



# the Red Cedar Post

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## 2006 in Review



*Baptized in the River:*  
*Front Row left to right:*  
Abigail Ontiveros,  
Jessica Herrera,  
Esmeralda Herrera, Sara  
Deras, Lydia Bageson,  
Maria and Miguel  
Roque, Dean Ruddle  
(who re-baptised Aaron)  
*Back Row:* Pastor  
Maehre, Aaron Maehre,  
Bo Leniger, Matthew  
Perez.

*Cedar City  
Baptism in the  
Virgin River.*

### NEW Members for Cedar City

2006 was an amazing year for the Lord in the Cedar City Adventist Church! Ten precious people are pictured here after their baptism, including Aaron who was re-baptized. Praise God for His goodness! Many studied the Bible with our head elder, Antonio Perez. Bo, 3rd from the right in the back row, came to us from watching 3ABN.

You might notice that they weren't wearing baptismal robes. It happened to be 110 degrees that day and, well, most wore their swim suit or other clothing.

Three people, Eugene Powell, Tarry and Dana Rea, [not pictured] joined the church by Profession of Faith. It is a wonderful thing

" Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy **good health** and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well."

(3 John 1:2 NIV)

### Red Cliffs Church New Members

Red Cliffs church would not be left behind. Pictured here are the Terrazas family who were baptized in the Maranatha Adventist church by Pastor Maehre. He studied with them via translation by their son Omar.

We also voted into membership Placido and Leticia Chavira. Also Aaron Burden was baptized at the Arizona Camp Meeting and also voted into membership. Praise God.

Also in 2006 the Polacios family requested transfer to our church and the

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to see God's church grow like this.

We pray that God's blessings will shine on us in this New Year so we can see many more people join our membership. However our primary goal is to have each member join our Savior and Friend Jesus in a life-long relationship that will lead to eternal life. Let us all pray that we so live that He can use us to show others His love.

By the way,... Don't miss the article about the developments in the Cedar City/Enoch church building project on **page 2**.

transfer was just sent to us.

We really appreciate our Hispanic members. We hope they know not to hesitate to let us know if there is anything we can do to make them happier.



The Terrazas family baptism, Alvaro, Lourdes, Juan, Omar.

## Pastor's Corner

It is with a deep sense of gratitude and honor that Susan and I accepted the call to come to Red Cliffs, Cedar City, and Milford district. We are enjoying both the area and the fellowship of all of our members.

2007! I remember thinking about the new millennium as a teenager. I thought we'd all be in the Kingdom by then. It is an amazing thought that we are still here, and yet, many of us have loved ones and friends that we want to be in Heaven with us and are glad God is giving us a little more time. So we are waiting for that glorious day when our hope will become reality. Meanwhile what shall we do?

There is so much to do! Recently those at church were given a list of about 40 things that we could do as a church to reach out to others. What will we find ourselves doing in 2007? You can help us decide. Please fill out the page and hand it back to an elder or the Pastor. We are open to all suggestions that you might have for this year.

Our Red Cliffs Social Calendar is being worked on by Leslie and her Social Committee. Cedar City Social leaders are the Perez's. Our R.C.'s Personal Ministries Committee is headed by Doris Sanders. Cedar's Personal Ministries is headed by the Ontiveros'. You may be called on by one of these ladies or their committees to help in different ways. Please, don't hesitate to become involved. It takes all of us working together to get to where we are going.

Where are we going? You might ask. Well for one thing, we are going to Heaven. Another is we are seeking to impact the lives those around us for Jesus. We want as many people to not only make it to Heaven but to have a nice trip along the way.

So we will have events this year that edify God's church and our community. Again.... It will take all of us to do that. May God richly bless you as you strive to use your God given gifts for His glory.

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"I thank my God every time I remember you." (Phil 1:3 NIV)

## Cedar City Our Church Building Progress

It all began with a phone call from Harry Straub. He was calling the Pastor to find out why the taxes were raised on property owned by the Conference. It was thought that the property was a long way out in the "bushes" and was not thought about until Harry got a new and "improved" tax bill. [Yes, the Conf. must pay taxes on vacant property. When a church building goes up the taxes are waived.]

Pastor Maehre was quite curious and went ASAP to the county office to investigate. He found that the Conference property was a little over a mile north of Cedar's head Elder's home, Antonio Perez. That news was just too exciting to keep quiet. The church has been feeling cramped in their current facility for some time and we needed to think about building or renting another larger building quickly.

We had no idea it would work out this way. God works in wonderful ways. Thanks to our former head elder, Dean Ruddle we now have a large sum committed for a building project. Also Milford members decided to sell the 3 lots beside their church and donate the proceeds to the Cedar Building Fund. All of this happened within about a months time. Wow! Praise God again.

However those amounts are not enough to build our church. Please pray with us for more funds to build our church sooner rather than later.

We still need to work out the details as to where we will build the church and begin planning, but we are very excited and ready to see a church built soon. We can expect great things to happen if we have faith in His promises. But we also need to do our part in God's great plans.

If God is moving on your heart to donate funds to our new church building please send the funds to our church treasurer: Helen Myres, 2227 W. 6100 N., Cedar City, UT 84720



### Red Cliff's - Our Conference Connection

We are proud of our two members who serve our Conference in different ways. Beverly Denton was just re-elected to serve four more years on the Conference Executive Committee.

She represents our area to our Conference. If you have any suggestions for our Conference she is the one to talk to. She spends long days flying to the Conference Office and back to attend the monthly Executive Committee meetings.

Gerry Bryant (at right.) is on the Conference Constitution and By-Laws Committee. This Committee gave an important report at the Conference Constituency Meeting held in Las Vegas in September, 2006. This photo is from that session. You can ask him what his duties are. :-)



We appreciate all who have served as local church officers for us in 2006. We are looking forward to this year's accomplishments. Our 2007 officers will have met for the first time on the 9th of January. Please pray for our church. We need God's continued blessings.

Our head elder again this year is Allen Reich. If you have any suggestions at all please talk to any of our elders or the Pastor. We would love to hear from you about anything you consider important to the church and it's ministry.

Communication is very important. It is usually better to over communicate than under communicate. Let us not be shy, but rather communicate to the glory of God.

## Red Cliffs Building Project

The Red Cliffs Building Committee met and discussed the need for a Church Building, it's size, and parking lot size. The bottom line of all the discussion is that they estimate that it would take over \$2,000,000 for the land, building and parking.

Now we are talking about miracles! We only have about 1/4th of that amount right now. So, we are in need of a major miracle from the Lord and careful planning to have our own church building in or around St. George, UT.

We are therefore appealing to you to not only donate to this fund (which is growing) but to encourage friends and relatives to be part of this wonderful miracle.

Land prices have escalated here in the St. George area beyond what anyone would have expected. \$250,000 per acre is common and in many places the price is higher. So we have a lot to pray about. We solicit your prayers on our behalf.

(Mat 21:22 KJV) **And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.**

I wonder how much we really ask? Let us spend time with God and receive His blessings.

## Healthiest group in USA

A few years ago ...“The Saturday Evening Post” called Seventh-day Adventists “the healthiest group of people in the country.” “Adventists have supplied the world with some rather impressive medical statistics,” the popular magazine said. “Male Seventh-day Adventists aged 35 to 40 have a 6.2-year longer life expectancy on the average than the general population.

Female members have a 3.1-year greater life expectancy. Male subjects 55 and over who eat meat six times a week or more are twice as likely to die of heart attacks as are some of the Adventist vegetarian men, as shown by surveys.

Not only do Seventh-day Adventists have fewer heart attacks, they also have less cancer — 50 percent less than the general population. Their rate of lung cancer is only 21 percent of the expected rate and their colon-rectal cancer is 60 percent less than expected. Education-medical as well as general-receives strong support from Adventists. Three times as many members have completed college compared to the general population,” the Post says.

**Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:**

(Mat 7:7 KJV)

## Life Stories from Sermons

In her book, Living with Love, Josephine Robertson tells a story. “In 1883, a youthful clergyman, the Rev. Joe Roberts, arrived by stagecoach in a blizzard to minister to the Indians of Wyoming.

This great, wild area had been assigned to the Protestant Episcopal Church by President Grant. Soon after Joe Roberts arrived, the son of the chief was shot by a soldier in a brawl, and **Chief Washakie** vowed to kill the first white man he met.

Since this might mean the start of a long,



Red Cliffs Ordination Service

bloody feud, young Roberts decided to take action. Seeking out the tepee, fifteen miles away in the mountains, he stood outside and called the chief's name. When Washakie appeared, Roberts opened his shirt.

“I have heard of your vow,” he said, “I know that the other white men have families, but I am alone. Kill me instead.”

The chief was amazed and motioned him into his tent. “How do you have so much courage?” he asked. Joe Roberts told him about Christ, His death, His teachings.

They talked for hours. When Joe left, the chief of the Shoshones had renounced his vow to kill and resolved to become a Christian. Washakie had seen love in action.

Every group that calls itself Christian would do well to decide what it should do to make love visible in the home, church, community, and world. **For unless love becomes visible it is not love at all.**



Cedar City Youth S.S. Class

“I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me.”  
Philippians 4:13



28 Sun. Red Cliffs Mall Walk 11 am				1 Thurs.	2 Fri. Study at Rockwells 7 pm  sunset 6:00	3 Sabbath <i>Red Cliffs Fellowship Meal</i> <i>Brad Newton Preaches</i> Cedar City, Rosendo preaches
4 Sun.	5 Mon.	6 Tues. Mesquite Study at Chavez 7 pm	7 Wed. Prayer Mtg at Christensens	8 Thurs.	9 Fri. Study at Rockwells 7 pm  sunset 6:08	10 Sabbath <i>Red Cliffs, Allen Reich preaches</i> Cedar City & Pastor Maehre
11 Sun.  Red Cliffs <b>Bowling 1pm</b>	12 Mon.	13 Tues.  Red Cliffs Board Mtg. 7pm	14 Wed. Valentines Day Red Cliffs <b>Mar.</b> <b>Enrichment</b> <b>Dinner</b>	15 Thurs.	16 Fri. Study at Rockwells 7 pm  sunset 6:15	17 Sabbath <i>Red Cliffs &amp; Pastor Maehre</i> Cedar City, Antonio preaches  Cedar C. <b>Sweethearts Banquet</b>
18 Sun.	19 Mon.	20 Tues. Mesquite Study at Chavez 7 pm	21 Wed. Prayer Mtg at Christensens	22 Thurs.	23 Fri. Study at Rockwells 7 pm sunset 6:22	24 Sabbath <i>Red Cliffs Allen Reich preaches</i> Cedar City Fellowship Meal Pastor Maehre preaches
25 Sun.	26 Mon.	27 Tues. Mesquite Study at Chavez 7 pm	28 Wed. Prayer Mtg at Christensens	 Nasira	 Roz	

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### Late Breaking News!

Roz Ferrier and Nasira Barker were baptized January 6th, 2007 in St. George. We'd like to thank the First Southern Baptist Church and Pastor Brown who allowed us to use their baptistry for this wonderful event. Roz had the privilege of studying the scriptures in 2006 with Dr. J. Dirkson

and Nasira was faithfully guided by her parents, the Christensens. We appreciate voting both into membership that same Sabbath. It was a high day indeed, including a great fellowship meal.

If you are interested in joining our church by baptism, Profession of Faith, or transfer please contact the Pastor.

### the Red Cliffs and Cedar City Adventist Churches Newsletter

This is the first issue of our district's long awaited Newsletter. We hope you will enjoy it and also **PLEASE, help contribute to future issues.** God bless you in this brand New Year!

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<http://redcliffschurch.org>

May God's grace be ever present in your life! **Please** send articles to the Pastor or Leslie Coleman via email or snail mail. thank you very much.

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