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**“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.”
(Ephesians 6:10, 11, NKJV).***

Virginia Tech Project

On Monday, April 16, 2007, the deadliest mass shooting in U.S. history took place at Virginia Tech, a university of 26,000 students near Roanoke, Virginia, leaving dozens dead and many more injured. The fallout from this horrific event will impact many people around the nation, but most of the anguish will be borne by the families and friends of the victims, and the students and the community of Blacksburg, Virginia.

The Review and Herald Publishing Association is partnering with HOPE TV to provide an opportunity for you to respond to this monumental tragedy. We are putting together packets of hope-filled literature that will be distributed by local Seventh-day Adventist churches to the people living in the Blacksburg, Virginia, area. Each packet contains nine TouchPoints tracts and five sharing books on topics of grief, suffering, and healing. For a donation of only \$10, you can sponsor one of these packets and make a huge difference. You can make your contribution right here in our own bookstore by cash, check, credit card, or payroll deduction. Nonemployees may participate by calling 1-800-876-7313 and talking with one of our call center representatives. For more information about the Virginia Tech Project, contact us at vtproject@rhpa.org. All gifts are tax-deductible.

With Baby in the Family

We have received word that Pennie Blough, Finance, delivered her baby last night. Mother and baby are doing fine. Blake Hayes Blough was born on April 16, 2007. He weighed 6 pounds 8 ounces and is 19 inches long. Congratulations to Pennie, her husband, Tim, and the rest of the family on the new addition to their family.

Thanks for Your Prayers

Last Friday afternoon just before sundown a beautiful flower arrangement arrived at our home from you folks. Thank you so very much for brightening our weekend. They're sitting on our mantle where all can enjoy.



It's been a rough week, but I am feeling much better now. Had two stents put in after the heart attack, and they've made a big difference.

Please thank everyone for their prayers and concern. I'm anxious to get back to work ASAP. God bless you all.—Bill Tymeson.

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Ads and Offers

For sale: *The Seven Continents of the World Jigsaw Book*, an extra copy from the recent Books Are Fun order. The mission committee would be happy to sell it for the Books Are Fun price of \$10. Call Jocey at extension 4082.

For sale: two Pro Kennex tennis rackets, in satchel, asking \$30 each OBO. See Don Draper in Book Shipping.

For sale: beige 10 x 12 fully screened-in canopy, brand-new, asking \$60. Call Dale at ext. 5222 or 301-223-6006.

Free magazines: The library shelves have been cleared, leaving many magazines up for grabs to anyone who wants them. Please come by next Monday, April 23, to make your selections. Magazines will be removed on Tuesday, April 24.

For sale: oil filters, new and still in original wrapping. Will fit various model cars and trucks from 1990 to 2006 and some earlier models. Asking \$2 per filter. Contact Roger Dailey at ext. 5235, Glenn Kline at ext. 5245, or Mark Gift at ext. 5236.

Here's a listing of the filter numbers and the possible vehicle fits:

PH2840—Chevy 1990-2004, Toyota 1990-2006

PH400—Ford 1990-2006

PH45 (same as PH59)—Cadillac 1990-2006, Oldsmobile 1990-2003, GMC 1999-2005

PH2835—Chevy 1998-2004

PH25 (same as PH454)—Chevy 1990-2006, GMC 1999-2006

PF25 (same as PH454)—Chevy 1999-2006, GMC 1999-2006

PF45—unknown

Volunteers/Runners Needed

Vibrant Life will sponsor its annual 5K Fun Run and Walk on Sunday, September 30, 2007. Runners and volunteers are welcomed. Call Linda Starkey for more information. See page 5 of this issue for a registration form.

Looking for a ride: Do you live in the Smithsburg area? Would you be able to provide an easygoing fellow a ride to work each morning? This fellow would be glad to pay you for this service. If this seems like a possibility, please call your fellow worker, Randy Fishell, at extension 4030 or 301-739-3196. Thanks!

Available: Retired R.N. seeks private-duty case, has worked sitter and critical cases, 25 years experience, excellent references. If interested, please call 301-593-1084.

Wanted: 1 BR apartment in Takoma Park or Silver Spring area. Call 301-593-1084.

For sale: 3 BR house on .38 acre, located at 106 Greenwood Drive, Hagerstown, close to Robinwood Medical Center. Call Charles Griffin, Chesapeake Conference, 410-995-1910.

For sale: Solid maple bedroom suite with extra-long double bed, chest of drawers, nightstand, desk and chair, and bookcase; mahogany buffet and matching server; gold-framed decorator mirrors; 8-foot floral-print sofa and matching love seat; two red brocade armchairs; early American rec room furniture, red print, including sofa, armchair and hassock, and deacon's bench, lamps, and other quality items. Located in Takoma Park. For more information and appointment to see, call: 240-498-3621.

For sale: full/queen-size bookcase headboard, very nice, like new, perfect condition with no scratches, etc., hunter green and wood combination with 2 reading lights underneath, \$150; rocker/glider/recliner, like new and in perfect condition, burgundy/maroon in color, overstuffed. Purchased for more than \$700; will sell for \$300. Will e-mail photos on request. Call 301-223-7979 any time.

Congratulate a Graduate!

If you have a graduate in your family, whether it's a kindergarten graduation or a doctoral degree completion, we'd like to know about it and celebrate with you! We want to be sure to honor your graduate too. *Typeline* deadline is two days ahead of the publication date, which is always printed on the last page of *Typeline*.

Second Annual Gospel Fest

Highland View Academy presents their second annual Gospel Fest on Friday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the Highland View Seventh-day Adventist Church sanctuary. Gospel groups from all over the tri-state area will converge to express the exciting message of salvation through music. Don't miss this power-packed event! Contact Adam Frazier at 301-992-8278.

Follow Me (Luke 9:23-25)

"[Jesus] said to them: 'If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and is destroyed or lost himself?'" (Luke 9:23-25, NKJV).

What is this scripture really saying to us all? Could this be a radical statement for the world we live in today? Today's world eats, drinks, sleeps and breathes the air of SELF. SELF-indulgence, SELF-absorption, SELF-actualization, SELF-reliance, SELF-this, and SELF-that. The world today seems to be all about SELF! The world today tells us to trust OURSELVES, and not to deny OURSELVES.

Mark Twain, well-known author and theologian, said something that I personally find to be true. He said, "Most people are bothered by those passages of Scripture they do not understand; but the passages that trouble me are those I DO UNDERSTAND."

So yes, I know (after 40-plus years of searching and recent trials and tribulations) what the call of Christ really means—to deny self and to follow. It's hard stuff, and at times I really don't want to do it. SELF seems to always have a way of creeping in and taking over. After all, to follow Jesus totally would mean that a whole lot of changes would have to take place in my life that meant less comfort and much less financial security.

Accordingly, each one of us must examine our priorities and how they compare to Jesus' ministry if we are really going to follow Him. I know He has a plan for my life,

\$4 Prescriptions for You

Don't forget to check out the \$4 generic prescriptions that are available through Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, and Target pharmacies. If you are able to utilize any of the drugs on the list and turn in your receipt, you will receive back the out of pocket amount (as long as you are covered on our health insurance). If you have any questions, please contact Human Resources. The first reimbursement will be processed through payroll on April 26.

and I will, by His grace and with His help, follow Him no matter what the cost.

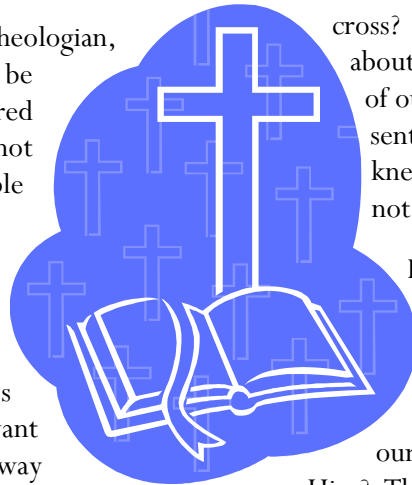
For true followers of Jesus the cross is not a piece of jewelry or a symbol; it's a lifestyle. To follow Jesus, we must be willing to give up self and our selfishness. We must be loyal to God no matter what the cost, and we must follow His ways and obey His commandments.

Thus, my cross to bear daily (and maybe yours, too) as talked about in Luke 9:23-25 has been identified and explained as a total buy-in to the life, character, and ways of Jesus.

How often do we pick up our cross? How heavy is our cross? You say, "It's pretty heavy!" Well, just think about how Jesus carried His cross to Calvary with all of our sins and all the sins of the world, past, present, and future, nailed to it. He was willing and knew He was going to die for us. This certainly was not a light load.

Is your cross too heavy to follow Jesus? Are we willing to deny ourselves all the comforts and security that things of this world offer? Are we willing to stop making ourselves the center of our life and our actions? Are we willing to turn our eyes and attention totally on Jesus and to follow Him? The answer for a true cross-bearing saint will be a loud and clear YES!

In no way, shape, or form have I mastered this call. My prayer is that the day will come when I no longer drag my cross behind me, but instead will be able to shoulder and carry it properly, right next to Jesus. Amen.—Dennis Altman.



Jury Duty Scam

This has been verified on Snopes.com (link listed below) and on the FBI site (their link is also included below). This scam is spreading quickly, so be prepared should you get this call. Most of us take a summons for jury duty seriously, but enough people skip out on their civic duty that a new and ominous kind of scam has surfaced. Fall for it, and your identity could be stolen.

In this con, someone calls pretending to be a court official who threateningly says a warrant has been issued for your arrest because you didn't show up for jury duty. The caller claims to be a jury coordinator. If you protest that you never received a summons for jury duty, the scammer asks you for your Social Security number and date of birth so that he or she can verify the information and cancel the arrest warrant. Give out any of this information, and bingo—your identity just got stolen.

The scam has been reported so far in 11 states, including Oklahoma, Illinois, and Colorado. This scam is particularly insidious because the scammers use intimidation over the phone to try to bully people into giving information by pretending they're with the court system. The FBI and the federal court system have issued nationwide alerts on their Web sites, warning consumers about the fraud.

Verify it yourself here:

<http://www.snopes.com/crime/fraud/juryduty.asp>

<http://www.fbi.gov/pressrel/pressrel05/092805.htm>

http://www.fbi.gov/page2/june06/jury_scams060206.htm

Golf Tournament Reminder

Interested in playing in the 2007 Review and Herald Keith Alexander Memorial Golf Tournament? The tournament will be held on June 8, 2007, beginning at 8:00 a.m. at the Black Rock Golf Course. The \$40 fee covers green fees and cart, and a complimentary lunch is provided. There will be awards and prizes given during the lunch. Turn in your name and handicap to Dale Tooley by May 31. You are welcome to join in the fun. For more information, call Dale Tooley at 301-393-5270.

Antietam Workcamp Will Do Home Repairs

Antietam Workcamp is a program that brings workers to this area to provide help for seniors, disabled, or low income individuals who need home repairs and cannot afford them. Workers will stay and work in an area within 30 minutes' drive of Williamsport, Maryland. If you know of someone who has this type of need, please contact Paul Morgan at 301-745-3266.

Losing Your Job

Losing your job is a disastrous enough experience for an individual; can you imagine losing it because of your conviction to keep the Sabbath holy? We have a perfect window of opportunity to preserve our right to freedom from religious intolerance, right now. The Workplace Religious Freedom Act is right now in the House of Representatives. All you need to do is "point and click" your support at this Web site: www.religiousliberty.info. Our April 12 issue of the *Adventist Review* (p. 29) gives some compelling information worthy of five minutes of your time!

Adventist Health Study—2

Needs You

No, it's not too late! You can be part of one of the largest and most exciting health studies of its kind in the world.

Loma Linda University is recruiting 100,000 Adventists to fill out a questionnaire about their health habits. This wealth of information will allow researchers to study the ways that lifestyle affects cancer, heart disease, and other illnesses. Any church member age 30 or older can participate. It doesn't matter whether you're a vegetarian, vegan, or meat lover; whether you're a couch potato or a marathon runner; whether you're involved in church or rarely attend. A major purpose of the research is to compare all types of people and see what lifestyle practices provide the most health benefits.

Another 5,000 participants are needed to reach the goal of 100,000. Everyone who completes the survey will receive updates about the findings of the study. It's a great way to increase your health awareness and contribute to knowledge of good health.

To enroll, go to www.adventisthealthstudy.org and click on "Enrollment Form," or call toll-free 1-877-700-7077.



The *Vibrant Life* 5K Fun Run registration form was printed on this page.

Visit <http://www.vibrantlife.com> and follow the link to download the form.



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Calendar

Chapel Programs

April	23	Franke Zollman
	30	Laurelbrook SDA School Choir
May	7	<i>Vibrant Life</i> Day, Charles Mills

Sunset Calendar for Hagerstown

April	20	7:54 p.m.
	27	8:01 p.m.
May	4	8:08 p.m.

Personnel Briefings

Coming:

Paul Alexander, Information Systems Services.

Tom Fraga, Periodical Division Proofroom.

Leaving:

Diana Fishell, Call Center.

May Birthdays

2	Britney Mason	15	Minnie Delgado
3	Corey Gunder	17	Jerry Banfe
5	James Cavil	18	Pennie Blough
5	Rose Gamblin	18	Jessica Rice
7	Tom Fraga	24	Jim Kinney
10	Joan Wasenmiller	24	Calianne Lee
13	Nick Bejarano	30	Ron Smith

Our Condolences

We are saddened to report that Gordon Alexander has passed away. He was father of **Allen Alexander**, Bindery, and grandfather of **Paul Alexander**, Information Systems Services, and father-in-law to **Judy Alexander**, Book Shipping.

2007 Holiday Schedule

Memorial Day	Monday, May 28
Independence Day	Wednesday, July 4
Labor Day	Monday, September 3
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 22*
Christmas	Tuesday, December 25

*Workdays for the week of Thanksgiving are Sunday, November 18, through Tuesday, November 20.