

Greenhouse Workshop Teaches How to Reach Out

The Douglasville, Ga., church invited Bill and Jan Levin to conduct “Green-

naturally build relationships with those who don't know Christ. The training provides simple, practical tools anyone can use to reach family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues for Jesus.

Sabbath morning began with the Levins and Priscilla Pruitt telling the story of the Crystal Cove group. Bill Levin

shared, “My wife and I were called to an un-entered area where we didn't know anyone, applied the Greenhouse principles,

and have since had an “organic” church meeting there every Friday night for more than two-and-a-half years. The principles are easily adaptable, and work.”

Priscilla Pruitt from Crystal Cove gave her testimony on how Greenhouse changed her life, saying, “It gives me encouragement to want to get out [into other communities] even more.”

Randy Mills, pastor, who attended the event, said Greenhouse principles and Life Transformation Groups are “a normal, natural, spontaneous way to live for Christ. It's not a gimmick, not a program to do ‘1-2-3,’ but uses plain, down-to-earth disciplines...I would recommend it to anybody.”

Carlos Carroll has

wondered, “How do you even approach someone? How, and what, can you do? [Greenhouse] gives me the courage to say, ‘Yes, I can do this.’”

Penny Louckx explained that she liked the idea that Greenhouse is about working where people are. “It's harder to wait on God's guidance, yet we have to be ready to go when the Holy Spirit is moving. [Greenhouse] takes ‘us’ out of the picture.”

As shared by Tom Carter, who attended, Greenhouse is “a very valuable tool and concept for those of us who feel we have a special message for this world at this time.”

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—BY JAN LEVIN



Participants engage in a discussion led by Bill Levin at the training event.

house,” on November 4-5. “Greenhouse” is an interactive training experience based on Biblical principles which serve to

Heroes Unmasked in Canton

What happens when you have parents who want their children to enjoy Halloween without the ghosts and goblins, and you have a church of committed members wanting to do community outreach? You have Heroes Unmasked.

The Canton, Ga., church opened its doors to the community for an evening of fun and fellowship by utilizing the program Heroes Unmasked. Developed as a spiritual alternative to having children celebrate Halloween, Heroes Unmasked is an action-packed program bringing popular

Bible characters to life.

Activity areas included Elijah instructing children how to play the flying, flaming chicken race; Moses parting the Red Sea (miniature golf); and children pelting a 9-foot Goliath with marshmallows. A puppet show brought additional entertainment, and

the cotton candy and popcorn machines only added to the festivities.

Many members used the evening as an outreach

opportunity by inviting their friends and neighbors. Approximately 50 children and their families attended, the majority of whom were



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visitors. The visitors asked questions about the church, and several said they would be back to visit during the worship service.

Todd Leonard, pastor, concluded, “The members worked tirelessly to put on a first-class event. But in the end, we all agreed it was worth it. I believe we accomplished what we set out to do—that is, to provide a fun evening for the children, and to introduce the community to the family-friendly atmosphere of the Canton Adventist church.”

—BY BEV OWEN