

Updates. . .



Week of Prayer

Last week Dr. Karl Haffner blessed us with a wonderful week of spiritual emphasis with the theme: Happy Matters! You can listen again to his presentations by going to PressNet:

<http://www.pppa.pressnet/>

We were also able to have a book dedication of Dr. Haffner's newest book, *Present Help in Trouble!*

Thank you to Jason Whitson in IT for sharing a picture of that event.



Prayer-a-Phrases

Dr. Haffner shared four Prayer-a-Phrases that we can pray each day:

A Prayer of Identity

For I am God's perfect masterpiece, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which my ABBA prepared in advance for me to do. (*Ephesians 2:10*)

A Prayer of Community

How good and pleasant it is, oh God, when we—your people—live together in community! (*Psalms 133:1*)

A Prayer of Hope

God of hope, fill me with all joy and peace as I trust in you, so that I may overflow with hope by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Amen. (*Romans 15:13*)

A Prayer of Assurance

Thank you, God, that you have given me eternal life, and this life is in your Son. Because I have your Son, I have life; whoever does not have your Son, does not have life. Thank you, Father, for I know that I have eternal life, because I know Jesus. (1 John 5:11-13)

Save the Date!

Mark your calendars and please save the date of Sunday, December 3 for our annual Christmas Party at the Wahooz Galaxy Event Center. More information coming soon!

Extra Hour of Sleep

Don't forget the time change this weekend. Sunday, Nov. 5 at 2 a.m. clocks get set back one hour.



Annual Employee Sale through Dec. 9

We would like to invite you to shop at the Nampa ABC for your special employee pricing on titles in the Fall Catalog. If you haven't already received your copy in the mail, you can pick one up at the ABC.

As an employee, you will receive 50% off on the catalog items. And again, these great discounts are offered to employees for gifting or for personal use, and are not meant for resale. If you have questions, please contact Veronica Cenicerros in Customer Service (ext. 2560).

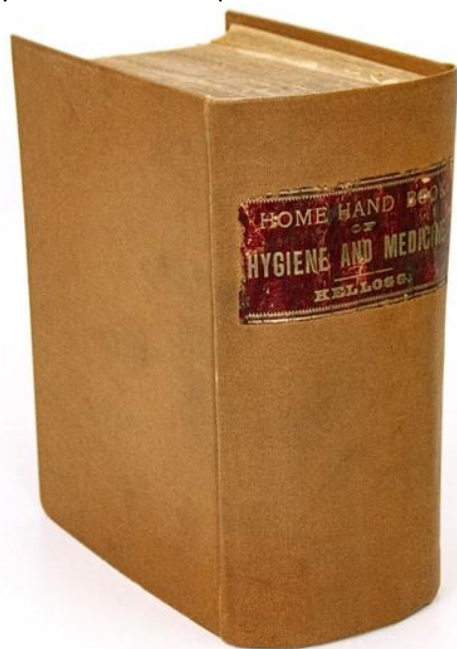
We will also offer the Bible Stories, Bedtime Stories, Great Stories for Kids and My Bible Friends at Special Pricing. Happy Shopping!

Calendars

Looking for a 2024 calendar? There are currently three different ones to choose from in front of Bonnie Herbal's office. Help yourself. And in the next few weeks, more companies will be bringing calendars to share—so check back to see if there are others you might want as well.

Early Colporteur Book Re-Discovered! Giving New Meaning to Selling BIG Books!

By Dr. Michael Campbell

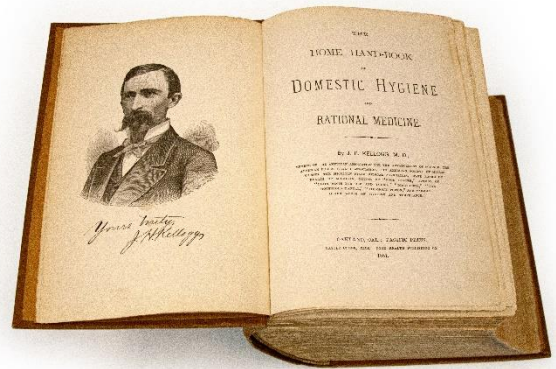


Walter Harper was one of the earliest Seventh-day Adventist colporteurs. Converted in 1879 while he was in the dry goods business, he initially resisted the idea of selling Adventist literature because he thought "the public will not buy our books." He was mentored by George A. King and others and traveled west to California where on May 8, 1881, while in Fresno County, he sold a copy of Dr. J. H. Kellogg's large book, *Home Hand Book of Health and Medicine*. He sold \$26 of literature total on that very first day! That first copy was purchased by Mary Archambeau (1849-1932) which resulted ultimately in her conversion to the Seventh-day Adventist faith.



After about 18 months he went to San Luis Obispo where he sold other Adventist literature, and subsequently traveled to Oregon and Washington, where he became enthusiastic in sharing Adventist literature. His favorite book was distributing *The Great Controversy* which he believed was "the heaven-sent torch of truth." Despite some personal challenges, he would continue distributing Adventist literature into old age and is widely regarded as the founder of the colporteur work in Adventism west of the Mississippi River in North America.

A copy of the 1881 edition of *Home Hand Book of Health and Medicine* is in the vault at Pacific Press Publishing Association in Nampa, Idaho.



Truly a BIG book, it weighs 7 ½ pounds.

Walter Harper took literature evangelism seriously, and people joined the church as a result.

El Centinela Turns 120

By Elvis Diaz

In 1874, James White, accompanied by a group of visionaries, founded the Pacific Press, the Adventist Church's second publishing house. Their vision was clear and ambitious: to produce a magazine discussing the signs of the times. Little did they know, they were embarking on an iconic journey that would span both time and borders.

This missionary endeavor first cast its light in Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, in 1903, spearheaded by Brenton E. Connerly and Santiago Jordán. Dubbed "El Centinela de la Verdad," this publication stood as a beacon defending biblical truths and the gospel of Jesus Christ.



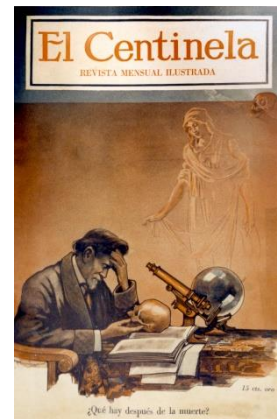
But as is common in grand tales, adversity was not far behind. In 1911, a massive fire ravaged the city of Cristóbal, consuming the building where "El Centinela de la Verdad" was crafted. However, the flames couldn't quell the spirit and mission of these devoted missionaries.

Simultaneously in Mexico, "El Amigo de la Verdad" was shedding light upon homes, steered by the erudite George W. Caviness, a linguist whose love for languages forged connections between cultures and beliefs centered on faith. This magazine eventually evolved into "El Mensajero de la Verdad," and later, "Las Señales de los Tiempos."

Reflecting on the history and impact of these publications, the Pacific Press, in 1919, resolved to introduce "El Centinela." Over the years, this magazine emerged as a luminous guide for Spanish-speaking readers, now recognized as the oldest Hispanic religious magazine in the United States.

The odyssey of "El Centinela" is replete with adventures. From its inception in California, its journey through Panama, its residency in Illinois, its return to California, and its present location in Idaho—every page bears testimony to its steadfast

mission: proclaiming the message of salvation and the anticipation of Jesus's second coming.



Now, in a world riddled with crises, despair, and uncertainties, "El Centinela" persists as a testament to divine assurance and a call to faith. It reminds us that even in the bleakest times, a guiding light always shines. This narrative merits sharing, experiencing, and above all, disseminating. As they often emphasize, they aren't merely commemorating anniversaries or relics but transforming hearts and minds. This is the legend of El Centinela, dedicated to family, health, and faith.

November

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29	PAYDAY