# ADVENTIST TIMELINE



A step-by-step Timeline of what has happened over time within the Seventh-day Adventist church.

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In this booklet, you will notice some names of people that are highlighted in bold text and in particular, their deaths. Most of these folks were the first generation Pioneers that were involved in being a part of this denomination. Many of them were the core that set the foundation of our faith through Jesus Christ. A few to note were sons or daughters of the first generation Pioneers. And as you will see, they have died along the way and that brings some significance to the history of this denomination. As you get closer to 1900, you have new names coming in which allowed for the slow transformation of change. As our Pioneers or "old-timers" were dying off, those Sunday keeping converts that had come in, became the majority over time. And as they came in, they brought in their beliefs and concepts and a different ideology about who God is. Our church would eventually be taken over and ruled by educated scholars from the Jesuit system of academia. They chose a career path of theology rather than a true calling from God. Our early people were led by the Spirit of God. And as prophesied by Ellen White in 1903, a new organization would be set up and "our religion would be changed." That was completely fulfilled in 1980. But first to start this off, we will look at a movement nicknamed the Millerite Movement, which would soon become the Advent Movement.

- **1831 -** First Sunday in August, **William Miller** preached his first sermon on the coming of Christ.
- **1832** William Miller began a series of articles on the second advent, in the Vermont Telegraph of Brandon, VT.
- **1833** March, Miller's first pamphlet published. September 14 he was granted a license to preach by the Baptist Church.
- **1836** Miller's course of sixteen lectures published in pamphlet form at Troy, N.Y.
- **1838** About the first of March, **Josiah Litch**, a Methodist minister of Lowell, Mass., embraced Miller's views, and began to proclaim them by voice and pen. His 48-page pamphlet, "The Midnight Cry," and his book of 204 pages, entitled, "The Probability of the Second Coming of Christ About A.D. 1843," came out this year.
- **1839** Early in December, **Joshua V. Himes**, of Boston, Mass., joined William Miller and Josiah Litch in the proclamation of the advent message.

- March 20, Joshua V. Himes began, in Boston, Mass., the publication of the *Signs of the Times*. The paper thus started was published for two years as a semimonthly, and then as a weekly. March, William Miller gave his first course of lectures in Portland, Maine. They were attended by **Ellen G. Harmon**, later Mrs. E.G. White. First "General Conference of Second Advent Believers" convened in the Chardon Street Chapel, in Boston, Mass., October 15, and continued two days.
- Second "General Conference of Advent Believers" held in Lowell, Mass., June 15-17. Third "General Conference of Christians Expecting the Advent of the Lord," in Portland, Maine, Oct. 12, 1841. Between that date and Feb. 8, 1842, seven similar conferences were held in the New England States.
- The *Signs of the Times* has not less than 50,000 readers. More than 60,000 copies of various books and tracts have been issued from our establishment, and spread through the world in the four quarters of the globe and the islands of the sea. From three to four hundred ministers of the gospel are now engaged in giving the midnight cry. *Signs of the Times*, March 15.

In the latter part of November, Joshua V. Himes began the publication, in New York City, of a daily paper entitled, The Midnight Cry, principally under the editorial supervision of N. Southard. Twenty-four numbers were published, and ten thousand copies of each number circulated.

During the summer, tent and camp meetings, with large attendance, held in Eastern Canada, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, New York, Massachusetts and New Jersey.

**James White** attended the camp-meeting at Exeter, Maine, in October, and shortly thereafter went out to give the message. December, Josiah Litch and **Apollos Hale** began public services in Philadelphia.

- Different ministers conducted meetings in the South and West, going as far as Richmond, Va., Washington, D.C., Pittsburg, Pa., and Cincinnati, Ohio. Papers devoted to the advent cause were published in Cincinnati, Philadelphia, and Washington; also in Eastern Canada.

James White ordained to the ministry by the Christian Church.

The Methodists, at an annual meeting held at Bath, Maine, passed resolutions condemning the Advent teaching. Opposition on the part of the churches was becoming general.

**1844** - A second advent camp-meeting was held in the late summer at Exeter, N. H., following which the belief became general among the followers of William Miller that Christ would come Oct. 22, 1844.

Seventh-day Sabbath first brought to the attention of the Adventist people at Washington, N. H., by **Mrs. Rachel Oakes Preston**, a Seventh Day Baptist, from the State of New York.

From this place, several Adventist ministers received the Sabbath truth during 1844. One person of interest, **Thomas M. Preble**, put his convictions in writing.

**1845** - Preble's article on the Sabbath, dated Feb. 13, 1845, was written at East Wear, N. H., and was printed in the Hope of Israel, Portland, Maine, Feb. 28, 1845. It was rewritten by Elder Preble in March, 1845, and published in tract form. It was referred to by **Joseph H. Waggoner**, and briefly quoted by him in the *Review and Herald* of December 21, 1869. August 23, 1870, Preble's article as it appeared in the *Hope of Israel*, was printed in full in the *Review*.

Ellen G. Harmon given her first vision, on "The Travels of the Advent People to the Holy City."

Joseph Bates began keeping the Sabbath as a result of reading the article of T. M. Preble in the *Hope of Israel*.

**1846** - James White married Ellen Gould Harmon, August 30. (cofounders along with Joseph Bates of what would become the Seventh-day Adventist church)

Two-page leaflet by Mrs. E. G. White, entitled, "To the Remnant Scattered Abroad," published.

**1848** - First general meeting of Sabbath keepers, held at Rocky Hill, Conn., April 20, 21. Known as the "Sabbath Conferences."

Mrs. E. G. White had vision concerning the beginning of the publishing work.

**1849** - First four numbers of Present Truth printed at Middletown, Conn., No. 1 dated July; Nos. 5 and 6 printed in Oswego, N. Y. by James White.

**John Nevins Andrews** publicly took his stand for the truth in a meeting at Paris, Maine, September 14.

First number of the Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald, printed in Paris, Maine, in November.

## Death of William Miller, December 20. (Born Feb. 5, 1782.)

First Testimony for the Church, addressed "To Those Who Are Receiving the Seal of the Living God." Signed "E. G. White."

First hymn book used by the denomination published by James White. It contained fifty-three hymns, without tunes.

**1850** - Nos. 7 to 10 of Present Truth printed in Oswego, N. Y. No. 11 printed in Paris, Maine, in November.

**1851** - First number of second volume Advent Review and Sabbath Herald, dated August 5, printed at Saratoga Springs, New York.

**Annie R. Smith** took her stand for the truth, and entered the employ of the Review office at Saratoga Springs.

**1852** - First number of the Advent Review and Sabbath Herald published at Rochester, N. Y., bore date of May 6.

James White equipped the first printing office with money received in donations. Donations amounted to \$655.84. The cost of equipment was \$652.95. The first press bought was a Washington hand press.

First number of the Youth's Instructor appeared in August.

**John Norton Loughborough** kept his first Sabbath, Oct. 2.

Uriah Smith observed his first Sabbath in December.

**Joseph Harvey Waggoner** accepted the message, and was ordained to the gospel ministry.

**Stephen & Almira Pierce** take a stand for present truth and come out of their local Baptist church. Stephen would later serve as

Conference President in Vermont (1863-65) and Minnesota (1865-70). He was a corresponding editor of the Review and Herald from December 4, 1855 to May 28, 1861...

**1853** - Uriah Smith connected with the *Review and Herald*, May 3. First subscription price put on publications was \$1 for 26 numbers of the *Review*.

First regular Sabbath schools organized in Rochester and Buck's Bridge, N. Y.

Martha Byington, daughter of future General Conference President John Byington, opens the first known church school for Sabbatarian Adventists in Buck's Bridge, New York, USA.

**1854** - First tent-meeting conducted by J. N. Loughborough and **M. E. Cornell** at Battle Creek, Mich., June 10-12.

First sale of denominational publications at a tent-meeting in Rochester, Mich. A parcel containing one copy each of all tracts and pamphlets published, sold for 35 cents, price being fixed by J. N. Loughborough.

**1855** – Young poet and sister of Uriah Smith, **Annie R. Smith** dies July 26.

Review office moved to Battle Creek, Mich. First number of *Review* printed there bore date of December 4.

- **1856** The name of **Stephen N. Haskell** first appeared in the *Review*, January 31.
- **1858** Bible class, conducted by J. N. Andrews, held in Battle Creek, Mich., in April. Its object was to learn what the Scriptures teach concerning the support of the ministry. This effort resulted in the adoption of the plan known as "systematic benevolence," or the tithing principle.
- **1860** The remnant adopted the name Seventh-day Adventist for the denomination October 1. On the same day a temporary organization, known as the Advent Review Publishing Association, was formed in Battle Creek, Mich.

- Seventh-day Adventist Publishing Association (now Review and Herald Publishing Association) incorporated May 1. Churches first formally organized.

Michigan organized as the first State conference, October 5.

- Other conferences organized: Southern Iowa, March 16; Northern Iowa, May 10; Vermont, June 15; Illinois and Wisconsin, September 28; Minnesota, October 4, New York, October 25.
- General Conference organized at a meeting held in Battle Creek, Mich., May 20-23. Meeting was called by James White, J. N. Loughborough, and **John Byington**. There were twenty duly elected delegates, representing the work in six States.

John Byington elected first president of the General Conference, May 21.

- August 29, Elder J. N. Andrews left Battle Creek for Washington, D. C., where he was successful in securing for Seventh-day Adventists in the army, recognition as being conscientiously opposed to taking human life even in war, and their assignment to noncombatant service in hospitals, etc.
- First health publication, "How to Live," published. Written and compiled by Mrs. E. G. White.

James White elected president of the General Conference, May 17.

- First denominational health journal published, bearing the name *Health Reformer*, August 1. Health Reform Institute (Battle Creek Sabitarium) opened for patients September, 5.
- J. N. Andrews elected president of the General Conference, May 14. The Health Reform Institute incorporated, April 9.
- First California State gathering of Seventh-day Adventists held near Santa Rosa, April 10, 11.

James White again became president of the General Conference, May 12.

First general camp-meeting held at Wright, Michigan, September 1-7.

First local tract and missionary society organized in South Lancaster, Mass., known as "The Vigilant Missionary Society."

- **1870** First conference tract and missionary society organized, November 6, called "Missionary and Tract Society of the New England Conference of Seventh-day Adventists."
- **1871** Tenth annual session of the General Conference convened in Battle Creek, Mich., December 29, with fourteen delegates present, representing twelve conferences and one mission.
- **1871 George I. Butler** succeeds James White as president.
- **1872** In Battle Creek, Michigan, United States, Goodloe Harper Bell opens the first school sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.
- **1872** The Declaration of Fundamental Principles taught and practiced by the Seventh-day Adventists is published at Battle Creek, MI. Primarily written by James White, these fundamentals serve as a synopsis of faith published in a pamphlet. This lays down a clear non-trinitarian foundation and was not replaced or changed in any way until 1931. These propositions are based on 1 Corinthians 8:6 and **do not** contain the term Godhead or Trinity.

**Death of Elder Joseph Bates** in Battle Creek, Mich., March 19, at the age of eighty. He was buried at Monterey, Michigan.

In Battle Creek, Michigan, United States, Goodloe Harper Bell opens the first school sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Ellen G. White writes her seminal essay, "Proper Education," which appears in installment form in *The Health Reformer* and later in *Testimonies for the Church*, volume 3.

First denominational school opened, June 3, at Battle Creek, Mich., **G. H. Bell** in charge.

**1873** - Eleventh session of the General Conference, Battle Creek, Mich., March 11. There were eighteen delegates representing thirteen conferences and one mission.

Total number of ministers, 51; licentiates, 83; churches, 239; membership, 5,875; systematic benevolence fund pledged to State conferences, \$26, 246. 69. — *Review and Herald, March 18, 1873.* 

**1874** - Battle Creek College, the first Adventist college, opens with Sidney Brownsberger as president. It enrolls both male and female students.

The General Conference organizes the Educational Society in Michigan so that it can provide oversight for its new program of Education.

**1874** – The Fundamental Principles of 1872 are published again by James White in the very <u>first issue of the Signs of the Times (June 4, 1874) issued from Oakland, California</u>, and by Uriah Smith in the Review and Herald (Nov. 24, 1874). In his introductory remarks to the fundamental principles in the Signs, James White states, "In presenting to the public this synopsis of our faith, we wish to have it distinctly understood that we have no articles of faith, creed, or discipline aside from the Bible. We do not put forth this as having authority with our people, nor is designed to secure uniformity among them, as a system of faith, but is a brief statement of what is, and has been, with great unanimity, held by them."

James White again elected president of General Conference, August 10.

J. N. Andrews, our first foreign missionary, sailed from Boston, September 15.

General Conference Tract and Missionary Society organized.

**1875** - Main building of Battle Creek College dedicated January 4. Seventh-day Adventist Publishing Association (now Pacific Press Publishing Association) incorporated at Oakland, Calif., April 1.

Almira Pierce (wife of Stephen) dies in Iowa.

Missouri Conference organized June 2. Kansas Conference organized September 10.

**1877** - North Pacific Conference organized October 25. (It embraced much of the territory now included in the North Pacific Union.)

First State Sabbath School Association organized in California.

**John G. Matteson** sailed for Denmark, beginning his labors at Vejle, in Jutland.

The Biblical Institute, where Uriah Smith and James White outlined the Principal Doctrines of Seventh-day Adventists, was held in Oakland, California. Covering everything from the Sanctuary to Prophecy, the nature of Sin to the nature of Christ, this Institute confirmed and strengthened the teachings of Adventism, as outlined in the Fundamentals of 1872.

- **1878** General Conference Sabbath School Association organized, and the first Sabbath school contributions given. Battle Creek Tabernacle built. St. Helena Sanitarium established.
- 1879 First local Young People's Society organized at Hazelton, MI.
- **1879** June 7 John Gottlieb Matteson organized a church of thirty-eight members in Christiania, Norway. A printing house was established in Christiania about the same time, and *Tidernes Tegn* (Signs of the Times) began to be issued.
- Mrs. E. G. White wrote her first message regarding house-to-house work with our publications.

Tabernacle in Battle Creek, Michigan is dedicated.

**1880** - First baptism of believers in England, at Southampton, February 8.

George I. Butler again is president of the General Conference, October 6.

**1881 – Death of Elder James White** at Battle Creek, Michigan, on August 6. (Born Aug. 4, 1821.)

The first Adventist textbook, *A Natural Method in English*, is produced by Goodloe Harper Bell.

- **1882** The church opens its second college program, Healdsburg College, in northern California.
- **1883 Death of Elder Joseph Birchard Frisbie.** (Born 1816). **Death of Elder John Nevins Andrews** at Basel, Switzerland, October 21. (Born 1829.) **Death of Stephen Pierce.** (Born 1804).

At the General Conference Session, November 8-20, 1883, it is decided against publishing a Church Manual, as it was deemed undesirable to take any steps towards a discipline, creed or form of

formalism. "It is the unanimous opinion of the committee appointed to consider the matter of the Church Manual that it would not be advisable to have a Church Manual. We consider it un-necessary because we have already surmounted the greatest difficulties connected with church organization without one; and perfect harmony exists among us on this subject. It would seem to many like a step toward the formation of a creed or a discipline, other than the Bible, something we have always been opposed to denomination. If we had one, we fear many, especially those commencing to preach, would study it to obtain guidance in religious matters, rather that to seek for it in the Bible, and from the leading of the Spirit of God, which would tend to their hindrance in genuine religious experience, and in knowledge of the mind of the Spirit. It was in taking similar steps that other bodies of Christians first began to lose their simplicity and become formal and spiritually lifeless. Why should we imitate them? The committee feels, in short, that our tendency should be in the direction of the policy and close conformity of the Bible, rather than to elaborately defining every point in church management and church ordinances."

"On motion, this report with reference to Church Manual was accepted. It was then also—*Voted*, That the President of the General Conference be requested to write an article for the *Review*, explaining the action of the Conference on the subject of the Manual." — Review and Herald, November 20, 1883 (Yearbook, 1884, pp. 33-36)

Also decided at the General Conference session, a committee would be formed of five men, set up to change the Testimonies for the Church. Condensing them from 31 parts to a 4 part volume set. Future releases of the Testimonies expanded this to a 9 volume set, ending in 1909.

**1883** - The church's first school of nursing opens at Battle Creek Sanitarium, operated by Drs. Kate Lindsay and Ann Stewart under the auspices of Dr. John Harvey Kellogg.

**1884** – The first Seventh-day Adventist Yearbook is published. It includes all the statistics of the denomination. This will begin an annual practice. Total number of ministers, 165; licentiates, 135; churches, 680; membership, 17,436; tithes raised during the year, \$96,418.62. — From *1884 Year Book*, p. 73.

First denominational training school for nurses opened at the Battle Creek Sanitarium.

Present Truth issued in England, Milton C. Wilcox, editor.

**1885** - First party of workers for Australia (including S. N. Haskell, **J. O. Corliss**, and others) sailed from San Francisco.

R. F. Andrews began labor in Ireland.

Mrs. E. G. White and **Willie C. White** visited the believers in Europe, arriving at Basel, Switzerland, in September.

**1886** - L. R. Conradi sent to Europe in January. L. R. Conradi made his first visit to Russia. First Seventh-day Adventist church organized in the Crimea. (Conradi came into the church in 1870.)

First number of the Australian *Bible Echo and Signs of the Times* issued in January.

Church organized in Melbourne, April 10.

**1887** - First European camp-meeting held at Moss, Norway, in June.

Arthur G. Daniells opened the first SDA church in New Zealand.

The General Conference creates the office of Secretary of Education, appointing W. W. Prescott to the position in addition to his responsibilities as president of Battle Creek College.

First missionaries (**D. A. Robinson**, **C. L. Boyd**, and others) sent to South Africa, reaching there in July.

Establishment of local or church schools recommended by the Educational Society.

A. La Rue went as a self-supporting missionary to China.

British Publishing House established in London, England.

**1888** - **H. P. Holser** sent to Europe.

Death of B. L. Whitney, April 9, 1888. (Born Dec. 10, 1845.)

**O. A. Olsen** elected president of the General Conference, October 17.

The 27th General Conference Session in 1888 is held at Minneapolis,

Minnesota, with 91 delegates, and approx. 475 attendees. God brings the truth of justification by faith to His people through Elder's Waggoner & Jones. Built on a powerful Biblical foundation, this message of the love of God marked the beginning of the Loud Cry. But sadly, the message is resisted by a large majority of the church leadership.

Ellen White writes, "The prejudices and opinions that prevailed at Minneapolis are not dead by any means. The seeds there sown are ready to spring into life and bear a like harvest, because the roots are still left.... and will bear their unholy fruit, to poison the perception and blind the understanding of those you connect with, in regard to the messengers and messages that God sends..." (Manuscript 40, 1890; 1888 Materials, ch. 115)

"Some of our brethren have expressed fears that we shall dwell too much upon the subject of justification by faith, but I hope and pray that none will be needlessly alarmed; for there is no danger in presenting this doctrine as it is set forth in the Scriptures...... Some of our brethren are not receiving the message from God upon this subject. They appear to be anxious that none of our ministers shall depart from their former manner of teaching the good old doctrines. We inquire, Is it not time that fresh light should come to the people of God, to awaken them to greater earnestness and zeal? Several have written to me, inquiring if the message of justification by faith is the third angel's message, and I have answered, 'It is the third angel's message in verity.'" (Ellen White, Ms 8, 1890, par. 6)

The church's first teacher's institute convenes in Battle Creek, Michigan, USA.

**1889 – Death of Elder Joseph Harvey Waggoner** on April 17 (Ellet Joseph Waggoner's father).

Message first reached South America through literature.

National Religious Liberty Association organized July 21. The name was changed later to International Religious Liberty Association; and in 1901 was made a department of the General Conference.

**1889** – The Fundamental Principles are expanded to 28 sections and published in the Yearbook (1889 edition) for the first time, leaving the first two on the doctrine of God unchanged. It remains

unchanged during its reprinting from 1905-1914 in the SDA Yearbooks. This same statement or guideline of belief can be found in the 1905, 1909, 1913 and 1914 Yearbooks. After that, it is not published until it was changed solely by F. M Wilcox in 1931.

"Seventh-day Adventists have no creed but the Bible; but they hold to certain well-defined points of faith, for which they feel prepared to give a reason 'to every man that asketh' them. The following propositions may be taken as a summary of the principle features of their religious faith, upon which there is, so far as is known, entire unanimity throughout the body." (1889 Yearbook, p. 147)

**1890** – Leadership attempts to remove the name Seventh-day Adventist from the American Sentinel (Religious Liberty journal of the SDA Church) to make the magazine popular with other denominations, but this step is averted because a living prophet is present. Ellen White states, "This policy is the first step in a succession of wrong steps" (Counsels to Writer and Editors, p. 96) the leading brethren are taking down the road to ecumenical concessions.

#### **1890 - Maria L. Huntley** died April 18. (Born in 1847.)

**1891** - The General Conference sent Ellen White to Australia, contrary to the light given her. (*This Day With God*, p.61) E.J. Waggoner is sent to England as editor of *The Present Truth* for 10 years to separate him from A.T. Jones and E.G. White. (Letter from W.C. White to A.G. Daniells, May 30, 1902.) Willie accompanies her along with a group of workers, landing in December.

Union College established at College View, Nebraska.

#### 1892 - Death of Elder Roswell F. Cottrell.

Walla Walla College established at Walla Walla, Washington.

**1892** - Bible Students' Library series - lessons for the public. # 90 "The Bible Doctrine of the Trinity." Reprint of article in the New York Independent in November 14, 1889. Author - Samuel Spear (non-SDA). Promoted "one God subsisting and acting in three hypostases / persons," but also in "eternal divine subordination of the Son to the Father." The tract used terms not generally used by Adventists, but it is generally non-Trinitarian in content.

**1893** – Ellen White stated the Church is not Babylon (for that time and place).

"Regarding the testimonies, nothing is ignored; nothing is cast aside; but time and place must be considered." – Selected Messages, book 1, p. 57

Portland (Oregon) Sanitarium established.

Claremont Union College, the first Adventist college outside of the United States, opens in Kenilworth, South Africa, Feb. 1.

Death of Merritt E. Cornell, November 2.

**1893-94** - Canvassers pioneered the way in India.

**1894** - Miss **Georgia Burrus** reached Calcutta as our first missionary to India. Missionaries sent to Matabeleland, South Africa, reached Bulawayo, July 4.

**F. H. Westphal** becomes our fist minister to South America.

Union training school for the three Scandinavian countries opened at Frederikshavn, Denmark.

Herbert Camden Lacey attends Sunday-keeping/ Trinitarian meeting as Battle Creek College Delegate to Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions in Michigan. Lacey re-accepts the trinity doctrine as he came originally from the Anglican Church of England into Adventism.

Sister White warns, "It is a grave mistake on the part of those who are children of God to seek to bridge the gulf that separate them from the children of darkness by yielding principle, by compromising the truth." (BEcho, April 9, 1894, par. 6) "It is a backsliding church that lessens the distance between itself and the papacy." (ST Feb 19, 1894)

**1895** - Sister White warns the leadership in Battle Creek: "The Lord has not placed any one of His human agencies under the dictation and control of those who are themselves but erring mortals... But there is a power exercised in Battle Creek that God has not given, and He will judge those who assume this authority... Brethren, leave God to rule." (TM 347.3)

She also warns, the General Conference is itself becoming corrupted with wrong sentiments and principles. In the working up of plans the same principles are manifest that have controlled matters at Battle Creek for quite a length of time." –Ellen White, Letter 55, September 19, 1895, par. 2

**D. A. Robinson** began work in Calcutta, India. Hamburg Publishing House established in Germany.

Battle Creek Sanitarium establishes the first Adventist school of medicine, American Medical Missionary College, with John Harvey Kellogg as president.

**1895** - James Edson White begins the first church school for African-Americans aboard the *Morning Star*, in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Workers from South Africa and North America establish Solusi Mission in Matabeleland after receiving a grant of 12,000 acres of land from Cecil Rhodes to educate Africans.

**1896** – Sanitarium in Boulder, Colorado is established.

Herbert Camden Lacey lectures on Trinity in Cooranbong, Australia. Sister Marian Davis, literary assistant to Sister White takes copious notes. A.G. Daniells does not oppose the lectures. (Lacey Letters to Leroy Froom, 1945)

Recommendations for essential change at General Conference session, to choose one man as president, but the brethren are advised that it is not wise to do so. Ellen White warns: "To place men where God should be placed does not honor or glorify God. Is the president of the General Conference to be the God of the people? Are the men at Battle Creek to be regarded as infinite in wisdom?... 'Cease ye from man.'" (TM 375.2)

Oakwood Industrial School opens in Huntsville, Alabama, as a training school for African-Americans after General Conference President O. A. Olsen personally leads a commission to prepare buildings and land.

Battle Creek College establishes the first Adventist teacher-preparation department, led by Frederick Griggs.

**1897** – Dr. John Harvey Kellogg presents his first concepts leading to Pantheism at a series of studies he gave at the General Conference

session.

- **G. A. Irwin** elected president of the General Conference, February 19. Publishing House established at Buenos Aires, Argentina, South America. Sanitarium established in Skodsborg, Denmark.
- **1897** Avondale School for Christian Workers (the future Avondale College), begins classes in Cooranbong, Australia, with C. B. Hughes as principal.
- E. A. Sutherland, president of Battle Creek College, launches the "Movement of '97," which dramatically increases the number of church schools.
- **1898** First number of the Oriental Watchman issued in Calcutta; **W. A. Spicer**, editor.

"Trinitarian-type" King's Messenger article is printed in Review and Herald, "The God-Man."

Ellen White states, "The church is in the Laodicean state. The presence of God is not in her midst." (Ms 156, 1898 – Notebook Leaflets from Elms haven Library, Vol. 1, Need of Self-Sacrificing Effort, p. 99)

Ellen White writes, "It has been some years since I have considered the General Conference as the voice of God." - Manuscript Releases 17, p. 216, 1898; Last Day Events, p. 50.3

- **1899** New England Sanitarium established at South Lancaster, Mass.; removed to Melrose, Mass., 1902.
- **1900** P. T. Magan begins a campaign to eliminate the debts of Adventist schools and other institutions. Ellen White donates the proceeds from the sale of *Christ's Object Lessons* to raise money for schools.

Teachers from North America's 220 elementary schools gather at Battle Creek, Michigan, for the church's first institute for church school teachers.

**1901** – The American Standard Version of the Bible is first published. This move towards a common Bible between Catholics and Protestants will influence Adventism in small steps away from truth.

Arthur G. Daniells elected president of the General Conference, April 2. Even against the counsel of Ellen White, he would stay put in that position for 21 years!

Young People's work organized in connection with the Sabbath School Department.

Duncombe Hall Missionary College, our first British school, established in London, England with H.R. Salisbury as principal.

Southern Publishing Association established at Nashville, Tennessee.

H. P. Holser died September 11. (Born Oct. 5, 1856.)

**1901** - Stated by Ellen White: "It is working upon wrong principles that has brought the cause of God into its present embarrassment. The people have lost confidence in those who have the management of the work. Yet we hear that the voice of the Conference is the Voice of God. Every time I have heard this, I have thought that it was almost blasphemy....We have reached the time when the work cannot advance while wrong principles are cherished." (Manuscript 37, 1901)

The General Conference creates the Educational Department with John Harvey Kellogg as chairman and P. T. Magan as secretary.

**1902** – John Harvey Kellogg prepares to publish his work, *The Living Temple*. He is told not to include his new theories, but ignores the counsel. He tries to gain approval at the Autumn Council for his book to be published but a letter from Ellen White to Daniells counsels him to have nothing to do with the book. Kellogg takes his manuscript to the Review and Herald publishing house as outside work, and they agree to print it.

The Battle Creek Sanitarium (February 18) and the Review and Herald Printing office (December 30) burn to the ground. And along with it, the proofs of Kellogg's book Living Temple. He then takes the manuscript to a non-Adventist printer.

Twenty-three fires would happen between 1901 & 1923. Judgment has ruled from the heavens above, but leaders only scoff at the idea.

Battle Creek College moved to Berrien Springs, Mich.

Ellen White feels perplexed and frustrated with the General

Conference and decides to withdraw herself from all their meetings. She writes to her sons Edson and Willie, "I have but very little confidence that the Lord is giving these men in positions of responsibility, spiritual eyesight and heavenly discernment. I am thrown into perplexity over their course; and I desire now to attend to my special work, to have no part in any of their councils, and to attend no camp meetings, nigh or afar off. My mind shall not be dragged into confusion by the tendency they manifest to work directly contrary to the light that God has given me. I am done. I will preserve my God-given intelligence. My voice has been heard in the different conferences, and at camp meetings. I must now make a change... I shall therefore leave, leave them to receive word from the Bible... This is the light given me and I shall not depart from it." (Letter W-186, 2 Dec. 1902 to Edson and Willie White, p. 4, 5)

1903 - Crisis begins with Living Temple and the Alpha heresy. Kellogg prints the book in which he has placed his theories. Ellen White says they are "spiritualistic" and "akin to pantheism" (Special Testimonies B, No. 6, p. 41). She says these teachings are the "alpha of deadly heresies" (1SM 200), and that "the Omega would follow in a little while. I tremble for our people. In *Living Temple* the assertion is made that God is in the flower, in the leaf, in the sinner. But God does not live in the sinner. The Word declares that He abides only in the hearts of those who love Him and do righteousness. God does not abide in the heart of the sinner; it is the enemy who abides there." (Sermons and Talks, Vol. 1, p. 341, 343) But Kellogg claims that his book is in harmony with Ellen White's writings and can be sustained by statements from the testimonies. Ellen White tells him he has taken her statements away from their connection, and interpreted them according to his own mind. "I saw what was coming in, and I saw that our brethren were blind. They did not realize the danger." (Sermons and Talks, vol.1, p. 344)

In a vision, Ellen White sees "a platform, braced by solid timbers—the truths of the Word of God. Someone high in responsibility in the medical work was directing this man and that man to loosen the timbers supporting this platform..." (Selected Messages, book 1, p. 204)

Dr. Kellogg admitted to A. G. Daniells that "he had come to believe in the trinity"; letter: A. G. Daniells to Willie Clarence White, October 29.

**1903** - Autumn Council, the understanding of the character and personality of God comes under threat. Arthur G. Daniells is concerned that the supporters of *Living Temple* would cause a confrontation, and dares not call for a vote. Ellen White writes to him: "Be careful how you sustain the sentiments of this book regarding the personality of God... It has been represented to me that the writer of this book is on a false track." (Keepers of the Flame, no.6, Dr. Alan Lindsay)

After the council, Daniells writes to W. C. White regarding the proposed changes Kellogg has planned for the book. "Regarding Dr. Kellogg's plans for revising and republishing *'Living Temple'*...within a short time he had come to believe in the Trinity and could now see pretty clearly where all the difficulty was... He now believed in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost, and his view was that it was God the Holy Ghost and not God the Father, that filled all space, and every living thing..." (Oct 29, 1903, p. 1,2)

Ellen White writes to Kellogg: "You are not definitely clear on the personality of God, which is everything to us as a people. You have virtually destroyed the Lord God Himself." (Letter 300, The Elmshaven Years, Vol.5, 1900-1905. Arthur L. White, 1941) She further predicts what will happen in the future including a supposed reformation. But it will not be a good and honest one.

"The enemy of souls has sought to bring in the supposition that a great reformation was to take place among Seventh-day Adventists, and that this reformation would consist in giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith, and engaging in a process of reorganization. Were this reformation to take place, what would result? The principles of truth that God in His wisdom has given to the remnant church would be discarded. Our religion would be changed. The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error. A new organization would be established. Books of a new order would be written. A system of intellectual philosophy would be introduced. Nothing would be allowed to stand in the way of **the new movement.** The leaders would teach that virtue is better than vice, but God being removed, they would place their dependence on human power, which, without worthless. Their foundation would be built on the sand, and storm and tempest would sweep away the structure." (Ellen White, Letter 242, p. 13, 1903)

1903 – A New Constitution is proposed to provide for the election of a G.C president who will be given a mandate from the Church. This will give the president and leading officers authority to enact what they think the people need. Arthur G. Daniells by himself is made president for the next 20 years. The new Constitution provides for the Exec Committee of 25 members to have full administrative power between sessions for any five members as a quorum to take steps that will involve the whole committee.

Ellen White writes, "These principles are so foreign to God's principles that God cannot bless those who vote upon them." (GCB 1903, p. 152) E.J. Waggoner also objects: "It is fundamentally and diametrically opposed to the principles of organization as set forth in the Bible." (GCB 1903) Percy Magan says, "They are the same principles and introduced in precisely the same way as they were hundreds of years ago when the Papacy was made." (GCB Day 3, No 10, p. 150) A.T. Jones states, "This proposed constitution is subversive of the principles of organization given to us at the G.C of 1897 and that of 1901." (GCB 1903, p. 152, 153) This G.C session has rejected the 1897 and 1901 recommendations.

#### Death of Uriah Smith, March 6. (Born May 2, 1832.)

Dr. John Harvey Kellogg promotes Trinitarian doctrines in Battle Creek after converting from Pantheism. Kellogg asks Jones to teach at Battle Creek College. Waggoner moves to Battle Creek, placing him in great peril. Ellen White writes to him: "Satan is working stealthily, untiringly, to affect your downfall through his specious temptations... He hopes to lead you into the mazes of spiritualism." (Letter 231, 1903)

#### A. La Rue died April 26, at Hong Kong, China.

Dedication of the new building of the Battle Creek Sanitarium, May 30 to June 1, 1903.

Headquarters of the General Conference moved to Washington, D. C. on August 10. First number of the *Review* printed in Washington, August 20.

1904 - The General Conference incorporates itself and fulfills the

prophesy from Ellen White's Letter 242 (1903), describing a "New Organization would be established." "Nothing would be able to stand in the way of the New Movement." The articles of Incorporation are published in the church's 1905 Year Book.

**1904** - Ellen White has a vision in which the angel says to Jones and Waggoner, "The sentiments that you have received in harmony with the special theories presented in the book 'Living Temple' are not pure truth. There is a co-mingling of truth and error... Separate entirely from the bewitching, misleading sentiments that run through 'Living Temple'." (Letter 279, 1904)

Ellen White has another vision of Kellogg: "The subject upon which he was speaking was life, and the relation of God to all living things. In his presentations he cloaked the matter somewhat, but in reality he was presenting, as of the highest value, scientific theories which are akin to pantheism... I was astonished to see with what enthusiasm the sophistries and deceptive theories were received. The influence of this talk gave the speaker encouragement to call for a council of our brethren at Battle Creek, for a further examination of these seducing sentiments." (Special Testimonies Series B, No.6, p. 210)

"Rebellion and apostasy are in the very air we breathe." (2SM 58) The apostasy will "develop into darkness deep as midnight, impenetrable as sackcloth of hair," and will increase in strength until the coming of Jesus. (Ellen White, Manuscript Releases, vol. 7, p. 185.1)

Ellen White writes, "For the past 50 years every phase of heresy has been brought to bear upon us... Messages of every order and kind have been urged upon Seventh-day Adventists, to take the place of the truth which, point by point, has been sought out by prayer, study, and testified to by the miracle-working power of the Lord." (Special Testimonies, Series B #2, p. 59)

Notice that by 1904, the foundation of faith had been firmly established. "Many of our people do not realize how firmly the foundation of our faith has been laid. My husband, Elder Joseph Bates, Father Pierce, Elder Hiram Edson, and others who were keen, noble, and true, were among those who, after the passing of the time in 1844, searched for the truth as for hidden treasure... When they

came to the point in their study where they said, 'We can do nothing more,' the Spirit of the Lord would come upon me, I would be taken off in vision, and a clear explanation of the passages we had been studying would be given me, with instruction as to how we were to labor and teach effectively. Thus light was given that helped us to understand the scriptures in regard to Christ, His mission, and His priesthood. A line of truth extending from that time to the time when we shall enter the city of God, was made plain to me, and I gave to others the instruction that the Lord had given me." (1SM 206.4)

**1904** - September 21 date of the first issue of the Signs of the Times after the removal of the Pacific Press Publishing Association from Oakland to Mountain View, Calif.

Hinsdale Sanitarium established at Hinsdale, Illinois. Washington Training College established in Takoma Park, MD.

Gland (Switzerland) Sanitarium established at Gland, on Lake Geneva. Paradise Valley Sanitarium established at National City, Calif.

**1905** - General Conference offices moved from the city of Washington to Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. in February.

The Southern California Conference buys a resort hotel that will become Loma Linda University and, the following year, opens a school of nursing.

Loma Linda (California) Sanitarium established. Sanitarium established in Glendale, Calif. Publishing House established in Brazil, South America. Signs of the Times Publishing House established at Shanghai, China.

The 28 Fundamental Principles of 1889 "Synopsis of our Faith" is inserted again in the church Yearbook, and continues until 1914. This is the core belief of truth that was born from the foundation of our faith thru the Pioneers.

Ellen White confirms these principles: "Every pillar that He has established is to be strengthened. We cannot now step off the foundation that God has established. We cannot now enter into any new organization; for this would mean apostasy from the truth" (Manuscript 129, 1905).

"The past fifty years have not dimmed one jot or principle of our faith as we received the great and wonderful evidences that were made certain to us in 1844, after the passing of the time... Not a word is changed or denied." (Letter 326, Dec. 4, 1905; The Upward Look, 352.4)

#### 1905 - Daniel Bourdeau dies.

Ellen White says the writings of the pioneers should be reproduced. "God has given me light regarding our periodicals. What is it? He has said that the dead are to speak. How? Their works shall follow them. We are to repeat the words of the pioneers in our work, who knew what it cost to search for the truth as for hidden treasure, and who labored to lay the foundation of our work. They moved forward step by step under the influence of the Spirit of God. One by one these pioneers are passing away. The word given me is, Let that which these men have written in the past be reproduced." (RH May 25, 1905)

**1906** – Pacific Press publishes the first Adventist church school manual.

Main building of the Pacific Press Publishing Company, Mountain View, Calif., destroyed by fire, July 20.

**1907** - Name adopted for the Missionary Volunteer Department at the first general Missionary Volunteer Convention, Mount Vernon, Ohio.

First Seventh-day Adventist church organized in Tokyo, Japan, in June. Washington Sanitarium dedicated June 12.

Washington Training College in Takoma Park, Maryland, becomes the Washington Foreign Missionary Seminary with H. R. Salisbury as president.

Apostasy is here. With the apostasy of Dr. John Harvey Kellogg, Ellen White warns: "The time of this apostasy is here. Every conceivable effort will be made to throw doubt upon the positions we have occupied for over half a century." (Letter 410, 1907, p. 2 [to her son J. E. White, Aug 26, 1907]; 7MR 195)

1908 - Florida Sanitarium established at Orlando, Florida.

Publishing House established at Tokyo, Japan.

**1909** - Pacific Union College established at St. Helena, Calif.

**1910** – Ellen White calls out A. G. Daniells and W. W. Prescott for their work in picking flaws and trying to change our books and writings. (Manuscript 67, 1910)

Judson Washburn reports that he first heard Daniells presenting a "new view" on the "daily" at the Southern Union Conference meetings.

**1911** – A total rewrite of the Great Controversy happens. Complete chapters are added in that didn't exist previously. Besides punctuation changes, Bible scriptures are added, portions from the 1884 edition are removed and/or changed completely. It would be eight years later that W. W. Prescott would make a bold confession as to his work in this deed.

The College of Medical Evangelists receives a "C" rating from the American Medical Association, sparking a 25-year debate over accreditation.

**1912** – The Review and Herald reprints the original Principles with the first two unchanged-"one God" and "one Lord." (August 22, 1912, p. 4)

Stanborough Park Sanitarium established at Stanborough Park, Watford, Herts, England.

**1913** – Francis McLellan Wilcox publishes supposed "Trinitarian tract." Strategically placed next to it in the next column is a quote from Sister White (taken from Desire of Ages) from 1898 to paint a false picture of belief in R&H Vol. 6, Oct. 9, 1913, p 21. People today are led to believe she put it there and knew what was published next to her name. This was really dishonest. At this time (two years from death) she is really feeble and has no say or connection what takes place in the Review & Herald.

Wilcox rolls out the divine Trinity, which includes the Holy Spirit as the third person of the Godhead. This sets the stage for making the Godhead (used exclusively by Ellen White) equivalent with Wilcox's "divine Trinity." This is apparently a response to counter the claim published by James Gray of the Moody Bible Institute that Adventists

deny the Trinity (James Gray, *Bible Problems Explained*, 1913). Wilcox is concerned with what Evangelicals and other Christians think about us. We are different! We are to be and remain a peculiar people. But that would change as more and more Sunday converts came into the denomination.

Far Eastern Division of the General Conference organized.

**1914** - Two percent of the members were disfellowshipped from the German Seventh-day Adventist Church, because they declared that participation in war service, and that on the Sabbath (Saturday), cannot be reconciled with the Adventist doctrine. The disfellowshipped believers have considered themselves as the true keepers and defenders of Adventism.

The last time the original "Fundamental Principles" from 1872 (and repeated over time) would be published in the SDA Yearbook. This was part of the foundation of the faith that started out in the 1850's.

Great changes are made to the Book, "Bible Readings for the Home Circle". This book remained unchanged from it's original published date of 1888 to it's last publishing in 1912 prior to this. Found on page 29 in the chapter "A Remarkable Symbol" is a note on prophecy and history that has since been removed and modified in later editions.

"I, considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots." Dan. 7:8

"NOTES. —We must, then, look for the development of the "little horn" this side of A. D. 483. About that time, in fact, there was a pretentious power, seeking acknowledgment of its claims. As early as the beginning of the sixth century the bishops of Rome had become powerful enough to exert considerable of that influence at the imperial court which ere long exalted them to a station where they could command the kings of the earth. There was only one hinderance to their supremacy, — the opposition of the Arian powers to the doctrines of the Catholics, especially to that of the Trinity. These opposing powers were rooted up, the Heruli in 493, the Vandals in 534, and the Ostrogoths in 538. See "Student's Gibbon," pp. 309-319. "

The history of the "Little Horn" plucking up the three horns

happened to be called Arian. This important detail of their identity has been removed. They were non-Trinitarian Germanic tribes who would not subscribe to Rome's Trinity doctrine and belief - the Heruli, Vandals and the Ostrogoths.

**1915 - O. A. Olsen dies** January 22 at Hinsdale, Illinois. (Born July 28, 1845.)

Ellen White warns of great changes to take place after her death. "I am charged to tell our people, that do not realize, that the devil has device after device, and he carries them out in ways that they do not expect. Satan's agencies will invent ways to make sinners out of saints. I tell you now, that when I am laid to rest, great changes will take place. I do not know when I shall be taken; and I desire to warn all against the devices of the devil. I want the people to know that I warned them fully before my death." (Manuscript 1, Feb 24, 1915)

**1915 - Ellen White dies** on July 16, only five months after her last written warning. (Born November 26, 1827.)

Part of the original Landmarks are removed and put out of the way. The "Principles of Faith" mostly written from James White and Uriah Smith and first published in 1872, are now gone from the Yearbook by a mere General Conference statistician, H. Edson Rogers. Rogers was working under the guise of George B. Thompson, Walter T. Knox, William Warren Prescott, Edwin R. Palmer and Irwin H. Evans, representatives of the North American Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists.

South India Training School (forerunner of Spicer Memorial College) opens in Coimbatore under the direction of G. G. Lowry.

- **1916 Elder Ellet Joseph Waggoner dies** on May 28th and **Elder A. C. Bordeau dies** on July 7.
- **1917** Philippine Seventh-day Adventist Academy (later the Adventist University of the Philippines) opens.
- 1918 Death of Elder George I. Butler on July 25 (Born Nov. 12, 1834), Elder James H. Morrison and Elder W. H. Littlejohn. R.C. Porter dies July 29 (Born April 29, 1858.)
- 1919 Bible and Teachers Conference takes place in secrecy with-

out the knowledge of the body or main laity of the church. There is a limited invited list of theologians and teachers. Discussion becoming heated at times as some in leadership positions test the waters to see if the doctrine of the Trinity can be brought in besides other changes. There is enough resistance to table the conversation for another time. The recorded minutes for this 5-week long event (July 1-August 9) disappears for 55 years until 1974. Arthur G. Daniells, William Warren Prescott, Herbert Lacey among others are working as agents of Satan. An attempt at discrediting the inspiration of Ellen White is made. Some of the subjects addressed included: The Person and Mediatorial work of Christ, the nature of the Holy Spirit, the Trinity doctrine, the Two Covenants, principles of prophetic interpretation including the attempts at a new view of the Eastern Question, the Seven Trumpets, the beasts of Revelation 13, Daniel 7 and of course questioning the nature of Inspiration of the Spirit of Prophecy as related to the Inspiration of the Bible.

#### **1922** - Tabernacle at Battle Creek destroyed by fire, Jan. 7.

Judson Washburn writes an open letter to Daniells saying the 1919 Bible Conference was "the most terrible thing that had ever happened in the history of this denomination." (J. S. Washburn, An Open Letter to Elder A. G. Daniells and an Appeal to the General Conference, 1922, p. 28, 29)

Another letter written by Washburn to Claude Holmes is published as a 36-page tract called *The Startling Omega and its True Genealogy*. It is distributed at the General Conference of 1922. In this tract he mentions that the college in Washington has become "a nest of Higher Criticism" and he blames A. G. Daniells and W. W. Prescott for all the theological problems. (Omega Tract, Washburn, p. 1, 6) Washburn, born in 1863 was converted by John N. Andrews at age 11, baptized by James White at 12, and started preaching at age 21. He was also a nephew of George Butler.

W. A. Spicer elected president of the General Conf., May 11.

**Elder Stephen Haskell dies (**author of many best selling books and Adventist Pioneer) on October 9 (Born April 22, 1833.)

**1923** – Elder Alonzo Trevor Jones, Elder O.A. Johnson and J. O. Corliss dies (Born Dec. 26, 1845).

**1924** – John Norton Loughborough, the last of the first generation core of Pioneers, dies at St. Helena Sanitarium in California, April 7. (Born January 26, 1832.)

1926 – Leroy Froom (who is first associate secretary and then made secretary of the Ministerial Association until 1950) is asked to give studies on the Holy Spirit at the Ministerial institute in the North American Division. Since he cannot find material suited to his beliefs and agenda within our own denomination, he goes to authors outside our faith (Babylon) to reference their writings.

Gradually the meaning of the word "divine" changed, until it meant not fully divine. We do not know how it changed, but Trinitarians were using the term "deity", instead of "divine". (Once divine and deity meant the same.) When Froom uses the words "all the fullness of the Godhead", he is making two statements -- an Arian or Semi-Arian belief is not true Christianity, and the Trinity has a Saviour with full deity.

General Conference Working Policy (075) is adopted. SDA Church becomes a part of evangelical churches. The policy states, "We recognize every agency that lifts up Christ before men as a part of the divine plan for the evangelization of the world, and we hold in high esteem the Christian men and women in other communions who are engaged in winning souls to Christ." ("Relationship To Other Societies," GC Exco, 1926)

This would include the Jesuit Order. Ellen White has warned, "Shall this power, whose record for a thousand years is written in the blood of the saints, be now acknowledged as a part of the church of Christ?" (Great Controversy, 1888, p. 571.1) This is the first "wrong step" toward ecumenical concessions taken by the G.C., only two years after the death of the last of the core of the Pioneers first generation, John Loughborough.

# 1928 – Death of Elder James Edson White, son of James & Ellen White.

Leroy Froom, founder of Ministry Magazine begins promoting the American Revised Standard Version and demotes the King James Bible to not accurate and old-fashioned status. **He tours the U.S. promoting the Sunday Trinity to Adventist ministers** and writes the book the Coming of the Comforter.

The Coming of the Comforter, a pro-Trinity book by Leroy Froom is published – Froom claims opposition to the Trinity arose from "some of the old timers" as he writes, "You cannot imagine how I was pummeled by some of the old timers because I pressed on the personality of the Holy Spirit as the third person of the Godhead." (Letter from Froom to Dr. O. H. Christenson, Oct. 27,1960). He would later admit in 1971 in his book, "Movement of Destiny" that he went to authors outside of our denomination for the material he would use for this book. In other words, authors from Babylon!

William Warren Prescott who was educated by the secular Dartmouth College, <u>writes eleven articles in the Signs of the Times documenting the Sunday scholars proof of the inferiority of the King James Bible</u>. The Bible of the Pioneers is under assault and being replaced by modern corrupt versions.

General Conference leadership adopts the American Revised Version bible, which is inspired by the Jesuits of Rome, above the Authorized KJV Bible of the pioneers. This version comes from scholars that rely on two manuscripts, the Vaticanus and the Sinaiticus (Constantine's state bibles.) This is the second "wrong step" toward ecumenism. This step is now possible with the passing of the last pioneer.

**1929** – Healing of the deadly wound of the papacy, the Lateran Treaty is signed between Italy and the Vatican, settling the "Roman Question." Italy now recognizes the Vatican City State as an independent state, and agrees to give the Church financial compensation for the loss of the Papal States.

Worldly Accreditation is decided to be desirous by the inner circle of our leading men, wanting it to be accepted and received into our colleges. The educational system devised by the Jesuits will begin to come into influence. This was a goal of A. G. Daniells along with the help of W. W. Prescott.

A. T. Robinson writes an article "One God and One Mediator" for the Review and Herald, quoting 1 Cor. 15:28, giving the impression that the one God is the Father only. This is the solid footing that Adventism started with.

**1930** – General Conference votes to publish a Church Manual. In 1883 the G.C. session had voted NO. They also decided it was time

for a new statement of beliefs. This is the third "wrong step" toward ecumenism. Attitudes have now changed and become more liberal. Theological wounds have "healed." The last of the pioneers has died and their voices are no longer heard. Leadership wants to change the old SDA doctrines on (1) The final atonement in heaven, (2) The human nature of Christ, (3) The place of Scripture and prophecy in the church, and (4) The doctrine of the Trinity as taught by evangelicals. Ellen White warns, "In no respect is God's work to be circumscribed by man-made restrictions. Many of the ambitious plans and policies that have been made are not endorsed by Him." (1MR 245)

"Our Authorized Bible Vindicated" by B.G. Wilkinson is published, documenting the origins and history of the King James Bible. The General Conference tries to discontinue the book and Wilkinson writes a second book in defense of his position, "Answers to Objections to our Authorized Bible Vindicated."

October 4 Sabbath School lesson still documents our original beliefs from the beginning about Jesus. "Jesus was the Son of God before He was born of the Virgin Mary. He was the only-begotten Son of God from the days of eternity. When on earth He was Divinity incarnate, clothed in human flesh with all its weaknesses. To the unbeliever, He was only a man. Selfish hearts could not read His motives; sinblinded souls could not see His divinity of character. Yet it was there, though the world—nay, His own people—knew it not, and crucified Him. But His resurrection from the dead declared His holiness, His power over sin, His dominion over death, His divinity. Acts 2:24." Sadly, we have theologians in recent times (2015-2020) go on record to say that Christ as a Son is only a metaphor. There is not really a Father and Son.

**1931** – Church leaders in Africa request a "statement" that will "assist in a better understanding of our work." (27 Fundamental's Introduction) In answer to the request, a suitable Statement of Faith is placed in the 1931 Yearbook.

Yearbook with new Statement of Beliefs is published without a vote or authority. The G.C President C.H. Watson is voted the authority to select a committee of four men of which he is a member, to prepare a statement for publication in the Yearbook. The four are G.C Associate Secretary M.E Kern, Review editor F.M Wilcox, manager of Review

and Herald E.R. Palmer, and G.C President C.H Watson. Francis McLellan Wilcox, editor for the Review and Herald (for 33 years), alone writes up the new Statement of Beliefs with 22 Fundamental Beliefs with the approval of the committee and passes it over to Edson Rogers (G.C statistician from 1903-1941) who places it in the 1931 Yearbook. Leroy Froom would later claim there was a consensus because no one complained. He fails to mention the church was unaware of this action. President Watson knows, but does not seek to take official action. Thus the Statement of Beliefs is added not by approval of the G.C, but "by common consent" and is "accepted without challenge." (Froom, Movement of Destiny, p. 414)

The first two fundamental principles of James White (1872/1874/1889-1914 Yearbooks) state in part:

- "1. That there is one God,...everywhere present by His representative, the Holy Spirit.
- 2. That there is one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Eternal Father... that He took on Him the nature of the seed of Abraham for the redemption of our fallen race..."

The 1931 Yearbook now states, "That the Godhead, or Trinity, consists of the Eternal Father,...the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Eternal Father,... the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Godhead..." (p. 377)

Points that are entirely removed from the 1872/1874/1889 Fundamental Principles include: Prophesy as a part of God's revelation to man, World history fulfills Bible prophecy, and Papacy (man of sin) changed the Sabbath.

The pioneer view on the post-fall human nature of Christ is changed to a pre-fall human nature, Christ's work of final atonement in the most holy place since 1844 is omitted and now replaced with atonement being completed on the cross. Christ living to make intercession for us, and the cleansing of the sanctuary involving the work of blotting out sins is now replaced with only a work of judgment.

Now the SDA Church has a new statement on the Trinity, a new Christ with an unfallen human nature instead of a fallen (but not corrupted) human nature, and a new final atonement that was completed on the cross rather than finished in the most holy place in heaven. These doctrinal changes place the SDA Church in harmony with the Sunday-keeping churches of Babylon, and make it possible for ecumenical ties with other denominations. To substantiate these new apostate doctrines, a new Bible, the American Revised Version (now approved by the Papacy), is embraced.

1932 – The first Church Manual is published, with the 22 articles of Fundamental Beliefs, despite G.I Butler's objection to having a Church Manual in 1883 (RH, Nov. 20). Now the church has an official creed for the first time. In 1861, James White warned, "Making a creed is setting the stakes, and barring up the way to all future advancement. They say virtually that the Lord must not do anything further than what has been marked out in the creed. A creed and the [spiritual] gifts thus stand in direct opposition to each other... The Bible is our creed. We reject everything in the form of a human creed." (RH, Oct. 8, 1861)

Pacific Union College earns accreditation from the Board of Regents, the first Adventist college to obtain denominational accreditation.

Philippine Junior College becomes Philippine Union College, the first Adventist four-year degree-granting institution outside North America.

**1933** - Pacific Union College is awarded accreditation by Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools, the first Adventist college to be regionally accredited.

**1934** - The Advanced Bible School (forerunner of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary) is organized at Pacific Union College, in Angwin, California.

**1935** – Death of Arthur Grosvenor Daniells. One of the key men in apostasy.

Letter from H. W. Carr to Willie White asking about the nature of the Holy Spirit as being promoted by some of the leaders being another separate person from the Father and the Son. Sister White explaining that the Spirit of God and of Christ (Holy Spirit) is a divine personality began to be twisted into "someone else"; "another comforter" other than Christ is the Spirit. Part of Willie White's response is, "The statements and the arguments of some of our

ministers in their effort to prove that the Holy Spirit was an individual as are God, the father and Christ, the eternal Son, have perplexed me and sometimes they have made me sad. One popular teacher said "we may regard Him, (the Holy Spirit) as the fellow who is down here running things." (Letter, April 30, 1935)

1936 - The General Conference Sabbath School Committee publishes a series of Sabbath School lesson studies (starting with the 4th quarter 1936 to the 2nd quarter 1938) for the church which is intended to show the world what Seventh-day Adventists officially believe, and purportedly to show that the church still upholds the Adventist Pioneer position on the nature of God and Christ. The G.C Committee voted six men including F.M Wilcox and M.E Kern in late 1935 to sit with the Sabbath School Department Lessons Committee when they compile the studies on essential Bible doctrines. The studies apply Trinitarian language to non-Trinitarian belief, in effect subtly reinterpreting it in Trinitarian terms. In the third week of the 4th quarter 1936 lesson under the title "The Godhead", the word Trinity is used twice, once as a heading and once as a sub-heading. Under the "Trinity" heading, they state that "three powers wrought in the work of creation," and that "the name God is used of the Father, of the Son, and of the Spirit—a kind of heavenly family name. These three constitute the Godhead." Then under the heading "Unity of the Godhead", they state, "The Father is in the Son, and the Son is in the Father. The Spirit is 'the Spirit of God' and 'the Spirit of Christ.' Hence all three dwell together, and the three are one." (Lesson 3, p. 10)

**1936** - The only other time that the word Trinity is mentioned again is in Lesson 10, which states, "Since the divine Trinity is composed of three persons, there is established a personal relationship between the Godhead and the one baptized." (Dec. 5, p. 31)

Nothing else is said about the word Trinity, and the phrase "Trinity doctrine" is not used, but hints of it are being subtly conveyed. At this point, the begotten belief is still the official belief. Time and death is needed to change it to an unbegotten belief to support the false claim that Christ could not be begotten and yet be fully God in His pre-existence. Ellen White believed that Christ was truly begotten and still truly God, for she said in 1905, "The Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of the Father, is truly God in infinity,

but not in personality." (Manuscript 116, Dec. 19, 1905)

The 4th quarter lesson rightly concludes regarding the pre-existence of Christ that "He was therefore no part of creation but was 'begotten of the Father' in the days of eternity, and was very God Himself." (Lesson 4, p. 13)

In the section regarding the Deity of Christ, the lesson rightly recognizes that Christ as the begotten Son has inherited God's name and therefore can rightly be called God. So it seems that as late as 1936, Ellen White's writings have actually not changed the beliefs of the church about the pre-existence of Christ as the truly divine begotten Son of God, contrary to later claims that they have. Also at this point, the Holy Spirit is still not officially regarded as a divine person exactly like God and Christ are persons. The lesson states, "Hence the Father sends the Spirit in the name of the Son, that is, as the Son's representative. The Spirit 'proceedeth from the Father,' to do His work in the earth... Hence the Father sends the Spirit, and the Son sends the Spirit. The Son speaks what the Father gives Him to speak, and the Spirit speaks what the Son gives Him to speak. The Spirit is both the Spirit of God and the Spirit of Christ..." (Lesson 3, p. 11)

**1936** – Benjamin Wilkinson answers a letter from Dr. T. S. Teters saying, "Replying to your letter of October 13 regarding the doctrine of the Trinity, I will say that Seventh Day Adventists do not, and never have accepted the dark, mysterious, Catholic doctrine of the Trinity." (http://omega77.tripod.com/bivensholyspirit.htm)

After heated debate, General Conference session delegates approve of regional accreditation for Adventist colleges.

## 1937 - Death of Willie C. White, son of James & Ellen White.

1939 – W.W. Prescott preaches a sermon at the Takoma Park Church, where he says that Scripture "clearly implied the doctrine of the Trinity... There are three persons in the Godhead, but they are so mysteriously and indissolubly related to each other, that the presence of one is equivalent to the presence of the other." Elder Judson S. Washburn protests what he hears and sees happening in the church by writing a letter to the G.C president J. L. McElhany against the Trinity doctrine. It was circulated by a conference president to 32 ministers.

- **1941** General Conference Committee votes that the Statement of Beliefs is made available in leaflet form and officially released as our accepted Statement of Faith. The committee also approves a uniform 'Baptismal Covenant' or 'Vow' in certificate form, based on the now generally accepted Fundamental Beliefs declaration of 1931. (G.C Session in San Francisco) Thirteen men led by Prescott formulate the Trinitarian-worded baptismal vow. They call the Father the first person, Jesus the second person, and the Holy Spirit the third person. The word Trinity is not used.
- **1941-44** <u>Hymnal "Christ in Song" and "Hymns and Tunes" song book copies are ordered back to the conferences for **burning** so that a new Church Hymnal with Trinitarian influence can replace them. This was under the guise of Roy Allan Anderson.</u>
- **1943** John Harvey Kellogg dies, after seducing many to his heresy. A key member of apostasy.
- **1944** Removal by committee of all 18 non-Trinitarian statements from Uriah Smith's book Daniel and the Revelation in attempt to cover up history. They eliminate every portion that said Christ was begotten of the Father. W.W. Prescott and others change the meaning of the "daily sacrifice" in the 2300 days message. Changes are also made to Spirit of Prophecy books, such as lower case changed to capital letters for Third Person.
- "Truth Triumphant" by B.G. Wilkinson is published, an exhaustive study of the history of God's Church in the Wilderness. It contained strong statements against the trinity doctrine. Leroy Froom is angry, and orders the destruction of the original offset press plates so the book cannot be reprinted.

Death of William Warren Prescott. One of the key men in apostasy.

- **1945** Leroy Froom published a compilation of Ellen White quotes in Ministry Magazine to give credence to the "eternity of Christ". Her understanding in this usage was far different than his.
- **1946** Leadership calls for a committee of four to make a statement of official beliefs. However, it is penned individually by F. M. Wilcox thru a statement of belief on the trinity, originally written in 1931 by him and unofficially put in the Yearbook.

The compilation of Evangelism with careful, calculated use of certain Ellen White statements to paint a picture that she was supposedly Trinitarian, was done by Leroy Froom, Roy Allan Anderson and Miss Louise C. Kleuser under the encouragement of Elder Branson (1966 Froom Letters). This was 31 years after Sister White died. With the intent to deceive, Froom placed these quotes from Ellen White in his book Evangelism where she had said "third person", "three great powers" and "Heavenly trio" etc. But all of these in fact refer to the Spirit of Christ and not another being. This is how Froom eventually managed to lead the entire Adventist Church astray because people did not take the time to research what else Ellen White wrote in this regard on these topics. They just took the one-liners like they were hypnotized. Froom's book has persuaded many non-Trinitarians in the Columbian Union to "lay down their arms" and become Trinitarians.

The General Conference, after being conditioned for 27 years (and a new membership of new members coming into the church during those 27 years that knew nothing but the Trinity), voted to retain the 1931 Baptismal Vow officially. They then voted that "changes to the baptismal vow could only be made by the General Conference delegates in official session." (Movement of Destiny, p, 422) The Trinity now was protected by the necessity of an entire church vote in session. The entire ministry and the world membership now believe the Trinity is true. What hope is there of returning to the Bible truth of the only true God and His Son?

– Charles S. Longacre writes paper #17 "the Deity of Christ," clarifying the SDA church's original stance on the Godhead - a non-Trinitarian article. This would be the last of any major resistance left in the church for decades to come.

– World Council of Churches is formally instituted in Amsterdam.

– Bible Readings for the Home Circle is revised by D.E. Rebok in an attempt to remove any non-Trinitarian, or so-called Arian or Semi-Arian statements. Roy Allan Anderson had his influence in this as well. The meaning of the nature of Christ is removed from future publications.

**1950** – Death of Herbert Camden Lacey. One of the key men in apostasy.

Elders R. J. Wieland & D. K. Short write a thesis for the GC entitled "1888 Re-examined". This was eventually rejected with ongoing discussions up until 1961. This was a form of correction for the church thru self-examination and getting back to truth.

**1952** – A book is copyrighted called *Principles of Life*, and printed in 1956. It has been used by school children as their Bible Doctrines study book. One paragraph says, "While God the Father, God the Son, and the Holy Spirit are three separate and distinct beings, yet they are 'one in nature, in character, in purpose' (PP34.1), working in such close relationship as to be one." (Principles of Life, p. 28) This is a smear on the personality of God with error, and then mixing a little Spirit of Prophecy in it for unsuspecting readers to believe it is authentic from Ellen White.

**1955 – Death of Elder Judson S. Washburn.** One of the last of the connecting links to truth who was baptized by James White.

**1955-56** – Evangelical Conferences take place between the General Conference (represented by Froom, Anderson, Read, and Unruh) and Martin Donald Barnhouse. and Eternity magazine. Are Adventists a cult? That was the question of the Evangelicals. The Trinity doctrine is one of the first issues discussed. Concessions are made on the Atonement and the humanity of Christ. Christ's nature was changed to that of Adam's nature before the Fall. The teaching of the atonement was changed to "completed at the cross", instead of "commencing at the changes cross". These were required by the denominations for the SDA church to be classified as an evangelical Christian church instead of a cult or sect. We submit to the daughters of the Harlot in fear of being labeled a cult, and reject the Spirit of Prophecy writings because they do not reflect Adventist theology. But we were previously labeled a cult for years because our beliefs stood out from the rest of Protestantism. Ellen White warned in 1894 not to bridge the gulf that separates the children of God from the children of darkness. But this is not heeded.

Donald Barnhouse writes in his *Eternity* magazine, "Immediately it was perceived that the Adventists were strenuously denying certain

doctrinal positions which had been previously attributed to them.... The Adventists specifically repudiate any teachings by ministers or members of their faith who have believed, proclaimed, and written any matter which would classify them among Arians." (Eternity, September, 1956)

1957 – Questions on Doctrine, a pro trinity book is released as the results of bowing to a few Evangelical men's opinion. This is to match up the SDA church with the Protestant and Evangelical world, to be accepted so we would not be labeled a "cult". Never, anywhere in the book, or at any other time—was the authorship of QD mentioned. It was always stated that a "representative group of Seventh-day Adventist leaders, Bible teachers, and editors" (L.E. Froom, W.E. Read, R.A. Anderson and T.E. Unruh) produced it. In reality, it was Leroy Edwin Froom who wrote the book—all of it.

On March 11, 1957, M.L. Andreasen expressed his deep concern in a letter to the General Conference president:

"If the book [QD] is published, there will be repercussions to the end of the earth, that the foundations are being removed."—M.L. Andreasen, March 11, 1957, letter to R.R. Figuhr, quoted in QDAE, p. xxi.

"If the officers condone the action of these men, if these men are permitted to author or approve of the book to be published, I must protest, and shall feel justified by voice or pen to reveal this conspiracy against God and His people... It is in your hand to split the denomination or heal it."—M.L. Andreasen, June 21, 1957, letter to R. R. Figuhr, QDAE, p. xxi.

Two weeks later, Andreasen again wrote to Figuhr: "It is hard to concentrate while Rome is burning, or rather while the enemy is destroying the foundations on which we have built these many years. The very essence of our message, that there is now in the Sanctuary above going on a work of judgment, of atonement, is being discarded. Take that away, and you take Adventism away....

"To me, Brother Figuhr, this is the greatest apostasy this denomination has ever faced, and it will surely divide the people. It is not one or two men who are advocating this monstrous proposition, but a 'group' of General Conference men, plus a number of 'Bible students' with whom they are conferring."—M.L. Andreasen, July 4, 1957, letter to R.R. Figuhr, QDAE, p. xxi.

About a month after the publication of QD, Andreasen, shattered by what he found in the book, wrote this letter to Elder Figuhr: "I am grieved at heart, deeply grieved, at the work your advisers have recommended. The unity of the denomination is being broken up, and still Questions on Doctrine is being circulated and recommended. It must promptly be repudiated and recalled, if the situation is to be saved."—M.L. Andreasen, December 3, 1957, letter to R.R. Figuhr, QDAE, p. xxi.

Unknown to Andreasen, nearly a month earlier, on November 6, a letter went out over Elder Figuhr's signature to all the union conference presidents in North America. He appealed for large group orders that would amount to between 100,000 to 200,000 copies. Froom and Anderson's plan was to smother the opposition by blanketing the Adventist denomination with low-cost copies of the book.

A month-and-a-half later, a second letter was mailed to church leaders that a second print run would be for 50,000 copies. But that was soon increased to 100,000, as the leaders recognized that in spite of Andreasen's published booklets, it was best for them to fall into line and give QD the large circulation that the GC requested.

Roy Allan Anderson, who was extremely influential, had arranged for thousands of free copies to be mailed to every Christian college and seminary in the world.

**1957** – The Church declares oneness with the fallen Protestant denominations. "We are one with our fellow Christian denominational groups in the great fundamentals of the faith once delivered to the saints." (Questions on Doctrine, p.32)

SDA Church joins the CWC – Christian World Communions.

Ellen White had previously warned:"...It is a grave mistake on the part of those who are children of God to seek to bridge the gulf that separates the children of light from the children of darkness by yielding principle, by compromising the truth." (Review & Herald, July 24, 1894)

**1958** – **Death of Charles S. Longacre,** a champion of religious liberty. He was an author who stood for the original Pioneer views within Adventism.

After Questions on Doctrine came off the press, M.L. Andreasen wrote: "I weep for my people. This is the apostasy foretold long ago... I have counted the cost it will be to me to continue my opposition: but I am trying to save my beloved denomination from committing suicide. I must be true to my God, as I see it, and I must be true to the men that trust me."— M. L. Andreasen, letter to Figuhr, March 9, 1958.

Andreasen ultimately published nine widely circulated papers in late 1957 and early 1958 under the general title of "The Atonement." That was followed in 1959 by a second series, called "Letters to the Churches," which was later published as a 100-page booklet by the same name.

As we look back on the situation today, a key problem was that there was only one man at the time who would stand up and be counted! If 10,000 Adventists had been as resolute as Andreasen was, perhaps our church today would still have its original, pure beliefs.

The General Conference approves the merger of Potomac University and Emmanuel Missionary College in Berrien Springs, Michigan. A new name, Andrews University, is selected two years later.

**1961** – While assembling in New Dehli, the WCC declares: "The World Council of Churches is a fellowship of churches which accept our Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour." Soon this formulation gave rise to questions and requests for a clearer definition of the Christ-centeredness of the churches' common calling, a more explicit expression of the Trinitarian faith and a specific reference to the Holy Scriptures. The result was a re-formulation, adopted by the Third Assembly which still stands: "a fellowship of churches which confess the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour according to the scriptures, and therefore seek to fulfill together their common calling to the glory of the one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

This formula would be a foundation as a point of reference for WCC members, a source or ground of coherence.

**1962** – The Second Vatican Council begins to be held, concluding in 1965. The Roman Church repositions itself in relation to the modern world. Major changes occur in the Catholic Church, but the intention

remains the same. The final stage is set for the Jesuit Order's Counter Reformation to take over all the Protestant churches.

The World Council of Churches incorporates the trinity doctrine in its prerequisite for membership, and becomes the foremost Ecumenical organization.

The 1962 Yearbook reprints the statement of faith in substantially the same form in which it first appeared in 1931.

**1965** – Bernard Seton urges the General Conference that our Fundamental Beliefs need revision. Several of our leaders had just traveled to Geneva Switzerland to enter into negotiations for closer contacts with the World Council of Churches headquarters.

**1965** – At the close of Vatican II, GC President Ruben Figuhr arranges for Bert Beverly Beach to become the SDA ecumenical liaison with other denominations placing him on an ecumenical board. This was a key doctrinal board of the World Council of Churches in Geneva. He would remain Chairman of that board until his retirement in 2000.

**1968** – **Death of Elder B. G. Wilkinson,** PhD after 76 years of active church service. This teacher of Pioneer Adventism spoke out against the new trinity doctrine until his death.

Uppsala, Sweden – World Council of Churches admitted to full membership, representatives from non-member churches, which included the Seventh-day Adventist church. Published on July 12, 1968, New York Times newspaper.

The SDA Conference in Finland makes a formal request to the General Conference for Women to be ordained into the Ministry.

**1970** – Bert B. Beach is elected as the Secretary-General of the annual Conference of Secretaries of the Christian World Communions, which represents about two billion Christians and covers more churches than any other organization. He would hold this position until 2003.

Newbold College becomes the first postsecondary school outside North America to achieve accreditation by the church's Board of Regents.

1971 - "Movement of Destiny" by Leroy Froom gets published.

Froom admits to alterations made from 1931 to "standard works" to correct "erroneous views on the Godhead" to make them Trinitarian. His historical account says, "We began as Semi-Arians, but steadily rose to become a strong Movement, able to take our place among mainline Protestant denominations. Together with them we wholeheartedly profess Christendom's doctrine of the Trinity and the full deity of Christ."

He also makes other admissions of wrongdoing which include going to Sunday keeping authors for his material that is included in his book "The Coming of the Comforter" that was published in 1928. (Movement of Destiny, 1971, p. 322, 422)

"May I here make a frank personal confession? When, back between 1926 and 1928, I was asked by our leaders to give a series of studies on the Holy Spirit, covering the North American union ministerial institutes of 1928, I found that, aside from priceless leads found in the Spirit of Prophecy, there was practically nothing in our literature setting forth a sound Biblical exposition in this tremendous field of study. There were no previous pathfinding books on the question in our literature. I was compelled to search out a score of valuable books written by men outside of our faith—those previously noted for initial clues and suggestions, and to open up beckoning vistas to intensive personal study. Having these, I went on from there. But they were decided early helps. And scores, if not hundreds, could confirm the same sobering conviction that some of these other men frequently had a deeper insight into the spiritual things of God than many of our own men then had on the Holy Spirit and the triumphant life. It was still a largely obscure theme." (Leroy Froom, Movement Of Destiny. p. 322)

**1972** – Future General Conference President, Jan Paulsen becomes the first Adventist to graduate from ecumenical Tubingen University. Joseph Aloisius Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI) is a professor there in dogmatic theology.

Australian Pastor, Desmond Ford receives his second PhD from the University of Manchester while on leave from Avondale College. The effects of outside evangelical teachings from these 'systems of higher learning' will become evident as Ford brings in "New Theology" during the 70's. He would be removed from Avondale in 1977 for the trouble he is causing and shipped off to the USA. But he is

installed as a teacher at Pacific Union College, which enables him to pollute our young people there for three years.

**1973** – The General Conference set up a study committee to look at the issue of Women's ordination.

Bert B. Beach (secretary of the Northern Europe-West Africa Division) and company begin Social Engineering of acceptance of being one with the world in joining the World Council of Churches. He co-authors a book with Lucas Visher, secretary of the WCC, titled "So Much in Common between the World Council of Churches and the Seventh-day Adventist Church", published by the WCC, Geneva, Switzerland, 1973, saying, "The member churches of the World Council of Churches and Seventh-day Adventists are in agreement on the fundamental articles of the Christian faith as set forth in the three ancient symbols [creeds] (Apostolicum, Nicaeno-Constantinopolitum, Athanasium). This agreement finds expression in unqualified acceptance of the doctrines of the Trinity and the Two Natures." (So Much in Common, p. 40)

**1974** - Death of Leroy Froom. One of the key men responsible for so much apostasy that has come in for decades.

The 1919 Bible Conference transcript is discovered by new archivist Dr. F. Don Yost and Don Mansell at the General Conference Archives. It was hidden away for all of these years. These notes were typewritten from stenographic notes, a few thousand pages, stored at the offices of the General Conference.

**1975** - A paper by Edward Edstrom is printed at the request of the Board of Walla Walla Valley Academy in book form called *Human Spirit – Divine Spirit.* Edstrom's belief in the Trinity had been challenged in 1954 when Moslems confronted fellow pastors and workers in Central Africa "who claimed ONE God Allah, while Christianity appeared to have THREE separate, distinct Gods that were called ONE." (Human Spirit – Divine Spirit, Introd. IV)

A year after Froom's death, it was decided not to republish his two books, Movement of Destiny and Questions on Doctrine.

**1976** - Neal Wilson, President of the North American Division of SDA, gives this Sworn statement in the Silver-Tobler legal case involving the Seventh-day Adventist Church: "Although it is true that

there was a period in the life of the Seventh-day Adventist Church when the denomination took a distinctly anti-Roman Catholic viewpoint, and the term, hierarchy was used in a pejorative sense to refer to the papal form of church governance, that attitude on the Church's part was nothing more than a manifestation of widespread anti-popery among conservative protestant denominations in the early part of this century and the latter part of the last, and **which has now been assigned to the historical trash heap** so far as the Seventh-day Adventist Church is concerned." Merikay McLeod lawsuit (P. 4, footnote #2, Docket Entry #84: EEOC vs. PPPA C-74-2025 CBR). Sworn statement dated Feb. 6, 1976.

Ellen White warned in 1894, "It is a backsliding church that lessens the distance between itself and the papacy." (Signs of the Times, Feb 19, 1894)

1977 - Pope Paul VI rewards Bert B. Beach for his book with a private audience in the Vatican. Beach presents the pope with a book and a gold medallion confirming friendship of the SDA Church with the Vatican. "The medallion is an engraved witness to the validity of the Ten Commandments. While the other commandments are represented simply as Roman numerals, the words of the fourth— 'Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy'—are written out." (W.D Eva, Adventist Review, "Book, Medallion Presented to Pope", August 11, 1977, (849) p.23) However, the Seventh day was removed from the text, and quoted in the same way as it is quoted in any Roman Catholic catechism. Beach represents the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church in an interview over Vatican radio referring to the pope as "Holy Father," when Ellen White has clearly warned, "The pope is not regarded by God as anything more than a man who is acting out in our world the character of the man of sin, representing in his claims that power and authority which Satan claimed in the heavenly courts." (5MR 102)

**1978** - February. *Ministry* magazine published a special 16 page edition on ordination, including several papers on *A Theology of Ordination* by Raoul Dederen and Gottfried Oosterwal from Andrews University. Discussing the nature and mission of the church, they also discussed the role of women in ministry in the church.

**1979** – W. Duncan Eva and Bernard Seton are working behind the scenes in moving an agenda to adopt a new Fundamental Beliefs.

The revised draft was sent to the "theologians" at Andrews University to ready it for prime time at the World Conference in April 1980. Back in 1946 a committee put forth an action making it almost impossible to change any Belief statement. But that hurdle was overcome and now moving forward.

**1980** – World General Conference in session (Dallas, TX) officially votes to accept the Trinity doctrine as part of the 27 Fundamental Beliefs of Seventh-day Adventists.

By officially approving the Trinity doctrine as a fundamental doctrine of the Seventh-day Adventist, the domination has publicly declared to the world that she is following in the steps of the daughters (fallen Churches) of the mother of harlot (the Roman Catholic church) whose central pillar doctrine is the Trinity. Therefore the SDA church has left the original mission (proclaiming the three angels' messages) of God's calling and the firm foundation of our faith (Fundamental Principles) that are based upon unquestionable authority. No longer can the present SDA denomination be considered as the "remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ", but now simply a Counterfeit New Movement as prophesied in 1903 by Ellen White. They are now Ecumenical ready and compatible with the World Council of Churches. They now subscribe to a God the Father, god the son, and god the holy spirit. This is the exact belief that the early Advent Pioneers removed themselves from in the 1840's and 1850's when they left the fallen churches to form what would become, the Seventh-day Adventists. The leaders of 1980 have completely committed suicide to the original Advent Movement!

Not found anywhere is the  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  Angels Message along with no identity of the beast, Babylon, her fall, his image or mark, or God's call to come out of her.

Glacier View Ranch in Colorado is the meeting place of a number of Adventist theologians and administrators to discuss the theology of Desmond Ford. Ford no longer believes in the Investigative Judgment, the Sanctuary message, the traditional Adventist view of the Day of Atonement and the interpretation of prophecy.

Ex-Jesuit priest Alberto Rivera stated "all the main-stream churches

were taken over (under control of Rome) by 1980." Secret Terrorists, p. 108.

1980 - The General Conference files on May 7th for a trademark of its name Seventh-day Adventist. "SDA" is trademarked now as a commercial entity. The G.C. hires a Catholic lawyer to trademark various names, including "Seventh-day Adventist" under commercial law. This is the first time a Protestant church denomination appeals to the "State" for protection of their name. This move comes from former pastors and/or leaders forming other groups bearing the same or similar name as a result of separating themselves from the apostasy that is happening within the main body. They are therefore labeled as "off-shoot" movements as they attempt to hold to the foundation given to the original SDA church before all the changes over time.

**1981** - Neal C. Wilson, General Conference President, announces that the Church has officially adopted the Trinity doctrine, which is now number 2 in the Church's 27 Fundamental Beliefs. He declares before the Seventh Day Adventist church that: "...there is another universal and truly catholic organization, the Seventh-day Adventist Church." Adventist Review, March 5, 1981, p 3.

Adventist Review, July  $30^{\rm th}$  - Special Issue on Bible Doctrines - The Trinity doctrine is explained one year after it was voted as an official doctrine (which was in 1980). It states, "While no single scriptural passage states formally the doctrine of the Trinity, it is assumed as a fact by Bible writers and mentioned several times... Only by faith can we accept the existence of the Trinity." (p. 4)

"The concept of the Trinity, namely the idea that the three are one, is not explicitly stated but only assumed." - (Fernando L. Canale, Handbook of Seventh-day Adventist Theology, Seventh-day Adventist Encyclopedia, vol. 12, p. 138, 'Doctrine of God')

**1981** – November 10 – The United States of America Registration Patent and Trademark Office approves and grants the trademark filing of the name Seventh-day Adventist Church.

**1982** – The SDA church signs the Baptism, Eucharist and Ministry (B.E.M.) document.

From "Spiritism in the Seventh-day Adventist Church", pp. 86-88, by

Colin and Russell Standish, Hartland Pub., 1995; and "Capitulation to the Ecumenical Movement," by Colin Standish:

"Every effort is being made to de-emphasize the great pillars of the Christian faith. We cannot forget the congress that convened in Lima, Peru, in 1981, in which almost all of the Christian communions of the world met, including a representative from the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The representation of the Seventh-day Adventist Church surely hit an all-time low in January of 1982 when the theological representative of the Seventh-day Adventist Church signed what today has become know as the BEM document, sometimes also referred to as the Lima Text, with which readers will probably be unfamiliar. BEM stands for Baptism, Eucharist, and Ministry. This document of the World Council of Churches is the centerpiece of their determination to bring in a one-world religion around the planet."

**1983** - After 26 years, Walter Martin writes to the General Conference, "Do you still hold to what we officially agreed upon in Questions on Doctrine in 1957?" W. Richard Lesher, VP of General Conference, officially responds, "The answer is Yes." The original event back in 1957 is where we shook hands with the Evangelicals and let them teach us what we should believe.

On February 22, 1983, in a public meeting hall in Napa, California, Martin spoke to a packed house filled with Adventists, primarily from nearby Pacific Union College (which by that time was solidly in support of Desmond Ford and his errors). Martin announced that if the General Conference did not reprint Questions on Doctrine, he would write a book against our denomination—and reduce us to the status of a cult.

- **1984** Baptismal vow reformatted again pro-trinity language. If you compare this version with previous versions from years ago, you wouldn't recognize that this is the same denomination.
- 1,339 Hungarian SDA's are dis-fellowshipped by Gen. Conf. President, Neil Wilson for protesting the ecumenical involvement of the SDA church in Hungary.
- **1985** A new church Hymnal takes the place of the older attempted revised Hymnal from the 1940's. It was decided that there was even more songs that could be replaced or changed to fit the new 1980's

Fundamental Beliefs. Catholic terms are used in headings and responsive readings. Lots of new Ecumenical Hymns have been added embracing what we would have considered in the past, apostate terms and wording. Besides praising a Holy Spirit, we embrace transubstantiation and the Eucharist, along with 13 new Trinity hymns.

1985 - William Johnsson, Senior Editor of the Adventist Review, and Walter Martin take part in a five-part John Ankerberg television interview. Johnsson fumbles throughout the process from Martin's firing squad style of questioning as the foundation of our faith is demolished. Johnsson maintained that our faith was entirely based on the 1980 Dallas Statement of Belief! Not the Bible, and not the Spirit of Prophecy; but only that 27-point Statement. On all other points, he collapsed; but he stood firm in his position that our church was founded on those 27 paragraphs, and nothing else. But this makes us a creedal church, instead of one founded on the Word of God.

Death of Roy Allan Anderson. One of the key men in apostasy.

"It was Elder Anderson who made it plain that the real purpose of Questions on Doctrine was a planned attempt to reshape the beliefs of our church. This was revealed in a letter to Pastor Robert Greive (president of the North New Zealand Conference in the 1950s) who left the faith."—Colin and Russell Standish, The Theology of Questions on Doctrine, p. 40.

June 13 – A letter from Art E. Harms, Director at Religious Liberty Dept. at the Northern New England Conference answers an inquiry to as to how much we send the World Council of Churches each year. Ans: "About \$8,000, this is apparently what it has been running for the last few years."

**1986** – The official doctrine of the church is stated in the Church Manual: "There is one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, a unity of three co-eternal persons." – SDA Church Manual, chapter 2, p 23 (Refer also to the book – Seventh-day Adventists Believe 27 Fundamental Beliefs, "The Trinity")

Previously, the Seventh-day Adventist Church signed on for the BEM movement. A uniform Baptism, Eucharist and Ministry movement. What was the Seventh-day Adventist response to the BEM

document? Concerning the Eucharist are these astounding words:

"Recent research clearly reveals that there is no consensus among scholars on some of the most critical issues pertaining to the Eucharist....this central celebration of the Christian church....The purpose of this essay is primarily to show how Seventh-day Adventist understanding of the Eucharist or the Lord's supper...[and] highlight Adventist understanding and practice of the Eucharist... "On occasion Seventh-day Adventists refer to the Eucharist as a sacrament....Being conscious of the sacredness of the celebration of the Eucharist, Adventists engage in a personal preparation that includes self-examination...In preparation for the celebration of the Eucharist Seventh-day Adventists practice the washing of feet..." (Written response of the Seventh-day Adventist Church Council on Inter-Church Relations, November, 1985, published in Churches Respond to BEM (Baptism, Eucharist, and Ministry), vol. 2, p 341-343, published by the World Council of Churches in 1986).

**1986** – George Vandeman, SDA Evangelist who founded "It is Written" television ministry, writes the book, "What I Like About...The Lutherans, The Baptists, The Methodists, The Charismatics, The Catholics, Our Jewish Friends, The Adventists. Rescuers of Neglected Truth."

**1988** – "Seventh-day Adventists Believe...27" fundamental belief book is published (strongly Trinitarian) drafted by essentially one man, P.G. Damsteegt in connection with 194 persons from 10 world divisions. His Doctor of Theology degree came from the Free Reformed University of Amsterdam. It was then paraded and promoted by J.R. Spangler, Editor of Ministry Magazine. (Leroy Froom previously had the same position) This is just one of many "Books of a new order" prophesied by Ellen White in 1903.

Among many issues, we will highlight just one in particular. In Statement #16 concerning the Lord's Supper, it says,

"Among Protestants the most common name for the Communion service is the 'Lord's Supper' (1 Cor. 11:20). Other names are 'the table of the Lord' (1 Cor. 10:21, RSV), 'the breaking of bread' (cf. Acts 20:7; 2:42), and the Eucharist—a reference to the thanksgiving and blessing aspect of the service (Matt. 26:26,27; 1 Cor. 10:16; 11:24). The Lord's Supper is to be a joyful season, not a time for sorrow. . . .

What marks those who are qualified to participate in the Communion service, then, is the condition of the heart—a full commitment to Christ and faith in His sacrifice, not membership in any particular church. Consequently, believing Christians of all churches can take part in the Lord's Supper." p. 198, 203.

Here two terms are set side by side as if they were the same—the Lord's Supper, and the Eucharist. One is true, the other false. The Eucharist is a blasphemy against God, and is as much different from the Lord's Supper, as black is different from white. But the authors of this book alerted the reader that every time the term "the Lord's Supper" is used, it could also mean the Eucharist. And probably does. It's an ecumenical ploy. Two terms are laid side by side, as if they are equal. And when that is allowed, the error always will win out.

**1989** – March 15, Just prior to giving another lecture of attack on Adventism, Walter Martin dies from a sudden heart attack.

April 10 – Robert Nixon, Associate General Counsel answers a letter affirming that yes, church litigation including lawsuits against others does get funded from tithe money.

May 11 - General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists, a business corporation, files a lawsuit against John Marik, pastor who led a twelve-member church named Seventh-day Adventist Congregational Church in Kealakekua, Hawaii over the use of the name Seventh-day Adventist (Original complaint was filed on April 9, 1987) under the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1051 et seq., for trademark and service mark infringement, unfair competition, and false designation of origin.

1990 - At the General Conference Session in Indianapolis, a Catholic priest spoke and prayed from the pulpit. The conference communications director told a local newspaper that we no longer believe what we did a hundred years ago concerning comments in the Great Controversy about the papacy. A condensed version of "The Great Controversy" was handed out in Indianapolis. "Shirley Burton, a spokesperson for the denomination, told the Indianapolis Star Daily newspaper the tract was 'trash.'...The main body of the Church has moved away from an anti-Catholic position. The new position of co-operation with the Catholic Church was exemplified by the invitation from the Seventh-day Adventists to the Vatican to send

an official observer to the conference." Arkansas Catholic 7-29-90.

The following are further comments found in *The Indianapolis Star*, July 14, 1990: "Though Adventist officials conceded the history of the denomination has an anti-Catholic bent, they said the modern church is trying to move from that stance. 'They (the dissidents) want us to be like we were 100 years ago.' said Herbert Ford, news director for the 6.2 million-member church. 'But, the church has to move not away from the eternal principles of God, but things do have to change. 'These people are a thorn in the flesh, but the church tolerates them. United States in Prophecy [Great Controversy] which was sponsored by Adventist Layworkers Affiliate of Tennessee, calls Catholicism a pagan religion and refers to the pope as a beast. Adventists who want to cling to the church's historic anti-Catholic beliefs represent only about 1,000 in the North American division of 750,000 members,' Ford said.

Voted in at the 1990 General Conference Session (July 11, 2pm) was a modified Baptismal vow. On page 44 of the 1986 Church Manual it states, "Do you believe in God the Father, in His Son Jesus Christ, and in the Holy Spirit?" Now approved is this new trinitarian vow in place of it, found in the 1990 Church Manual, also on page 44: "Do you believe there is one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, a unity of three coeternal Persons?"

**1991** – May 2nd issue of the Adventist Review, Roy Adams, Editor declares, "The WCC's....accentuation of the Holy Spirit and the Eucharist, fits into the ambit of the three angels messages." (WCC = World Council of Churches)

Filed October 7 – The General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventist seeks injunctive and monetary relief against the Seventh-day Adventist Kinship, a support group in California for gay and lesbian SDA's.

**1992** – Independent ministry in Kansas, "Steps to Life" publishes a series of three booklets. The first one is authored by Dr. Ralph Larson, "Issues: The Real Issue the Side Issues and the Pseudo Issues." In Chapter IX (9) "The Pseudo Search for Historic Adventism," he misrepresents what is the real time period of Historic Adventism. He identifies it as "pre-1957," completely missing out on up to 100 years of "history." He mentions the previous statements of

belief from 1872 and credits it all to one man, Uriah Smith, so it must not be considered whole according to Dr. Larson. He mentions that the statement in 1872 was nonbinding, unofficial and noncreedal. Never mind that Uriah was in the position of writing and publishing in his midway point of 50 years of service, and men of strong faith like James White, J. N. Andrews, Joseph Bates, Joseph Waggoner and others were around and could have done something about it if it was incorrect. Make no mistake, 1872 is THE BENCHMARK for historic Adventism and it was reinforced by publications in 1878, 1889, 1905, 1909, 1911, 1913 and 1914. Back in time, non-trinitarians did not disfellowship brethren that came in and were trinitarians. Yet trinitarians today will immediately look to disfellowship those that are adhering to the language of the Bible closely. In 1931, it was the first time a change was made to who is being worshipped, a slip of the hand and careful wordsmithing. The Adventist Pioneers were deceased by this time.

1993 - George Knight, a professor, and prominent SDA Theologian makes this startling confession in Ministry Magazine, October issue, "Most of the founders of Seventh-day Adventism would not be able to join the church today if they had to subscribe to the denomination's fundamental beliefs. More specifically, most would not be able to agree to belief number 2 which deals with the doctrine of the Trinity." In all actuality, this would have included ALL of the founders and Pioneers of the early SDA church and it should be alarming to today's members.

**1994** – William Johnsson, editor of the Adventist Review, writes, "Adventist beliefs have changed over the years under the impact of present truth. Most startling is the teaching regarding Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord." (Adventist Review, January 6, 1994) While the pre-existence of Christ is held, the divine begotten Son-ship of Christ as held by the official world church up to the 1940's, is denied as a "false doctrine" as Johnsson puts it.

The World Wide Web (internet) becomes a well-known vehicle for reaching the world. Beating the General Conference to the punch, Walter "Chick" McGill III moves his message to the world on the internet for his Creation SDA (CSDA) church. By 1996 he is establishing internet domain names under the name Seventh-day Adventist as he is quicker to understand the effectiveness of this.

McGill holds to the beliefs and foundation of the original SDA church from the days of the Pioneers and Ellen White.

**1995** – 56<sup>th</sup> General Conference World Session in Utrecht, Netherlands. **The Vatican flag is carried through the meeting hall in a singular fashion amidst an unusually loud ovation.** "...the Pope and I descended from the same Father, that makes us brothers who should not go around making personal attacks on each other.... differences, no matter how legitimate, would not justify the alienation of a member of the family....After all, the Pope and I are brothers." — Columbia Union Visitor, June 1, 1995, quoting Mitchell Tyner, the associate general counsel for the General Conference.

The ordination of women into the Church as ministers is again a key issue and the vote against the ordination of women to ministry is an overwhelming 1481 to 673. 2,600 delegates from 205 countries attended, with approx. 18,000+ people present in total. 20 observers representing other faiths also attend.

**1996** – Devotional *'Ye Shall Receive Power'* is printed, in which the prophet's words are changed. Back in 1899, Ellen White wrote, "Why should we not prostrate ourselves at the throne of divine grace, praying that God's Spirit may be poured out upon us as it was upon the disciples? Its presence will soften our hard hearts, and fill us with joy and rejoicing, transforming us into channels of blessing. The Lord would have every one of His children rich in faith, and this faith is the fruit of the working of the Holy Spirit upon the mind. It dwells with each soul who will receive it, speaking to the impenitent in words of warning, and pointing them to Jesus, the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world. It causes light to shine into the minds of those who are seeking to cooperate with God, giving them efficiency and wisdom to do His work." (Signs of the Times, Sept. 27, 1899)

If you look carefully, you will see that Ellen White has used the word 'it' four times, and one 'its' when speaking of the Holy Spirit. But in the devotional 'Ye Shall Receive Power' p.59, 'it' has been changed to 'He' or 'His' and 'Him'. (See also 'Ye Shall Receive Power' p.93, 151, 164, 183, 303, 318, 319, 321, 323, 325, 344 for other changes.) A careful comparison of this to the EGW writings website reveals this.

Merlin Burt writes, "During the 1930's there continued to be statements teaching the 'old view'... This largely changed during the

1940's. The fourth quarter of 1936 Sabbath School Lesson Quarterly was prepared by T.M. French. French concluded regarding Christ's pre-existence with these words: 'He was therefore no part of creation but was "begotten of the Father" in the days of eternity, and was very God Himself.' It seems that French was mixing Wilcox's fundamental beliefs reference to Christ as 'very God' with the 'old view' of a 'begotten' Christ." (Merlin D. Burt, Demise of Semi-Arianism and anti-trinitarianism in Adventist theology, 1888-1957, p. 40) So the belief in a begotten Christ has become the "old view", while an unbegotten Christ is now the new officially accepted doctrine.

**1986** - Porter SDA Hospital merges with Catholic hospital in Denver, Colorado. Now part of Catholic Health Initiatives, a joint venture between Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati and Sisters of St. Francis to form Centura Health.

November 6 – Rogue Valley Historic SDA Church in Oregon receives a cease and desist letter to stop using the Seventh-day Adventist name.

November 15 – Well known Adventist pastors Russell and Colin Standish receive at their office in Australia, a cease and desist letter using the SDA Church name in their literature.

**1997** – September 15 – Raffael Perez, pastor of the Eternal Gospel SDA Church receives a request from the North American Division to stop using the initials SDA in their name. A search within multiple conferences was attempted to see if they were in fact a member church and it was revealed they were an independent church without any formal ties to the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.

SDA logo is changed from the three angels to flames and a cross, becoming World Council of Churches and Catholic friendly.

**1998** - Andrews University publish "Women in Ministry: Biblical & Historical\_Perspectives", prepared by an Ad Hoc Committee on Hermeneutics and Ordination, from the North American Division, with the express purpose of proving that it is Biblical to ordain Women to ministry. Poorly researched and biased in its appraisal of the issue, this work is exposed by several scholars as flawed and unbiblical.

**1999** - B. T. Rice, pastor of the St. Louis SDA Northside church addresses the Pope in a Vatican mass held locally as "Pope, your Holiness, your historic visit to St. Louis..." This was at a vesper service held at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. At the same time, a small ministry with volunteers handed out 100,000 booklets, "Is Mary Dead or Alive?" In a follow up message from the General Conference to the Pope of Rome, they stated, "begging pardon for their bigotry." That bigotry should have been the job, mission and message that the General Conference should have been behind delivering instead of sending a stooge Pastor in submission for ecumenical purposes.

**2000** – Ecumenical Gathering: The "Meeting of U.S. Church Leaders," an annual gathering of heads of Christian churches from around the nation, has elected Seventh-day Adventist Dr. Bert B. Beach as the vice chair of the group's steering committee. More than 30 church leaders participated in the February 23-25 meetings, including leaders from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the Presbyterian Church (USA), the United Church of Christ and the American Baptist Churches in the USA.

**2001** - September. "The Adventist world church created the International Board of Ministerial and Theological Education (IBMTE) in September 2001, designed to provide overall guidance and standards to the professional training of pastors, evangelists, theologians, teachers, chaplains, and other denominational employees involved in ministerial and religious formation, or spiritual formation, in each of the church's 13 regions around the world." - Adventist News Network, Feature article: *Church, Congregations Increase Focus on 'Spiritual Formation,'* February 3, 2004.

In the next few years, contemplative prayer and spiritual formation enter into our "universities" in their teachings and are made prerequisites for theology degree programs.

**2002** – September 16 – Troy Seventh-day Adventist Church in Troy, Montana receives a legal notice from lawyers representing the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventist, contesting the use and registration locally of the name Seventh-day Adventist.

Vatican Rome – The Pope invites close friends to Assisi. The General Conference is on the short list to meet the pontiff. As a result, the Conference clasps hands with the Papacy.

"When **Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power,** when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with spiritualism, when, under the influence of **this threefold union**, our country shall repudiate every principle of its Constitution as a Protestant and republican government and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan and that the end is near." (Ellen White, 5T p. 451, 1885)

**2003** – John R. Graz (GC director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty since 1995) is elected as Secretary-General of the annual Conference of Secretaries of the Christian World Communions, succeeding Bert B. Beach. Graz would hold this position until 2014.

*Questions on Doctrine* is republished and circulated by Andrews University—pro-Trinitarian, pro-unfallen human nature of Christ.

**2005** - The Global Christian Forum meets in Lusaka, Zambia. About 70 church leaders from all parts of Africa gather together. Including Baptist, Anglican, Pentecostal, Roman Catholic, Orthodox, Seventh Day Adventist, Lutheran churches, the All Africa Christian Council.....

Baptismal Vow is revised to the Trinity creed to read: "Do you accept the teachings of the Bible as expressed in the Statement of Fundamental Beliefs of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and do you pledge to live your life by God's grace in harmony with these teachings?"

For the first time in Adventist history, the Church has based its membership on a creed. The prophet had told us 120 years earlier, "The Bible, and the Bible alone, is to be our creed." (RH, Dec 15, 1885)

General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventist lawyers send a cease and desist letter to Walter McGill of the Creation Seventh-day Adventist Church in TN over usage of internet domain names and the usage of the SDA name.

2006 - July 21 - World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

Arbitration and Mediation Center sides with the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventist is its case against Walter McGill of Creation SDA Church in that they have to turn over control of various domain names.

September 22 – A following up lawsuit is filed against the Creation SDA Church as they have refused to stop use of the name, domain addresses, or to remove signage from their church building.

October 4 – Demand letter is sent from the General Conference over an additional domain name for Canada in use by the Creation SDA Church. This trademark was recorded at different times in Quebec and Ontario from 1984 to 2002 with renewals, good for 15 year intervals.

**2008** – Greater New York Conference loses millions in the stock market. Living Springs Adult Community is sold off. Property next to Camp Berkshire is liquidated off. Pastors are downsized in numbers and forced to cover more churches. Prior to this, the Conference sold its Van Ministry and Center along with a local satellite television channel. This includes video cameras and studio equipment.

In contrast to the 1936 Sabbath School lesson, the 2nd quarter lesson in 2008 teaches that the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are not really a father or a son or a holy spirit but are three divine beings who are just role-playing these parts. Here is a quote from the lesson: "But imagine a situation in which the Being we have come to know as God the Father came to die for us, and the One we have come to know as Jesus stayed back in heaven (we are speaking in human terms to make a point). Nothing would have changed, except that we would have been calling each by the name we now use for the other. That is what equality in the Deity means." (April 10, 2008, p. 19)

As John N. Andrews said, "This [Trinity] doctrine destroys the personality of God and His Son Jesus Christ our Lord." (RH, March 6, 1855)

April 7th, Andrews University – Dr. Fortin (Dean of the Theological Seminary) hosts a special 8 hour plus event for two Jesuits trained at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome among other achievements. These men, Steven Bevans and Roger Schroeder come directly from the Catholic Theological Union, a graduate school of

Theology and Ministry. Letters from concern individuals from within the local Michigan conference go unanswered.

**2009** – Andrews University staff and students worship at a Mosque in Arusha, East Africa. They take the usual position of bowing on the floor while repeating a worship chant to Allah.

**2010** – February 16 – Attorneys for the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventist show up with the local Constable and videographer to remove church signage and printed materials that infringe on the judgement they won against the Creation SDA Church in Guys, TN USA. A previous monetary judgement was awarded to the "Corporation" of \$35,567.

A survey by the General Conference of SDA's of the church's 13 divisions finds that the majority do not want to change the church's policy on ordaining women to pastoral ministry. Meanwhile, women begin turning up as head elders and pastors of churches in the South Pacific Division & the North American Division.

The 59th General Conference Session of Seventh-day Adventists elects Ted N.C. Wilson as General Conference President. The Church in session re-affirms its belief in the literal Creation week, and reaffirms its belief in Marriage as a God-ordained institution, ruling out the option of homosexual marriage for Adventists. A request is put forward for a Committee to study the Theology of Ordination.

- **2011** Adventist Midwest Health utilizes worldly and secular "Pink Glove" videos for promotion and advertisement along with wordly music and dance featured in their messaging. This "cancer" catches on elsewhere in other health institutions.
- **2012** General Conference publishes the "Great Hope," a greatly stripped down version of what is supposed to be, the Great Controversy to be shared by the 100's of thousands. It is void of vital historical prophetic information that needs to be shared with the world. Information about how the papacy plays into future and past time events, and the identity of the anti-Christ along with her apostate daughters. It is a mere shell of its original book, missing dozens of chapters and gets a nickname, "The Great Hoax" as a result. The hoax was on the members for funding this project not realizing the waste of effort and money.

**2012** - The White Estate database is hacked by an anonymous SDA group in Europe. Their concern is for public access to all of Ellen White's documents and that they have been restricted and it is public domain at this point, as they should belong to the people. The meaning and context of her writings is hampered by not being able to view everything in its entirety. This anonymous group is pushing for full-digitized access to anyone wanting them, not just a handful of privileged people. The White Estate attempts to sue for damages. The anonymous group threatens to release all of Sister White's writings. Their request is that the White Estate does it to save their reputation.

Pastor Walter Chick McGill serves a 30-day incarceration and Associate Lucan Chartier, a 10-day term as part of the judgment given them as part of the Creation SDA Church trademark case won by the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventist after years of court filings in their lawsuit.

August 12<sup>th</sup>, Glendale Adventist Hospital (California) allows pastors and deacons from St. Mary's Church to come and visit and host a Feast of Assumption (celebration of Mary going to heaven) also called the Blessing of the Grapes. This goes fully against our state of the dead message and belief. This is like Israel allowing Baal worship within its borders.

SDA's Daneen Akers and her husband Stephen Eyer produce a film called Seventh-Gay Adventist in response to the state of California passing Prop 8, banning same sex marriage. The film is focused on stories of gay and lesbian Adventists in an effort to change hearts and minds in the pews through the story line.

August - Andrews University Press publish *Homo-sexuality, Marriage, and the Church: Biblical, Counseling, and Religious Liberty Issues.* A 600-page collection of 14 major essays on a range of topics relating to the changes happening around the issue of homosexuality and marriage in Adventism.

November - GC Leaders voted to put into action a request from the 2010 GC for a Committee to study the Theology of Ordination. The committee will submit a report to the October, 2014 Annual Council. Arthur Stele from the BRI will head the committee, which will address defining ordination, and the implications of women's

ordination.

**2013** – Revision is made on the fundamental belief in the Gift of Prophecy. Ellen White's authority is diminished. The phrases "as the Lord's messenger" and "a continuing authoritative source of truth" are removed. Arthur Stele would later say, "The suggested changes seek to avoid giving the impression that Ellen G. White and the Bible are equivalent sources of truth."

**2014** – Ganoune Diop (GC director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty since 2011) is elected as the new Secretary-General at the annual conference of secretaries of the Christian World Communions. He earned a PhD candidacy in New Testament Studies with a focus on Apocalyptic Literature **at the Catholic University of Paris.** He has served as Professor of Religion at Oakwood College.

Pastor Walter Chick McGill from begins a 3,200 mile cross-country prayer walk on March 30, 2014, finishing in Santa Monica, CA on April 29, 2015.

Voice of Prophecy produces a national Christmas special, October 15<sup>th</sup> at the Spencerville Adventist Church in Silver Spring, MD. The broadcast goes nationwide Christmas Eve on the ABC network with a message from Shawn Boonstra. Christmas trees in all their glory are lit up on stage just like the Evangelicals do it. Pretending to honor Christ, when in fact they give glory and honor in all reality to paganism. An abomination of desolation is on full display on national television, to be one with the world.

Crain's Chicago Business, Chicago, IL, June 28th - Adventist Health Midwest partners with Alexian Brothers Health System (Roman Catholic owned).

**2015** – Huntsville First Seventh-day Adventist Church in Huntsville, Alabama begins to offer **Sunday morning service** on February 8<sup>th</sup>. First Church is less than two miles from the campus of Oakwood University. This is in addition to Sabbath service as an attempt to bring in "unchurched" community members. (Spectrum Magazine, February 6, 2015)

March 2 – The General Conference issued a statement on vaccination. This statement strongly encourages participation in mandatory vaccination while claiming there is no faith-based reason for its

members to disapprove. Those with strong convictions against such an action are left without a voice at a time when you think you can count on your church for support and to back your religious convictions.

**2015** - SDA church President Ted Wilson holds first meeting with United Nations Chief-Secretary Ban Ki-moon on April 6 in New York City. Follow up meetings take place in Silver Spring, MD SDA church headquarters. Wilson pledges church cooperation with the millennium goals of the UN. The United Nations is a cohort with the New World Order. There is no reason why we should entertain or meet with them thinking we can aid or steer their direction to a different course.

July - The General Conference Session in San Antonio, TX turns down a motion that would allow each division of the SDA church to decide for itself whether to ordain women to the ministry. None of the church's 13 world divisions ordain female pastors. However, three unions began to ordain women prior to the vote, and two other unions decided to stop ordaining male pastors in what they called a show of solidarity with women after the vote. Under church policy, only men can be ordained as pastors, while women can serve as commissioned ministers. A person does not need to be ordained to lead a congregation.

Ellen White Symposium is held at Andrews University and spread worldwide, denies the Spirit of Prophecy's inspired authority to define doctrinal faith and practice, but only as theological and practical guidance and end time application.

The White Estate reaches a settlement with the hacker from 2012 and releases the rest of Sister White's writings that they have been holding back for years. The collection contains approximately 8,300 typed documents, letters and manuscripts dating from 1845 to 1915, which includes unpublished writings. The White Estate makes an announcement that they are releasing these additional writings to commemorate the  $100^{\rm th}$  year since Ellen White passed away.

Honest truth seeking Adventists now fully know that Sister White wrote over and over, that Jesus is their Comforter coming to them in spirit form as the Holy Spirit, not some other mystery person or Ghost. The dogma of the denomination's teaching has been shown to be in error for those who want to know and are paying attention.

**2015** - Angel Manual Rodriquez, authored an article titled "A Question of Sonship" from the Biblical Research Institute in November (SDA theological hierarchy) answering a question, "What does the Bible mean when it refers to Jesus as "the Son of God?". In his answer he downplays the literal speaking of the Bible, which would therefore be anti-Christ. "Christ is the eternal Son of God. ...We are dealing with a metaphorical use of the word "son." The Metaphorical Significance of this would then be that the Son is not the natural, literal Son of the Father."

**1 John 2:22-23** - "Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son. v23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: (but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also."

Hollywood, California, USA - Hollywood SDA church ordained a church elder, a male transgender person as he dresses head to toe as a woman, now known as Rhonda Dinwiddie.

**Deuteronomy 22:5** – "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God."

Pastor Michael Leno and the Palm Springs California SDA church plays host to Palm Springs gay men's choir to sing in their church for Sabbath worship service on December 19th. Thirty-six men in total. Pictured in the background on stage is a fully decorated and lighted Christmas tree. The abomination grows!

Adventist Health System is found guilty in a lawsuit filed by three former employees in 2012. It was a crime that paid doctors excessive compensation to lock in their patient referrals to Adventist owned hospitals. The settlement is for 118 million of which \$115 million will go to the government, the remaining to North Carolina, Texas. Florida and Tennessee.

**2016** – October 12, Ganoune Diop, Director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty for the Seventh-day Adventist Church world church attends the Conference of Secretaries of Christian World Communions that was held in Rome, Italy at the Vatican. Everyone

in attendance greets the Pope in total submission. In a sign of unity, Ganoune clasps hands with the Papacy in person!

"The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to of spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience." (Ellen White, Great Controversy, p. 588)

**2016** - June 4 - A lesbian, Alice Silva married to a SDA woman (Amber Machado) is baptized in Chico, California SDA church. They were married previously in 2014 and Amber was already a baptized member of that church. The baptism was carried out by a former associate professor at La Sierra University Theology department, Ginger Hanks Harwood. She holds a pro-women's ordination stance and has spoken to promote environmentalism and gender justice. She was previously ordained as an SDA minister. You can see when the natural order given by God, when usurped in rebellion, what kind of fruit it will yield. The fruit of the women's ordination agenda.

The SDA-General Conference is a 501c3 corporation and because of this signed agreement with the U.S. government, the organized SDA church cannot and is forbidden to discriminate against LGBT. By doing so, they would lose their tax status and forfeit such benefits, making necessary the repayment of taxes to the U.S. government for decades past. Therefore, there can't be any resistance to such acts of sins

War on the Bible, drinking from the same Wine cup as Babylon. Covered by Adventist Today, Loma Linda Town Hall Meeting, December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Supporting Gay film director, Daneen Akers says "the Bible cannot be taken literally, especially Leviticus 18:19-22 and Romans 1:26-28....Jesus had two fathers; we affirm the LGBT lifestyle."

Professor David Larson said, "The six texts that are usually used to clobber (to condemn) people who practice the LGBT lifestyle should be removed from the Bible. Then, let us just love everyone."

Pastor Derek Morris is named President of the Hope Channel, Inc. His credentials include a DMin in Preaching from an outside theological seminary (Gordon Conwell) as well as bringing in spiritual formation and contemplative prayer into our denomination in the early 2000's. He most recently was Pastor at Forest Lake SDA church in Florida.

**2017** – March 11, Green Lake SDA church in Seattle, WA - Pastor John McLarty says "sometimes the law needs to be bent to accommodate reality." This is in response to supporting those in the LGBT community. McLarty gives his stage over to Stephen Eyer to promote the film, Seventh-GAY Adventists on Friday night, ushering in the Sabbath, and again on Sabbath afternoon the next day. Eyer and his wife, Daneen Akers launched this movie project back in 2012.

February 28, Central Jamaica Conference (CJC) of Seventh-day Adventists employs its first female pastor, Latoya Smythe-Forbes. This is the first of its 66-year history of operation.

April 3 – Adventist Health, parent of Walla Walla General Hospital in Walla Walla, Washington stunned staff of the 72-bed acute care SDA facility when it announced that it was transferring their hospital and clinics to the control of the Roman Catholic Providence St. Mary's Medical Center. Renovation upgrades done four years prior might have put it into a debt level it could not recover from. For 110 years, Walla Walla General Hospital has been an Adventist Health care institution. The price is 14 million dollars payable over 24 years. However, because of tax implications of its non-profit status, it is referred to as a transfer of control or sponsorship and not an official "sale."

Adventist Hospitals have been performing abortions for years and are finally called out for it thru social media.

Glendale California SDA church members dress up to celebrate Gay Pride month in June.

June 24, La Sierra University Church and the South-eastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists confirm Beverly Maravilla to Gospel Ministry with ordination.

SDA members everywhere are being dis-fellowshipped for standing for the original pillars and foundation of the Adventist faith in the last few years from CA, WI, GA, FL, NY, VA and many other states in the USA.

A new book, 500 years to the day is being promoted by Ganoune

Diop, Director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty. He attends many world Ecumenical events, including in person visits with the Pope in recent years. The book, "A Conversation on the Reformation, Christian Identity, and Freedom of Conscience" was launched October 31st. Authors are Ted Wilson, Neville Callam, et al. Cesar Garcia, Bettina Krause (Editor) and G. Diop (Preface). The General Conference convened a unique gathering of academic and religious leaders including Baptists, Mennonites, Quakers and Mormons to commemorate the 500-year anniversary of the Protestant Movement.

**2018** – January 9, Walla Walla University hosts Gregory Boyle, a Jesuit Priest to lead out in worship. The program is called CommUnity, an attendance requirement for anyone pursuing a Bachelor's degree. The leaders ignore the counsel given by inspiration of the Spirit of Prophecy and the Almighty God. Where is the protest? Completely silent.

January 22, Fourth Annual Symposium on the Role of Religion and Faith-based Organizations in International Affairs was held at the United Nations, co-organized and SPONSORED by the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. In attendance was Dr. Ganoune Diop.

Liberal pastors in major church locales start parading an all-inclusive message to unify all walks of life as "we are the church". This is very similar to a "co-exist" belief that is what agents of Satan preach.

April 23 – Adventist Health (West Coast U.S. and Hawaii) announce a formation of a new joint operating company with Catholic owned St. Joseph Health (Western U.S. and Texas). Nine hospitals in total will be involved, five from AH, four from St. Joseph's. No money was exchanged. St. Joseph will own a 70% stake while AH will own 30%.

October 8 - Daytona International Speedway and Florida Hospital (SDA) renamed Advent Health announced an expansion of their relationship making the health system an official presenting sponsor of Daytona Speedweeks at the "World Center of Racing."

**2019** - January – Adventist Health Policy Association (AHPA) sets up office in Washington, D.C. as a lobbying advocacy group. They intend on partnering up with like-minded organizations like the Catholic Health Association and other faith-based health care systems. If we

were doing real medical missionary work with multiple smaller sanitariums without aborting babies, we wouldn't need to extend an arm out to Rome for such alliances. Carlyle Walton is the President of AHPA.

February – Two major business meetings take place in churches in Collegeville, PA and Madison, Indiana, deciding the fate of members and their standing within the church. Pastors from both locations, make false claims that those in question believe the Holy Spirit is Satan. Another false claim made is that they do not believe in the divinity of Jesus Christ. This last claim is the same thing that Adventist Pioneers had to defend in their publications from other Christian denominations. These two groups of people in different states realized that the original Adventist Pioneers were nontrinitarian and held their beliefs closely with the Bible supporting a real Father and Son relationship. The false Adventist trinity doctrine brought in under disguise as a "Godhead" belief as well in 1980 is in complete error and changes WHO is being worshipped.

Review & Herald, November 10, 1863, vol. 22, page 189:

"As before remarked, the great mistake of Trinitarians, in arguing this subject, is this: they make no distinction between a denial of a trinity and a denial of the divinity of Christ. They see only the two extremes, between which the truth lies; and take every expression referring to the pre-existence of Christ as evidence of a trinity. The Scriptures abundantly teach the pre-existence of Christ and his divinity; but they are entirely silent in regard to a trinity. The declaration, that the divine Son of God could not die, is as far from the teachings of the Bible as darkness is from light. And we would ask the Trinitarian, to which of the two natures are we indebted for redemption? The answer must, of course, be, To that one which died or shed his blood for us; for "we have redemption through his blood." Then it is evident that if only the human nature died, our Redeemer is only human, and that the divine Son of God took no part in the work of redemption, for he could neither suffer nor die. Surely, we say right, that the doctrine of a trinity degrades the Atonement, by bringing the sacrifice, the blood of our purchase, down to the standard of Socinianism." - Joseph Harvey Waggoner, Seventh-day Adventist Pioneer

Members in the USA are disfellowshipped for believing what the

Bible teaches, that there is truly a Father and Son. This same action spreads to Africa where church members who have awakened from human creeds, also have disciplinary action taken against them in Uganda, Kenya and Zambia. "Come out of her my people!"

**2019** - March 8-9 - Walla Walla University hosts a weekend seminar on "Ancient vs Modern Adventism," presented by the "Center for Bible, Faith and Mission" speakers Dr. Alden Thompson and Dr. David Thomas. Since when is the foundational time in our denomination's history called "Ancient?"

March 13 – Lent Wednesday arrives in the SDA denomination! Jacksonville, Florida USA: First SDA Church—master's degree recipient from Andrews University, Pastor Jonathan Peinado openly endorses the Catholic practice of "Lent" (aka Ash Wednesday) on the local church's YouTube channel. He calls it the Christian practice. This is having a priest place on your forehead, a cross made from ashes. Pastor (or priest) Peinado offers to condone the practice of lent "from an Adventist perspective" by having you listen to his podcast. He then goes on to mention, we will see you on "Palm Sunday, Good Friday, on Holy Sabbath, and Resurrection Sunday." The Jesuits are, and have been inside now for a while.

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April 26 - Vancouver, Canada - Oakridge SDA church - Jesus is portrayed by a woman in an Easter program. If this isn't sacrilegious enough, now throw in a gay flamboyant Mary Magdalene portrayed by a man and a female Apostle Peter for a real blasphemous effect. The twelve disciples are five men and seven women. All of this under the direction of a female Senior Pastor, Rhoda Klein Miller.

June 7-9 – G20 Interfaith Forum in Chiba, Japan hosts inter-religious Muslim and Ecumenical, Evangelical leaders. The world's religions are coming together to push for peace, unity, dialogue, cooperation and solidarity, **unifying them around immigration rights, gender equality and climate change**. At more and more of these type of world events, Seventh-day Adventist representatives are participating and uniting with the world. At this event, we were represented by Ganoune Diop (again) and Jonathan Duffy, President of ADRA. Social justice and a liberal agenda is replacing the warning messages of Revelation..

**2019** - June 28-29 - Downers Grove, IL - Illinois SDA Conference forces Downers Grove church to cancel a two day seminar featuring Pastor Stephen Bohr from Secrets Unsealed. The Illinois Conference resents Pastor Bohr's position on male leadership in the church and bows to women's ordination and the agenda that drives it.

July 25 - General Conference publishes <u>New</u> King James Version "Hope Bible." On the cover is the Triquetra logo featuring three 6's intertwined; 666. The Triquetra logo is also used within the witchcraft word and is the symbol used for the Trinity doctrine.

August 20-23 – Ring of Peace Interfaith ceremony is held in Lindau, Germany where SDA representatives gathered along with pantheists, Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus, Catholics, Evangelicals among other religions. This was the "Religions for Peace" 10<sup>th</sup> world assembly to "foster multi-religious cooperation." Featuring on location is a 25-foot wooden ring-shaped statue (modern day idol) to represent the wheel of Buddha, the ring of the Prophet Mohammed Solomon and Lessing's Ring Parable story, equating different faiths as one.

November 22 – The Executive Committee of the Trans-European Division (TED) voted by an overwhelming majority to stand in solidarity with three of its Union Conferences who were given warnings for their non-compliance on women's ordination. Ever since 2015 when women's ordination was voted down, these three unions in revolt and protest have refused to ordain any men. They claim "local culture" and "conscience" are the reason. Do they really mean post-Christian culture which is loaded with feminism, humanism and LGBT?

December 11 – AdventHealth out of Florida donates \$1 million dollars to fund, support, empower the radical ideologies and sexual revolutionary programs of the LGBT+ movement. The donation goes to Pulse Memorial, the owners of the Pulse Nightclub which is a gay and lesbian bar-dance club in Orlando. It became the scene of a mass shooting on June 12, 2016. Forty-nine people were killed and another 53 injured. The funds will be used to build a memorial and museum focused on racial diversity and sexual inclusion.

**2020 –** Santiago, Chile – Nicholas Miller, Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Dept. rep for Lake Union Conference of SDA, and a professor at Andrews University stands in front of a slide presentation with the

statement, "We are not anti-gay" while at a religious freedom forum. This attendance is representing from the North American Division and General Conference, their stance called "Fairness for All Act." Church leaders have taken a middle ground even thou God Himself is opposed to such moral issues as homosexuality.

**2020** - January 25 - Bologna, Italy - A historic Ecumencial charter was signed by Seventh-day Adventists, Roman Catholics, Orthodox, Anglicans, Evangelicals and Methodists in the San Paolo Maggiore Roman Catholic Church. The document was a pledge of commitment to each other. Adventists pledged a commitment to Rome, and Rome reciprocated that commitment. Adventist pastor Giovanni Caccamo signed the document on behalf of Seventh-day Adventists. The Ecumenical charter declares that the churches are called together "in the unity of faith" as "one, holy catholic and apostolic" and therefore to avoid harmful competition and to avoid the danger of new divisions, encourages celebrations, common songs and prayers and to proclaim the gospel together through word and action.

May 14, Lima Peru. Amazon Spiritists, Hindus, Muslims, Roman Catholics, Evangelicals, Mormons, Jews AND Seventh-day Adventist answer the call by the Pope to unite at the Plaza Mayor, in the political and religious heart of Peru. Edgardo Muguerza, Director of Religious Liberty and Education for the North Peru Mission of SDA's was present and representing. The Pope was using the Covid-19 pandemic as a reason for uniting really old divisions between Protestants, Catholics, Jews, Muslims and Pagans. There was a call to respect "Mother Earth" and the ecosystems of our planet.

May – The North American Division of SDA's praised the virtues of Ramadan and told its constituents that they could fast in solidarity with Muslims during the 2020 Islamic festival. This is what happens when your ideology has centered in full support of ecumenism. Meanwhile, Islamic terrorists were celebrating Ramadan by mass murdering Christians and Muslims, 584 killed, 587 injured in the first 3 weeks of the 4 week time period. This took place in many countries: Afghanistan, Iraq, Nigeria, Syria, Yemen, Somalia, Congo, France, Israel, Egypt, Philippines, Bangladesh, Thailand, India, Mali & Pakistan.

June - Portage SDA church in Portage, Wisconsin posts on their outdoor sign, Black Lives Matter. Many leaders and churches are

rallying behind this movement in the loss of life of George Floyd. However, there is a political movement behind this group, BLM and it strongly opposes the Creator who made heaven and earth, and denies His word. They are standing united under the banner of the gay pride flag and other secular missions and purposes of the group BLM including feminism and ecumenism. This is truly an anti-religious revolution that is under way.

**2021** – January 24 – Budapest, Hungary – Roman Catholic Cardinal Peter Erdo organized a service during the last day of the 2021 Ecumenical Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This took place at St. Teresa the Great Catholic Church and was attended by Lutherans, Baptists, Methodists, Jews, Pentecostals, Catholics and represented by Seventh-day Adventists was President of the SDA Church in Hungary, Tamas Ocsai.

May 30 – Patricia Davis was given a position as the new gender equality officer in Bavaria. Around this same time, the North German Union Conference began ordaining woman pastors with "equal rights." You can start to see the cultural shift in parts of the world as the feminist movement takes shape. This news was published by the Inter-European Division Women's Ministry Department.

**2022** – The Adult Sabbath School lesson for the first quarter, January-February-March was authored by Felix Cortez-Valles, a graduate of Universidad Iberoamericana in Mexico City, Mexico. It is a Jesuit University founded in 1943 by the Jesuit Order to advance Ignatian Spirituality and discernment. He graduated 5 years after being ordained as an SDA pastor in 1996. While a President of the Adventist Theological Society from 2014-2016, he was serving as a "chair" for the "Catholic and Pastoral Epistles Section of the International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature from 2010-2016."

May 9 – The General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists, a business Corporation in the District of Columbia, USA (Washington D.C. area) files a trademark lawsuit in Texas against Joe Gresham, Sterling Trice, Linda Trice, Bill Mathis, Gay Mathis and John Does 1-20 for use of the word Adventist, and Seventh-day Adventist. This local church was formed around 1982 and was under the Texas Conference, but in 2018 the pastor retired but stayed on as acting pastor. At the end of 2018, the Texas Conference terminated the

pastor for non-compliance and division policies. The local church continued operating on and using the name as before. (On September 12, the lawsuit is amended to include Pastor Patrick M. Herbert, President and CEO of Berean Church of Free Seventh-day Adventists and the International Association of Free Seventh-day Adventists.)

**2022** - June 6 – Opening day at the 61<sup>st</sup> General Conference Session in St. Louis, Missouri USA. Ted Wilson is voted for a third term. At the end of this third term, he will have served as the second longest President behind A. G. Daniells.

During the morning session on Monday, June 6th, Jonathan Kirkle motioned to add the topic of vaccinations to the GC Session agenda. He is associated with Liberty and Health Alliance, an organization founded by Seventh-day Adventists promoting medical freedom and choice. Artur Stele, Meeting Chair, quickly dismisses the motion, stating that vaccinations are not a topic of constitution and bylaws, Church manual, or Fundamental Beliefs. The country just came out of 2 1/2 years of lock downs, limited freedom of movement, restrictions, and many faced forced vaccinations for Covid-19 in order to hold onto their jobs regardless of personal or conscience beliefs.

Kirkle explains to Mr. Stele that he has a document that was signed in support to open up for discussion about these forced vaccine mandates, by 25,000 Seventh-day Adventists in 138 countries. Of these, 1,929 are pastors, and 4,164 are medical professionals. Mr. Kirkle goes on to explain that people have lost their jobs, their homes, their custody battles, livelihoods, all due to the fact that the denomination won't back them to assert their sincerely religious held beliefs. The audience is somewhat in shock as Mr. Kirkle tries to get a second to his motion. Nothing happens and Mr. Stele tries to move things along. Then Mr. Kirkle says he would like to appeal this decision.

Prior to this, the General Conference had on their main website a very pro-Covid 19 vaccination statement. The General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventist is a 501c3 tax deductible business that solicited and accepted millions upon millions of dollars in PPP (Paycheck Protection Program) money from the U.S. Government to sustain them through the pandemic in 2019 and

2020. They have to be pro-supporting otherwise their tax status could be at stake besides repayment of funds. This made any self-conscious objector to the vaccination at the mercy of their employer if their employer happened to look up what the SDA church's stance and statement said. It put employees within the denomination on the wrong side of the aisle with little to no hope for a religious exemption from their employer. When you are tied to the government that affects religious organizations and decisions, you are making yourself an "image to the beast."

A second to the motion would come from the Hybrid internet connection setup of remote delegates from other countries; Grace Mackintosh from Canada (NAD) and Ken Mapp from Tobago Mission (IAD). You could really tell that those running the show wanted to avoid further discussion and a vote on this issue as much as possible, to keep it out of the limelight.

It got to the point where Mr. Stele defaults to allowing President Ted Wilson to speak to the audience who gives a strong persuasive twisting to vote NO on bringing this item forward for discussion. As a result, 203 delegates voted Yes (11.4%), 1579 voted No (88.6%). Ted Wilson, "we respectfully, kindly and very much in a determined manner ask that you the delegates vote no on placing this item as an agenda item."

Mr. Wilson also commented that the church has not mandated the vaccine, but said that they only gave people the freedom to choose. That is not true. The statement made originally was so one sided it was a slam dunk by any employer that wanted to wield their will and vax mandate over their staff.

In other news surrounding this GC Session, the Vatican Flag was part of the parade of flags representing Nations that have not been reached. Based on the Bible, (the Sea Beast of Revelation 13, the Beast of Revelation 17) this is not to happen, so giving audience to this is complete heresy.

**2022 –** December 14 - Bert Beverly Beach dies at 94 years of age; the ecumenical liaison for years to the Catholics, World Council of Churches and other denominations.

**2023** – As part of the strategic partnership with AdventHealth, the Seventh-day Adventist Church will sponsor and present what the

New York Times calls, "Broadway's Biggest Blockbuster" show. The Broadway production is titled "Wicked—the Untold True Story of the Witches of Oz. This production takes place in Orlando, Florida at the Dr. Philips Center. This show will actually take place from January 25—February 12, including on three Sabbaths.

The latest events of error and apostasy will never stop. And yet we are running out of space in this edition to share this. Today it is claimed that the banner of Seventh-day Adventism is the remnant church. But in reality there are two Seventh-day Adventist churches. 1) The original that formed the foundation of our faith, that was led by the Spirit of God. That is the remnant church! 2) Then there is a counterfeit "New Organization," that was brought in that is actually a business CORPORATION; the General Conference CORPORATION of Seventh-day Adventists, organized in 1904. "Our religion would be changed," Ellen White said. Refer to Letter 242 from 1903. How do you change religion? You change God(s).

They say the ship will go through, stay on the ship. But what they don't realize is what constitutes God's church.

"God has a church. It is not the great cathedral, neither is it the national establishment, neither is it the various denominations; it is the people who love God and keep His commandments. "Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them." Where Christ is, even among the humble few, this is Christ's church, for the presence of the High and Holy One who inhabiteth eternity can alone constitute a church. Where two or three are present who love and obey the commandments of God, Jesus there presides, let it be the desolate place of the earth, in the wilderness, in the city, (or) enclosed in prison walls." - Ellen White, Manuscript Releases, vol. 17, p. 82; Upward Look, p. 315.5

So a false support system is preached to keep the people within the walls of the General Conference **Corporation** of Seventh-day Adventists. They are members of a Corporation, not a church!

"Religious teachers read the Bible in the light of their own understanding and traditions; and the **people do not search the Scriptures for themselves**, and judge for themselves as to what is

truth; but they yield up their judgment, and commit their souls to their leaders." - Ellen White, Desire of Ages, p. 459

"I saw that God has honest children among the nominal Adventists and the fallen churches, and before the plagues shall be poured out, ministers and people will be called out from these churches and will gladly receive the truth. Satan knows this; and before the loud cry of the third angel is given, he raises an excitement in these religious bodies, that those who have rejected the truth may think that God is with them. He hopes to deceive the honest and lead them to think that God is still working for the churches. But the light will shine, and all who are honest will leave the fallen churches, and take their stand with the remnant." – Ellen White, Early Writings, p. 261.1

**Revelation 18:4** – "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues."

What is completely missed in this text from Revelation is, who is God's people? He calls them out of the established forms of religion following after the wine of Babylon. There is no clause in this statement like, "except for Seventh-day Adventists".

"God called us out of Babylon. If we had stayed there, bound down by ministers and creeds, the glorious light of the Holy Sabbath never would have reached us, but glory to God, the second angel's message called us out from the fallen churches where we are now free to think, and act for ourselves in the fear of God." - James White, The Third Angels Message, p. 11.3, 1850

The early Advent believers were led out of a false system of worship. But sadly we have fallen asleep and allowed the same condition to happen. Today we have allowed ourselves to come full circle. We have adopted the errors and wine of the same condition of the fallen churches. Therefore we cannot honestly claim in whole, the Three Angels message. We now call old error, "new light" as we chase after the same god as the rest of Protestantism.

"We are on the very verge of the time of trouble, and perplexities that are scarcely dreamed of are before us. A power from beneath is leading men to war against Heaven. Human beings have confederated with satanic agencies to make void the law of God. **The** 

inhabitants of the world are fast becoming as the inhabitants of the world in Noah's day, who were swept away by the Flood, and as the inhabitants of Sodom, who were consumed by fire from heaven. The powers of Satan are at work to keep minds diverted from eternal realities. The enemy has arranged matters to suit his own purposes. Worldly business, sports, the fashions of the day—these things occupy the minds of men and women. Amusements and unprofitable reading spoil the judgment. In the broad road that leads to eternal ruin there walks a long procession. The world, filled with violence, reveling, and drunkenness, is converting the church. The law of God, the divine standard of righteousness, is declared to be of no effect." – Ellen White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p. 43.2

"I have been repeatedly shown that our presses should now be constantly employed in publishing light and truth. This is a time of spiritual darkness in the churches of the world. Ignorance of divine things has hidden God and the truth from view. The forces of evil are gathering in strength. Satan flatters his co-workers that he will do a work that will captivate the world. While partial inactivity has come upon the church, Satan and his hosts are intensely active. The professed Christian churches are not converting the world; for they are themselves corrupted with selfishness and pride, and need to feel the converting power of God in their midst before they can lead others to a purer or higher standard." – Ellen White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p. 65.2