This issue of *JATS* offers seven excellent articles for your study and contemplation. The first article deals with the intercessory ministry of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary which is integral to the core of Adventist theology. Jiri Moskala, Dean of the SDA Theological Seminary, reminds us of this central role in his essay, “Meaning of the Intercessory Ministry of Jesus Christ on Our Behalf in the Heavenly Sanctuary.” Another key Adventist belief that stands apart from most other Christians is the nature of death as explained by New Testament scholar, Wilson Paroschi, in his article, “Death as Sleep.” Moving more into the theological realm is Loma Linda University scholar, Erik Carter’s, “The Adventist Pilgrim: A Construct for Theological Reflection.” Another Adventist distinctive teaching is that of health, based on the idea that our bodies are the temple of God and we are to cherish and care for our bodies. Warren Shipton, who has made this a special focus of research, guides us through how Ellen White understood the health message within the context of the Third Angel’s message of Revelation 14. His article—the first of three—is entitled, “Ellen White, Health, and the Third Angel’s Message 1: Improving Health Through Reducing Transmissible Diseases.”

The last three articles take us more directly into eschatology—the study of last day events before the return of Christ. The first is another offering by Jiri Moskala which warns us about common misperceptions among some Adventists in “Misinterpreted End-Time Issues: Five Myths in Adventism.” The next article by SDA Theological Seminary professor, Joseph Kidder, explores “The Faithful and True Witness of Revelation 1:5 and 3:14,” and the final article is “The Controverted Little Book of
Revelation 10 and the Shape of Apocalyptic Mission,” by the well-known Adventist scholar, George Knight–for many years a professor in the Church History Department at the SDA Theological Seminary. We trust you will find these articles both stimulating and edifying.

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