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Editorial

With this, our fifth issue, *Dialogue* completes its second year of publication. Our journal is appreciated by thousands of university students and professionals who read it in English, French, Portuguese, or Spanish. Some of you use the articles as starters for group discussions in meetings. Others of you duplicate articles and give them to friends or teachers. For many readers, *Dialogue* is a way of keeping in touch with other thoughtful Adventists who face similar challenges and enjoy a Christian approach to current issues.

It's easy to see that our world and our church are changing, many times in unexpected ways. Four articles in this issue focus on these transformations. "Challenges on the Horizon" (page 8) looks at significant trends within Seventh-day Adventism as our church enters the new decade. "A Random Universe?" (page 10) examines the tension between order and chance from biblical and scientific perspectives. "Winds of Freedom" (page 13) reports on how the exciting developments in Eastern Europe are impacting our church. Finally, "Who Will Care for the Children?" (page 31) calls our attention to the alarming circumstances in which millions of them live, suggesting practical ways of alleviating their plight.

Our masthead reflects changes closer to home. The AMiCUS Committee, our sponsor, has several new members. You will also notice changes among our regional and local representatives. We are interested in receiving names of Adventist teachers or students who would like to represent us in other college and university campuses. Although this position is *ad*

honorem, representatives receive a free copy of each *Dialogue* issue and have the chance to make specific suggestions on its content.

In this issue, every reader has an opportunity to provide his or her views regarding the journal and also to help us widen our circle of friends. Please take a few minutes to fill out the Readers' Survey form inserted between pages 18 and 19, then mail it to the regional representative for your area. Your evaluation and comments will give us valuable input in charting the future direction of *Dialogue*. Tell us how we can better address your spiritual and intellectual needs.

A few of our characteristics, however, will not change. It is our intention to continue publishing *Dialogue* as an international journal of faith, thought, and action. The authors, artists and individuals profiled in this issue represent eleven countries: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, England, Holland, Kenya, Nicaragua, Puerto Rico, Sweden, Uruguay, and U.S.A. We also intend to keep publishing stimulating articles that will help you to know, live, and share your Christian faith.

Finally, if you wish to establish correspondence with Adventist students or professionals in other parts of the world, turn to "Interchange" on our Bulletin Board (page 35) where you will find our first listing of names and addresses. If you also want to have your name included, read the instructions and join the expanding global correspondence network. Enjoy your reading and keep in touch!

The Editors