Quaking Aspens

Lesson C-49 Object Lesson Illustration
The Quaking Aspen is called by that name because of the way its leaves flutter even in the slightest breeze.
The leaves are almost round.
It’s a beautiful tree. The whitish bark is spotted and streaked with black marks.
In autumn the leaves turn a bright yellow, making a brilliant spectacle
Often many of these aspen trees grow closely together, adding to the brilliance of the scene.
Where Aspen grow
Aspen trees do grow flowers and produce seeds, but would it surprise you to learn that new aspen trees don’t always start from seeds? It’s true, though. New aspen trees often sprout up from the roots of an existing tree. As that tree grows, more trees can sprout from its roots, and so on. In this way, huge colonies of thousands of trees can form, covering many acres. All of them are connected to each other by their roots, since all of them came (directly or indirectly) from that first tree.
Catkins
Produce genetically different aspens.

Shared Root System
Gives rise to clones (genetically identical).
These aspen trees remind us of the school known as Madison College. In many ways it was a model school, showing in a practical way how to implement God’s plan for education as outlined in the writings of Ellen White.
SCIENCE BUILDING OF MADISON COLLEGE, MADISON COLLEGE, TENN.
The large, well-lighted reading room had a seating capacity of more than 125. The stackroom, built on three levels, would comfortably house 60,000 volumes.
That’s exactly what God wants us to do. When we have or know something good that others don’t, God wants us to share with them. In this way, God wants to use us to spread His blessings around the world to all who will receive them.
What do you have or know that you could share with someone else?
The End