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**Minister dies before trip to spread message overseas**

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The Rev. Lloyd Lavern Goodwin believed in the Den Moses Gospel Assembly Church so much that had he not died Saturday, he would be on his way to Africa to preach his church's message in Kenya, Uganda and Zimbabwe.

The Rev. Goodwin, 67, of 5821 N.W. 58th Ave. died Saturday at Iowa Lutheran Hospital here of a heart attack.

The Rev. Goodwin founded the Den Moses Gospel Assembly in 1979 and was leader of an organization of more than 100 gospel churches worldwide. He and the Rev. Leander

Gospel Assembly's membership grew steadily and helped the church build a new parish in Urbandale as 7136 Ninewells Drive.

The church was often challenged for its beliefs that Jesus Christ would return to Earth during the 1990s and a war of Armageddon would soon follow. Critics of the Gospel Assembly reached fever pitch after the Branch Davidian disaster in Waco, Texas, in 1993.

The Rev. Goodwin bought a six-page advertising supplement to The Register in July 1980 to rebut charges that his church was a cult that brainwashed people. The ad, written almost entirely by the Rev. Goodwin, quoted heavily from the Bible and denounced false prophecy by other Christians.

Ray said the Rev. Goodwin's faith in his mission never wavered in the face of criticism.

"His passion for God transcended ordinary faith," Ray said. "He was the most dedicated man to God I've ever known. This church was his life."

Services for the Rev. Goodwin will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Gospel Assembly Church. Burial will be at Highland Memory Gardens.

He is survived by his wife, Martha, two brothers, Vernon and Nathan, both of Des Moines, and a sister, Audrey Goodwin Werring, also of Des Moines.

Friends may call until the time of service Thursday at Gospel Assembly Church, where family will greet visitors. Memorial contributions may be made to the church.



**SINNOTT DIES IN IN DORCHESTER**

Noted Illustrator and Cartoonist Dies

Raymond's Advertising Man and Illustrator Ill 4 Months

William J. Sinnott, 47, advertising manager at Raymond's for the past 12 years, is dead at his home, 126 Washington street, Dorchester, following an illness of four months. Burial services will be held tomorrow morning at the Forest Hills cemetery chapel in respect to his memory. Raymond's store will be closed tomorrow from 11 to 12 noon.

Sinnott was also a prominent illustrator. It was he who illustrated the famous Uncle Igh and Tomerville advertisements. Previous to going to Raymond's, Sinnott was employed in the art department of the Boston Globe. For years his comic strip, "Dinky Dinky's Diary" was a daily feature in the Globe. Previous to that he had also been a member of The Herald-Traveler art department.

He leaves his wife, Katharine White Sinnott; two sons, Robert, 23, and Allen, 16; a brother, and five sisters.

