



ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS



ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

[About ESDA](#)

[Authors & Editors](#)

[Contact Us](#)

[FAQ](#)

[ASTR](#)

[Partners](#)

[Links](#)

Copyright ©2018, General Conference of  
Seventh-day Adventists

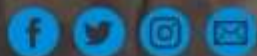
Search

ADVANCED +



Amalia Galladzheva-Löbsack was an Adventist pastor in the Soviet Union. She and her husband, Aleksei Galladzhev, were pioneer workers in Georgia and Armenia.

[READ MORE](#)





ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

[About ESDA](#)

[Authors & Editors](#)

[Contact Us](#)

[FAQ](#)

[ASTR](#)

[Partners](#)

[Links](#)

Copyright ©2018, General Conference of  
Seventh-day Adventists

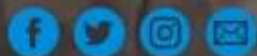
Search

ADVANCED +



Amalia Galladzheva-Löbsack was an Adventist pastor in the Soviet Union. She and her husband, Aleksei Galladzhev, were pioneer workers in Georgia and Armenia.

[READ MORE](#)







ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Search

ADVANCED +

[About ESDA](#)

[Authors & Editors](#)

[Contact Us](#)

[FAQ](#)

[ASTR](#)

[Partners](#)

[Links](#)



Copyright ©2018, General Conference of  
Seventh-day Adventists

## Advanced Search

Search for...

Filter by category

Filter by division

SEARCH

## Galladzheva-Löbsack (Lebsak), Amalia (1891-1942)

BY DANIEL HEINZ AND DMITRY O. YUNAK

Amalia Galladzheva-Löbsack was an Adventist pastor in the Soviet Union. She and her husband, Aleksei Galladzhiev, were pioneer workers in Georgia and Armenia.

MEDICAL MINISTRY

SOUTHERN ASIA-PACIFIC DIVISION



## Jamaica

BY BERTRAM L. MELBOURNE

The origins of Adventism in Jamaica go back to 1889 or 1890. William Arnold, a colporteur, went to the West Indies, and on the Island of Antigua sold a book to Henry Palmer who sent it to his son William Palmer, in Kingston, Jamaica.

ADVENTIST ORGANIZATION

INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION



## Medical Cadet Corps

BY SABRINA RILEY

The Seventh-day Adventist Medical Cadet Corps (MCC) is a program of the General Conference originally intended to prepare church members for noncombatant military service in the event of compulsory enlistment.

MEDICAL MINISTRY

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION







## ENCYCLOPEDIA OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

[ADVANCED +](#)[About ESDA](#)[Authors & Editors](#)[Contact Us](#)[FAQ](#)[ASTR](#)[Partners](#)[Links](#)

Copyright ©2018, General Conference of  
Seventh-day Adventists

### MINISTRY AND MARRIAGE

In 1920, at the request of her father, president of the All-Union Council of Seventh-day Adventists, Amalia returned to Russia to serve as a secretary and Bible worker, taking the place of her sister Rahel (Rachel) who had died of typhoid that year in Kiev at the age of 20.

In 1928 Amalia married Aleksei Georgievich Galladzhev, an Adventist pastor of Armenian background, ordained the same year to the gospel ministry. Until then he had served as a Bible worker and secretary at the office of the Moscow Seventh-day Adventist Church. In 1930 Galladzhev was sent to serve as a pastor in the city of Tbilisi, Georgia, and was president of the Transcaucasian Mission Field.<sup>3</sup> Childless, the Galladzhivs adopted in 1935, five-year-old Rosanna, a girl from a German colonist family, Pabst.

### LATER YEARS

In 1939 the arrest of Aleksei Galladzhev on charges of "religious propaganda" left Amalia alone with Rosanna. Along with being a caring single mother, Amalia continued to support her arrested husband for almost two years by taking him food. Amalia's mother moved to be with her daughter. Amalia's father, Heinrich J. Löbsack, who had served as president of the Adventist Church in the Soviet Union, was no longer alive, having become a victim of religious persecution. Both mother and daughter now cared for the spiritual welfare of the small Tbilisi Adventist congregation that Aleksei Galladzhev had formerly served. This was typical for that part of the world. During Stalin's persecution in the 1930s, when most of pastors were arrested, women took care of churches. They did not perceive themselves as pastors; they just continued to do what should be done to keep a church alive.

In 1941 Amalia got a letter from the German Consulate in Tbilisi regarding her brother's (Georg Samuel, a successful and wealthy journalist in Germany who died in 1936) inheritance. She refused to be a recipient of her brother's inheritance. However, the news about the letter and her visit to the German Consulate got reported to the NKVD (i.e. KGB) by her neighbors or by the post office.<sup>4</sup> Since the country was at war with Germany, this visit was considered a crime. Amalia was followed and arrested the same day and sentenced by a military tribunal as a "spy" or "secret German intelligence," to a long term of imprisonment in a forced labor camp. Little Rosanna and her grandmother were left behind with little or nothing to live on.

Soon after, as the German troops rapidly advanced on the Soviet regions, the Soviet government ordered banishment of all people of German origin from the western part of the USSR. Maria Katharina Löbsack, together with Rosanna and others, was deported to Soviet Central Asia near the city of Tashkent. Maria's younger daughter, Martha, and her daughter, Ruth, were deported in the other direction, one thousand kilometers away from Maria and Rosanna.

After several years of imprisonment, Aleksei Galladzhev was released while the fate of Amalia, at first, remained unknown. He took Rosanna in while Maria Katharina Löbsack moved to the city of Alma-Ata to live with her youngest daughter Martha.<sup>5</sup>

In 1946 Aleksei Galladzhev, who began serving as a pastor in Moscow, requested information about his wife from the KGB headquarters on Lubyanka. He was orally informed that his wife Amalia was executed by shooting near the city of Tbilisi on February 4, 1942. Ten years later, in 1956, while living in Ukraine, he made another request. This time he was given Amalia's death certificate with the same date. It was stated in the certificate that she died. Her family was convinced that she was seen as a "German spy" and was executed shortly after her arrest.<sup>6</sup>

### CONTRIBUTION

Amalia Galladzhiva-Löbsack was one of the Seventh-day Adventist female pastors in the Soviet Union. She and her husband were pioneer workers in Georgia and Armenia. She became a martyr whose unyielding faith and dedication served as an example for church members during the times of massive religious repression in the



#### MORE PHOTOS



#### MORE ARTICLES

[ABOUT THIS DIVISION](#)[FROM THIS AUTHOR](#)[ABOUT THIS TOPIC](#)[FROM THIS COUNTRY](#)

## Galladzheva-Löbsack (Lebsak), Amalia (1891-1942)

By [Daniel Heinz](#) and [Dmitry O. Yunak](#)



**A**malia Galladzheva-Löbsack was an Adventist pastor in the Soviet Union. She and her husband, Aleksei Galladzhiev,<sup>1</sup> were pioneer workers in Georgia and Armenia. Both husband and wife were imprisoned during the times of massive religious repression in the Soviet Union. Amalia Galladzheva-Löbsack was executed on February 4, 1942.

### EARLY LIFE

Amalia Galladzheva-Löbsack was born May 5, 1891, to Heinrich Johannes and Maria Katharina Löbsack, in the village of Fran in the region of Saratov in southwestern Russia. Her father H. J. Löbsack was a leading Adventist minister and missionary in Russia and the former Soviet regions. Amalia was the oldest of five siblings.<sup>2</sup> She and her brother, Georg Samuel, studied at the Friedensau Adventist Mission Seminary in Germany. After graduating as a nurse, Amalia worked in Leipzig and in Pforzheim, Germany, as a medical home missionary.

### MINISTRY AND MARRIAGE

In 1920, at the request of her father, president of the All-Union Council of Seventh-day Adventists, Amalia returned to Russia to serve as a secretary and Bible worker, taking the place of her sister Rahel (Rachel) who had died of typhoid that year in Kiev at the age of 20.

In 1928 Amalia married Aleksei Georgievich Galladzhiev, an Adventist pastor of Armenian background, ordained the same year to the gospel ministry. Until then he had served as a Bible worker and secretary at the office of the Moscow Seventh-day Adventist Church. In 1930 Galladzhiev was sent to serve as a pastor in the city of Tbilisi, Georgia, and was president of the Transcaucasian Mission Field.<sup>3</sup> Childless, the Galladzhievs adopted in 1935, five-year-old Rosanna, a girl from a German colonist family, Pabst.

### LATER YEARS

In 1939 the arrest of Aleksei Galladzhiev on charges of "religious propaganda" left Amalia alone with Rosanna. Along with being a caring single mother, Amalia continued to support her arrested husband for almost two years by taking him food. Amalia's mother moved to be with her daughter. Amalia's father, Heinrich J. Löbsack, who had served as president of the Adventist Church in the Soviet Union, was no longer alive, having become a victim of religious persecution. Both mother and daughter now cared for the spiritual welfare of the small Tbilisi Adventist congregation that Aleksei Galladzhiev had formerly served. This was typical for that part of the world. During Stalin's persecution in the 1930s, when most of pastors were arrested, women took care of churches. They did not perceive themselves as pastors; they just continued to do what should be done to keep a church alive.



### MORE PHOTOS







ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

ADVANCED +

[About ESDA](#)

[Authors & Editors](#)

[Contact Us](#)

[FAQ](#)

[ASTR](#)

[Partners](#)

[Links](#)



Copyright ©2018, General Conference of  
Seventh-day Adventists



## Babcock University

By [Abiodun A. Adesegun](#)



[VIEW ALL PHOTOS](#)



[LISTEN TO AUDIO](#)

**B**abcock University, named after David C. Babcock who pioneered Adventist work in Nigeria in 1914, is a co-educational institution of higher learning supported by the West Central Africa Division and the three Union conferences in Nigeria, namely, Western, Eastern, and Northern Nigeria Union conferences.

### OVERVIEW

Established as a university in 1959, Babcock University in 2017 is the world's largest Seventh-day Adventist institution of higher learning with an enrolment of over 10,000 students in the 2016/2017 academic year. The university has institutional

### MORE PHOTOS







ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

ADVANCED +

[About ESDA](#)

[Authors & Editors](#)

[Contact Us](#)

[FAQ](#)

[ASTR](#)

[Partners](#)

[Links](#)



Copyright ©2018, General Conference of  
Seventh-day Adventists



## Babcock Univeristy

By [Abiodun A. Adesegun](#)

**Abiodun A. Adesegun, Ph.D.** is the dean of the School of Education and Humanities, Babcock University, Ilisan-Remo, Ogun state, Nigeria. Adesegun serves also as adjunct professor of church history at Adventist University of Africa, Nairobi, Kenya.



[VIEW ALL PHOTOS](#)



[LISTEN TO AUDIO](#)

### MORE PHOTOS



**B**abcock University, named after David C. Babcock who pioneered Adventist work in Nigeria in 1914, is a co-educational institution of higher learning





ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

ADVANCED +

[About ESDA](#)

[Authors & Editors](#)

[Contact Us](#)

[FAQ](#)

[ASTR](#)

[Partners](#)

[Links](#)



Copyright ©2018, General Conference of  
Seventh-day Adventists



## Babcock University

By [Abiodun A. Adesegun](#)



[VIEW ALL PHOTOS](#)



[LISTEN TO AUDIO](#)

**B**abcock University, named after David C. Babcock who pioneered Adventist work in Nigeria in 1914, is a co-educational institution of higher learning supported by the West Central Africa Division and the three Union conferences in Nigeria, namely, Western, Eastern, and Northern Nigeria Union conferences.

### OVERVIEW

Established as a university in 1959, Babcock University in 2017 is the world's largest Seventh-day Adventist institution of higher learning with an enrolment of over 10,000 students in the 2016/2017 academic year. The university has institutional

### MORE PHOTOS





# ESDA

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
SEVENTH-DAY  
ADVENTISTS

About ESDA  
Authors & Editors  
Contact Us  
FAQ  
ASTR  
Partners  
Links

Copyright ©2019, Seventh-day Adventists  
Seventh-day Adventists

Search



Amalia Galadzeva Lehtsack was an Adventist  
pastor in the Soviet Union. She and her  
husband, Nikolai Galadzev, were pioneer  
workers in Georgia and Armenia.



Amalia Galadzeva Lehtsack was an Adventist  
pastor in the Soviet Union. She and her  
husband, Nikolai Galadzev, were pioneer  
workers in Georgia and Armenia.

READ MORE





## Babcock Univeristy

By Abiodun A. Adegunji

[VIEW ALL PHOTOS](#) [LISTEN TO AUDIO](#)

**B**abcock University, named after David C. Babcock who pioneered Adventist work in Nigeria in 1914, is a co-educational institution of higher learning supported by the West Central Africa Division and the three Union conferences in Nigeria, namely, Western, Eastern, and Northern Nigeria Union conferences.

### OVERVIEW

Established as a university in 1959, Babcock University in 2017 is the world's largest Seventh-day Adventist institution of higher learning with an enrollment of over 10,000 students in the 2016/2017 academic year.

### MORE PHOTOS



## Babcock University

By Abiodun A. Adegunji

[VIEW ALL PHOTOS](#) [LISTEN TO AUDIO](#)

**B**abcock University, named after David C. Babcock who pioneered Adventist work in Nigeria in 1914, is a co-educational institution of higher learning supported by the West Central Africa Division and the three Union conferences in Nigeria, namely, Western, Eastern, and Northern Nigeria Union conferences.

### OVERVIEW

Established as a university in 1959, Babcock University in 2017 is the world's largest Seventh-day Adventist institution of higher learning with an enrollment of over 10,000 students in the 2016/2017 academic year. The university has institutional and program accreditation from the global Accrediting Association of Seventh-day

### MORE PHOTOS





## Search Results

Showing 10 of 45 results

### Adventist Aviation in the South Pacific Division

By Carol Davis

The history of Seventh-day Adventist aviation in the South Pacific Division is one of challenges and success. Aircraft and aviators have made a remarkable contribution to the fulfillment of the mission of the Church, primarily in Micronesia and Australia.

[Read More](#) [View More Images](#)



### Adventist Medical Center, Manila

By William A. Dyer

This Adventist Medical Center (formerly Manila Adventist Medical Center, now Manila Adventist Hospital) is an acute care, tertiary hospital that is located along Pineda in Manila, Philippines. It was established in July 1929 by a Seventh-day Adventist missionary doctor—Horton Hall.

[Read More](#) [View More Images](#)



### Allum, Francis Arthur (1883–1948) and Evaline Allum (Osborne) (1883–1961)

By William A. Dyer

Arthur and Evaline Allum served 17 years as missionaries in China. Arthur Allum was the first Seventh-day Adventist missionary to be sent by the Church to China.

[Read More](#) [View More Images](#)



## Search Results

Showing 10 of 45 results

### Adventist Aviation in the South Pacific Division

By Carol Davis

The history of Seventh-day Adventist aviation in the South Pacific Division is one of challenges and success. Aircraft and aviators have made a remarkable contribution to the fulfillment of the mission of the Church, primarily in Micronesia and Australia.

[Read More](#) [View More Images](#)



### Adventist Medical Center, Manila

By William A. Dyer

This Adventist Medical Center (formerly Manila Adventist Medical Center, now Manila Adventist Hospital) is an acute care, tertiary hospital that is located along Pineda in Manila, Philippines. It was established in July 1929 by a Seventh-day Adventist missionary doctor—Horton Hall.

[Read More](#) [View More Images](#)





## *Urgent assistance:*

- Translation
- Bibliographical work and copy editing
- Obtaining photos/images (institutional archives and private collections)
- Overdue articles (encourage authors to complete their articles and provide time/resources to them for that)

