to one of several workshops being offered.

At the end of the day, everyone—both single and married—had a lot to reflect upon. However, the day was probably best summed up by Andrea when she said, “Enjoy where you are. If you’re single, enjoy being single. If you’re married enjoy being married.”

New program helps girls blossom into women of God

Norma Husbands-Franks & Nikki Rampersad

Often you can hear numerous complaints about the lowered standards in the church—members wearing inappropriate clothes, being rude to others or not respecting God’s house. However, those in the Women’s Ministry department at Kingsview Village Seventh-day Adventist Church in Toronto are using a different approach—instead of criticizing—they’ve developed The Rosebuds program. This program uses the wisdom of Proverbs 22:6 and trains young girls to become women of God who will not depart from the high standards God expects of them.

Every other Sabbath afternoon, girls aged four to 12 go to Kingsview Village Church for the The Rosebuds program, which teaches them how to become well-mannered and respectful Christian young women. Through a fun mix of discussions, skits, games, story-telling, songs and other activities, the children learn how to have a closer relationship with God.

The girls are excited and eager to learn and sometimes they would like the meetings to be longer.

These young Christians have studied reverence and manners in God’s House and are thankful to God for the positive changes that are already taking place among the Rosebuds.

The Rosebuds motto is “We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us” (Philippians 4:13) and through this unique program these little girls will learn how to become strong women through Christ.
**Sabbath before Christmas**  
*Nikki Rampersad*

With Christmas just three days away, the Sabbath of December 22, 2007, was filled with activities that highlighted the birth of Christ and His ministry earth.

Divine Worship featured a play by the youth called *Simeon and Anna*, which focused on Simeon and Anna's eagerness to see the Messiah. Through drama, these young people reminded all of us that we should be just as excited for Jesus' second coming as Simeon and Anna were for His first appearance as a human child.

Later that day, the message of Christ was put into practice when Community Services went downtown to distribute gifts to the homeless. Around 4:30 p.m. a small group of members met at church to get ready for the trip downtown to give out the holiday packages. After loading up the blue Kingsview van with gifts, everyone headed downtown.

Members stood outside talking, singing and handing out packages for men and women that included clothing and hygiene items.

While those who received gifts were thankful, they weren’t the only ones—those who did the giving were also grateful for the opportunity to spread some holiday cheer and most importantly follow Christ’s example of bringing comfort to others in need. That night was a clear reminder that we must not only celebrate the birth of Jesus, but follow the example He set long after leaving the manger.

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**Festival of Choirs**  
*Nikki Rampersad*

On the Sabbath evening of November 24, 2007, the Kingsview Village Church was full of rejoicing as the Festival of Choirs got underway. The event featured musical talent from Kingsview and other local Seventh-day Adventist Churches.

Danaé Peart was the MC for the event, which featured Kingsview's adult and children's choirs and Focused Praise. The Toronto West Church’s adult and children's choirs also joined us for the musical celebration.

The highlight of the night was a grand finale that saw the adult choirs from Kingsview and Toronto West, along with Focused Praise join forces to form a large combined choir that concluded the night.

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**Banquet celebrates mothers and daughters**  
*Claudia Cameron*

On May 21, 2007, the Women’s Ministry Department of the Kingsview Village Church hosted the Mother/Daughter Banquet. Ladies who did not have a mother or a daughter were encouraged to adopt one for the day.

The social hall of the church was tastefully decorated in the colours of lavender, pink and white. The tables were beautifully adorned with white linen tablecloths and vases of fresh flowers. The atmosphere was festive as the mothers and daughters arrived and took their seats.

After a brief overview of the evening’s activities followed by saying grace to God, a delicious meal was served. Then it was time for the evening’s program. There were special features such as letters of appreciation for mothers whose daughters were away, a quiz about famous mothers, awards to some of our special mothers and beautiful melodious music by some of the sweet singers of our church.

The highlight of the evening was a fashion show. All age groups from seniors to children were represented. As the participants paraded on stage in their Cruise, Casual, Picnic, Business, Church and Formal attires, it was obvious that we can be fashionable while maintaining the principles of our beliefs.

Everyone had a fun time and comments were heard like “Hope this will be a yearly event,” “Who knew that vegetarian food could taste so good?” “This is the best time I have had for a long time.”
Community Services serves dinner at Youth Shelter

Pastor Mathew Feeley

For many, the Christmas season brings thoughts of joyous times spent with family and friends. It’s an occasion when most of us celebrate God’s love towards mankind and our love for one another. Unfortunately, such sentiments are not shared by everyone. For some people, Christmas is nothing more than a sad reminder of the heartache and pain life has dealt them.

Youth Without Shelter (YWS) is a place where one could easily find people who experience such feelings during the Christmas season. It’s an emergency residence and referral agency in the Rexdale area that serves homeless youth aged 16 to 24. The visitors and residents of Youth Without Shelter are young people in need of not only shelter, but also food, clothing, encouragement, and education. They are people who have been hurt and sometimes hardened by the difficult circumstances of their young lives. They are among the countless number of people whose Christmas needs a special touch of care and kindness.

On December 23, 2007, a group of Kingsview Village Church members led by Noreen Johnson took a trip to this shelter to demonstrate the love of God and the message of Christmas. The trip began in the kitchen of Kingsview Village where Christmas Dinner was prepared and packaged. From there we traveled to the shelter and organized a dinner for 50 youth.

After meeting the staff, placing the food in smaller containers, setting the tables, and of course saying a prayer, we began serving youth from the kitchen. They were divided into two groups—one side of the kitchen were the residents who lived at the shelter and on the other side were the drop-ins who frequented the shelter but resided elsewhere. Some of the youth immediately responded with excitement at the sight of a specially cooked Christmas dinner. Others accepted the dinner in a much more cautious and quiet manner as if they were suspicious of any act of love. Once the youth were finished eating we distributed gifts specific to gender (shampoo, socks, lotion and other personal care items). We smiled with the youth who were caught off guard by kindness and we laughed with those who cleverly inquired about getting IPODS and Sony Play Stations.

All in all it was an enriching experience from beginning to end. We were reminded that this world is full of broken people and that we as God’s children are extremely blessed. And most of all we were given the opportunity not only to provide these youth with some tasty food but also to help them “taste and see that the Lord is good” (Psalm 34:8).

Editor’s Choice Book

Crisis of the End Time by Marvin Moore

The Crisis of the End Time: Keeping Your Relationship With Jesus in Earth’s Darkest Hour is a fantastic book for all Seventh-day Adventists that will give enlightening insights into many key prophetic events. There are 22 chapters that explore topics such as: The Close of Probation, The Season of Calamity, Sunday Laws, The Mark of the Beast, The Seal of God and the 144,000, The Latter Rain, The Shaking, The Time of Trouble, The Battle of Armageddon, and The Second Coming of Christ.

Marvin Moore, an Adventist who served 15 years as a pastor and authored more than 20 books, writes with a style that makes you look forward to reading each chapter. He doesn’t just tell readers what to expect, but shows how these future events directly affect our lives in the present. Moore reveals that certain prophecies many Adventists see as one-time future events are really the final result of a process that is taking place right now.

This book has been used for the Sabbath evening Bible study and it is a rich source of information for your personal devotions with God. The Crisis of the End Time will give you a better understanding of what to expect in these last days, so you won’t be caught off guard when the things foretold by Jesus come to pass.
In the Kitchen

Black-Eye Pea Roast

Sharon London

Ingredients

- 1 cup black-eye peas cooked with enough water
- 1 cup bean water
- 2 cups quick oats
- 1/2 cup ground walnuts
- 1 finely chopped onion
- 1/2 cup ground flaxseed
- 1/2 cup finely chopped celery
- 2 tablespoons vegetable soup mix
- 1/4 teaspoon thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon sage
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped garlic
- salt to your taste

Preparation

Blend the 1 cup of cooked black-eye peas in a blender with bean water.

Afterward, add the other ingredients: quick oats, ground walnuts, finely chopped onion, ground flaxseed, finely chopped celery, vegetable soup mix, thyme, sage, finely chopped garlic and salt.

Mix well and pour in greased loaf pan and bake at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for 45 minutes with lid on. Remove cover for the last 15 minutes of baking.

Serve with your special sauce.

If you have a favourite vegetarian recipe that you would like to see in the next issue of Our View, please send it to kingsview_communications@yahoo.ca.