



# SIMROOTS



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FROM THE PAST, THROUGH THE PRESENT, FOR THE FUTURE

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## & ROUND ROBIN

### *From the Editor . . .*

#### *Dear Friends,*

It has been very exciting for me to be a part of what is happening through *Simroots*. For every person who has found encouragement or help through these pages, I thank God. And there have been many!

This issue of *Simroots* comes to you later than I had hoped, and there are a couple of reasons for this. One, my personal life has been put into high gear, and it has forced the delay in working on *Simroots*. Two, the survey and its subsequent busy work have added to the time demand. However, here it is!

This *Simroots* issue is being sent to all of the *Round Robin* mailing list in order to inform everyone of the survey results. The survey brought forward four people who were interested in getting *Round Robin* going again. Consequently, the Hillcrest Alumni Association governing body has withdrawn its request for *Round Robin* to join *Simroots*. The donations made by non-SIM Hillcresters through the surveys will be forwarded to *Round Robin* after its expenses have been deducted

for the last two issues of *Simroots*. Unless Hillcresters otherwise notify us, it will be assumed that your donation was meant for *Round Robin* rather than *Simroots*. If not, you will need to notify us again.

It was encouraging to realize that *Simroots* is very important to many of us as a place to feel at home. There were many deep feelings expressed about this. For others it's just a place to catch up on news, and that's o.k., too. We hope you all are able to enjoy it!

The dialogue in *Simroots* continues to be a source of interest, so keep it coming! There are other things of interest in this issue, as well, so let's get to it. Kick off your shoes, pull up a chair, and enjoy!

*Cherry (Long) Sabathine* - Editor

#### INTRODUCING SIMROOTS' NEW EDITOR

Over the past ten years in which I have been the Editor of *Simroots*, I have been in touch with someone about her taking over for me in the event that I became incapacitated for any reason. She has

consistently expressed positive interest.

A couple of months ago, I began discussing with her again the possibility of my passing *Simroots* over to her as my life has become increasingly busy. It seems that the timing is now right for both of us, so as of the Fall 1995 issue of *Simroots*, Karen (Seeger) Keegan will be the new Editor of *Simroots*.

Karen comes to this position very well qualified. She is gifted in grammar skills and has had jobs in the field of editing. She is excited about this new opportunity, and I feel confident that *Simroots* will be in very good hands.

It is definitely with mixed emotions that I make this decision. I will miss my involvement in *Simroots*. These ten years have brought *Simroots* through its infancy and toddler stages, and it has been my joy and privilege to have been a part of that. My heart and soul have been poured into it, not to mention my time. It has been a bright spot in my life; MKs are pretty special! I have been on the front lines of discovery and awakening with regard to MK issues and MK thought and problems.

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I have thoroughly enjoyed reading letters firsthand and receiving the dialogue material. Above all, I am so glad to have played a part in your lives. *Simroots* has made a positive difference for many of you! What better way to have spent my time and effort than helping people see God and find solutions to problems and confusion! And what fun just keeping up with your news! Though I will not be producing *Simroots*, I hope to continue to participate in MK activities such as reunions, etc.

It hasn't been done alone. Over the years, John Price has put in many hours for *Simroots* updating addresses and producing labels. Laura-Ruby Stade has been my "right hand man." What would I have done without her! She is overflowing with talent and ability, with business knowledge, and good, godly counsel. She understands publishing, layout, and computers and has produced an increasingly beautiful paper. Grace Anne Seger has been my "big sis" with good advice, encouragement to move in a direction when I wasn't sure, with extremely efficient help with typing, and complete willingness to help out in any area of need. Laura Hershelman and the faithful group in North Carolina, particularly Oswald and Irene Zobrist, have gathered together to label and mail each issue. Thank you all for your support and friendship through these years! These people will continue in these capacities with Karen. And all of you who have written letters of appreciation and encouragement, I can't say enough. Many of you have given me and my family prayer support. You have faithfully submitted your news, your thoughts (even at risk), future article possibilities, and your suggestions--all very positive. I will miss you. But I hope you will make it to the next reunion in the Chicago area in 1997; I plan to be there!

## SIMROOTS & ROUND ROBIN PROPOSAL

### PROJECT SUMMARY

1. During the reunion of July 1994, a request was made by the Hillcrest Alumni Association for *Simroots* to expand its membership to include the *Round Robin* which had "died" for lack of someone to publish it and for lack of funds to support it. Those attending the reunion were in favor of it, and a committee was formed for the purpose of assisting in the merger; for example, dealing with the technicalities involved with SIM, talking with the Editor of *Simroots*, who was not in attendance, etc.
2. In conjunction with the Hillcrest Alumni President, the Editor felt that a decision of that magnitude could not be made legitimately by the few attending the reunion. *Simroots* belongs to the SIM MKs. As Editor, approved by vote in the 1985 business meeting, I believe it is important to protect their interests and maintain their desires for what *Simroots* should be. To merge the two papers, there would have to be a restructuring of the goals and objectives which had formed *Simroots*. The many letters sent to *Simroots* indicate clearly that its membership likes what it has become and what it provides for them. However, that does not mean there can't be change; therefore, a decision was made to conduct a survey.
3. The survey was created based on consultation with several people in business and with the approval of someone

in authority from both *Round Robin* and *Simroots* in a determined attempt to make it as objective as possible and to cover as many issues as possible at one time.

4. It was designed to determine 1) what the membership desired, 2) what the Hillcrest Alumni Association desired, 3) whether or not they would support *Simroots* in the event of a merger since the evidence showed there was not much support for *Round Robin*, 4) whether or not there should be a name change in the event of a merger, and 5) whether or not there would be someone interested in reviving *Round Robin*.
5. The survey was conducted and revealed four people interested in reviving the *Round Robin*. The governing body of the Hillcrest Alumni Association made a unanimous decision to withdraw its request for inclusion into *Simroots*. They feel that the *Round Robin* should be given another opportunity to succeed, thereby terminating the discussion at this time.
6. All donations sent with the survey by non-SIM Hillcresters will be forwarded to *Round Robin* as soon as possible. There will of course be a deduction of *Round Robin* costs incurred by the last two issues of *Simroots* which were sent to the *Round Robin* mailing list. Unless *Simroots* is otherwise notified, it will be assumed that those donations were intended for *Round Robin*.

### NOTE:

The reunion committee made *Simroots* aware of some recommendations and suggestions which they felt would improve the publication. All of these have been dealt with. They are either 1) already incorporated into *Simroots*, 2) have been added since that time and can be seen in *Simroots*, 3) in process (such as the survey), or 4) do not fit into *Simroots*' goals and objectives.

In light of this change, I ask you to welcome Karen as *Simroots*' new Editor. She will be assuming all the responsibilities that I have had as Editor, including "acting President." Please direct all further correspondence regarding *Simroots* to Karen rather than me. Karen's address and phone number are:

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May God bless you all and *Simroots*.

Cherry (Long) Sabatfine - Editor



## SIMROOTS & ROUND ROBIN PROPOSAL

### SURVEY RESULTS

- \_42\_ I AM FROM *ROUND ROBIN*. I AM WILLING TO INCLUDE *ROUND ROBIN* IN *SIMROOTS* AND HERE IS MY DONATION \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- \_36\_ I AM FROM *SIMROOTS*. I AM WILLING TO INCLUDE *ROUND ROBIN* IN *SIMROOTS*.
- \_48\_ I FAVOR INCLUDING *ROUND ROBIN* IN *SIMROOTS* ON THE CONDITION THAT IT WOULD BE ONLY THE *ROUND ROBIN* MK'S, WITH THE INCLUSION OF NON-MK'S ONLY BY SPECIAL WRITTEN REQUEST ACCOMPANIED BY DONATION.
- \_34\_ I PREFER NOT TO INCLUDE *ROUND ROBIN* IN *SIMROOTS*.
- \_4\_ I PREFER NOT TO INCLUDE *ROUND ROBIN* IN *SIMROOTS* AND I VOLUNTEER TO COMMIT MYSELF TO GETTING *ROUND ROBIN* GOING AGAIN. (NAME&PHONE)\_\_\_\_\_
- \_26\_ IF *ROUND ROBIN* IS INCLUDED IN *SIMROOTS*, I THINK *SIMROOTS* SHOULD CHANGE ITS NAME.
- \_48\_ EVEN IF *ROUND ROBIN* IS INCLUDED IN *SIMROOTS*, *SIMROOTS* SHOULD NOT CHANGE ITS NAME.

### REUNION COMING!

CHICAGO AREA  
WEEKEND OF JULY 4, 1997  
**SIM / HILLCREST  
REUNION**  
PLAN NOW TO ATTEND.

### FROM THE HILLCREST ALUMNI PRESIDENT

June 27, 1995

Dear Hillcrest Alumni,

The best part of the survey was that it motivated people to step to the front and take charge of the *Round Robin* again, making the merger of *Round Robin* and *Simroots* a moot point. The best way for us to get behind them and support them is to send in our donations and updated addresses. Without finances, the *Round Robin* will go defunct. How about sending that check right now lest you forget! The Hillcrest donations that were sent to *Simroots* with the surveys are being forwarded to *Round Robin* along with the record of who made the donation. Let's let the Robin fly!

Sincerely,

*Lance V. Long*  
Alumni President

June 27, 1995

Dear Cherry,

I am sending this to you since you are the Editor of *Simroots*. Since the survey relative to the merger of *Simroots* and *Round Robin* was taken, several Hillcrest alumni have stepped forward to get the *Round Robin* going again. The Hillcrest Alumni Association officers have discussed this and feel that the merger should be put on the back burner. We believe that if the *Round Robin* can fly, it should be given the chance to do so. We also believe that the majority of the Hillcrest alumni would feel the way we do, especially those who do not have SIM ties. If it does not work, we can always reconsider the merger, but for now it appears that the *Round Robin* has new life.

Therefore, take this as official notification that the *Round Robin* will continue on its own.

Sincerely,

*Lance V. Long*  
Hillcrest Alumni  
Association President



## SIMROOTS & ROUND ROBIN PROPOSAL

### SURVEY QUESTION & COMMENTS

As you know by now, the survey motivated the revival of *Round Robin* making the question of merging inconsequential at this time. However, there were a few questions and comments that came out of the survey, and I thought you might be interested in reading some of them. You may also be wondering about them.

1. Why do only *Round Robin* people have to pay for *Simroots*?

First, of all, anyone receiving *Simroots* should be donating towards it, not just the Hillcresters. *Simroots* is already being supported by SIM MKs; what we needed from the survey was concrete evidence that new people receiving it would also support it--the evidence showed us through *Round Robin* that people were not willing to support a newsletter. This was not a Hillcrest vs. SIM issue. It was an economic issue, which unfortunately sits at the heart of *Simroots*' own existence. It had to be a consideration.

2. The question distinguishing between MKs and non-MKs only creates division. There really is no difference between us in terms of our experiences at Hillcrest.

The question asking about accepting only MKs into *Simroots* was designed to give *Simroots* people the opportunity to protect their "safe place for dialogue"--one of *Simroots*' first and most important goals. There is a distinct possibility that the freedom to dialogue outside of an MK context (which *Simroots* is) could be strained. It was not intended to create divi-

sion. Remember, *Round Robin* is asking to become part of something that has already been established and successful. Our intention was to find out how the *Simroots* readers felt about this. Our effort is not to divide, but rather, to include as many as possible in *Simroots* while, at the same time, not denying its own objectives and existence.

3. Are you saying that non-MKs who attended Hillcrest are not invited to the reunions?

My goodness, no! The reunions are open to anyone who attended whichever school is having the reunion! Please come to them; they are designed for the purpose of getting together again with old friends from "over there"! A lot of work goes into those reunions to make them a lot of fun, so please come. This issue of *Simroots* includes information on a Bingham Academy reunion in 1996 and an **all-SIM** and Hillcrest combined reunion in 1997. We'll keep you posted. The more, the merrier! (And by the way, **this includes all SIM schools**, not just West Africa!)

4. There were several pleas for news from other areas of SIM than Nigeria. Some among us feel strongly that there is already an overbalance of expression from the West Africa segment.

I couldn't agree more! Not that we want to stifle the West Africa expression; I think it's wonderful. Where are you from South America, Asia, and other SIM MK schools? This is your paper, too. Let me reassure everyone that I don't eliminate letters from other places. But I can't include them if I don't have them! It's up to you. If you receive *Simroots* and attended one of the other schools, how about writing to your classmates and getting them interested, and send-

ing your news to *Simroots*? It's a place already set up for you; why not take advantage of the opportunity to hear from each other? Thanks to the work of Mary Janish, the East Africa segment gets a number of letters into *Simroots*. This paper is for all SIM MKs regardless of where you were located.

5. What about the SIM MKs who are being home schooled? Are they falling through the cracks?

Any SIM MKs who have been home schooled are also automatically included in *Simroots* if they are post high school SIM MKs. Let's not let them slip through the cracks! Please send John Price any of their addresses if they are not receiving *Simroots*.

6. There were many emotional responses on both sides of the issue, all of which were valid. The strongest emotions were those that expressed that *Simroots* was "home," so please don't change it!
7. Perhaps a central E-mail address for the computer types? Stamp collecting or coin collecting or hobbies address? MK dating service? Job referrals? Would any of the above build bridges or interest? (These would have to be managed by another volunteer!)

So, there you have it! A lot of concerns, a lot of questions, and a lot of imagination!

### GOALS

"If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to lead a life which he has imagined, he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours."

- Henry David Thoreau



**SIMROOTS & ROUND ROBIN PROPOSAL****FROM THE NEW ROUND ROBIN EDITOR**

**Dear Friends,**

My name is Steve Hart. I have been given the honor of being selected as the new Editor of the *Round Robin*. As you are aware, the voting is in and it has been determined that *Round Robin* will start up again. Since there is no point in discussing the pros and cons of combining the two publications, let's get down to business!

In order for the *Round Robin* to be the best publication possible, I believe very strongly that ALL Hillcrest alumni should be afforded the opportunity to receive our publication on a regular basis; at least three to four times per year. Your input, of course, will determine the frequency, quality and distribution of our publication.

The *Round Robin* was distributed in the past to the approximately 200 alumni that paid a \$5.00 subscription fee. Some contributed more and some the exact amount required, but there are over 800 more Hillcrest Alumni on file in the data base who did not subscribe, for whatever reason, that I would like to see receive our publication. To bring matters into perspective, it is interesting to note that there are even more, perhaps another thousand or so alumni that have been lost due to lack of a proper address or who provided no address at all.

Publication of the *Round Robin* takes money (a tired phrase, I know) but necessary to mention, nonetheless. I have thought long and hard about this and came up with a few suggestions. **With the new start, I would like to incorporate a donation system rather than a dues subscription** in the hope of attracting more support by reaching a broader audience. The *Round Robin* donations that were sent to *Simroots* with the survey will be forwarded to *Round Robin* along with the record of whose donation it was after the accounts between *Round Robin* and *Simroots* are settled. Of all the people who have attended Hillcrest, we have an enormous pool of talented people who could support the *Round Robin* in many ways other than just money. The following are just a few examples:

**FUND RAISING**

Surely someone out there is talented in the art of soliciting monetary contributions from interested organizations.

**COMPUTER STUFF**

It takes modern computers, printers, scanners, fax machines, printing equipment to produce a quality publication. Got any lying around? Know anyone who does?

**ARTICLE CONTRIBUTION**

Do you have any interesting stories to tell? Items of interest? Personal news? Announcements? Send them in; we need all we can get.

**OTHER TALENT**

Are you a publisher, editor, layout artist, artist, writer, psychologist, doctor, lawyer, whatever? The more we know about those willing to contribute their talents or advice, the better.

**CONTACT PERSONS**

Are you one of those people who knows and keeps in touch with other alumni? Would you be willing to let them know how much we are interested in them? Let us know.

I could ramble on but would rather you let me know what it is you could contribute or suggest in order to produce and distribute a quality publication. Call or write and let me know your thoughts and suggestions.

The *Round Robin* is and has always been a forum for all Hillcrest alumni. Because we all come from various backgrounds, have different experiences, and have changed our outlook on things after graduation, it is important that freedom of expression and respect for all viewpoints be considered. I say this because I don't want anyone to feel excluded just because they think they don't "fit in." The only requirement to "fit in" is that you be a Hillcrest alumnus. That's it! It's that simple. No complex rules and regulations, just a forum for whatever is on your mind. Anyone wanting to receive the *Round Robin* may do so as long as you support the publication. All are welcome!

The *Round Robin* will continue to provide such things as updates, class representative lists, important dates, coming events, and many more things of interest to all. As the publication matures, so will the content with your help. Its direction and continuing development will be dictated by your input. I invite your suggestions and comments.

Place pen to paper and join us as we continue and grow. Send all money and correspondence to:

**Round Robin**  
**% Steve Hart**  
**Rt. 3, Box 1576-E**  
**Lake Butler, Fl. 32054**

Or call: (904) 496-3932

Thanks for your interest and support!

*Steve Hart* - Round Robin Editor



## JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION CONGRATULATIONS!



..... on the birth of Teagan Janae, born July 7, 1994 to Lyndon and Doretha (Hide) Plett.

..... on the birth of Sophie Hannah, born August 10, 1994 to Beth and Allen Balisky.

..... on the birth of Kalisa ReNae, born October 11, 1994 to Kathy and Gary Veer.

..... on the adoption of Joelle Elizabeth on December 23, 1994 by Bob and Judy (Thompson) Koci. Jenny and Josh welcome their little sister.

..... on the birth of a baby boy, Kevin Jody, on December 28, 1994 to Clifford Johnathan and Patti Stade. Kevin has two older brothers, Timothy and Andrew.

..... on the birth of a baby girl, Alanna Ruth, on February 7, 1995 to Michael & Darilyn (O'Donovan) Battermann.

..... on the birth of Joshua Joel, born on March 17, 1995 to Melodi and David Edward Stade. He has an older brother named Caleb. Joshua is the eighth grandson born to the Wilf and Ethel Stade family.

..... on the birth of Laura Grace to Dan and Anita Buck on April 6, 1995.

### ... on your marriage ...

..... on the wedding of Beverly (Radach) to Mitch. They were married August 28, 1994 in a beautiful garden wedding conducted by her cousin.

## BINGHAM ACADEMY REUNION COMING UP!

After consulting with Judy Neil (the school's current principal), the Bingham Academy 50th Anniversary Reunion has been scheduled for November 6-12, 1996. This time has tentatively been arranged to provide time at Bishoftu on November 7-8 for pre-1970 classes and November 11-12 for post-1970 classes. All participants will need to secure lodging in Addis for a November 9-10 reunion on the Bingham campus.

Reunion attendees will be responsible for scheduling their own travel arrangements. For your information, the December 1994 issue of Ethiopian Review advertised round trip fares to Addis Ababa as costing approximately \$1350-\$1450 U.S., depending on whether one flies from the East or West Coast of the U.S.

Hotel accommodations may be obtained in Addis for the following rates in U.S. dollars (based on mid-1992 figures supplied by Harold Jongeward):

Hilton Hotel: \$240 double  
Ghion Hotel: \$48 single  
\$61 double  
\$88 suite

Ethiopia Hotel: \$49 single  
\$61 double  
\$85 suite  
Wabi Shebli: \$56 single  
\$67 double  
\$92 suite

Group discounts: may be possible, depending on group size.

A reunion committee of current Bingham staff will be assisting with a variety of planning details, including the scheduling of hotel and bus arrangements during the November dates. Reunion participants wishing to travel down-country must necessarily make individual arrangements to do so.

Anyone wishing to assist with planning the event or desiring to be added to or removed from the reunion mailing list should contact:

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## OPEN DIALOGUE . . .

### PLEASE NOTE

Because of the number of requests we've received, we will begin to include the addresses of those who submit articles for Open Dialogues unless otherwise requested. Up to now, we have not done so for security reasons. However, the consensus seems to be that there isn't a security risk involved. **But, please, if you submit something for Open Dialogue and do not wish to have your address included, let us know!**

### EMERGING BY GRACE

Don Price - K.A., H.C.

It has taken this little missionary boy a long time to process through his past. As I sit here trying to decide what to write, I have a strong desire to make it personal. Yes, I love to read what has become of all of us. Yet the bare facts most of us relate

leave a lot of unanswered questions in my mind. Often over the years I have felt an intense sense of loss and an intense need for the relationships established in our youth. I was distanced from many of you when I left K.A. a year early to attend Hillcrest and live at home. And again, not living at the hostel created its own separation. Yet, it has always been such that each of you became my greatest sense of loss over the ensuing years; especially moving into adulthood. Ironically, the trauma of adolescence and the lack of identity voided any benefit of the contact I did have with George Cail at Columbia Bible College and Steve Harling at SIM, New Jersey. Even my opportunity of at-

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## OPEN DIALOGUE . . .

**EMERGING BY GRACE***Don Price - K.A., H.C.*

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tending one of the first reunions was a shallow experience, as though living in the shadow of a dark and lingering cloud. I lived in a vacuum of the issues affecting me since I left Africa until about four years ago.

Letters Never Sent was the first ray of light to beam into my consciousness and awaken my troubled emotions. As I moved into responsible adulthood and involvement in my church, my weaknesses became painfully apparent. As the personal issues of approval, performance, a distorted picture of God as an uncaring Authority, and a very low self-esteem surfaced to expose all that was holding me back emotionally, relationally, and spiritually, it has been three painful, slow years of gaining understanding. During this time Simroots was very important to me and caused me to document much of my thinking in writing; most of which I have not contributed. I am emerging into my own, at last, with a much clearer perspective on my life. I am learning to take risks in following the lead of a very different God than I have known in my past. As I experience a very loving and intimate Father who knows no limit in initiating the good things of growth which lead me more fully into His will, I await with eager expectation His moving me away from self and into service of others and the resulting true fulfillment, purpose, and joy of being yielded. I still daydream now and then of surprise encounters with you. But now it is enhanced with the hope of relating on a spiritual level with true liberation freedom and an experience of a genuine blessing.

**WHY?***Don Price - K.A., H.C.*

I know, it's tough that boarding school gets so much of the blame when it comes to explaining the diffi-

culty in internalizing God's truth for so many of us. Yet those were the formative years. What we learned there about ourselves and God seems to have had the most lasting implications. Much of the bad memories was successfully repressed and lost, but the imprint on the emotions remained. In fact, it was this early focus on feelings which later patterned our lives. That is why before my "discerning days" my experience at boarding school was easily summed up as, "There was some good and some bad as in most things."

Yet, the transition into adulthood and my emerging involvement with responsibilities brought to the surface all the limitations of character. It was this stark reality which demanded explanation. How was it I had become so inadequate? As all the weaknesses were exposed, there was a choice . . . to remain in bondage or to seek the gain.

This is the crucial point of difference between what we see demonstrated in the world's way of healing and the Christian's path to healing. To "remain in bondage" is to end the process in blame. To "seek the gain" is to pursue the process in reliving all that latent pain and learning to express it in a cleansing way, allowing God to lead you through that "valley of tears" and continuing past it into the equally painful process of revelation and confession of all the behavioral repercussions borne from that conflict in our emotions. God is remarkably competent in customizing this process to each person's unique experience.

In my experience, time seemed my worst enemy. It was and is a painfully slow process of understanding marked by much confusion and frustration, embedded in an often serious depression. But I suspect the slowness will become a reality of God's sincere gentleness and providential foresight for thoroughness.

I love to write and I feel fortunate to be able to see progress in my record of words. But I also feel fortunate to not have contributed all I might have along the way. For surely, anytime one expresses himself he reveals "where is he at". I thank God you have been spared

some of my uncomfortable levels of learning. Learning to express ourselves correctly falls into my "pendulum theory". We tend to go from one extreme to another before we find a balance. Nevertheless, we need to become transparent. It is indeed a healing process to grow up in the Lord.

Yet this in itself compels an awareness for the need of expressed compassion; in essence, expressing to others the same grace you received. We need to allow each other the freedom we all need from legalistic judgments and allow God to work out His own unique miracle in our lives. I assure you there were many encounters with legalistically minded saints which seemed to hinder my way and actually increased the level of painful aloneness. Yet again I'm more certainly beginning to see God's faithfulness in working all together for good.

In regard to my own confession of "uncomfortable levels of learning," I fear that I may discourage others from sharing. Please do write and let us minister to each other. It is just that I am one of those overly sensitive types and am easily embarrassed at my own awkwardness of expression and exposure; as though wearing my heart on my sleeve. But this remains a vital part in the healing of emotions; to get it all out and lay it on the table for God to remove the chaff. Simroots is representative of our mission family, the origin of our experience, and it should be the most appropriate place to deal with these issues. It is the place to come back "home" and settle up! To reach an agreement with each other on our varied experiences.

**OF SATAN, GRACE, & PRAYER***Don Price - K.A., H.C.*

Wow! We've come a long way, baby! Simroots is powerful. Indeed, it's a powerful tool in the "renewing of our minds" so that we may "offer our

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## OPEN DIALOGUE . . .

**OF SATAN, GRACE, & PRAYER***Don Price- K.A., H.C.*

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bodies as living sacrifices," experientially receiving an ongoing sanctifying grace which enables us to extend grace to others in putting their interests above ours. Wow! I am amazed at the wealth of expression!

I am intrigued at the introduction of the article on Satanic influence and the other responses to it. I love it! This is what it's all about . . . hammering out the truth. God's recent awakening in my small church has radically introduced me to the power of prayer (as Carol's article mentioned). As well, my last few months have been a total immersion in a study of God's grace (as Becky's article referred to). At the same time, I have interspersed the reading of two books on the subject of demonology and Satanic bondage (which Sue's article mentioned). It has been a longstanding cry of mine to have God make some sense out of Christianity. I finally feel as though some pieces are coming together.

Let me offer another angle. I'll really have to strive to keep this simple. It seems to me that Satanic influence is largely played out in our minds and is largely concerned with one lie--the lie of legalism. He reinforces this through our own fallen nature, society, and even in the Church. In our case we got a head start in "the school of performance" in the setting of boarding school. The complication was that this perception of legalism in the physical dimension of rules and regulations quickly transferred itself to our spiritual perception because our mission's environment was taken for granted by us to represent God in His fullness. All the early hurts and pains added up to an unpleasant experience of God.

In time this played itself out in an effective transfer of position in our minds. Satan had won. We were to receive all of God's truths through the filter of the "old law." That is, we were

to suffer the effects of the law as ones who had not been redeemed. We were to see all the admonitions of Scripture as hopelessly beyond our reach. All the promises of God were meant for others (probably the nationals our parents came to serve). Although many of us had asked Jesus into our hearts, we became Little Christians raised in the world system of approval through performance. Satan had placed our minds under the unredeemed effect of the law to live our lives without power and even be provoked to sin. For you see, it is what you "believe" that counts. The affirmation we received for compliance and the disappointment expressed otherwise reinforced the idea of a works orientation.

All this, of course, occurred in a less adequate environment, lacking a more measured parental grace. As well, this is a common condition, of varied degree, to all mankind who have fallen under a misrepresentation of grace, or lack an understanding of it.

Grace is a perpetual act of God, not limited to salvation, but also an ongoing act of treating us in mercy without reference to what we deserve, solely according to His infinite goodness and sovereign purpose because of His love. It comes to us from God at the high price of Jesus' death. But in that death Jesus paid not only for our salvation, but also for every answer to prayer and every blessing we need for the sanctification process. The full dimension of the gospel as expressed by Jerry Bridges is, "We are brought into God's kingdom by grace; we are sanctified by grace; we receive both temporal and spiritual blessings by grace; we are called to serve and enabled to serve by grace; we receive strength to endure trials by grace; and finally, we are glorified by grace. The entire Christian life is lived under the reign of God's grace."

So you see, this is the other position available to us in our minds--the position of grace, united with Christ. The misrepresentation of grace became Satan's opportunity to place our mindset in the position of being under the law. Now it would

be nice if I could just stay in a mindset of grace. Because in it is real freedom from a lot of personal calamity. But, alas, herein is the essence of Christianity: "Falling away from grace"! If I could stay in [the mindset of] grace I could abandon myself to a life of devotion and service from sheer gratitude that God has already done it all. He's not even keeping score of merit or demerit. But this is where the ongoing influence of Satan comes to bear. Satan's abiding principle is to take as much ground as we give him. When we take God's Word seriously and take up the armor, which we are free to do, we are really just appropriating God's grace by faith. We are trusting in a victory already won and submitting to His providence in full and utter dependence.

This is where prayer comes in. If you find a problem with submitting to becoming utterly dependent, there is always this last one straw to break Satan's bondage to a mindset of performance and thinking it's all up to you. Prayer! I've plumbed some pretty deep depths but I haven't yet been in a hole where I couldn't pray a last desperate cry or tear. Some answers seem mighty slow in coming, but then I'm pretty finite, narrow minded, and un-omniscient! There is joy in the goodness of God. There is peace with God in submission to His sovereign purpose. And there is an increasing experiential freedom from the bondages of my past in Satan's mindset of performance to earn God's approval. There is increasing freedom to make good and right choices in obedience and surrender.

Learn to recognize Satan's ways so that you might come to quickly identify his influence. Gain an understanding of God's grace so that your troubled soul may find rest in a place where all has been provided. Above all, begin this understanding through prayer.

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## OPEN DIALOGUE . . .

**OF SATAN, GRACE, & PRAYER***Don Price- K.A., H.C.*

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One more thing: In the act of embracing the disciplines of our faith we actually make grace our experience. It seems a mystery, but by choosing to do the right things, out of gratitude, I actually receive more grace. It follows that the more I want grace, the more I will want to embrace the disciplines of faith. Ours is an active faith compelled by gratitude and sustained by the receiving of grace even as we practice it.

Christianity is a win-win situation propelled by the receiving and giving of grace. Let us resist being a misrepresentation of grace and permitting Satan an easy task in casting his curse of a mind dominated by legalistic performance. We have the promise of God's grace being sufficient. Let's pray for an ongoing and deeper understanding of it so that it might become more our experience of real freedom and victory. A dawning understanding of God's grace is transforming me. Grace permits me to see my weakness as opportunity to experience the power of God. It is turning my "ought to's" into "want to's." Grace is God saying, "I have always wanted you, but because of who I am and what you are, I had to do it all. Because I had to pay so high a price for you, I have to have your full dependence. In this favor, I have given you a complete inheritance. I'm afraid you saw only a part of it when you came to me for your salvation, as though you thought it was limited to a promise for later. Someone stepped in and told you it wasn't for now; that you could not receive it until you had grown up. But I am God, I gave it to you. I did intend for you to have it now. You need it now. Do not leave it in the bank. Go get some now and put it in your pocket. Only believe what I am telling you and act on it (faith). Resist that someone or someones. Come and receive what is

yours. In the act of doing so you will have all that you need. And you will increasingly realize that it is more than enough. It is sufficient. Be content. Only acknowledge that it is I, God, who has done this for you. Only acknowledge that it is I alone who can and has done this for you!"

Thank you, God! Thank you that I am not a slave in the world's marketplace of approval through performance. I have been set free and I am rich. I will apply myself to this new way of life and honor You, my Father. I will submit and conduct myself as a son of the King. I will join You in Your sovereign purpose and enjoy your kindness! I will join You in Your battles to defend Your kingdom. I will even suffer and die for You. I am at peace with You!

Jesus said, "If you love me, obey my commands," but He also said, "Apart from me you can do nothing." As well, we know that all good things come from Him. Dependence comes before service. For Him to "do" and to "give" requires total dependence. Grace says He has already "done" and already "given" us all things! Where does that leave us? The only things I can see are gratitude and dependence. We receive when we depend. As we receive we will be filled with gratitude. So that leaves us with just "dependence." Even this, if you insist on seeing it as something "required" of you, can be had by prayer! It's amazing! Take a look at grace; it will astound you!

It seems to me the problem is not one of attaining unto God's grace. It is one of "falling away from grace"! How does this happen? Here comes old Satan! That same old lie: "Anything for free is too good to be true." He wants to put your mindset under the old law and all its legalism which says you must work/performance to gain any approval.

Grace does it for you. It impels you, enables you, and sustains you . . . to be vigilant against Satan's efforts, to be obedient, to persevere, to be faithful, to be all you can be for God! So what will it be for you? Grace or law?

I'm convinced! We need prayer for an ongoing deeper understanding of grace. We also need to recognize enough about

Satan so we can quickly identify his threat to our "falling away from grace."

By the way, the law for us who are redeemed is good. It offers moral direction for our freedom in grace.

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**TIME FOR APOLOGIES?**

*Cherry (Long) Sabathne  
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In a previous Open Dialogue, the following statement was made: "What hurting people need most in their lives is not Bible verses or even sympathy. The real need is to have their injustices and pain seriously acknowledged and regretted. I believe only the Holy Spirit can produce this attitude genuinely." The more I've thought about this, the more I think it packs a powerful punch!

Not too long ago, I was part of an audience listening to two video series, one by Gary Smalley called "Hidden Keys to Loving Relationships," the other by Neil Anderson called "Resolving Personal Conflicts." Gary Smalley talked about how a wounded spirit produces rebellion. But the person who inflicted the wound can heal the wounded spirit by acknowledging his part in the damage and then asking for forgiveness. Seeing the other person as much too valuable to hurt enables him to humble himself to ask for forgiveness. Neil Anderson describes forgiveness as, "Resolving to live with the consequences of the person's sin and not using the past against him." (I notice the lack of reference to emotion.) This is the best definition of forgiveness I've ever heard particularly because it's an act of the will, not the emotions. Like love, forgiveness is an act of the will.

So, with that as the background, this is what I have to say: I think it's

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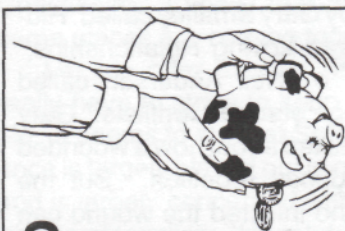
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time for apologies. I am particularly referencing missionaries to MKs. It may not always be appropriate to dig into the past, but where it is affecting present attitudes and thoughts, the past needs to be dealt with. Sometimes all it takes to bring healing is to apologize. Where the staff or teachers or other missionaries have been involved with MKs in a hurtful way, it is totally appropriate to reach over the span of years, and say, "I'm sorry. Will you forgive me?" In fact, it's more than appropriate; it's scriptural. The eternal rewards are beyond measure! And the Holy Spirit is a very capable enabler! (Not that it's easy!)

And then there's forgiveness. Choosing to live with the consequences of sin and not holding it against a person can really ease a burden too heavy to bear. We do ourselves a favor by releasing it!

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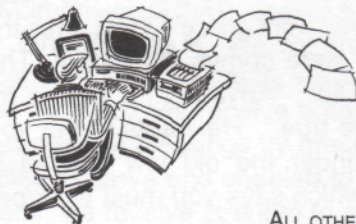
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### **Doug Guth - BA, '76**

who died of cardiomyopathy complications during the summer of 1994.

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who went to be with the Lord in December, 1994.

### **Vera Steely**

who passed away in May, 1995.

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who died of cancer early this year.

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who died of prostate and bone cancer in August, 1993.

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## **A CORONATION CELEBRATION A MEMORIAL TO JAN (DRAPER) WINTER 1951-1994**

By Dave Draper

Our extraordinary daughter, sister, wife, aunt and friend, Janice died at her home in Centralia after a year long battle with cancer. She fought her illness with the same classy gusto that she lived her life.

Jan was born in Seattle in 1951. At age 2 she moved to Dahomey (Benin), West Africa with her missionary family where she picked up the culture and language of the Bariba people. She attended boarding school at Kent Academy in Nigeria. Her family moved back to Washington in 1965 and in 1969 she

graduated from Renton High School where she was an accomplished gymnast. She received her B.A. in Psychology in 1973 from The Bible Institute of Los Angeles (Biola College). After some graduate studies she worked in a mental institution in Bielefeld, Germany for one year.

A change in career goals then took her to Green River College and certification as a court reporter. She worked for private firms in the Tacoma area and Yakima. Jan's third generation roots brought her back to this area and for 12 years she was the court reporter in the Lewis County Superior Court. After resigning that position she set up her own business, an endeavor of which she was justifiably proud; on her own and in charge! Sadly it would last only two short years.

In August 1988, Jan married the love and light of her life, Jay Winter. That memorable event was officiated by her father at the historic Borst Home. The exuberant joy of their love has been an inspiration to many friends and family. Their relationship to each other and to God were firmly intertwined.

Jan and Jay loved bicycling and motorcycling including trips with the notorious Buzzard "Something" Busters. Jan loved her flowers and had a special gift for home decorating. She loved backpacking, her pets and family events. She was a wonderful aunt, a caring and devoted step-mother.

Those fortunate enough to be on her gift list know she had the talent to combine practicality and enjoyment. Wise beyond her years, Jan's sound and confidential counsel was sought after on the things that matter most, personal relationships and personal growth. Perhaps it is this that we will miss the most, but the blessings of what we did receive will be with us forever. Thank you, Jan.

### **CORRECTION:**

In the last issue we included a special tribute to Murray Cox who passed away last year. However, I neglected to put down his last name, and there have been questions as to which Murray we referenced. Sorry! Murray Cox was survived by his parents, Harry and Cora, and his brother Peter.

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*Thank you for your help keeping the list current!*





Graduates from all SIM schools are included in the News Updates section, and all SIM MK's who attended other mission schools are also included. Wouldn't you like to hear from a friend who attended school with you? Please feel free to write to **Simroots**. Remember to include the name of your school, your high school graduation year, and your maiden name.

#### LIST OF SCHOOL CODES

CODE	ACRONYM
B. A. ....	Bingham Academy
C. C. ....	Carachipampa Christian School
D. A. ....	Dakar Academy
E. L. ....	ELWA Academy
F. A. ....	Faith Academy
G. H. ....	Gowans Home Academy
G. S. ....	Good Shepherd School
H. C. ....	Hillcrest School
H. S. ....	Hebran School
I. C. ....	Ivory Coast Academy
K. A. ....	Kent Academy
M. A. ....	Murree Academy
R. V. ....	Rift Valley Academy
S. A. ....	Sahel Academy
W. A. .	West African Christian High School

*Some of the news items have been submitted by Esther Campion and Mary Janish who produces the newsletter SIM-Ethiopia.*

#### 60's

### PETER & DEBBIE STRONG K.A., H.C. - '65

My wife, Debbie, and I have been blessed many times over. Our daughter Junia and her husband have two children, 3 and 1. Our son, Jeff, has been attending Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trade and Engineering outside Media, Pa. in order to be-

come proficient in the field of carpentry. In Oct. '93 Debbie and I went to Al. to visit with the recipient of my bone marrow. What a joy to see how God uses the knowledge given to man in order to save lives, both physically and spiritually. She is recovering beautifully--praise God! Debbie had two types of cancer three years ago, but by God's mercies she no longer does. It has been my privilege to have worked for Amtrak for the past fifteen years. For each of you who unbeknownst to us have upheld us in your prayers, a heartfelt thank you for your faithfulness. Should anyone in the Philadelphia area or passing through care to call or stop by, please do not hesitate to be in touch. Our phone no. is 1-(215)-338-0239. Our address: 6644 Edmund St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19135-2802.

### PHIL & SHERRILL (McELHERAN) BAYNE K.A. - '66

A million thanks for all you who put *Simrootstogether!* Time spent reading about friends is too important to pass by. I'm still working as a nurse in Ft. Wayne and Phil is still fixing clocks. He's planning on opening his own shop in the near future. God has given us two very delightful boys who love Him. Jason is attending Caperwray Bible School in England and is thoroughly enjoying it. Jeff, our 16-year-old anticipates following in his footsteps.

### DAVE HODGES K.A., H.C. - '67

Dave finished radiation treatments the beginning of December and had an MRI scan the beginning of January. There was no new cancer growth and no spreading to other sites. His next scan will be in April and the doctor has okayed his going to Ethiopia for May and June and to his daughter, Shannon's, graduation from Rift Valley Academy in July. He will be back in Canada for a scan in August. He has been weakened by the radiation and is fatigued and nauseated much of the time. He went down to the SIM offices in Charlotte, NC for a week the beginning of February so he could get briefed on some computer work they want him to do here in Edmonton. This work involves programming a small financial system to help project managers in tracking and reporting their expenses. Right now he is on medical leave from Ethiopia. When he returns to Ethiopia in May, he will be completing his term of ministry as God gives strength. When he returns to Canada in August, he will be on furlough until the end of 1995. He hopes to return to regular ministry in Ethiopia in the future should the Lord allow.



Daryl & Holly (Strauss) Plank

#### 70's

### JOHN LOHRENZ K.A., H.C. - '70

We continue with Bible translation work here in Guatemala. In order to be close to the boys' school, we are planning to move into town next summer, which means moving from our rent-free housing to something that will require an increase in our support needs. I will be teaching a class on Administration of the Church at the Cakchiquel "nocturnal" Bible School, and Jan will teach a class on basic doctrines with Spanish-speaking women. After Easter I will teach a two-week workshop on the prophetic books, gearing up for that part of the translation. Please pray for the translation work.

### PAT & FAITH (PLAYFAIR) HANSEN K.A. - '71

They returned from Japan in June '94 and settled in South Carolina. They kept very busy in the fall attending a furlough institute of O.M.F. in Colorado, and attending missionary conferences at some of the supporting churches. They have three children.

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## TIM KIETZMAN K.A., H.C. - '71

Tim is an ophthalmologist, and his wife is an emergency room medical doctor. They have three sons. Recently they left the military and went into private practice in Tifton, Georgia. His sister, **Myrna, K.A., H.C. - '79**, married a British ophthalmologist and lives near Chicago.

## TIM & SHARON (COLEMAN)

### SANDVIG B.A. - '72

After months of intermittent house-hunting, the Lord gave their Prison Fellowship the keys to a three-bedroom house in Coquimbo. Their dream of a Halfway House is becoming a reality! They are excited and awed by the prospect of providing a short-term home for Christian ex-inmates in need of a support system to orient them toward a responsible and productive Christian life on this side of the bars.

## SCOTT & BETH (LOHRENZ) CUNNINGHAM K.A., H.C. - '73

Things in Nigeria have calmed down quite a bit since our last letter. Electric power is pretty much back to "normal" and petrol lines have shortened to about a half hour long. Prices are escalating at near hyper-inflationary levels and continue to discourage our Nigerian friends whose salaries can't keep pace with the increases. The largest denomination bill of the Nigerian currency is now worth only fifty American cents. Scott had a good trip to Ivory Coast and Kenya visiting seven schools during three weeks, meeting with deans and principals as well as with ACTEA administrative personnel. Beth teaches a weekly literary class to some ladies on staff at Evangel Hospital. Scott is leading a discipleship group with sixth grade boys from Hillcrest School, where their three boys attend.

## MARK SAND H.C. - '74

I have appreciated these *Simroots* in the past. I have cried over them, laughed, gotten mad at an item written, but all in all what has



L-R: Betty VanDyken, Mark Redekop, Beej (Lacy) Beachman Steve Beacham, Lorne Shaw

been sent to us has been of great help. Thank you all! What am I doing now? I just finished a take home test for an Ethics course at the Lutheran Brethren Seminary. This is the last semester that I will be in Fergus Falls, Mn.--God willing. I do not enjoy cold seasons, snow, snow clothes, etc. . . . As of May 29, 1995 I will receive a Masters of Arts and Religion, and from here I do not know what is next. This summer I will be in Thief River Falls, Mn. working with an L.B. church. They need help with their youth ministry as most churches do. Yes, I have asked God why I am not back in Cameroun, why am I yet in America, and why am I in the colder areas, too??? I sit here assured that God knows what He is doing yet I want to fly to Cameroun TODAY! Get my drift? To the class of '74 I say thank you all for being with me those years at Hillcrest. I have not written many of you, so I want to begin. I thank God today for his provision for my needs over the years and, looking back, it is truly amazing when and how He did what He did. Praise His holy name!

## TERRY & RUTH ELLEN (HEWITT) HOWDYSHHELL K.A. - '75

This year marked our fifteenth wedding anniversary. I am teaching two classes for the first time and one is an Algebra class of 41 students. I am also the only church organist and full-time accompanist, which keeps me busy. Our son David is in fourth grade. *Thanks, Ruth Ellen (Waffles) for doing such a good job as Class Rep for 1975.*

## DON & DEBBIE PRICE K.A., H.C. - '75

Due to my prodigal start, I feel I am in many ways ten years behind my peers. I am an ordinary person with a heart for ordinary people. I've lived a hard life and I make a living with hard

work. For the last four years I've been self-employed in a grounds maintenance business. Most people know it as "landscaping." I have only one employee, yet the challenges of self-employment in a service industry have been my greatest crash course in character building, aside from being a parent. My wife, Debbie, is an Ohio girl and divinely complements me in every way. Jessica is 10 years old and very approval oriented in her all accelerated classes in school. She takes after

me much more than my little son Shane, who is 7 and takes after his mother, but looks like me! Thanks, Ruth Ellen, ('75 class rep). You and I were quite a contrast when it came to merits. Maybe you owe me one for making you look so good!

## DAVE & PAM PULLEN K.A. - '75

Over the years I have enjoyed the updates on people out of my past and have many good memories of life in Nigeria as an M.K. After returning from Nigeria in 1969 we settled in Michigan. I finished my education at Michigan State University along with Dan Paternoster. I finished there with a PhD in Animal Nutrition (they actually give degrees for that sort of thing) in 1987. During my college tenure I had the chance to travel and work in Indonesia for six months and Central America for two years. I married Pam in '84 and we now have three children, 7, 5, and 2. After graduation, we moved to Pennsylvania and worked for Cargill as a Technical Service Manager. While there, we became active in our church as teacher, Treasurer, and in ladies' groups. After six years we transferred to Texas to train for a foreign assignment in Central or South America. We have been in Texas at this point for nine months. My assignment will be as Manager of a feed mill and we hope to support a local church or establish one if there is none. Pam is busy caring for our kids and taking harp lessons, and I have joined a men's soccer team in the Fort Worth area.

## LAURA-RUBY STADE K.A. - '75

For the past five years, Laura-Ruby has served a region which includes 146 communities in Northwest Saskatchewan for the

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**LAURA-RUBY STADE****K.A. - '75**

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Northwest Futures Corporation. It is a non-profit government funded organization that fosters community economic development from the inside out. Her job is basically to help communities and businesses (new and expanding) to reclaim their future by developing "stand alone" projects. If needed government is used to fund some projects but it is considered "gravy." In the last funding year Laura-Ruby's Board of Directors, successfully obtained over six million dollars in government funding plus created just over 200 jobs. However, with the downsizing of government came a new demand. The federal government funding was taken away after the required merger with the Northwest Business Development Corporation did not occur. At the end of March, the Northwest Community Futures office was closed down but the Board is still in place and working hard to complete the process. After six weeks on unemployment Laura-Ruby has obtained temporary employment with a similar organization just five blocks from her home. Laura-Ruby has asked us to join her in prayer regarding this problem of employment. Despite not being on the road, Laura-Ruby keeps herself busy having fun with her eight nephews, serving on 17 community boards and working on *Simroots*. Slow down, Laura-Ruby, there is a tomorrow.

**PAUL & CHERYL****(MICHELSEN) SLETTEN****H.C. - '76**

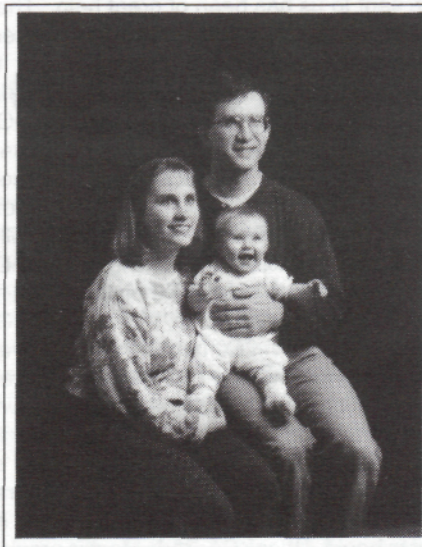
I'm one of those almost forgotten Hillcresters. I'm really happy to get news of my old classmates and so I want to get in touch again. I'm married to Paul Sletten, a family doctor. We live in beautiful Osceola on the St. Croix River. We have two sons, Arthur (3), and Lucas (2). I'm an Elementary Education teacher currently being a stay-at-home mom. Paul's very busy with our town's clinic, hospital, and nursing home. Our phone no. is (715) 755-2132; people are always welcome.

My brother **Craig, AKA Seymour, H.C. - '72** is a family doctor living in Rockford, Illinois. He has three children Charis (14), Marcus (13), and Claire (10).

**JOYCE (WARD) EDEN****H.C., S.M. - '76**

Joyce is surviving the aftermath of the health care reform impact on the medical

world along with major organizational restructuring at Kaiser. She has also been involved in the opening of a new hospital. Currently she is acting Nursing Manager in the Pediatric Clinic, the fourth unofficial role this year. By the time I take my masters comp. in October of next year I figure my on-the-job experiences will have me better prepared than my classroom time. For fun, she get to play some soccer and coached Matt's team again. Gerry, her husband, has been Operations Manager for a hair products company near L.A. Over the holidays, he managed a Calendar Club booth at the Fashion Fair Mall. After that he will pursue other employment. They have two children, Matt and Jen, in 5th and 7th grades respectively who keep the family hopping.

**80's**

PLETT FAMILY  
LYNDON, DORETHA (HIDE) & TEAGAN

**LYNDON & DORETHA (HIDE)****PLETT****K.A., H.C. - '86**

After graduating from Hillcrest, I attended Briercrest Bible College for four years. I met my wonderful husband there and we were married June 29, 1991. My husband and I have been in youth ministry for the last four years. We are so thankful for a stable, unchanging, wise God in the crazy, roller coaster, confusing lives of our Junior High kids. Our precious gift from God, Teagan Janae was born July 7, 1994! She's a bundle of fun!

**MARTHA (PAYNE) CAIL****K.A., H.C.**

She has received official word that the appeal by the defendant in her court case of last year has been denied; the sentence of four consecu-

tive life sentences and ten years stands. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness. Martha expresses her gratefulness for our prayers and support during these difficult times.

**STAFF****VALLA VEE BENEDICT****H.C., Staff**

Retirement is a challenge with many opportunities for ministry at church with AWANA, choir, Sunday School, women's ministries, and the Missions committee. And there's Christian Women's Club plus some camp work and opportunities over coffee or in the yard. I am seeking to have a better prayer ministry--there are lots of MKs on my list! After three years as companion /caregiver for a friend, I am moving to my own apt. She has gone into a nursing home. I am excited about this and the Lord's provision for me.

**JEAN CAMPBELL****K.A., S.A., Staff**

From January to June I returned to Niger to fill an emergency teaching position at Sahel Academy. It was wonderful to be back and really enjoyed teaching grades 3 and 4. I'm so glad I was allowed to go back to see the progress that is being made in Niger and to help a little more.

**MILDRED LADD****BA, Staff**

Her arthritic pain is controlled with medication and regular disciplined exercise. She had cataract surgery in one eye in May '93, but macular degeneration increases the deterioration of her eyesight so she has had to give up driving. Her greatest joy is discipling 4 or 5 younger women who desire to be godly and recognize in her a source of wisdom gleaned from years of walking with the Lord.

**CLAUDIA LONG****H.C., Staff**

I am resigning from teaching P.E. at Hillcrest and going into a camping ministry in three camps throughout Nigeria. Please pray for this new ministry and also for my replacement at Hillcrest.

**OLIVE TOVSON****H.C., Staff**

She has been hiking again--every Saturday--5 to 8 miles up and down the moun-

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## OLIVE TOVSON H.C., Staff

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tains! She is also studying Spanish, enjoying her work at the church and biking up and down Old Spanish Trail. She is hoping to take a month's trip to Europe next summer (oh, for those days of teaching with summer month vacations!).

## CHUCK & JEANET (WIMBERLY) TRAMMELL H.C., Staff

My work with Hillcrest was from '53-'59 and I was with AGM. My life continues to be full and rewarding. My husband, Chuck and I are both retired. We do still have one TCBY store here in Auburn. Our daughter, son-in-law, and granddaughter (16) and grandson (12) live in the town next door, and we spend wonderful times together. Chuck and I work in our local church teaching adult classes. We have the Berean School of the Bible offered for college credit on Monday nights. I'm one of two instructors who teach these courses. Our major job presently is getting ready for the rapture; we believe this will be soon!



## BLASCHKE FAMILY

Bob has given notice to SIM International that he will resign from his position as Coordinator of MK Education in June '95. The job is in need of a professional educator. Our hearts' desire is to become more directly



L-R: Nicholas Schneider, Bob Smith, Fay (Smith) Schneider, Nicole Schneider

involved with missionary families.

**Bob & Charlene (Hide), K.A., H.C.** - '79 in Indianapolis are expecting their fourth child in June.

**Hugo & Elizabeth (Blaschke), K.A., H.C.** - '81 live in Bolivia.

**Stephen, K.A.** - '83 are in Texas where Stephen hopes to get a degree in counseling. He is thinking of Dallas Theological Seminary.

**Philip, K.A.** - '85 are in South Carolina working on a youth missions trip to Mexico.

**Joel** is in college in Charleston, South Carolina.

## BONTRAGER FAMILY

**Dennis & Carolyn (Bontrager) Schlett, '62** live in Sandusky, Ohio with their son, Carey (16). She is teaching handicapped preschoolers. We need your prayers for her and her family as she continues chemotherapy for ovarian cancer.

**Dennis - '76**, is living in Shipshewana, Indiana with daughters Amber (17) and Breanne (14) nearby.

**John & Marjie - '76**, live in Bothel, Washington with their children Andy (7), Tyler (5), and Emily (2). John is a sales rep. for Sandoz Pharmaceuticals.

## BUDD FAMILY

**Jack & Ellen, K.A. - '72**, and family are happy in Calgary. Jack, under YFC is working increasingly with native youth. Ellen is children's minister with the Calgary Free Methodist Church.

**Dale & Laura, K.A., S.M. - '74**, are looking at vocational change, as Laura takes a course in Home Care.

**Ed & Sue (Budd), S.M.**, continue busy with work, church activity and family.

**Carol's, S.M.** life has undergone the most change this year. Last summer her divorce became final, and she has chosen the maiden name of her Grandma Budd, so she is now officially C.J. MacKinnon.

## CETON FAMILY

**Randy, S.M. - '89** has been accepted at Wayne State Medical School in Detroit.

**David, S.M. - '90** is continuing a Bible/camping major at the Philadelphia College of Bible.

**Karen** has enrolled at Grand Valley State University in a pre-nursing program. She plans to attend Moody Bible Institute starting next month.

**Becky** is in ninth grade at Western Michigan Christian High School in Muskegon.

## CLARK FAMILY

**Michelle, H.C., EL, ICA**, is in Prague, Czech Republic with IVCF.

**Bill - '77**, is a Captain in the US Army Special Forces.

**Chris - '80**, is Director of Wet Puget Sound Youth For Christ.

**Pam (Clark)** is in Alliance Seminary with her husband.

## CUMMINS FAMILY

**Ken & Cindi (Cummins) Kuhn, K.A. - '63** moved from Florida to Atlanta, Georgia where she assumed a new position as Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of Atlanta Life Insurance Company.

**Bob & Chris (Cummins), K.A. - '65**, are in Carrollton, Texas. Kim still works in the area. Jeff and Jenelle are earning their engineering PhDs at Georgia Tech. Jeremy graduated from his diesel engineering program in April, '94. Bob's MS is slowly progressing but they stay upbeat and surprisingly active. Chris continues in her position at Texas Instruments.

## DUNN FAMILY

**Pete & Joanne (Dunn)** have had a demanding year with lots of restructuring for Pete. They have Jessica (9), Emily (7), and Harriet (5).

**John & Philippa (Dunn)** moved to Hamilton. They have Anne (14), doing well in Japanese and Music, Katy (12), who writes poems, and Sara (6), an accomplished violinist.

**Len & Angie (Dunn), K.A., S.M.**, are back in Auckland after four years in Saudi Arabia, job hunting.

**Russell & Hilary** have Oliver (9), who has been selected to represent Queensland in baseball, Mitchel (7), who is learning piano, and Holly (2) going on 16!

## FULLER FAMILY

**Tom Fuller, K.A. - '81** In October Karissa Joy was born. They are planning to return to Peru some time this year, but first he needs to finish his master's program at Regent College, B.C. He has been preaching and teaching in a Chinese church Sunday mornings and a Spanish church in the afternoon.

**Roger, K.A. - '86** has initiated studies focusing on plant sciences that could lead to a master's degree from the U. of Washington. He enjoys hiking and taking camping trips into the mountains and forests in the Northwest.

**Tim & Dianne (Balisky), K.A., H.C. - '78, '79**, are doing well, he as a car salesman, and she running a home and caring for Kristin. Kristin remains very disabled, and though she attends a special school and works with therapists, her muscle development is very slow. She is still unable to

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## FULLER FAMILY

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stand, walk or talk and has not regained her ability to eat because of a dysfunctional tongue. Please keep praying.

## HANEY FAMILY

**Paula, K.A.** - '71, is doing well in her Group Home and sheltered shop.

**Vern & Sara (Haney) Bell, BA, KA, HC** - '70, '73 work with MAF in Papua, New Guinea. Sara home schools Joshua and Kristen.

**Peter, K.A., H.C.** - '75, is a welding engineer making space rockets in San Diego. His wife **Connie (Miller) EL** - '76, works as a church secretary. Alicia and Deanna are making good grades and like soccer.

In Ft. Wayne, Indiana **Mary, K.A.** - '76, keeps busy styling hair and Steve makes car axles.

## KLASSEN FAMILY

**Kathy, B.A.** - '79 enjoys her ministry in Toronto.

**Ken & Sylvia, B.A.**, rejoice in having had a good summer in the renovation business. Their two boys provide a lot of sunshine in their lives.

## KOOP FAMILY

**Sandi (Koop), B.A.** - '71 had a job change, although still with Alberta Social Services. Lorne is in his sixth year of teaching Communications at Red Deer College. Kate works at Dairy Queen, likes to talk on the phone, and does well in grade 12. Darren, an active 6th grader, enjoys swimming and hockey.

Christian Week has granted **Doug, B.A.** - '73 a four month sabbatical beginning in January '95. His plans include some studies, visits to publishers, writing, and some home projects. Margie works at a fabric store and whips up lots of crafts and clothes. Nathan, grade 6 and Jeremy, grade 4, are involved in sports and piano.

**Julie (Koop), B.A., R. V.** - '80 takes on increasing responsibility as records librarian for Unocal Canada. Brent teaches two days a week at the U. of Lethbridge, while producing some papers for the philosophy department and working on his thesis. Both of them are good computer "troubleshooters."

## LONG FAMILY

**Grace, H.C.**, '58 has two children and the oldest son has a daughter and a new baby son. Grace works as an office manager for

a construction company in Cheltenham.

**Rick & Anita (Long), H.C.**, have been married 25 years and have three children, eldest daughter is recovering from ME, the son is at university, and the youngest daughter is still in school. Rick is a Baptist minister and Anita coordinates wheelchair use for a hospital.

**Daphne (Long), H.C.** - '65 is a marketing coordinator for an insurance services company, but unfortunately, her husband Bill was made redundant over three years ago and they are having terrible financial difficulties. However, the Lord has been beside them all the way.

**Ted** is 85 this year and is still preaching. He lives on his own, still drives, and is very sprightly. His wife died of leukemia six years ago and is still greatly missed.

## NAGEL FAMILY

The year began with exciting news from **Susan (Nagel), B.A.** - '77. In January she became engaged, and the wedding was June 25, 1994 in Midwest Bible church, their home church in Chicago. Brother Dan was the officiating minister. All immediate family members were present except Steve and Sally, Andrew and Beth in Southampton, England. Michael is manager of the Cinnabon store in Lakehurst Shopping Center.

**Steve & Sally, B.A.** - '78 continue their lay involvement with work at Westside Evangelical Church. They expect a brother or sister for Andrew and Beth in May.

**Dan & Kelly, B.A.** - '84 are in Beloit, Kansas where Dan is Associate Pastor at the Christian Church.

**Barry, B.A.** is employed by Dow Chemical in Clute. He and Pamela and Alyssa live in Lake Jackson, Tx. A brother or sister for Alyssa is on the way.

## OCKERS FAMILY

**Dave & Dixie, K.A.** - '64, have an empty nest since Lorelei is now happily married and David is at Colorado State U.

**Jack & Esther (Ockers) Lilley, K.A.** - '66, are with TEAM leading a new church planting effort in Mexico City beginning next summer. A visit from the parents to **Charle & Ruth (Ockers), K.A. H.C.** - '71, in Kansas was highlighted by the privilege of baptizing Jonathan that Sunday.

**Jim, K.A.** - '88 is still at the U. of Missouri, Rolla, working on his research assignment.

**Beth** was doing studies in France until December 17.

## RICHINS FAMILY

Last December **Charlotte's, K.A., H.C.** - '66, son David was married to Kim. David is the outreach pastor in a church in Houston, Tx., and Kim is the daughter of the pastor.

**Ron & Gayle, K.A.** - '71, are in Boise, Id. They have a son, Christopher, 3 years old. Gayle is a nurse.

**Martin & Julie, K.A.** - '71 have a daughter, Ashley. Martin owns a print shop and Julie works for him.

**Heber, Staff**, works in his church's medical outreach department one day a week. They ship medicines and medical supplies to mission hospitals and missionaries worldwide.

## STINSON FAMILY

**Dave & Becky, B.A.** - '75 are still living in Clearbrook, B.C., while Dave works at Trinity Western University where is involved in Student Administration. **Daryl & Sherry (Stinson), B.A.**, are well settled on their acreage just east of Sherwood Park, Alberta. All except Jeff have motorcycles. Both Scott and Joel are in school now. Daryl works in the calcium chloride and fertilizer business.

**Doug, B.A.**, is working in the Gido'o and Guji areas of Ethiopia. He has been doing some water well drilling, hand well digging, and water system jobs in both areas. He spends a lot of his time in the boondocks doing the water work, negotiating for wells with the local elders and also planning with the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission of Ethiopia and with SIM.



## ZOBRIST FAMILY

SITTING: OSWALD & IRENE STANDING  
L-R: CORA, BILL, FRED, HEIDI



## TROUP FAMILY

**Dave, K.A., H.C.** - '68 is with Social Services and works with abused and neglected children.

**Bill, K.A., H.C.** - '62 keeps busy in the hospital as a doctor. His oldest daughter, Cristine, presented him with a grandson in December. His youngest daughter, Danae, and Dave's eldest, Allison, are graduating from high school in May. Bill's middle daughter is married.

Jim's oldest son just graduated from college. His second son, Raymond, is attending college in Colorado. Karen, Jim's wife, teaches in the schools in Cheyenne Wells, Co.

## VEER FAMILY

**Gary & Kathy, B.A.** - '72 had a baby girl in October 1994.

**Ken & Leslie, B.A.** - '79 are expecting a baby in May, 1995.

Prayer is requested for **Terry, B.A.** - '72, and Jennifer. Jen is possibly looking at open heart surgery sometime this year.

**Mark & Diane, B.A.**, still enjoy home schooling.

**Phil & Julie, B.A.**, are in Kansas City.

## WRIGHT FAMILY

A highlight of '94 was Camp Rokhawah, where six of the grandchildren were able to attend at the same time.

**Jim & Michelle, K.A.** - '73 have two children. During '94 Jim completed a year with the Airport Chaplaincy ministry, and in October became the Canadian Director of SGM International. Jim was also ordained at Bramalea Baptist Church in June.

**Steve & Jaquie, K.A.** - '71 are still in the sign business. They have three children. Besides helping in the business, Jaquie is a part-time teacher.

**Paul & Ruth (Wright) Duke, K.A.** - '68 are still in their mechanical engineering business in Belize, specializing in Marine Mechanics.

They have two girls.

**Doug & Esther (Wright), K.A.** - '75 are in Georgia where Doug is the Christian Education and Youth Director in a Baptist church. Doug was ordained to the ministry by the Valdosta Church.

**John, K.A.** - '69 continues his job with the post office and still plays correspondence chess in international tournaments.

## WISNER FAMILY

**Tim, B.A.** has been working steadily in Madera and has been a great help at home and at church where he is active with AWANA and the Sunday school program.

**Steve & Lani - B.A.** are in Virginia.

**John & Kerry - B.A.** are in the St. Paul area raising two daughters.

## ZOBRIST FAMILY

The big event for the summer was our six day family reunion in the North Carolina mountains. It was the first time that all 23 of us were together and we had a very memorable time.

**Fred, K.A., H.C.** - '68 and his family are on St. Simons Island, Georgia where Fred teaches and Carla works part-time in a Christian school. They have five children.

**Cora, K.A., H.C.** - '72 and her family are on home assignment (furlough) in Minnesota. They came home from Nigeria expecting to go to Eritrea for their next assignment with SIM. Now those plans are changing since they are not able to get visas to go there. Ken and she have four boys. They would appreciate prayer for their support needs before their return.

**Bill & Jill, K.A.** - '73 have terminated their work with the Zwemer Institute, and Bill is now driving semi-trucks for American Shared Cure, a company that provides medical units to hospitals and medical centers. They have two preschool children.

**Jorge & Heidi (Zobrist) Guzman, K.A., I.C.** - '77 have two children. Jorge has started his last semester of studies in Electronics and receives his Associate Degree in the spring.

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## HAVE YOU READ ANY GOOD BOOKS LATELY?

*This section welcomes books from all locations; it is not limited to African stories. If you find books from other areas of interest to our readership, such as South America and Asia, please send the titles to Grace Anne (Seeger) Swanson.*

I have just read three new books that I would like to recommend. They are listed in the order that I think are the most interesting to us as MKs from Africa.





## HAVE YOU READ ANY GOOD BOOKS LATELY?

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### **BASI AND COMPANY**

By Ken Saro-Wiwa

Published by

Saros International Publishers.

Each chapter of this book is a new (but repetitive) story about Basi's trying to get rich quick and failing. If you have ever lived in or visited Lagos you may find this book interesting. According to the back of the book, Basi and Company is a television comedy series (which I have not seen).

### **NERVOUS CONDITIONS**

By Tsitsi Dangarembga

Published by

Seal Press.

This is a well-written story about a Zimbabwe girl who is raised in the "bush" and goes to a mission school. We who have lived in the bush of Africa will have a very special understanding of her transition from mud huts to running water and electric lights.



### **MIGRATIONS OF THE HEART**

By Marita Golden

Published by Ballantine Books.

Marita meets a Nigerian man in the U.S. and follows him to his home in Nigeria and marries him. They live in Lagos. Her story is about her conflicts of trying to fit into the role of an obedient Nigerian wife.

I would like to thank those who responded to my request and love to hear from others who have read a good book (or film) in the same vein. Please send your titles and authors to *Simroots*.

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