



Luella (Allen) Jensen

1920s

To celebrate her 104th birthday, **Luella (Allen) Jensen** (att.) wanted to milk a cow. Jensen, who grew up on a farm in central New York, has always liked the farm life. She was born in 1908, when Theodore Roosevelt was president, and later attended Andrews University.

Jensen now lives in the Lakeland Center for Continuing Care in Berrien Center. Her caretakers decided that her wish to milk a cow would be a great birthday present if it could be arranged. They contacted staff at the Andrews University Dairy who were happy to facilitate a visit. Assisted by her daughter, Lou Ellis, of Perrysburg, Ohio, and grandson, St. Joseph resident Jim Ellis, Jensen traveled to the dairy barn and visited the older cows as well as a day-old calf, which she enjoyed petting. Jensen is the mother of two, grandmother of nine, and great-grandmother of 22.

1960s

Lawrence Allen Eldridge (MA '61, BD '63) has recently published a book with the University of Missouri Press titled *Chronicles of a Two-Front War: Civil Rights and Vietnam in the African-American Press*. The book is the first to examine coverage of the Vietnam War by black news publications, and Eldridge reveals how the black press not only reported the war but weighed its significance in context of the Civil Rights Movement. Eldridge is a freelance writer and author of *The Gospel Text of Epiphanius of Salamis*. He currently lives in Atlanta, Ga.



John DesJardins

William Jamerson (MA '62), a Paradise, Calif., resident, recently released his life story with the assistance of his long-time friend and writer, Jean Willard. Now 87-years-old, Bill hopes to inspire others to live a life of service to God in his book *It's Great to be Alive...Because He Lives*.

Bill retired in 1989 after working for 38 years as a minister of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Although officially retired, he has spent the last 22 years developing materials and leading out in numerous children's and youth ministry programs with such evangelists as Brian McMahan and Doug Batchelor.

During his career, Bill worked in the Southern California, Southeastern California, and Northern California conferences in addition to spending ten years serving the Adventist Church in Bolivia, Peru, and Ecuador.

"I wrote this book to inspire young people that they can do anything in life with God's power, regardless of their background," Bill said. "I hope readers will understand that God can change your life if you allow Him. There is a wonderful future for all with God."

Bill was not always focused on following God. He forged his own path for years, determined to play sports and fight for his country in World War II. But everything changed one day when he felt the pressure of a Jeep on his chest! At that moment in time, life stopped and he clearly saw that his own path no longer mattered.

From then on Bill experienced a whirlwind adventure beyond his wildest dreams as God molded and shaped him for His service. From participating in the Battle of the Bulge and tending wounded soldiers on the battlefield, to preaching the gospel and pulling teeth in Bolivia, to developing programs for children and youth, to praying for the sick and witnessing miraculous healings, Bill has spent his life working for the Lord.

Bill is an alum of Pacific Union College and Andrews University. He graduated from PUC in 1950 with a degree in religion and from Andrews in 1962 with a master's degree in practical theology.

It's Great to be Alive...Because He Lives is published by TEACH Services, and is available through the publisher's Web site (<http://www.TEACHServices.com>), Amazon, Barnes & Noble, or local bookstores by request.

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John A. DesJardins (BS '74) has been a circuit court judge for Branch 7, Outagamie County, Wisconsin for 18 years. He has also worked for the Green Bay Packers for 11 years as a member of the "chain gang," a group of eight individuals that marks the first down on the field with chains. Recently, he received a Super Bowl ring from the Packers.



The Kalu Family

Dave (BA '71) and **Dorothy Buckman** (BA '73) are preparing for retirement and traveling around the country. This summer, they traveled to Washington and Idaho to see friends. While there, they attended the Idaho Camp Meeting and heard Ted Wilson, General Conference president, give the closing sermon. Dave continues to work in part-time urgent care, and helps coordinate the Bible study each Sabbath morning at his local church. Dave and Dorothy enjoy spending time with their grandson Marcus, who attends Vanderbilt's School for the Deaf. Dorothy recently celebrated her 60th birthday with friends and family.

1980s

Uko Ben Udensi Kalu (BA '84) attended the University of Arkansas at Little Rock for graduate studies in gerontology and Vanderbilt University, where he became a surgical orthopedic physician assistant in 2005. He works at Howard County General Hospital (Johns Hopkins Medicine). He and his wife, Claudia Simone Kalu, have two children, Nnenna-Simone, 10, and Micah Udensi, 7. He is currently an elder, music coordinator and family life director for the Pikesville SDA Church in Pikesville, Md.

Daniel LeFebo (M.Div. '87) is a native of Ethiopia and current resident of Seattle, Wash. LeFebo currently pastors the Atonement Ethiopian-American Seventh-day Adventist Group Ministry, a position he has held for the last 16 years. He recently released a book titled *Glorious Redemptive Act of the Sanctuary of God* which is published by TEACH Services, Inc.

2010s

Christopher Louis (MA '11) and his fiancée **Rebecka Noble** (MA '11) were married at the U.S. Embassy in Seoul, Korea on May 4, 2012. They are currently teaching English at the OSS English Club on Jeju Island in South Korea and recently traveled to Kyoto, Japan for a visit.



Christopher Louis & Rebecka Noble

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