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The Editor's Page

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We apologize for this issue being a bit late. When one depends on voluntary service for every aspect of a venture, from the writing and submission of papers, to refereeing the papers, to revising them as needed, to editing them and preparing them for publication, sometimes the wheels turn slowly and people's busy schedules pose delays for the process. We are grateful for all who work hard to make this voluntary scholarly endeavor a success. Your patience in waiting for the publication of the issue is also greatly appreciated. We continue to strive to meet our timeline goals as best we are able and trust our readers will understand our exigencies.

The articles in this issue fall into four categories. The first two are carry-overs from the Second International Bible Conference held in Izmir, Turkey, in July 2006, the theme of which was "The Adventist Theologian and the Nature, Mission, and Unity of the Church." The next two are from the annual Fall meeting of the Adventist Theological Society held in Washington, DC, in November 2006. The theme of those meetings was "The Church in the Public Square." Then there is one paper by Dennis Pettibone from the annual Spring meeting of the Society held at Andrews University in Michigan the end of March 2007. Its theme was "Current Issues in Eschatology." Our next issue will have more papers from this symposium. Finally, there are three papers of general interest, unrelated specifically to any of these conferences or symposia.

We trust that you will enjoy the articles in this issue. We solicit your own contributions toward this endeavor. We always need more papers in the pipeline than we have, which is one reason publication gets delayed. Your scholarly contributions will always be appreciated.