

Naden, Laurence Christopher (1906–1979)

ROY C. NADEN

Roy C. Naden (deceased December 6, 2017), son of Laurence and Gwen Naden, was born in Hamilton, New Zealand, and gained his ministerial education at Avondale College in Australia. He married Jennifer Adrian in 1955 and they began several years in public evangelism (1955-1964). Roy was then called to be the radio evangelist for Australasian Division (1965-1971). He accepted a call from the General Conference to transfer to the U.S. to become producer of the Faith for Today telecast (1971-1975), simultaneously earning a doctorate at the University of California, Los Angeles. Naden became television evangelist for Southern and South Eastern California Conferences (1975-1977), then accepted an invitation from Andrews University to become professor of religious education in both the School of Education and Theological Seminary (1978-1994) until retirement.

L. C. Naden, a New Zealander, served in a number of pastoral and administrative roles and as the President of the Australasian Division between 1962 and 1970.

Early Life

Laurence Christopher Naden was born in Rotorua, New Zealand, on February 11, 1906, the second of the three surviving sons of Christopher Frederick and Julia Eleanor (Dean) Naden.¹

Laurence's grandfather, Greatrex Naden (1835–1893), M.R.C.V.S., veterinary surgeon, completed veterinary training at the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons in London and was one of the first officially trained veterinarians in the world.²

On February 13, 1875, Greatrex Naden and his family left England for Auckland, New Zealand, on the iron clipper *Dunedin*. After an uneventful journey, they arrived 92 days later, on May 19, 1875.³ With sheep and cattle playing a major role in New Zealand's evolving economy, veterinary-surgeon Greatrex was in an excellent



Laurence C. Naden

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position to become a government inspector of sheep and cattle.

Laurence's father, Christopher, was eight or nine years old when he arrived in Auckland. In 1893 he married Catherine Devlin. Eight days after the birth of their first child, Catherine died. Seven years later, Christopher married Julia Eleanor (Dean) Tilley in the Registry Office of Rotorua. She also had been previously married. Her first husband, Stephen Tilley, had died shortly after their marriage in 1888.

Christopher Naden became fluent in the Maori language and acted as a translator for those who needed to communicate with the local Maori population. Christopher and Julia moved initially to Hicks Bay on the east coast of North New Zealand, where Christopher managed a grocery store. Later, the family moved south to the sheep and cattle country of Tolaga Bay, where he opened a general store. As a young man, Laurence worked in that store.

In 1908, Mr. and Mrs. Read-Smith, recent graduates of Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital (later, Sydney Adventist Hospital), were invited to transfer to New Zealand to provide health care for the Maoris in Tokomaru, some 90 kilometers (56 miles) north of Gisborne. During their second summer in New Zealand, typhoid fever broke out in an area some 42 kilometers (26 miles) away. Read-Smith, although unwell, rode his horse to the area and treated the sick. But soon after, he succumbed to the disease and died. The *Poverty Bay Herald*, published in Gisborne, wrote that the "deceased was a splendid nurse. He was much respected on the coast."⁴ The funeral left the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tullock. Years later, the Tullock's son Allan became a good friend of Laurence when they were teenagers. This family was Laurence's first known contact with Seventh-day Adventists.

Appendicitis and a New Life

In his late teens (ca. 1924), Laurence suffered an appendicitis attack and was rushed by stagecoach from Tolaga Bay to Gisborne Hospital, 50 kilometers (31 miles) to the south, where he was successfully treated. After his release, his family thought it best for him to remain in Gisborne to regain strength before returning to his father's store. Dulcie Naden, the wife of Laurence's brother, Cyril, called people she knew in Gisborne and found Rosalie Lyndon willing to board Laurence until he recovered sufficiently to return to work. Rosalie Lyndon's daughter was Gwendolyn "Gwen" Victoria, a nurse at the Gisborne Hospital, who had been born in Gisborne on May 24, 1905.⁵ It was not long before she and Laurence became friendly. They married on August 12, 1925, when they were both 19,⁶ and lived in Tolaga Bay near the family store.

Three children were to be born to Laurence and Gwen: Marjorie June (b. April 9, 1927), Laurel Rosalie (May 13, 1930–October 26, 2005), and Roy Cecil (b. March 8, 1934).⁷

Gisborne Seventh-day Adventist Church

Pastor Roy Anderson held evangelistic meetings at the Gisborne Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1926. "The whole town and district was aroused by the powerful preaching and a goodly number were baptized and joined the church."⁸

In early 1926 when arrangements were being made for his series of meetings in Gisborne, Pastor Roy Anderson journeyed 50 kilometers (31 miles) north to Tolaga Bay to meet Laurence at the Naden general store—probably at the suggestion of Gwen's mother, Rosalie, the organist at the Gisborne church. Pastor Anderson was looking for a musician to sing at the upcoming tent meetings. When the pastor arrived, Laurence was out of sight, but he could be heard singing. As he approached the counter, Pastor Anderson spoke appreciatively of the voice he was hearing and, in the ensuing conversation, asked him to sing at the meetings he was about to conduct in Gisborne. Newly married Laurence, an Anglican, knew that if he were to sing, he would please his wife, and he agreed. But he did more than sing; he listened to the sermons and became fully convicted of the Advent message and joined the Gisborne Adventist church.

Over the months of the 1926 evangelistic series, Anderson saw in Laurence more than a singer; he saw a young man so convicted about what he had learned that he could become a dynamic minister in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Near the end of the year, Anderson urged Laurence to go to the New Zealand Missionary School (later Longburn Adventist College), some 450 kilometers (280 miles) away on the outskirts of Palmerston North, to study for the ministry. For Laurence and Gwen, this was a most difficult decision. They had a newborn child, and in the midst of the great depression, they had no money saved. What's more, Laurence had no biblical education on which to build. In numerous ways, the idea appeared impossible. But Laurence's firm convictions prevailed. Sadly, he went alone, Gwen continued her career at the local hospital, and her mother, Rosalie, helped care for baby Marjorie.

Preparing for Ministry

Laurence, beginning at 21, attended New Zealand Missionary School in 1927 and 1928. "The person responsible for his school fees was Mrs. A. C. Lyndon."⁹ Accepting responsibility for Laurence's fees is clear evidence of Rosalie Lyndon's commitment to see her son-in-law prepare for a possible call to the Adventist ministry, joined by her daughter.

There are no records of the subjects studied during those two years, but there is clear evidence of Laurence's ongoing involvement in music. According to school records, Laurence continued singing

in church and in sacred concerts as he was a tenor and had dedicated his voice to sing God's praises. On 21 August 1928, he took part as a soloist in the cantata "The Rolling Seasons" by Cabel Simper singing the tenor solo parts . . . to an audience of 100 people in the ladies parlour at the college. The money raised at this concert was used by the musical [sic] department of the college.¹⁰

Laurence did not graduate from Longburn College. Near the close of the 1928 academic year, the North New Zealand Conference voted “that Brother L. Naden be invited to connect with the colporteur work in North New Zealand.”¹¹ However, his days as a colporteur were either quite brief or maybe never even began because he left Longburn at the end of 1928 and became the pastor of the Stratford church in North New Zealand in 1929.

At the beginning of 1929, there were only nine ordained Adventist ministers in the North New Zealand Conference. The Stratford appointment suggests a sense of urgency on the part of the conference to grow the pastoral workforce by adding Laurence despite the fact that he was quite a new Adventist.

As the end of the year at Stratford approached, Laurence received an invitation from Longburn College to return for the 1929 graduation exercises when the college choir planned to present the cantata *Under the Palms*. Laurence returned and sang the tenor solos. A report of the event stated that the choir gave a “splendid rendition of this beautiful music.”¹² To reach Palmerston North from Stratford would have taken Laurence some three hours on his motorcycle. There was an eagerness both of the college to have Laurence participate and of Laurence to sing.

Growing Experience

In the eight years after leaving Longburn, Laurence and Gwen with their growing family lived in Stratford (1929), Hawera (1930), Opunake (1931), Raetihi (1932), Wellington (1933), Taihape (1933), Hamilton (1934–1935), and Timaru (1936),¹³ evangelizing in each city. Their eldest child, Marjorie, later recalled that “the constant moving was hard on both Mum and Dad, but I felt it was especially difficult for us children, attending new schools with new teachers every year or so, not having friends, and always [being] the new kid in the school.”¹⁴

Laurence’s musical talent played an important role in attracting an audience to his evangelistic meetings. While other more seasoned evangelists were given the support of a music specialist to assist in their meetings, Laurence had to care for the music as best he could. Pastor Roy Allan Anderson, for example, was assisted by Tom Bradley in Gisborne. Laurence used his fine tenor voice, and Gwen sang and played both the piano and the violin, ensuring that those who attended their series of meetings enjoyed good quality music.

After two years of pastoral and evangelistic work, Laurence was granted a ministerial license.¹⁵ Five years later, on January 11, 1936, he was ordained to the gospel ministry during the annual North New Zealand Conference camp meeting outside of Auckland.¹⁶

Radio Evangelism

When the church administration in Australia decided to increase the use of radio to advance its outreach, Laurence was invited to be the speaker. As early as 1928, Adventist ministers had used the radio in Sydney, Melbourne, and Perth. But a more concerted effort began in 1937 when Pastor Naden became the speaker in

the new weekly series from Sydney station 2UE.

The termination of his Sydney radio ministry came much sooner than anyone expected. Just two-and-a-half years after the broadcasts began, Laurence was elected as President of the South New Zealand Conference. The family sailed from Sydney back to New Zealand shortly after the beginning of the Second World War and settled in Christchurch. During his two-year presidency of the South New Zealand Conference (1940–1941), with an emphasis on evangelism, church membership grew.

Toward the end of 1941, a vacancy occurred in the presidency of the West Australian Conference, and L. C. Naden received an invitation to fill the vacancy.¹⁷ The thought of another move after a relatively short stay in Christchurch was not greeted with any enthusiasm by the family. To make matters more uncertain, the Second World War had entered its third year by this time, and an attack by a Japanese submarine in the Tasman Sea had become a distinct possibility. However, they did make the journey, and Naden was President of the West Australian Conference from November 1941 to September 1943.¹⁸

Return to Radio

In September 1943, Naden was invited to return to the church division headquarters in Wairoa to take up the radio ministry again. He was given the additional responsibility of secretary of the newly formed Radio Department of the Australasian Union Conference.

The new series of broadcasts began on November 28, 1943. As the Second World War continued, the speaker faced the challenge to present Bible-based, hope-filled messages to the Australian public, which on May 31, 1942, had become increasingly fearful after three Japanese midget submarines sailed undetected into Sydney harbor.

Naden titled his second broadcast "A Dream That Failed." He explained Nebuchadnezzar's dream as recorded in Daniel 2. This radio version concluded with this personal appeal: "The Bible is surely a wonderful book. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy. But above all, may you come to know the Man of the book whom to know is life eternal."¹⁹

Laurence never owned a typewriter, nor did he learn to type. Each weekly radio sermon was written in longhand. Many of those sermons found their way into his books published by the Signs Publishing Company: *The Bible Is True, Look Up and Live, Christ Is the Answer, and Keep Looking Up*. Two small booklets also came from his pen: *In Quest of Holiness* and *The Perfecting of the Saints*.²⁰

From Radio Evangelism to Administration

Laurence Naden expressed neither eagerness nor regret at moving from his "radio church" into administration as Secretary of the Australasian Division. Throughout his ministry, when he felt God's call (12 times in 15 years),

he responded readily, embracing both its challenges and joys. He served as the division secretary from January 1954 to August 1962 and as the division president from September 1962 to August 1970.

Over his 16 years with division administrative responsibilities, statistics revealed encouraging growth, particularly in the island territories of the South Pacific where he traveled frequently to encourage missionary families. He wrote an article for the *Australasian Record and Advent World Survey* in 1968, titled “The Joy and Challenge of Our Statistics,” and quoted these membership numbers:²¹

Year	Total Division	Home Field	Mission Field
1947	23,923	18,579	5,344
1957	46,077	27,320	18,757
1967	82,242	38,184	44,058

Presidential Responsibilities

During his eight years as president, Laurence Naden served as chairman of the boards of the Sanitarium Health Food Company (SHF), Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital (now Sydney Adventist Hospital), and Avondale College. He frequently expressed his pride in the contributions of these institutions to the church. He also served as chairman of the Signs Publishing Company, and although appointed as the Chairman of the Adventist Media Center, he excused himself when his son Roy was appointed as the director of the media center, known at that time as Advent Radio and Television Productions.

Sanitarium Health Food Company

Naden’s tenure as chairman of the SHF board saw issues discussed that covered the full range of growth and operations of the company. In the 1960s and 1970s, the growing popularity of the company’s breakfast cereals, including *Weet-Bix* and *Skippy Corn Flakes*, was further enhanced by key decisions made by the board at the instigation of company management. They decided to open retail stores in shopping malls that were beginning to open in the cities, their suburbs, and towns across Australia. They also decided to use the international advertising giant Grey Advertising to coordinate the advertising of SHF products across Australia. These decisions had major implications for the growth of the company into the future.

Sydney Adventist Hospital

In 1968, L. C. Naden wrote an article for the *Australasian Record and Advent World Survey* and announced the imperative “to remove the old wooden centre building of the Sanitarium.”²² After more than 60 years, the Merritt Kellogg–designed, white-painted building with its impressive spire had become Sydney’s dominant image of the

hospital. Under Naden's chairmanship, the sanitarium board decided to replace this historic building with a modern multistory structure that was more contemporary in architecture and style. It was a daunting project that would cost AU\$5.5 million. With General Conference approval, the "overflow" Sabbath School offering at the end of the second quarter of 1968 assisted with the rebuilding of the hospital.

The new wing of the hospital, later to be known as the Clifford Tower, was opened in 1973, and the name of the institution was changed to Sydney Adventist Hospital (SAH) at that time. Laurence Naden had relinquished his position as division president and chairman of the SAH board by that time.²³ But it was under his leadership and with his vision and inspiration that the project was conceived and commenced. He was instrumental in enabling Sydney Adventist Hospital to grow to be one of the largest and best respected private hospitals in Australia.

Avondale College

Two years after Laurence Naden became the chairman of the college board (1962–1970), the institution changed its name from Avondale Missionary College to Avondale College, a reflection of the reality that while some graduates continued to accept appointments in the islands of the South Pacific, the majority of graduates were accepting positions in Australia and New Zealand as teachers, ministers, and secretaries.

L. C. Naden enjoyed a very personal relationship with two of the faculty members at Avondale. He had been instrumental in both of them becoming Seventh-day Adventists. As an evangelist in New Zealand, he met and studied the Bible with E. Gordon McDowell, a schoolteacher, who later served as principal of Avondale College (1959–1971) while Laurence was chairman of the college board.

A second faculty member, Desmond Ford, heard Pastor Naden in an Advent Radio Church broadcast and applied for a Bible correspondence course. Later, in preparation for baptism, Desmond had his final Bible study with Laurence. Pastor Naden admired Desmond, supported him, and looked to him for theological counsel when the church was much agitated by theological controversies during the 1960s. Desmond Ford became one of the most popular preachers in the division, especially among young people. He was so much in demand that as division president, Pastor Naden wrote to union conference leaders J. B. Keith and David Sibley, pointing out to them that "Dr. Ford has more than a full-time job at the college."²⁴

Under Naden's leadership of the board, Avondale underwent considerable development. Not only was there expansion to the plant and buildings on the college campus at a cost of some AU\$1.746 million, but with "large budgets, blossoming enrolments and an increasing array of faculty and staff," Avondale was gaining credence as a tertiary academic institution within the Australian tertiary network.²⁵

Theological Controversy

While Naden was serving as the Secretary of the Australasian Division, a theological controversy erupted that brought serious conflict to numerous Adventist congregations in Australia and New Zealand. It brought considerable stress to bear upon Naden and his fellow administrators throughout the time that he was the division president. Robert Brinsmead was largely responsible for promoting a view that sinless perfection was possible and necessary before the return of Christ. Among the many responses that Naden penned, his primary contributions were two small booklets published by the Signs publishing company: *The Perfecting of the Saints* and *In Quest of Holiness*. Righteousness by faith was the theme of both publications.

Summary of Service

1929	Stratford, New Zealand	Evangelist
1930	Hawera, New Zealand	Evangelist
1931	Opunake, New Zealand	Evangelist
1932	Raetihi, New Zealand	Evangelist
1933	Wellington, New Zealand	Evangelist
1934-1935	Hamilton, New Zealand	Evangelist
1936	Timaru, New Zealand	Evangelist
1937-Mar. 1939	Australasian Union Conference	Radio speaker
Mar. 1939-Oct. 1941	South New Zealand Conference	President
Nov. 1941-Sep. 1943	West Australian Conference	President
Oct. 1943-Dec. 1953	Australian Inter Union Conference	Radio secretary
1954-Aug. 1962	Australasian Division	Secretary
Aug. 1962-Aug. 1970	Australasian Division	President
Aug. 1970-Dec. 1972	Australasian Division	Field secretary ²⁶

Final Years

Throughout his 44 years of service to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, L. C. Naden believed wholeheartedly and preached fervently the message of righteousness by faith to the end of his life and was always pleased to accept invitations to preach in churches around Sydney during his retirement years.

Pastor O. D. F. McCutcheon, in the life sketch for Pastor Naden, wrote:

Pastor Naden's call to lay down his burden came in the midst of a meeting of the general half-yearly board of the Sanitarium Health Food Company, in the boardroom of the office of the Australasian Division. He was doing what he loved so much to do: he was speaking words of appreciation concerning the contribution made by the

Sanitarium Health Food Company to the work of the church throughout the Australasian Division. One of the last references in his speech, which was tragically terminated by his passing, was to observe that the present Sydney Adventist Hospital is a tribute to the assistance of the Company.²⁷

Pastor L. C. Naden died on September 18, 1979. The service was conducted at the Wahroonga Church and at the Avondale Adventist Cemetery by Pastors K. S. Parmenter, L. L. Butler, S. M. Uttley, and O. D. F. McCutcheon.²⁸ Gwen Naden died three years later, on December 7, 1982, at the Kings Langley Nursing Home, Sydney, New South Wales.²⁹ The service was conducted by Pastors S. M. Uttley and Lindsay Laws.³⁰ Laurence and Gwen Naden are buried side by side in the cemetery at Avondale College, New South Wales, and his grave bears only this cryptic phrase: "Loving and loved."

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