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READY – FIRE – AIM

Do you know that we are losing a lot of our teenagers? Do you know the number one reason they are leaving the church? Because they think religion is boring! There's nothing here for them. It's just come and listen to the sermon and then kinda go home and do your own thing and you play a video Saturday night. And the whole thing is boring. I believe it's boring because we have not given our youth what *Madison College* was giving our youth so many years ago. You think it was boring when you didn't know what was going to happen next and you had to wait upon the Lord and have this incredible amount of faith and you were wondering and praying. You were expecting but you didn't know for sure exactly what was going to happen. I don't think it was

boring. You see the problem is we do not live by the philosophy that God would have us live by. The philosophy to have a rich exciting experience with the Lord is to get "Ready - Fire - Aim."

Have you heard of that philosophy before? Get ready, fire and aim? NO? What have you heard about? Ready, aim, fire, that's the problem. We are a church who gets ready and we aim. We get a committee together and we talk about the budget. We talk about the facilities and the staff and we look at it all and say, "It's a wonderful idea. Nevertheless, I think we ought to study it a little bit longer. I think we ought to just make sure that we can do this, you know. We would hate to be a failure and therefore let's call another committee meeting for next week and bring back your reports." We bring back our reports and we look at the budget. We look at the facilities and we look at the staff and we finally decide it's *impossible!* We could never do it. We are a people that is so aiming that we forget to fire!

I believe God would turn that all around. I believe He would have us live by the philosophy to get ready and fire! That doesn't mean that there is not a lot of preparation. Yes, go to school, yes, get the training, yes, yes, yes, get ready but then fire and let the Lord determine the destination. We have forgotten what

it truly means to lean on the Lord. His philosophy is found in Psalms 50:15, I want you to trust me in your time of trouble so I can rescue you and then you can give me the glory. Often we do talk about what *Madison* has done. I am so glad that the grandson of Doctor Sutherland has set us straight. It's not what *Madison* has done, it's what God's chosen servant has done because of what God did through him. That's the secret of success.

When I was at Loma Linda, I often told the story of the beginning of Loma Linda. It's an incredible story. Just about the same time that *Madison* started Mrs. White began saying, you know there should be a medical institution in California. One that would train missionaries for the world. She sent John Burden to go find this place and he came to the Mountain Beautiful, Loma Linda, and there was a retreat place for sale. Beautiful facilities. Cement walkways, gardens, orchards, land that was cultivated and all this medical equipment that had never been used just sitting there. Worth 150-200 thousand dollars. A gorgeous place and when Burden saw it he wanted to buy it but when he found out that it was \$110,000.00, that was a little too much. But Ellen White said, "That's the place I saw in vision. Go back." And they came down to \$80,000.00. Ellen White said, "Go

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back again and see what their rock bottom price is." And they were willing to sell everything for \$40,000.00. Burden said, "I know I must go ahead and get the property."

It was Friday as the closing was coming and they were about ready to sign. But you know the lawyers, it always takes a little more time for the lawyers to get things together, so the sun set before they could sign. They said, "OK, we will sign the contract Monday." Now comes the interesting part of the story. Sunday, John Burden, who had been told by the prophet, Ellen White, "This is the land" believed that she indeed was a prophet from God. He got a telegram from the conference president who was out East, where the wise men from the East come from, and the telegram said, "Don't do it. We don't have enough money. We have just started Paradise Valley and we just started Glendale Hospital. There is no way we have enough money for another hospital. Don't do it."

Now comes the decision. What should John Burden do? He struggled with it, went to his own account, borrowed against it, a thousand dollars, and signed the papers to buy the land that became Loma Linda University. Would you have done it? Why is it that we don't step out in faith more? The interesting part of the story, they were able to get the other \$4,000 for the first \$5,000 payment. But then the day came that the second \$5,000 payment was due. The church had no money. The brethren began to say "what have you done, John? Look what you have gotten us into! We've lost \$5,000. I can't believe you've done this. We told you not to do it." Can you imagine the criticism? They were praying right before

they went to face foreclosure and they said, "Let's wait until the mail comes today. In the mail was a letter from an unknown woman from Atlantic City, New Jersey and out fell a check for \$5,000, sent weeks ahead of time. Then the brother that had been so critical stood up and said, "Now I know the Lord is in this thing." I tell you that story to contrast it with the beginning of *Madison*! Because, yes, you can see, the Lord is in this thing when it's worth way over \$150,000 and they come down to \$40,000. That's incredible. It was almost given to them.

But the story of *Madison* is rather different. You see we have to understand the history of Doctor Sutherland. You have to understand his connection with God to understand what happened next. This man knew that "Mother White," as they called the prophet, knew what God wanted. She had a vision of what was needed. She had a plan of education that should be put forth and so he went out West and established Walla Walla College. Then he was called back to the Battle Creek College that was in the wrong place according to the prophet. As president, he chose to do a foolish thing some people thought. People said don't move a college that is successful way out to where there are no students. Way out to Berrien Springs, Michigan and start again according to the plan of education that the prophet had given. The criticism, was severe, year after year, but the college was successful. There was no doubt about that.

Finally with success at the college at Berrien Springs, Michigan, now Andrews University, the day came when Ed Sutherland and Percy Magan, who was four years younger than he, like brothers, like David and

Jonathan, decided to step away from leadership, as the President and Dean of the college and start their own school based upon the principles that Ellen G. White had laid out. Now, they had an idea of what God wanted them to do. Go out, probably down in the South where schools were so needed and get a little plot of land that they could afford. They had only \$5,000 and they were going to start a little school. Start small, show how it could grow. Doctor Sutherland had seen this place near Nashville. They talked about the Nelson-Ferguson farm but he did not want that property. There was no way that he wanted that piece of property. He had looked at it. It was a bunch of rocks on barren soil. Yes, there was a plantation house but they had the pig pen right next to the parlor windows. There was no landscaping, the whole place smelled. The last place in the world this man wanted to start a venture that would be successful was on this farm!

Ellen White decided to take a little trip, with the two sons, up the Cumberland in the "Morning Star." Their objective was to find two pieces of property. Edison White wanted to find one where they could start a school for black students and Ed Sutherland to find a place where he could start a model education program that Ellen White had been talking about, probably for white students. So they began to go up the river. Wouldn't you know, the Lord works in such interesting ways, the boat breaks down right at the bend. It takes enough time to repair that Mrs. White says, "You know, the Nelson-Ferguson Farm is just up here, why don't we just walk over to it?" "Come on," she said to Ed Sutherland. "No, I'm not interested, I can't, it's not the right place, it's

not what I want." He wouldn't get off the boat. So she went and looked at it. She came back and said, "I've seen the property that the Lord wants you boys to have." He could not see this. They went on up the river and picked up Percy Magan. Ed said to Percy, "You won't believe what's happened. The boat broke down right at that landing and Mother White went and saw the land and she thinks that's what we need." "Oh no. It can't be. Why did the boat break down there?" said Percy. Mother White said, "I've found the land for you boys" "No," they said "you don't understand. We want to start a small school. We don't want to do that. It's not the right place. Nobody in their right mind would start a school there. It's way too big. It costs too much. We don't have enough money, and we don't want to go in debt. It's impossible!" Mrs. White smiled and said, "Wouldn't you like to go with me to see the property that the Lord has for you?" They wouldn't go! They told Mother White they were not interested. She went to see the property and came back and said, "I talked to the owners of the property that you're going to have." She did this four times.

They finally went themselves. Actually as they started to go see another piece of property, it was like the horses and carriage kind of took them to that piece of property. They said, "This looks awful, it's horrible, it's a miserable place, nobody would choose this place." They sat next to the barn on a pile of rocks to talk. Then they remembered, Mother White had gone to Australia, and that the Lord had chosen property for the school in Australia. A most unlikely property. And now they were getting reports that the school was beginning to be a success. I

guess the Lord knew what He was doing. They began to talk about these things and decided that they should follow the Lord though it was the craziest idea they had ever heard. Those two grown men, Ed Sutherland 39 years of age and Percy Magan 4 years younger, sat there on the rock pile and cried.

This was not their idea. This was not what they wanted to do. But they had faith in God that God knew what He was going to do. The interesting thing was that when they went to arrange to buy the property this crazy woman, Miss Sally, wouldn't sell. "I'm not going to sell to a Northerner."

Any person at that point would have said, "Thank goodness, I am so glad." But they went back. Now they began to pursue this. She did agree to sell but it would be \$700 more. They didn't have the \$12,000 how could they put any more into it? Then she said, "No, I'm not going to sell." It was like a Jekyll and Hyde, back and forth, back and forth. Finally they got her to sell for \$1,000 more than they wanted to pay for the land. Would you call this a miracle? You have to pay more for this place that looks lousy! But faith took these men through. They believed in something higher than their perception. They believed that you need to get ready and you need to fire. You need to go ahead and let the Lord determine the destination and what has the destination been? Why from this counter the Lord not only provided land that could be rejuvenated but the rocks necessary to build the buildings. They weren't thinking. They were also buying building material. God knew what He was doing. Sometimes it is really difficult for us to see things that do not look quite the way we want them to look.

The reason we are not stepping out as individuals is because we are scared of failure. It doesn't look like we could possibly do it. God, though has called you and He says get ready and fire. Start walking, move! Step out and I will determine the destination. If we want to go on in terms of the destination of *Madison*, not only did hundreds of educational institutions start around the South but it was like we learned in Sabbath School this morning, it was because of *Madison* that Loma Linda was saved. Not only did they send the first physician and Nursing Director but also \$60,000. Then at that critical moment two women sent from here walked in and said, "Let us women do the fund raising for Loma Linda." It's an incredible story. All because of *Madison* and the faith generated in the people who came and walked on this holy ground that God had determined.

To overcome your fear of failure: first, rely on God for the outcome. It says in Psalms 40:4 *Blessed is the man who makes the Lord his trust.* Don't rely on your own perception. Well, if you're going to rely on the Lord you gotta be pretty close to the Lord. Many of us wish that we had the prophet right next to us. I really wonder if we would follow the prophet's directions even if she were here. God wants to speak directly to you. He wants to give you a direct call. Rely upon Him and not on your own perceptions.

Don't be afraid to ask God, *You do not have because you don't ask*, it says in James 4:2. Yes, I know that passage is about the Holy Spirit but I believe it is also about us in terms of all the things that God would want to give us. You see, God is like a parent holding out to us a candy bar. Can you imagine a child saying,

"No, I am so unworthy of that give me the wrapper." A lot of us are satisfied with the wrapper. God wants to give us the candy bar but we are not asking. Rely upon God. Don't be afraid to ask God.

We have a number of modern day stories. We talked about from *Madison* came ASI and all the people that have come together in that organization who are self-supporting, have a business of their own but are supporting to the church and are basically living on faith. One of those modern day stories is 3 Angels Broadcasting Network. A wonderful ministry. How did it start? Danny Shelton had nothing but when they started to build the road out to the donated property he did have money for the diesel bulldozer but it was going to cost \$6,000 for the gravel. The man said, knowing the Shelton brothers, "Are you guys going to have \$6,000 by Tuesday when you want the gravel delivered." "Oh yes, the Lord wants us to have that gravel we will have the money" Monday came and there was no money in the bank. Danny went to the Post Office and there in the box was a check for \$2,000. In the next envelope there was a check for \$4,000 right at the exact time.

They began to dig the footings for that 16,000 square foot building. He only had \$200 in the bank which they spent on renting equipment to do the digging. An ASI family came by and asked how much money they had for the footings. "Nothing". Danny was at the first ASI meeting he had ever attended. While there his brother, Kenny, called him and said they were getting pretty desperate. They had finished the footing but needed to get the cement in. What is it going to cost? \$10,000. Danny never mentioned the need to anyone

but began praying. One of the people at the meeting heard the story and bought two cassettes of Danny's music. When they wrote the check and Linda looked at it she couldn't believe it. The check was for \$10,000. That put the cement in. Then an ASI family who saw them doing this said, "Don't you have any money?" And they said, "If we don't spend the \$200 in the bank why should the Lord give us any more to put up the building?" That family was so impressed that they said, "We'll give you \$50,000 to put up the shell." They had to go home and mortgage their home to come up with the \$50,000. Within a month God brought it all back to them. That's an incredible story!. When you step out get ready and fire, you have no idea what the Lord has in store for you. View failure as a stepping stone to success.

Have you heard about Peter Nelson, that 45 year old dentist who climbed Mt. Everest? He was asked in 1941 to be on the US team to climb the Southern Polar route. ...For two weeks you are climbing up and down to get to base camp. When you get to base camp they get rid of the porters and you put the 60 pound pack on and begin to climb the mountain...

You finally get to camp number 2. At camp number two you take off your pack and then climb back down and get another pack. If you climb the mountain once you have to climb it three times. Up, down, up to get the equipment that you need at the next camp. When they got to camp number 2 they went to camp number 3. Up, down. Peter had climbed hard that day to try to get that last pack from camp 2 to camp 3 and as they came into camp 3 the discussion was we must go on the weather is so

beautiful. If you are successful in climbing Mt. Everest you have to go with the weather, it all depends on the weather. They said we need to pick someone with stamina to go quickly to break the way for the others...They chose Peter Nelson to break the way. As he climbed... he began to feel his lungs fill up with fluid. He had pulmonary edema. Those of you who are in the medical area know that maybe you can live 20-40 minutes with pulmonary edema depending on how bad it is. The only answer was to get back down the mountain to a lower altitude but he couldn't climb down the mountain in the dark. He sat up in his little tent all night praying to live until morning to have a chance to climb down the mountain. Breathing oxygen. In the morning he was still alive, a major miracle and the weather was beautiful.

There was no way that team of two professional climbers and a Tibetan Sherpa were not going to make it to the top of Mt. Everest that day. It was a beautiful day! Peter Nelson had to give up the success of a lifetime. Making it to Mt. Everest and then had to wave good bye to his team as he headed back down the mountain to live. He got back down to camp 2 and zipped himself in a gamus bag, which you could inflate to put pressure on your body to make it think it was at a lower altitude so the fluid in your lungs would go back into the blood stream and you could live.

There was no way that he could climb the mountain again. It is a team effort. So much of life is a team effort. Those who are around us, those who encourage us. He had no one with whom to climb the mountain again so he went back to base camp. When he got there his

mother had sent him a letter. She didn't know whether he was going to be successful or not. These are the words of the mother to her son on the climb of a lifetime. "Think big, talk small, love much, laugh easily, work happily, play fair, give cheerfully, receive gratefully, thank God and be kind." I asked Peter, "How does it feel to be so close to success and not make it?" and Peter said, "Kay, success is not reaching the top of the mountain. Success is being a part of the climb."

We have to change what our idea of success is. We have to realize that we are a part of the climb. God's climb, taking a step at a time. That is success. That's what God needs, he needs you to be stepping out. Don't worry about the out come. Let Him do the aiming and in His time your efforts through His power will bring success. You can give God the glory because you didn't do it yourself, God did. So use failures as a stepping stone to success. Believe as it says in Romans 8:28 *That all things work together for good.* Never give up....

Many times when I talk about this I bring along my bottle of "409". Have you used that cleaning product "409"? Have you ever thought, "What a dumb name that is? "409" At least it should be "sparkle and shine with 409" But it isn't. It's just formula "409" Could it be they went through 408 formulas that were a failure? What if they had stopped and said, "It's impossible." We would have all had to use "Fantastic." But they didn't stop. You never know what's ahead but if you keep going the Lord can open up incredible doors of possibility. I think of Thomas Edison in trying to turn on the light bulb. Someone said he did 10,000 experiments before it

worked. Someone came up to him and asked, "How does it feel to have failed 10,000 times?" He said, "I have not failed. I just found 10,000 ways that don't work." It's all in the way we look at things. Paul said, "But one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind. All the mistakes I've made, all the problems of the past, forgetting those things.. I reach forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God and Christ Jesus." We need to press forward in faith and we need to believe that God is closest in down times.

It's interesting. I had never looked at Isaiah 57:15 and thought about what the word contrite means. It says, *I dwell in a high and holy place.* Okay, God does dwell in a high and holy place, you can see Him on His throne, can't you? A high and holy place but then it says, *with him that is of a contrite and humble spirit.* Do you know what it means to be contrite? I means to be broken. It means to be ground as a rock is ground into powder. Yes, God is in a high and holy place but He is also with the person who is contrite, broken, and ground into powder. He's there to revive the spirit of the humble and to revive the heart of the contrite one. We need to remember that God's ways are not our ways. God does things that we wouldn't do— like choosing the Ferguson-Nelson Farm.

I'm going to put you on a committee and the committee is going to choose a missionary to go to a certain mission field. It is important to choose the right person so let me explain what the two mission fields are and then I will tell you about the candidates. The first mission field is to the Jewish population. They

would like to have someone from a Jewish family, from the right family, with education, who can speak well. Education is so important and they like to be able to logically think from one point to another. It must be somebody who keeps the law perfectly. Then the next field is the Gentile population. A mixed breed, a little bit of this and a little bit of that. Who speak all kinds of languages and accents. Speech is not that important to them but we must send a missionary to that population.

Let me tell you, now, about the two candidates we have. One is a fellow by the name of Paul, from the tribe of Benjamin. He's gone to all the right schools. In terms of a thinker he can go from this point to this point so logically it's incredible and his speech is perfect. He has kept the law. I mean the law, straight and narrow from the time he was a lad. This is a Jew of the Jews. We have another candidate. His name is Peter. He is a fisherman and quite impulsive at times so you have to watch him. He did cut off somebody's ear. Thank goodness the Lord put it back on. He does have a good heart and we have to give him a mission field. Are you ready to vote? How many of you would send Paul to the Jewish population? Yes, of course you would! It is a perfect fit! There's nothing but success if this guy goes to the Jewish population but what happened? God made a mistake! He sent Paul to the Gentiles and Peter to the Jews. And what happened?

They had to work out of their area. They weren't ready for that. Who did they have to hold onto? God. Through God their ministry was a success. (Continued on page 8)



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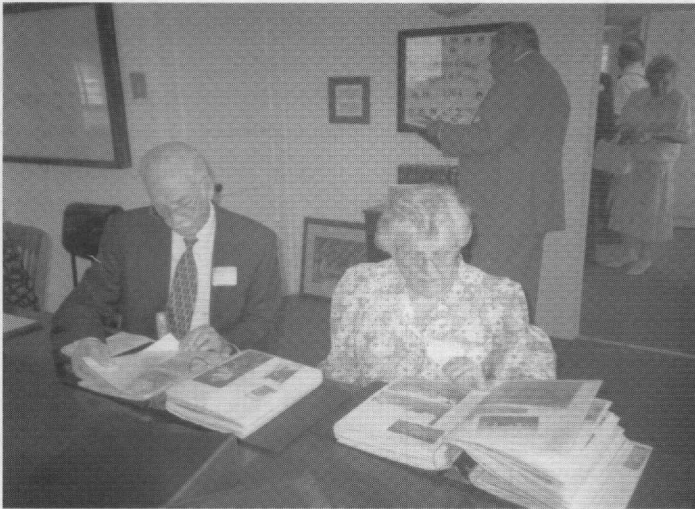
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HONOR CLASSES 1935

Freda Zeigler: I need to thank whoever is responsible for this. Let me read what it says: *The Madison College Alumni Association honors Freda and James Zeigler, Class of 1935, for years of dedicated service to Madison College, Sanitarium and Hospital as students, teachers, and administrators. Presented June 25, 1999.* You know, I have a few plaques already. I prize this more than any of them.

Aren't we all grateful for what Madison College has meant to us and done for us? I am not proud of my age but I am grateful. I don't have an ache or pain. Shouldn't I be grateful?

I am grateful for so many things. Just this morning in Sabbath School, about ASI, the programs and then the church service with Kay Kuzma. She was on fire. In this day and age I would like for everyone to hear what we heard this morning. You know I have been here since 1932 and heard and seen what has happened through the years. How many of you knew Florence Dittes? She was the most "Florence Nightingale" of anyone I ever, ever, knew. She was a most wonderful person. What is said about her today? Has she been forgotten? She had cancer and I was privileged to help take care of her.

I think of Mrs. Gotizan, she was staying in room 28. She needed some towels so we got them for her and she said, "What are they ironing these for?" She thought they should be fluffy. Some of you folks didn't meet these people. Pillars of our church and school right here. They had to be something in those days when the school started out, living

in the place they did. Mrs. Sutherland and Dr. Sutherland — don't get me started talking about him. I worked at the Medical Desk for about a year after I finished Nursing and he was something else. Those early people were friendly and nice and we knew they were here for a reason.

How many of you as a nurse had the opportunity to go with Dr. Wallace or Dr. E. P. Johnson on OB calls? I went out with Dr. Wallace, if you didn't know him you missed something. He would take sheets with him and his bag and we would go anytime night or day. I was on call for a month.

On Larkin Springs Road, three little children huddled in a corner in a little room. There was a daddy there and a mother. She was lying on a bed. She had a baby right there. We took care of it. Cleaned up. The doctor was the best person in the world to help clean things up.

I remember Dr. E. P. Johnson telling a husband, "I don't know if I can save both your wife and the baby. I believe I can save one. Which do you want me to save?" The father thought for awhile. "Save my wife", he said. Well, he saved both. The baby's arm was broken, so he took a tongue blade and splinted it. Five years later when I was OB Supervisor this same lady came to the ward to have another baby. She introduced herself to me as I didn't recognize her. So you have these sweet experiences.

Do you want to hear another OB story? I was about six months along in my training when Mrs. Willy said, "Mrs. Zeigler, I'm going up to Kinne Kitchen to eat I'll be back in about ten minutes and I'll take care of this woman." She had had eight children, didn't mean a thing to me. So I went in and stayed with her. The baby

started to come and I started pushing back and pushing back so the baby wouldn't come until the doctor got there. That baby was forceful! I had never seen a baby born and that was an experience for me.

I think most you have met Mary, our daughter-in-law. We sold our house and they sold their house. We have moved into a very large home. So they can go to their quarters and we can go to ours or we can be together. It is very convenient and Jim and I appreciate it so much. The Lord is good to us.

What do I do? I help Mary with the children (day care in the home). I work outdoors. I am one of these people that can stoop and do anything down on the ground. I am just nimble and I praise the Lord for it. I am a nature lover. I was born in Quebec in the mountain area. One day when I was about 14 I went out into the field and found this beautiful place that I called "my secret cathedral." There was a hemlock which was the piano flowing and a spruce, that was the tall organ and there was a stump there for a stool and in the back there was a deer trail. That was a hallowed place for me. I go over there every year to pray, except the last time I couldn't because the trees were grown up. It was a lovely place.. I got a glimpse of Jesus while in this special place that has never left me. I have two places at home that I call my secret cathedral, but they all know where it is. I have a couple of hemlocks at one side, rhododendron, azaleas and that is my place where I go and talk to the Lord. Our study is near there so sometimes I look out of the window and pray to the Lord. I even had a place here at Madison. This is one thing that has helped keep me close to God.

I have some projects. One is my stamp collecting. When I am gone

Mary and Buddy are going to have that. While working with my stamps one day Kayla, four years old, said, "Grandma, I'd like to have a stamp book too." So I made one for her and Emily. I want my great-grandchildren to know what our church is doing for the little children of the world.

I will never forget Madison and the dear people who lived here and are living here. Thank you for listening.

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**Helen Biggs Socol:** I used to be Helen Biggs but after I finished here I went West and finished at Loma Linda in Medical Technology. That's where I married Octavia Socol. We went to the mission field with a five months old baby and served for eight and a half years at the Kings of Good Hope in Peru and then we went on down to Bolivia and spent nine months waiting for the doctor to come down and relieve us. On returning, we didn't care to go back to the West so we came East and started our life after our mission work. Octavia's memories were of EMC, mine were here. This is my first time to ever come to a reunion. Dr. Woods called and asked if I was interested in going. I thought this is kind of nice maybe I will go back and see the wonderful place that I left sixty years ago.

Paul and I and three others, Lilly Lane, Louise, Hirabayashi after we graduated climbed into an old Graham Page. All of us were headed for Loma Linda, either in technology, medicine or dietetics of some kind. That is a week about which we could write a book. You don't stop, you just keep going. Of course you always have some flats or a spark

plug gives out. You take your food because you don't have much money. I came up here as a Methodist. My mother had become an Adventist, so I left LSU to come spend my junior and senior year here. As senior year came around times were hard. My mother and dad had given me a diamond so one night I was on the way up the walk to sell it to one of the patients from Cuba who wanted to buy it. Wasn't that nice? And if I didn't drop that diamond! It fell in the grass and immediately I was on my knees. I said, "Father I can not find it. You will have to help because that is the only way I can go west." As I looked there, the moon sparkled or maybe Ford came around with his flashlight. He was our student government guy. He flashed his light and there was the diamond ring. I took it in and I think I got \$35 for it. I had to hand it over to Paul because that was my fare for going west.

Hirabayashi had taken some Gluten burger and some soy milk, I had to fast for two days before I could eat any of that. When we got to Phoenix Louise got off there. Paul tried to sell the car for junk. We were going to get bus tickets to take us over the mountain but nobody would buy that car. So we climbed into the car, we had prayer and started out. We got over the mountain down to where the desert starts and it quit. It wouldn't go any farther. Lilly Lane and I got out but no cars came. Finally here comes the bus, two story bus, had never seen one in my life. So with a thumb and a big smile we got it to stop. Nobody was on it, just the driver. Art Castle's Jazz Band Bus. It had a bathroom on there. We combed our hair and powdered our nose, changed our clothes and the driver

let us out at Loma Linda.

I know this, that as I sat in Elder Welch's Bible class the kindness of Christ came through and this is what converts. Did you know that at the end time, which we are in, there are five on this side and five on that side and they are called virgins? These do not have the oil. They are with the people, the other five they like to be with them they like to come to church but the other part, the oil, the inner oil that is the life of Christ lived out in you every day in every way, this is what we are to have. Knowing Him and knowing His way and Jesus said, "The Father lives in me. It's His word and His work that I do, it's not mine, it's His." Can we not say it is not me, it is Christ that lives through me. This is why we beg each night and each morning, Father teach me to love like you. Teach me Christ's way. There is no better way, no greater love than this tremendous powerful agape God wants to pour on you, pour through you, and keep you together doing it until He comes. I challenge everyone of you to memorize this: I Corinthians 1:4-9 It is beautiful. Read it. Study it. Write it. Memorize it because it promises us that Jesus will hold you guiltless that means if you are with Him all the time. God bless you. Thank you for homecoming this weekend.

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Paul Woods: I think it was worth while to talk her out of retirement at Bryce Mountain which is a hoity-toity resort in the mountains. I was president of the class and Helen Hannah Biggs was the treasurer and Herbert Hewitt was vice president. We are the only three that showed up. I did talk to Toshi Hirabayashi, he is in Hawaii and had just been in the US and couldn't make this. I talked to Fred Black, he was in our

class, and Dorothy Jones Black, she graduated a year after us. I talked them into coming but they didn't make it. I proved in the benediction this morning that though born a talker, I can be brief. All I want to say is I graduated from public high-school in May of 1935 in Charlotte, NC where my father was about 1/3 of the whole Carolina Conference office staff. It was poor time. I was the oldest child at home. I drove the car and took care of the two younger kids. Madison was a choice that was probably the choice of many of you. I could go here and work my way through. I proved you could do it. I had my 17th birthday in August when I was working for 10 cents an hour with "Pop" Mathews in the cannery. The best thing Madison did for me was to listen to Dr. Sutherland two nights a week and sometimes day time, who spelled out that life is more than dollars and cents and what you can get out of it. It's what you can do for others. I came here a skinny, no count, adolescent. By the time I graduated four years later I had the determination as long as God gave me life, health, and strength I would work for Him on an independent basis. My father was a company man, he was always with the conference.

We lived in Nashville for a good many years. I started church school in Nashville. As a very young child I came out here with my dad. The church was in the Helen Funk Assembly Hall. I remember on one Sabbath that dad had the service and after the service as we were walking up to Kinne Kitchen there were a couple of young men there on the grass going through the Bible. One of them said, "Elder Woods, I understand we have about 150,000 Adventist in the denomination now."

Dad said, "Yes, we're approaching 160,000." "Well, now that we have the 144,000 don't you think the Lord is going to come pretty soon?" That impressed me. I was about 9 or 10 at that time. That was my first impression of Madison.

I came back and went through Madison and as Helen said a group of us proceeded to go to Loma Linda. We got into my old car and went out there. I went through Loma Linda, served 14 months in the service during WWII and instead of staying in California where everyone wants to stay where the money is, I determined I would come back and do self-supporting, individual work in the East. I interned at the Washington San & Hospital, now Washington Adventist. I also had 3 months additional training in OB. I set up a practice in Waynesboro, VA where there was no Adventist Church. I was the first and best trained Adventist doctor to do family practice in the state of Virginia. I averaged 150 deliveries a year. This was before Pagers and Cell phones. My number was 660 and the "Hello Girl" soon became one of my patients. The population of the town was 7,500 at the time.

Madison matured me and set me on a firm path to serve God the best I can. The Lord has blessed and I expect to see Him one day soon.

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### Carob Cookies

**1 Cup Maple syrup**  
**½ Cup Canola oil**  
**1 tsp Vanilla**  
**½ Cup Carob powder**  
**2 Cup Whole Wheat or Spelt flour**  
**½ tsp Salt**

**1 tsp Baking powder**  
**½ Cup Chopped walnuts-optional**

**Preheat oven 350 degrees**  
**Lightly grease 2 cookie sheets**

**Blend syrup, oil, vanilla & carob until smooth**

**Add remaining ingredients-DO NOT OVER MIX**

**Drop 1" apart, bake until slightly brown 6-9 minutes,**  
**Cool - makes 3 dozen**

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MCA CLASS OF 1950

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Members of this class are:

Joe Adams,* Evelyn Bradford, Cecil Brown, William (Bill) Campbell,* Lester Clough, Joyce Collins, Douglas Faulkner, Jr., Irene Hecox, Janice Lambert, Marilyn Metcalf, Victor Page,* Ruth Pitts, Francis Shannon, June Simmons, Elizabeth Stuyvesant,* Patricia Ann Tooley, Pauline Usher, Georgianne Williams, Barbara Wilson.

Class sponsor was Mr. Sanford Peck.

The class of 1950 was two years ahead of mine (1952), so I thought they were quite grown up, like my peers.

Joe Adams* lives here in Ridgetop, Evelyn Bradford, Cecil Brown, William (Bill) Campbell* lives here in the Hendersonville area Lester Clough, Joyce Collins, Douglas Faulkner, Jr., Irene Hecox, Elizabeth Stuyvesant Heidinger* lives in the Cherry Valley area near Loma Linda.

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OPEN LETTER TO ALUMNI MEMBERS

We are very pleased at the with the progress we have made at the Alumni Heritage House. Preservation of important papers, photographs, books and memorabilia is moving ahead. There is much to be done yet. The needs are great but with the support of the Membership we will be able to accomplish all we have set out to do.

The greatest need at the moment is a new computer and monitor for the office. (\$1500) This will help Bob in getting the Survey out and in

many other ways. There is need for PageMaker 6.5 Plus software also. Among our other needs are: carpeting for several rooms, painting in five rooms, (painting-\$1320) more preservation materials (these are expensive) We want to set off our property with a white vinyl picket fence. If anyone would like to sponsor a special need, we would be most grateful. We are looking forward to a great Alumni Reunion June 16th and 17th, 2000. **Danny and Linda Shelton of 3ABN** will be our speakers. We feel honored to have them with us that weekend. You will not want to miss this. We have other plans in mind to make this a great weekend.

Please take a minute to look over our restoration needs and contribute what you can. Remember to pay your dues and Survey subscription. This is important in covering office expenses. **SEE YOU IN JUNE**
Mavis Sutherland, President
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