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WE HAVE KNOWN ABOUT IT, and have even begged those who returned from it to give us a report and pictures. So far—nothing. "I'm not much of a writer" was the best we could elicit from any of the participants. Now the president of the union mission speaks his appreciation . . .

## The Sonoma Project

AN ALMOST COMPLETED SUCCESS!

A. R. MITCHELL, Bismarck-Solomons Union Mission President

TO ADD to the number and variety of December's spate of visitors and events, twenty-two young men comprising the Sonoma College project volunteers arrived less than a week before Christmas. These volunteer tradesmen came from every state in Australia and the Dominion of New Zealand.



For months Brother Ray Elliott, the union building supervisor, with his team of enthusiastic associates had worked laying foundations, welding steel trusses, making concrete bricks, priming roofing iron, timber purlins and fascia boards, assembling louvres, doors, electric fittings and plumbing requirements in readiness for the onslaught.

A teacher and ministerial training complex, comprising a library, six offices, a chapel, nine classrooms, with the necessary toilet facilities, all under one roof extending over 375 feet, was in readiness. For good measure, just in case the volunteers should run out of work before the month's programme finished, the foundations and supplies for two forty-bed dormitories, with attached toilets, were a stone's throw away, ready to absorb every spare moment of working time these enthusiastic, hard-working young men should have.

It was not all work and no play, however, for plans had been carefully laid which enabled the group to visit places of interest, e.g., Jones Missionary College, Rabaul shopping centre, the surrounding

churches, and to participate in a hike up Matupit (semi-active) volcano, swims, picnics, the conducting of youth meetings, and to generally have a good time. Early Sunday morning, January 19, saw most of the group feverishly taking last minute snaps, recording a farewell song by their new-found friends and dusky-skinned fellow workers before hurriedly shaking hands with the scores who had assembled at the drome. The other passengers, crew and hostesses impatiently jingled the key in the plane door, so to speak, while the turbo jets whined in readiness for an already belated take-off.

If only they had had one more week, the main complex would have been completely finished. Nevertheless, it was a mammoth undertaking well done. The hereafter alone will tell the full story and above all exhibit the ultimate results in souls saved in the kingdom.

The Bismarck-Solomons Union Mission says a grateful thank you to these volunteers, to the division and to all in the homeland whose liberal MV offerings have made the project so successful, and above all, possible.

The Sonoma Project, in case you do not know, was sponsored by the MV Department. A group of twenty-two tradesmen from Australia and New Zealand gave up their Christmas vacation and spent a month erecting buildings at Sonoma College, near Rabaul. They contributed to their own fares and received no pay. They performed a mighty work—but most are too modest to talk about it, apparently.—Editor.

"In the midst of heaven . . ."

# The Flight of the Fowlers

JOHN R. LEE, Departmental Secretary, Bismarck-Solomons Union

"RECORD" READERS will remember a brief news item late in 1968 indicating that Brother Wayne Fowler was bringing his twin-engine aircraft from Shaw Island, U.S.A., to the Bismarck-Solomons Union Mission for a period of two to three months. Some may have wondered what had inspired Brother Fowler to offer his services and that of his plane as a voluntary contribution to this island field.

To seek an answer to this, one must go back to 1966 when Wayne with his brother Carrel ferried the small Cessna 180 aircraft VH-SDB (Malcolm Abbott) from the United States to New Guinea. Wayne saw something of the work of the gospel in New Guinea, and a desire grew to return and make a contribution towards finishing the task.

A number of the workers in the B.S.U.M. have often given thought to the feasibility of the mission's operating an aircraft throughout this vast chain of islands from Manus and Emira Islands in the north to the scattered Solomon Islands group to the south. Most of the island groups along this chain have airstrips, many of which date back to war years. Could these same strips, which saw planes heading out over the blue tropical waters on missions of destruction, now see a plane hastening to and fro carrying the message of truth and salvation? Brother Fowler's twin-engined Beechcraft N1322M could perhaps set the pattern, and so the union committee voted whole-heartedly to accept the generous offer of such service.

Letters passed between Rabaul and Shaw Island with eager expectation of seeing a new phase of operation being

tested over the year-end period. Finally, on December 13, the Department of Civil Aviation rang the mission headquarters advising that "Beech—November 23 Mike" (the call sign of Fowler's aircraft) was due in from Wake Island at 2 p.m. It was an overcast day, not the most suitable for flying. Before the advised arrival time, all of the mission personnel located at Rabaul were congregated at the airport. Unfavourable winds and storms had impeded progress and it was with a prayer of thanks that all saw the twin-tailed blue and white plane break through the overcast and settle onto the strip. Brother and Sister Fowler were weary as they clambered over the extra tanks located in the plane's roomy cabin. They had been sixteen hours non-stop out of Wake Island and were glad to be safely in Rabaul.

## Not Without Incident

The long, wearying, three-hop flight from San Francisco via Honolulu and Wake Island was not without incident. Allow me to quote directly from a circular letter to friends written by Mrs. Fowler soon after arrival.

"We had a good trip to the half-way mark from San Francisco. After that we

started to have some clouds, and by the time Wayne had heard on the radio about the storm we were heading into, we got progressively worse weather from then on, but nothing to worry about as far as flying is concerned. We were in radio contact at all times and that helped. Because of the strong headwinds and turbulence, Wayne was not terribly confident that we had plenty of fuel, so he asked for a coast guard escort the last hundred miles or so, but not because we were having any trouble.

"The powers that be decided that we should land on Maui, as it was closer, but the weather there was worse than at Honolulu. The Maui tower controller guided Wayne into the strip, but the weather (wind) was terrible and the rain was coming down so hard it was difficult to see the landing lights. Wayne made a valiant attempt to land but it was a cross-wind, and it was impossible for him to hold the plane on the runway, so he added power to climb out, and decided to try to make Honolulu.

"This is where our few minutes of real trouble began. As we tried to climb out after the attempted landing, the plane was sluggish and the engines were working too hard; the right engine started to overheat, and from all appearances both air speed indicators had quit working, and of course without them you would be in danger of stalling. Then, too, not knowing why the engine was overheating caused the worry that it might be out of oil, which in turn might mean an engine fire! So, deciding with all this happening that it would be better to crash land on Maui than ditch in the 'drink,' we turned back to try again to land.

"We firmly believe the Lord was intervening, because the wind, although bad, was much less and coming right down the strip and not across this time, and we landed safely. There was a large fire truck with flashing red lights to guide us to a parking area. We could hardly see it for rain, and the wind was still so bad it swung the plane one way and then the next as we tried to taxi. We were never so grateful to be on the ground!

"As it turned out, the reason for the sluggish climb out after the first attempt to land was a malfunction of the flaps. Wayne had flicked the 'up' switch, but the flaps stayed down and created a great deal of drag which caused the engines to work hard and overheat. There was plenty of oil in them, and we had the



Brother and Sister Wayne B. Fowler with their Beechcraft T18 N1322M on the Rabaul air-strip.  
(Photo: J. R. Lee.)

minor things that were wrong, repaired in Honolulu when we got there the next week. It took us eighteen hours from San Francisco to Maui; we had been awake for twenty-four hours. And we were really exhausted."

#### Mercy Flight

After a Sabbath's rest Wayne was keen to prepare the aircraft for service throughout the union. Extra fuel tanks used on the flight were carefully removed and the seats re-installed. By mid-afternoon Sunday the aircraft was ready, but due to regulations Wayne had to sit a written examination on Air Legislation before being allowed to fly in Australian territory. This was carried out, but it was almost ten days before all approvals had been received and the programme put into operation. During this period special approval was granted by the D.C.A. to allow Wayne to carry out a mercy flight for the Public Health Department. This involved a flight to a group of coral atolls approximately 170 miles east of Rabaul where two very sick patients were picked up and flown in for specialist attention.

During the period of just over two months, Brother Fowler and his little plane became familiar sights to our people scattered throughout the union. Our people on tiny Emira Island were thrilled to have the plane do a number of flights there, landing at the one-time large American airbase. Most of the island's population crowded to see our plane.

Meanwhile, on nearby Mussau, the people are anxious to complete an airstrip in preparation for the day when the union will have its own plane. Such islands as Mussau, Emira, and Rennell and Bellona in the Solomons, isolated by vast stretches of water, could be just a hop away with the use of a mission plane. Then there are areas, unentered as yet, but with landing fields which could be reached quickly and effectively by plane. Take for instance the far off Santa Cruz group in the Solomons; hours of flying could replace days of sailing to make the entering wedge for the gospel message.

#### 22,000 Miles Logged

With over 130 hours of flying time and approximately 22,000 miles logged up and down the length of the union, Brother and Sister Fowler are now winging their way back to the United States. Delegates to conventions or annual meetings, workers on transfer, students for training courses, headquarters staff on itinerary, all were moved quickly and conveniently by the plane.

Savings in time and finance, matched with the fact that our workers could extend their programme, were effectively demonstrated by the utilization of N1322M. Words cannot adequately express our gratitude and thanks to the Fowlers for this tangible demonstration of their desire to see the work pressed forward to the utmost bounds of this corner of the great vineyard. Much personal effort and financial sacrifice on

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## Thousands of Hush Puppies for Welfare

ERNEST N. WENDTH, Departmental Secretary, Lake Union Conference

TWO MINISTERS of different faiths were "brought together by God" during the recent Appeal for Missions campaign. As a result, Michigan Conference's Welfare societies received another large donation of Hush Puppy shoes.

Over a four-year period the Wolverine Shoe Company of Rockford, Michigan, had given 65,000 pairs of shoes to our Welfare work because of an original Appeal for Missions contact by Watson M. Buckman, conference Lay Activities secretary. A contact early in 1968 brought promises of another shipment, but a later conversation had an undertone that seemed to say: "Don't bother us any more. We will call you when shoes are available." Pastor Buckman made no further contact.

However, early in December he and Jerry Summer, assistant treasurer of the conference, were ingathering in Eaton Rapids when a strong feeling "almost like somebody speaking to me" came over Pastor Buckman. It seemed to be urging him to call the Wolverine Company to ask again about the shoes.

Minutes of hesitation and doubt followed, but the feeling became so strong that Pastor Buckman called Maurice Wertemberger, a Church of Christ minister who was responsible for disposing of the company's surplus shoes. He began the conversation by apologizing for the call, but Mr. Wertemberger interrupted him. "I've been trying without success to get through to you today," he said. "Just now I had my secretary place your correspondence folder on my desk so I would



be reminded to try again before the day was over." At this point the Church of Christ minister remarked that "the Lord has brought us together."

As a result of being "brought together," 11,000 pairs of the well-known Hush Puppies were delivered to the conference office for distribution to our Welfare centres. The retail value of this shipment (mostly children's and women's shoes) runs well over the \$100,000 mark. This fifth donation now brings the grand total to more than 75,000 pairs, with a retail value of more than three-quarters of a million dollars.

**Editor's postscript:** Pastor Buckman must be a wonderful man on the Welfare and have a "nose" for clothes—in the Welfare sense of the word, that is. In addition to the above we picked up the following news item from the "Review and Herald" from another correspondent:

"Recently a department store manager sent a truck loaded with about \$13,000 worth of clothing in all sizes to the Mount Pleasant, Michigan, church Welfare centre. E. A. Grance, pastor of the church, and W. M. Buckman, conference Lay Activities secretary, had called on the manager for an Appeal for Missions donation. The man gave \$10 cheerfully but was not interested in increasing it at all. As Pastor Buckman left he suggested that the Welfare centre would be happy to receive any clothing he might wish to give. Two weeks later the manager sent the truck containing the clothing."



Mrs. Wilma Boling, a secretary of the Lay Activities Department of Michigan Conference, examines one of the 11,000 pairs of Hush Puppies given to the conference.



*A Personal Message from Your General  
Conference President*

## THE COMING FAMINE

Dear Believers in God's Word:

The words of the bold headline caught my eye: "U.S. Scientist Warns of World Famine." I read with interest the report datelined Chicago: "A world famine striking hundreds of millions or even billions of human beings is near, a scientist-economist warned today."

"It would be the most colossal catastrophe in history," declared Dr. R. Ewell, vice-president for research, State University of New York, Buffalo. "Such a famine in Asia, Africa, and South America by the 1970s and later seems almost inevitable as expanding population outstrips food production," he told the American Chemical Society.—"Rhodesia Herald," Sept. 2, 1964.

Famine is a terrible killer. It protracts its evil work, but its end is none the less certain. Not too long ago the conscience of the world was stirred by stories of famine and death in Biafra, the breakaway republic in eastern Nigeria. The sunken cheeks, the hollow eyes, the protruding ribs, the distended abdomens, the spindly limbs haunt us. Famine is indeed a terrible killer.

It is a horrible experience for men and women not to have physical food for their body requirements and not to be able to supply nourishment to their children, to be forced to see their own flesh and blood waste away before their eyes and not be able to save them. I can think of few situations that are as heart rending for a mother or father.

Some scientists predict that the worst famine this world has ever known is just ahead. It will be a terrible thing—a heart-rending experience! It may well come!

Another famine is coming; there is no question about this one. The Word of God declares it: "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst of water, but of hearing the words of the Lord; and they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the Word of the Lord, and shall not find it." Amos 8: 11, 12; compare "Early Writings," page 281; "The Great Controversy," page 629.

"A famine, . . . not . . . of bread, . . . but of hearing the words of the Lord." In that day men and women who have refused and scorned the precious Word will run to and fro seeking it, but it will be too late. Their day of opportunity has passed. They spurned the proffered bread of life when it might have been theirs—now it is gone, beyond their reach for ever!

An Iranian mother lost four sons in the 1963 earthquake. All of her earthly possessions were gone, too. Dazed, she wandered aimlessly amid the rubble that had once been her village, her home. A welfare worker met the distraught woman and offered her bread.

The mother's anguished eyes gazed past her would-be benefactor: "My hunger," she sobbed, "is in my heart, where no bread can ever reach it!"

Anguish of soul eclipses hunger of body! What a day of anguish it will be when spurners of the Word seek and cannot find a shelter for their souls, or balm for hungry hearts. That day is coming. Before the Saviour appears in the clouds of heaven the prophecy will be fulfilled!

Solomon describes the plight of the man who waits too long to respond to God's appeal to seek true wisdom: "Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out My hand, and no man regarded; but ye have set at naught all My counsel, and would none of My reproof: I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; when your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. Then shall they call upon Me, but I will not answer; they shall seek Me early, but they shall not find Me: for that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the Lord: they would none of My counsel; they despised all My reproof. Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices." Prov. 1: 24-31.

NOW is the time for us to search our Bibles carefully and prayerfully. NOW is the time to be sure that we will be fed in the day of spiritual famine. Are you preparing for that day, my friend?

Yours in the promises of His Word,

*Robert H. Pierson*

## BRING US TOGETHER

JOHN H. HANCOCK

In his election victory speech, Richard Nixon referred to a sign held up in the twilight by a teenage girl at one of his campaign whistle stops. The message was simple but profound: "Bring us together!"

"Bring us together!" How this expresses the longing of hearts everywhere for a better society working harmoniously for advancement on all fronts. Nothing can overcome a united people who with a righteous mission give themselves in total commitment to its accomplishment.

"Bring us together!" For the remnant church these words are highly relevant. The world watches to see in Christ's followers that miracle of love and unity that transcends all social, ethnic, and professional differences, and sits them down together in heavenly places. To achieve this miracle, every Adventist must spend more time praying; more time sharing with others the exhilarating joy of victory through Jesus Christ; more time encouraging others to stand courageously against sin; more time seeking earnestly for a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit; more time, with a sense of urgency, planning and working to meet the challenge of a needy world.

"Bring us together!" What could more graphically express the heart cry of families today? Malachi's prophecy that in the last days the Elijah message would turn the hearts of parents toward their children and children toward their parents must reach greater fulfilment. Christ-centred families discover that the generation gap is bridged when young and old meet together at the cross.

In July, Adventist youth from all over the world will gather in Zurich for our first world youth congress. There they will be united in purpose, in prayer, in purity, in perseverance, and in a Christ-like passion for lost souls. From Zurich these youth of destiny will march unitedly to all nations with a fearless Christian witness.

In these days when apathy, nationalism, racism, hatred, self-destruction, and revolt against "the establishment" are consuming our generation, God's people do well to tune their ears to the inspired message, "Press together; press together" ("Testimonies," Vol. 6, page 293)—in hope, in doctrine, in fellowship. O divine Redeemer, by Thy Spirit bring us together, and keep us together!

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How many of us ever stop to think  
Of music as a wondrous link  
With God, taking, sometimes, the place of  
prayer

When words have failed us 'neath the  
weight of care?

Music that knows no country, race or creed  
But gives to each according to his need.

—A Treasury of Golden Thoughts.



# News From All Over

Compiled by ANNETTE POLLARD

**GHANA.** A survey conducted by the Christian Council of Ghana under a grant from the World Council of Churches underlines the great importance of literature, and how the Seventh-day Adventists make use of it. On the sending out of literature evangelists, the report says: "This is the method favoured by . . . Seventh-day Adventists. Their people have a tremendous vision for literature work, and they find it a most powerful method of evangelism. The Seventh-day Adventists have sixty-five colporteurs in Ghana. The only other known colporteur is employed by the Presbyterian Church."

## NEBRASKA, U.S.A.

Workers at the Christian Record Braille Foundation headquarters honoured Mrs. Armenta Zadina, of Lincoln, Nebraska, for completing fifty years of work at the foundation. Mrs. Zadina was employed during most of the fifty years as a sightless Braille proofreader. There is no doubt that she has proofread more pages than any living Braille proofreader in the world.



With marvellous clarity she recalls many happenings with their exact dates in the sixty-nine years of the history of the denomination's missionary and humanitarian work among the blind and visually handicapped persons. Mrs. Zadina was not an Adventist when she began her work, but as she proofread the many pages of truth, she accepted the Advent message.

**HAWAII.** Adventists responded quickly when a windstorm wrecked sixty-five homes on Oahu, Hawaii, on February 1. So severe were the winds that cars were blown hundreds of feet, one being blown through the wall of a home. Scores of church members helped clean debris from homes, and clothing was distributed widely. When urgent calls came for bedding and beds the Hawaiian Mission appealed to Honolulu business houses, which responded generously. Cheques have come from citizens who read or heard of the Adventist Church's work. One woman who gave clothing told a mission official that she wanted to become a Seventh-day Adventist, and asked what she would have to do. She was invited to a current evangelistic series being conducted.

**COPENHAGEN, Denmark.** After running a campaign for about one month in Copenhagen, Pastor Kaj Pedersen invited his audience to a "Sabbath Seminar" on the afternoon of the following Sabbath. Some 153 non-Adventists attended. A total of 4,000 attended the four sessions on the opening day of the evangelistic series.

**VIETNAM.** Twenty-five more political prisoners have been baptized in a prison near Saigon, Vietnam. The conversions have come as the direct result of work of laymen at the prison. A year ago forty prisoners were baptized on a Sabbath when General Conference President Robert H. Pierson attended a prison worship service.

**NIGERIA.** Under Red Cross auspices, a team of Adventists is working near the civil war front in Nigeria, busily engaged in medical and food relief. Five clinics have been opened in different areas. Usually the team takes over a school or similar building in which to operate, and only in one place so far have they had to operate an open-air clinic. They have to deal with a great number of patients. Lines are formed, they are inspected, and the seriously ill are given a card and seen for examination and treatment. In that way they see three or four hundred daily.

**NETHERLANDS.** A new Bible Correspondence Health Course operating in the Netherlands seems to be a success. From one city in the south, a city which is solidly Catholic, 270 enrolled for this course.

**PHILIPPINES.** The new de luxe floor of the Manila Sanitarium's medical wing has just been officially opened. The new unit, which in the words of Dr. Jose Galvez, president of the Philippine Medical Association, is "the best in the Philippines," is designed to cater to the nation's elite. The whole floor, which has an area of 10,000 square feet, has wall-to-wall carpeting and vinyl-covered walls. Five of the twenty rooms are de luxe suites. Each room has an electrically-operated bed and an electronic bedside cabinet which has audio communication with the nurses' station, piped-in oxygen and a private bath. The entire hospital staff gave liberally toward the project, some giving one month's salary, others even more. In all more than half the cost of the project, furnishings, and equipment represent the generosity of friends of the hospital.



**SUITE.** Every room is de luxe, as shown in the picture above. The bed is electrically operated.



## LETTERS to the EDITOR

### A Missionary Writes

[Editor's note: This letter was not intended for publication (only the picture and its caption were designed for that purpose), but we feel that it carries so much interest that readers will appreciate it.]

Dear Brother Parr,

No doubt you will be interested in the enclosed picture which is a tribute to the service that our mission aircraft are able to give our missionaries on lonely stations. Indeed this is a wonderful day for remote outpost stations, as supplies can now be taken in regularly and visitation made as required, and all at a much more economical rate than the infrequent commercial services. This all adds up to give impetus to our work. In this particular Tari Valley where Brother Hook is now working, last year alone he added to his membership by 50 per cent, with over 200 baptisms for the year.

This picture and news will be of particular interest to Pastor A. G. Stewart,

so I am also sending him a copy of this picture with an outline of the mission aircraft's activities. His thoughts and prayers follow us daily, as do those of your readers, and may I add that we are ever conscious of the never-ending prayers that go up on our behalf as pilots of our mission aircraft, from our beloved folk in the homeland.

Your publication is a regular visitor to our home and we greatly appreciate it as it keeps us up to date with important events and personal news in the Australasian Division, as well as supplying thought-provoking and devotional material. Keep up the good work and may God abundantly bless you throughout this year.

Yours sincerely,

L. H. Barnard.

### Andrew Stewart on a Hook

Sir:

Herein will you please find a quotation from a letter that Mrs. Stewart and I received last week from a good Adventist mother in Western Australia and which reads as follows:

"I have something to tell you that I thought would interest Pastor Stewart. My son Milton is working as District Director in Tari, New Guinea. He has a four-months-old son and he named him 'Andrew Stewart' after you and the mission plane that was named after you. The 'Andrew Stewart' plane brings in their supplies and takes them wherever they have to travel. I wanted you to know that one day, should time last, there may be another missionary by the name of Andrew Stewart. When they send me a photo of him I am going to send it to you. The work is growing very fast out there. My son is opening up new terri-

tory, the last remaining area where cannibalism is still practised.

"I am,

"Yours in Christ."

With sincere greetings to yourself, family and staff, as ever, yours in service,

A. G. Stewart.

### Birth Notices?

Sir:

Please, I implore, no birth notices in the "Australasian Record."

Granted the paper probably needs more financial support,\* but "as for me and my house," no birth notices.

I, for one, would not mind if the subscription rate were increased. What really amazes me is the number of good regular members who do not consider it necessary to subscribe to the church paper.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) M. Carter.

[\*Birth notices, if inserted, would not be charged for.—Editor.]

### Outmoded?

Sir:

I have just returned from camp meeting. It is good to get back into one's own church and to really settle down into the fellowship and worship of familiar—and reverent—surroundings.

This year I camped, with my family, on the campground—against my better judgment, I might add. I have come to the conclusion, somewhat reluctantly, that camp meetings are an outmoded form of convocation that ought to be superseded by regional meetings, and below I give you my reasons for saying this.

First, I notice the inconvenience of the whole thing. My wife works at a complete disadvantage and in a confined space. If she gets any blessing from attending camp, it is a miracle. The dust, the heat, the flies, the hard beds, the general inconvenience—all are far too much to be compensated by the good meetings which we might get along to hear.

This is not my main reason for speaking up as I do. The chief reason I have for saying that this form of religious convention is out-of-date is that we, alone in Christendom, cling to this nineteenth century relic of religious gathering. Why? It was all well and good when we were a meagre handful of people and when transport and communications were not as they are now. But the very fact that transport is so good prompts my thinking along the lines I have stated. People today can get together for regional meetings much more easily and much more readily than ever before; they surely do not have to endure ten days of discomfort to get a blessing! Or is there a masochistic streak in us which makes us feel that, unless we suffer a little, we do not deserve to receive a blessing?

From the financial point of view, too, the camp idea is surely finished. I understand that to run a camp the size of ours,

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Completely oblivious to the importance of the occasion, Andrew Stewart Hook, son of missionaries Milton and Beverly Hook of Tari Valley, is introduced to the aircraft that carries all his wants into the lonely mission station. As a token of their appreciation of the mission aircraft service, the proud parents were glad their first-born was a son so they could name him after the aircraft that means so much to them in their isolation. May this infant follow in the footsteps of his missionary father and also of his namesake, pioneer missionary Andrew Stewart.

L. H. Barnard,



**MELBOURNE SANITARIUM HEALTH FOOD CAFE STAFF, 1924**

Back Row (from left): Mr. Brinsmead, Nettie Behrens, Eileen Rose (now Mrs. Coulsell), Mr. Taylor, Sylvia Reeves, Rene Diamond (now Mrs. Basil Mills), Basil Mills, Nellie Hodson, Ian Wright. Second Row: Florrie Litster, Nurse Zeinegar, Annie Parkin, Mr. Wright (manager), Florence Booth (now Mrs. Sheridan), Bessie Douglas. Third Row: Marjorie Wright (now Mrs. J. Keith), Mrs. Maddocks, Bessie Lynn (now Mrs. J. Rose), Bertha Hunt (now Mrs. C. Savige), Pearl Phillips (now Mrs. W. Govett). Front Row: Will Gander, Win Daughtrey, Marie Paull, Vera Wilson, Birdie Langdon (now Mrs. B. Shepherd), Jack Smith. With apologies to those whose married names are not remembered. Photo submitted by Mrs. C. Savige (nee Bertha Hunt.)



A picture from the Java of 1912. The Europeans in the picture are the late Mrs. E. K. C. Hungerford (back row) and her husband (who is seated in front of his wife) who operated a mission school in that place. Is that a Christmas tree in the background?

The photo was sent in by Mr. and Mrs. Hungerford's daughter, Mrs. Shaw Donald.

- **MRS. A. B. SALTER,**  
Keilor Village, Victoria.

**MY DEFINITION OF A CHURCH**

"What is a church?  
'Tis the house of God, where His children meet,  
To worship, pray and study at His feet.  
The building may be short or tall,  
With neither tower, nor bells at all.  
But love and fellowship are there,  
With joy and peace beyond compare."

or

**A TWO LINE VERSION**

"What is a church?  
'Tis God's house for prayer and praise,  
Where we worship Him on Sabbath days."

- **E. CULLEY,**  
Seven Hills, N.S.W.

A church—  
Jesus called it "the house of prayer" (Matthew 21:13), and I don't think anybody could improve on it.



- **MRS. B. D. HAIMES,**  
Victoria Park, W.A.

**WHAT IS A CHURCH?**

A church is a conglomeration of people . . .  
All kinds of people,  
Drawn together by a common denominator of faith  
In our Father's love,  
And acceptance of His Son as a living Saviour. The reason  
For meeting together:  
To fellowship, encourage and spread the gospel,  
To all who will hear;  
To cover the naked, feed the poor, heal the sick and worship—  
Preferably under a roof,  
With a floor and walls to protect from sun and rain, noise and interruption;  
The roof of sky, thatch, or tile,  
The floor of earth, grass, wood, concrete or piled carpet, the building,  
Being a thermometer  
Of affluence—not necessarily of spirit or fervour.  
It may be a handicap,  
Bogging us down with title deeds and finance for upkeep to raise,  
Using funds on comfort  
For ourselves, instead of those less fortunate than ourselves.  
The church  
Is my life, reason for existence—  
My sanctuary, the hope  
Of my despair.



**What Is**

A few weeks ago we placed in a church which reads thus:

"What is a church?—  
'Tis a tall building

Then we invited readers to give week seems to be the time to print whelmed.

- **STAN WATSON,**  
Prospect church, South Australia.

"A bricks and mortar  
Tabernacle—  
With too much block  
And not enough tackle."

- **UNSIGNED,**  
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Can hold an altar place.  
And whether it be a rich church  
Or a poor church anywhere,  
Truly is a great church  
If God is worshipped there.



# Church ?

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 honest sexton tells,  
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 r ideas of what a church was. This  
 of the results—before we are over-

- **E. P. PAYNE,**  
 Oxford,  
 North Canterbury, New  
 Zealand.

My definition of a church is:  
 Faithful Christian members  
 who attend regularly each  
 week, taking a live interest in  
 doing their individual part in  
 its activities, knowing that  
 each honest working member  
 for God makes one strong  
 united Christian body, "The  
 Church."

- **J. W. PURVIS,**  
 Yeppoon, Queensland.

A church is many things, in-  
 cluding a body of people.  
 Here is my opinion about the  
 building: A church is a build-  
 ing, often humble, where  
 humble people meet to seek  
 Him who said, "Blessed are  
 the meek."

- **DOROTHY M. BONSER,**  
 Rossmoyne, W.A.

My definition of a church is,  
 as I guess most people will  
 say, A Christian body of  
 people endeavouring to fol-  
 low in Christ's footsteps,  
 whether worshipping in a  
 building named a church, or  
 under a tree. The building  
 closes out that which inter-  
 feres with the worship of  
 such, and adds to our comfort.  
 If we follow the example of  
 our Lord we shall worship  
 God at His appointed place on  
 His appointed day. Or as  
 Mrs. White says, to her the  
 church was "the case which  
 holds His jewels, the fold  
 which encloses His flock and  
 He longs to see it without spot  
 or blemish or any such thing."



- **MRS. A. C. BURGESS,**  
 Bickley, W.A.

## WHAT IS A CHURCH?

A church is a building dedi-  
 cated to the purpose of the  
 worship of the church which  
 is the body of Christ.

God has put all things under  
 His feet, and has appointed  
 Him universal and supreme  
 Head of the church, which is  
 His body, the completeness of  
 Him who everywhere fills the  
 universe with Himself. Ephe-  
 sians 1: 22, Weymouth.

- **GWENDA M. NEWMAN,**  
 Wahroonga, N.S.W.

## WHAT IS A CHURCH?

Buildings no more make a church  
 Than skeletons make men;  
 Churches consist of people—  
 Who are these people then?  
 Christian churches they comprise  
 Of men and women who  
 Are followers of Christ, Friend,  
 And may I say to you  
 That painted signs on buildings  
 Do not distinguish them:  
 This sign, alone, of all signs  
 Shall make them known to men;  
 The Holy Spirit dwells in  
 Every Christian man,  
 And by their fruits you'll know  
 them—  
 Detect them if you can.  
 Each one of God's true children's  
 A temple in himself.  
 If God dwells in a person  
 It won't be hard to tell.

# ADVENTIST NURSES and the Health Programme of the Church

MAZIE A. HERIN, R.N.  
Associate Secretary, Medical Department,  
General Conference

The members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church are a health-minded people. Based on the Holy Scriptures and the writings of Ellen G. White, Seventh-day Adventists believe and teach that our bodies are not our own; that we have been bought with a price and that we should live healthfully so that we might be strong to give our best service to God.<sup>1</sup> Seventh-day Adventists not only practise healthful living themselves, but they operate sanitariums, hospitals, clinics, dispensaries, medical launches, and medical planes around the world to assist others to a better way of life. In 1967, the number of these institutions totalled 344, including the thirteen in the Australasian Division.<sup>2</sup> Nurses with the philosophy of healthful living that the Seventh-day Adventist Church teaches, are needed in this world-wide health programme, and to meet its need, the church operates thirty-six schools of nursing around the world.

In 1967, 591 nurses graduated from the church-operated schools of nursing.<sup>2</sup> The graduates not only serve mankind in the homeland, but many go to the far corners of the world in the mission programme of the church. Some go to serve in leadership roles such as that of matron, instructor in a school of nursing, supervisor and consultant for nursing. Others contribute as staff nurses in hospitals, clinics, and dispensaries. All are busy with institutional, community and home nursing activities. The North American Division, the Australasian Division, and the Far Eastern Division, in the order given, lead the thirteen divisions of the General Conference in the number of nurses serving the church away from the home division.

## Missionary Activities

What are Adventist missionary nurses doing to contribute to the health programmes of the church? Some nurses are busy in institutional nursing in sanitariums, hospitals, clinics, dispensaries and the like. Others are administrators or teachers in schools of nursing. Many are wives and mothers, who are being good neighbours by helping out in a time of need. Some teach community classes in addition to the above-mentioned duties. They are busy with home-nursing classes, first aid, mother and baby care and medical self-help courses. Still others have been teaching classes for nurse's aides with the hope of preparing these people for employment. Nurses co-operate with

the church programme by helping in cooking schools and by giving health talks. A school nurse is a health educator. She has much influence on the health habits and lives of the children and the young people in Adventist schools. I still recall vividly the principles of health I learned from such a nurse. The opportunities to contact the school nurse and observe her activities both at school and at summer camp was one of the reasons I decided at an early age to become a nurse.

In travelling from the General Conference headquarters, some have the opportunity of seeing these missionary nurses in action. It was my privilege to visit Alberta Hoddy when she was serving at Bongo Mission hospital in Angola. She was teaching her students to be teachers of healthful living. Not only did the students teach those who came to the hospital, but students also went into the village to teach these people. Each day the teaching of patients took place in the hospital and in the clinic. Often students went into the village with charts and other visual aids to get the health lessons across to these who had not had contacts at the hospital.

## Pooling Ideas

Deep in Africa on one of my trips, I visited at one hospital where nurses from England, Australia and the United States were serving the church. These missionary nurses were working out plans for the best way of teaching nursing to students in this African country. They were pooling ideas in nursing education from their respective homelands, seeking those methods that could best be adapted to teaching nursing in that country.

In the distance the rumble of war could be heard from the compound in Saigon, Vietnam. There sat Joy Tinworth, missionary nurse from Australia, and the two nurse consultants who had come from the General Conference and the Far Eastern Division to work with her on plans for teaching nursing in that war-torn city. The war continued. Miss Tinworth continued to teach students of nursing. Students graduated. "Time" magazine, published in the United States, put it this way:

"To the accompaniment of shell fire and bright flares of war the Saigon Adventist Hospital recently graduated its first class of nurses admitted during the war. The class consisted of ten young

## A NEW STEP IN MEDICAL EVANGELISM

A. MABERLY

Sales Manager, Signs Publishing Co.

For a number of years we have felt the need for a completely new medical book to more effectively carry our health message to the world. Over the years "Ladies' Hand-Book" and "The Modern Medical Counsellor" have created a tremendous amount of goodwill. The revised "New Modern Medical Counsellor" sold 194,065 copies before it finally sold out. The information in these books will be of real value for many years to come.

However, these books were designed more for the person who did not have ready access to medical help. Today, with a doctor always in close proximity, expert medical help is usually available. To meet the needs of today a completely new type of medical book was needed. The late Doctor Clifford Anderson, a true son of Australia, decided to prepare such a book. The idea was to emphasize health education along with preventive medicine. Seeking the help of over seventy leading specialists, Dr. Anderson prepared a magnificent work dealing with every major health problem in the home. It answered questions on every common ailment, disease and emergency. Significantly it carries the title, "Modern Ways to Health."

The whole plan of the work is to make us more intelligent about the wonderful bodies that God has given us, and to show us how to live better lives. Magnificent full colour illustrations on anatomy make the two volume set a valuable addition to any home.

The printing of this work in Australia was a major undertaking for the Signs Publishing Company. Before his death, Dr. Anderson thoroughly revised the American edition. All American spelling and terminology was "Australianized" to make this a genuine Australian production. Many months of work went into the printing and binding of the first edition.

Reports from around Australia and New Zealand tell of a wonderful reception of this new medical service by the public. In one large training hospital, twenty-five sets were placed after a demonstration. (See "Record," 4/11/68). Knowing that the health story is the right arm of the message we expect great results from "Modern Ways to Health."

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A reprinted article from the "Record" files.

# The Purpose of God's Messages to the Remnant Church

A compilation by EDITH M. GRAHAM

## 1. As the end draws near, what is becoming more important?

"As the end draws near, and the work of giving the last warning to the world extends, it becomes more important for those who accept present truth to have a clear understanding of the nature and influence of the Testimonies, which God in His providence has linked with the work of the third angel's message from its very rise."—"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 654.

## 2. Why have these warnings and reproofs been given to Seventh-day Adventists?

"Warnings and reproofs are not given to the erring among Seventh-day Adventists because their lives are more blameworthy than are the lives of professed Christians of the nominal churches, nor because their example or their acts are worse than those of the Adventists who will not yield obedience to the claims of God's law; but because they have great light, and have by their profession taken their position as God's special, chosen people, having the law of God written in their hearts. They signify their loyalty to the God of heaven by yielding obedience to the laws of His government. They are God's representatives upon the earth. Any sin in them separates them from God and, in a special manner, dishonours His name, by giving the enemies of His holy law occasion to reproach His cause and His people, whom He has called 'a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people,' that they should show forth the praises of Him that hath called them out of darkness into His marvellous light."—"Testimonies," Vol. 2, page 452.

## 3. What have God's people neglected, that has led Him to send these messages of counsel and reproof?

"God has been pleased to give you line upon line, and precept upon precept. But there are not many of you that really know what is contained in the Testimonies. You are not familiar with the Scriptures. If you had made God's Word your study, with a desire to reach the Bible standard and attain to Christian perfection, you would not have needed the Testimonies. It is because you have neglected to acquaint yourselves with God's inspired Book that He has sought to reach you by simple, direct testimonies, calling your attention to the words of inspiration which you had neglected to obey and urging you to fashion your lives in accordance with its pure and elevated teachings."—"Testimonies," Vol. 2, page 605.

## 4. Do these "Testimonies" give new light?

"The Lord deigns to warn you, to reprove, to counsel, through the testimonies given, and to impress your minds with the importance of the truth of His Word. The written testimonies are not to give new light, but to impress vividly upon the heart the truths of inspiration already revealed. Man's duty to God and to His fellow man has been distinctly specified in God's Word; yet but few of you are obedient to the light given. Additional truth is not brought out; but God has, through the Testimonies, simplified the great truths already given, and in His own chosen way brought them before the people, to awaken and impress the mind with them, that all may be left without excuse."—"Testimonies," Vol. 2, page 605.

## 5. Should the "Testimonies" be used to prove the truth to unbelievers?

"I stated that some had taken an unwise course; when they had talked their faith to unbelievers, and the proof had been asked for, they had read from my writings, instead of going to the Bible for proof. It was shown me that this course was inconsistent, and would prejudice unbelievers against the truth. The Testimonies can have no weight with those who know nothing of their spirit. They should not be referred to in such cases."—"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 669.

## 6. By what are the "Testimonies" to be judged?

"Let the Testimonies be judged by their fruits. What is the spirit of their teaching? What has been the result of their influence?"—"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 671.

## 7. Why do some people doubt the testimonies?

"The Word of God is plain and close in its restrictions; it interferes with your selfish indulgence; therefore you do not obey it. The testimonies of His Spirit call your attention to the Scriptures, point out your defects of character, and rebuke your sins; therefore you do not heed them. And to justify your carnal, ease-loving course, you begin to doubt whether the testimonies are from God. If you would obey their teachings, you would be assured of their divine origin. Remember, your unbelief does not affect their truthfulness. If they are from God, they will stand. Those who seek to lessen the faith of God's people in these testimonies, which have been in the church for the last thirty-six years, are fighting against God. It is not the instrument whom you slight and insult, but God, who has spoken to you in these warnings and reproofs."—"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 234.

## 8. How do some people regard the reproofs given by the testimonies?

"Some of you in words acknowledge reproof; but you do not in heart accept it. You go on the same as before, only being less susceptible to the influence of the Spirit of God, becoming more and more blinded, having less wisdom, less self-control, less moral power, and less zeal and relish for religious exercises; and, unless converted, you will finally yield your hold upon God entirely."—"Testimonies," Vol. 4, page 332.

## 9. How should these reproofs be received?

"It is not pleasing to human nature to receive reproof, nor is it possible for the heart of man, unenlightened by the Spirit of God, to realize the necessity of reproof, or the blessing it is designed to bring. As man yields to temptation, and indulges in sin, his mind becomes darkened. The moral sense is perverted. The warnings of conscience are disregarded, and its voice is less clearly heard. He gradually loses the power to distinguish between right and wrong, until he has no true sense of his standing before God. He may observe the forms of religion, and zealously maintain its doctrines, while destitute of its spirit. His condition is that described by the True Witness, 'Thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.' When the Spirit of God, by message of reproof, declares this to be his condition, he cannot see that the message is true. Is he therefore to reject the warning?—No. God has given sufficient evidence, so that all who desire to do so may satisfy themselves as to the character of the Testimonies; and having acknowledged them to be from God, it is their duty to accept reproof, even though they do not themselves see the sinfulness of their course. If they fully realized their condition, what would be the need of reproof? Because they know it not, God mercifully sets it before them, so that they may repent and reform before it shall be too late."—"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 682.

## 10. What is the true reason that leads many to reject the "Testimonies"?

"In many cases the Testimonies are fully received, the sin and indulgence broken off, and reformation at once commences in harmony with the light God has given. In other instances, sinful indulgences are cherished, the Testimonies are rejected and many excuses which are untrue are offered to others as the reason for refusing to receive them. The true reason is not given. It is lack of moral courage—a will, strengthened and controlled by the Spirit of God, to renounce hurtful habits."—"Testimonies," Vol. 4, page 32.

## 11. What follows a weakened faith in the "Testimonies"?

"It is Satan's plan to weaken the faith of God's people in the Testimonies. Next

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THE CHURCH WAS DEDICATED DEBT FREE

The Arcadia church and some of the congregation that day. (From left): Mrs. Charleston, Mary Charleston (now Cheyne), Jane Charleston (Mrs. Blackford), Dulcy Blundon, Mrs. Blundon, Miss Waterson, Albon Ross, Mrs. A. Ross, Mrs. Gillis, Mr. Gillis, Amy Gillis (now Hancock), Mr. Jo Carr, Rita Charleston (now Armstrong), D. Charleston, Mr. R. Charleston, Mr. H. Irvine, Mr. A. Jackson.

In the "Record" of 3/3/69, we printed an article entitled "Arcadia's Diamond Jubilee," by O. K. Anderson. This article covers the same topic but has some historic pictures and background that is new; we therefore print this second article which covers an event already reported—an unusual step. The pictures might rightly belong to our Historic Picture Gallery, but they are also in context here.

to all to be ready to awake, arise and declare the second coming of Christ.

The diamond jubilee service was conducted in the afternoon, commencing at 3 p.m. Pastor Pascoe welcomed all present, including many guests. A special welcome was given to the local Roman Catholic priest.

Pastor C. D. Judd, president of the Greater Sydney Conference, spoke words of appreciation and confidence in the future success of the church. Brother Ray Dickson rendered a delightful solo, "I Don't Know About Tomorrow." Pastor L. C. Naden, our division president, was the guest speaker. He emphasized the triumph of the gospel and used facts and figures to illustrate. He reminded us of the many prophecies fulfilled and the rapid progress of the gospel to all the world in the past sixty years since the Arcadia church was built. Then, there were only 4,000 Adventists in the Australasian Division, whereas today there are over 82,000. The Australasian Division alone employs and supports 1,837 workers and missionaries.

## Sixtieth Anniversary Celebrations at Arcadia

A. J. ROWE, Press Secretary, Arcadia Church

December 21, 1968, was a high day for the members of the Arcadia Seventh-day Adventist church, New South Wales. On this occasion the church celebrated its diamond jubilee.

Pastor A. L. Pascoe, the church pastor, welcomed present and former members and other visitors to the divine service.

Brother T. L. Rowe, great-grandson of a charter member, led the congregation in prayer.

Pastor W. J. Richards, president of the Trans-Tasman Union Conference, addressed the congregation on the "Certainty of the Blessed Hope," and how much nearer to our Lord's return we are now than were our forebears. He appealed

### Charter Members

Brother R. E. Gillis of Arcadia, whose mother and grandparents on both sides were charter members, gave a short account of the beginning and history of the church. He stated that in the year 1907, Pastor Paap conducted a tent mission, and as a result twenty-three people were baptized in the Berowra Waters Creek, and on December 26, 1908, the first meeting was held in the newly erected Arcadia church, with twenty-one charter members. The next day the church building was dedicated free of debt; incidentally, the total cost of the building was £107/2/11, the land being donated by Sister Ross.

During the sixty years, Sabbath school and divine services have been conducted regularly each Sabbath, and from the membership many fine young men and women have accepted the call to service in the organized work of the church—ministers, missionaries, teachers, nurses, office workers and others in various capacities.

Four charter members were present: Brother J. Gillis, Mrs. H. Hancock, Sister Armstrong and Mrs. Roberts. Also present were Sister D. Cheyne and Mrs. Jane Blackwell, charter Sabbath school members.



CHARTER MEMBERS OF THE ARCADIA CHURCH

Back Row (from left): Mr. Charleston, Mr. Carr, Mr. Gillis, Mr. Irvine, Mr. A. Jackson. Second Row: Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Charleston, Miss Waterson, Mrs. Gillis, Dulcy Blundon, Mrs. Blundon, Rita Charleston. Front Row: Amy Gillis, Albon Ross, Mary Charleston, Dick Charleston, Jane Charleston.

(Photo submitted by Mrs. D. Cheyne.)

## Letters to the Editor

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costs the conference several thousand dollars! Do not tell me that this is compensated in offerings, even adding the special mission offering on the last Sabbath. It has been proved over and over that a few regional meetings will produce DOUBLE the amount of what the camp pledges for missions bring in. There were more seats empty at that meeting than were occupied.

Then I look at all the amenities—toilet blocks, kitchen and halls—that have been provided. For what? For ten three-hundred-and-sixty-fifths of the year! What economist would countenance such waste? Not even the most irresponsible government would do such a thing! There must be thousands of dollars tied up, idling the years away, unproductive and uselessly waiting for the next ten days of camp meeting to roll around.

Last of all, I believe that our people have had enough of camp meetings. I do not mean that they do not attend at the week-ends; they are there in thousands. But take a count during the week. How many people are present at the meetings during the day? A mere handful, usually, possibly less than 3 per cent of the constituency, and that in a business session! Surely that speaks for itself.

Sir, I do not mean to be destructive in my criticism, nor do I wish to sound anything but a loyal Seventh-day Adventist. I respect the ministry, and the administration is doing a mighty job, in my opinion. But I feel that they perpetuate camp meetings because they feel that it is expected of them. I want to say that here is one who does not expect it of them and wishes they would not.

"I. Vadenough" (Victoria).

[Correspondence is invited on this issue; please keep your letters short and to the point; let us have light rather than heat.—Editor.]

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## The Purpose of God's Message to the Remnant Church

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follows scepticism in regard to the vital points of our faith, the pillars of our position, then doubt as to the Holy Scriptures, and then the downward march to perdition. When the Testimonies, which were once believed, are doubted and given up, Satan knows the deceived ones will not stop at this; and he redoubles his efforts till he launches them into open rebellion, which becomes incurable and ends in destruction."—"Testimonies," Vol. 4, page 211.

12. Why are many going contrary to the light that God has given?

"Many are going directly contrary to the light which God has given to His people, because they do not read the books which contain the light and knowledge in cautions, reproofs, and warnings."—"Testimonies," Vol. 4, page 391.

13. What should be in the library of every family?

"The volumes of the Spirit of Prophecy, and also the Testimonies, should be introduced into every Sabbath-keeping family, and the brethren should know their value and be urged to read them. It was not the wisest plan to place these books at a low figure and have only one set in a church. They should be in the library of every family, and read again and again. Let them be kept where they can be read by many, and let them be worn out in being read by all the neighbours."—"Testimonies," Vol. 4, page 390.

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## The Flight of the Fowlers

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their part went into making this programme a success. We pray God's blessing on them as they cross the 6,500 miles of ocean between Rabaul and home.

What of the future? As it does in the New Guinea Highlands, I am certain that aviation will play a real role in sending the message through "the midst of heaven," and in the finishing of the task. May the day soon come when a full-time aviation programme can be implemented amongst the islands of the sea. Brother Fowler has demonstrated its feasibility and effectiveness.

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## WOULD YOU REALLY BE WISE?

CLIFFORD B. HOWE

IF you were the world's greatest geologist and knew every rock and yet knew not Him who is the Rock of Ages, would you really be wise?

IF you were the most brilliant botanist and knew every flower in the vast field of botanical science, and yet knew not Him who is the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley, would you really be wise?

IF you were the most renowned astronomer and knew every star in the limitless reaches of space, and yet knew not Him who is the Bright and Morning Star, would you really be wise?

IF you were the best-informed scientific wizard in this marvellous, enlightened age of ours and knew all the laws of electronics, nuclear fission, and the complicated mathematical calculations of rocketry and space exploration, and yet knew not Him who is the Light of the world, would you really be wise?

IF you were the most successful business man and knew all the laws of world economics and the fine art of business administration, and yet knew not Him who made and owns the world, would you really be wise?

IF you were the most famous and popular of all celebrities and knew the way to success, wealth, and fame, and

yet knew not Him who said, "I am the way," would you really be wise?

IF you were the most noted linguist and knew every dialect and tongue spoken by man, and yet knew not Him who is the living Word, would you really be wise?

IF you were the most authoritative sociologist and knew all the ills and problems of mankind and all the laws governing human behaviour, and yet knew not Him whose name is Love, would you really be wise?

IF you were the most eminent historical and archaeological scholar and knew every king and ruler who ever lived, and yet knew not Him who is King of kings and Lord of lords, would you really be wise?

IF you were the most learned of all the world's sages and knew all the wisdom of the ages, and yet knew not Him whom to know, to love, and to fear is the beginning of wisdom, would you really be wise?

WOULD YOU?



**BASARABA—BEHRENS.** A wedding of international flavour was performed in the Beverley Road Seventh-day Adventist church in Atlanta, Georgia, on December 24, 1968, when Lyn Behrens of Cooranbong, Australia, was united in marriage to Canadian-born Dave Basaraba, by Pastor Gordon Hyde of England. Lyn is completing post-graduate training in pediatrics, while Dave, a medical technologist, is completing training for the ministry at Southern Missionary College. Lyn was attended by her sister, Donelda Blankenhorn, now of Loma Linda, and by Beverley Hansen of Sydney. As this talented and dedicated couple completes further training for wider service to God and humanity, we pray that the power of God will rest upon their marriage and their lives of medical and gospel service.

Gordon M. Hyde.

**FRAZER—McLEAN.** On the evening of December 26, 1968, in the tastefully decorated Bendigo church, Victoria, Helen Christine McLean and Thomas Edmund Frazer met to exchange vows that made them man and wife. Highly esteemed in the church and community, we wish them God's richest blessing as they set up their home in Bendigo. May they be a constant witness to all that "love never faileth."

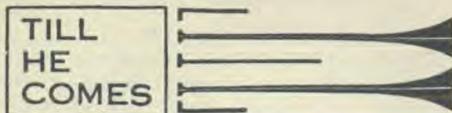
T. L. House.

**MUHLBERG—ZEUNERT.** On Sunday, March 2, 1969, Rein Heino Muhlberg and Erica Mae Zeunert met at the Perth church, Western Australia, for their wedding service. Dedicated talents and loving hands made possible the floral setting for this joyful service. As Rein and Erica give of their talented lives in God's service and establish another Christian home in Bickley, we believe their home will radiate an influence that will attract others to Christ.

G. I. Wilson.

**STARICK—MORGAN.** On Sunday afternoon, January 19, 1969, Lynette June, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morgan of Nhili, moved down the aisle of the Horsham church, Victoria, on the arm of her father to exchange vows with Noel Theodor Starick, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Starick of Dimboola. For some years Noel has felt God calling him to the ministry, and, having obtained a scholarship canvassing, he has moved with his bride to Cooranbong, New South Wales, where, as an outdoor student at Avondale, he plans to further his education. Many friends join in seeking God's richest blessing on Noel and Lynne.

T. L. House.



**DAVIES.** Alice Evelyn Davies closed her weary eyes for her last earthly sleep in the early hours of March 12, 1969, at the age of seventy-six. Baptized by Pastor E. R. Gane in the North Fitzroy church in 1932, she later lived at Garfield, and was a member of the Longway church. Five children, among whom is Pastor D. Davies, mourn the loss of a loving mother. The writer conducted the service at the Springvale, Victoria, crematorium, where she awaits the call of the Life-giver. W. J. Cole.

**MABERLY.** After a protracted illness, Egbert Henry Maberly passed to his rest on March 12, 1969, and was interred in the Mangere Lawn cemetery after a service at the Remuera church. Brother Maberly was a charter member of the Woollahra church in New South Wales about 1917, and also of the Remuera church, New Zealand. Mrs. Maberly with her four sons and four daughters mourns the loss of a good husband and father. Three sons, namely, Pastor Frank, secretary of the Australasian Division, Allan, sales manager of the Signs Publishing Company, and Dr. Norman, educator, now in the United States, are prominent in the cause of Adventism. Irene is Mrs. W. Austin Townend. The remaining son and daughters are beloved of the Auckland Adventist fellowship. Brother Maberly is one of the few who die in the Lord in this day of judgment, and whose exemplary Christian witness is multiplied in the devoted lives of his family. He is of that generation foretold by Christ which would prepare the way for His return in glory. We can see through our tears the glow and the certainty of this blessed hope.

R. P. Brown.

**NOWLAN.** February 11, 1969, was a sad day for the relatives and friends of Sister Beatrice Nowlan who passed suddenly to her rest at the age of sixty-nine. She leaves to mourn her passing a devoted husband, five children—George, Athol, Beatrice (Mrs. Soward), Shirley (Mrs. A. Race), and Lindsay—and fifteen grandchildren. The church members, who knew and loved her so well, paused with the immediate family on February 13 to lay her to rest in the Murwillumbah cemetery, New South Wales, to await the Master's invitation, "Come ye blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you." E. S. House.

**RIPPER.** Miss Alicia Jane Ripper, of Gardenvale, Victoria, fell peacefully asleep in Jesus, on March 12, 1969, at the age of eighty-two years. She first became acquainted with the Advent message through the faithful efforts of the late Miss Hodgetts, and at about the same time attended a mission in Malvern, conducted by Pastors L. Jones and E. Ibbott, and was baptized by the writer on April 13, 1946, in the East Prahran Memorial church, in which she held her membership. She loved her Saviour and His Word, and was faithful in attending Sabbath school and church services until unable to do so because of physical infirmities, but still maintained her interest in the work of God through the reading of the "Signs" and the "Record." The home where she lived with her sisters was a Bethel. We laid her to rest in the Box Hill cemetery by the side of six of her relatives. Two sisters out of a family of twelve children mourn her passing and to these we commend the comfort of the blessed hope.

H. S. Streeter.

**TYERMAN.** Having spent the most of her long life in Brisbane, Ellen Elizabeth Tyerman, a faithful widowed mother of a closely-knit family of four daughters and four sons, fell asleep in Jesus on March 3, 1969, at the age of seventy-eight years, and was laid to rest in the presence of many of her sorrowing loved ones and friends. Her maiden name was Scarfe, her parents being Adventists before her. One of her sisters, Emma, has held the position of matron of the Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital. Pastor S. W. Carr, an old friend of the family, and one who has often ministered to our late sister's spiritual needs, assisted in the service at the Mount Thompson crematorium.

G. H. Engelbrecht.

**NOTICE**

The Annual Conference of the Victorian Temperance Alliance will be held in the Minor Hall, First Floor, The Methodist Church Centre, 130 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, on Wednesday, April 23, 1969, commencing at 10.00 a.m. Nomination forms for positions on the council may be had by contacting the General Secretary, Third Floor, 130 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, 3000, and when completed should be returned to the Alliance by April 15.

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## FLASH POINT . . .

- ✦ Pastor S. A. Stocken, district director of the Daru area of Western Papua in the Coral Sea Union Mission, has accepted a transfer to the Bismarck-Solomons Union Mission where he will be president of the West New Britain Mission, with headquarters at Talasea. The Stocken family are at present on furlough in Australia.
- ✦ For 1968 the division had a record number of accessions in baptisms and by profession of faith. The following are the totals in the various unions: Bismarck-Solomons Union Mission, 1,117; Central Pacific Union Mission, 1,149; Coral Sea Union Mission, 2,105; Trans-Commonwealth Union Conference, 653; Trans-Tasman Union Conference, 1,145; a total of 6,169.
- ✦ Brother R. P. Claus, who has recently transferred from the South Australian Conference, as well as being Book and Bible House supervisor will also be the accountant of the South New Zealand Conference.
- ✦ Doctor J. B. Letham, M.B., B.S., has recently rejoined the staff of the Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital, and Doctor W. T. Johnson, M.B., B.S., has arrived from Bendigo to join the staff also.
- ✦ Miss Lorraine Morton, a nursing sister from Sopas Hospital, returned to Sydney on March 13, after completing her two-year term of service in the Coral Sea Union Mission.
- ✦ The 560 students of Avondale College joined with the faculty and many of the local ministry of the North New South Wales Conference in their annual Appeal for Missions campaign, March 8-12. In the three and a half days of actual collecting they raised the sum of \$11,976 for our island mission programme. By the time the few belated donations arrive in the mail it is expected that the amount will be over \$12,000.
- ✦ A Publishing Department Secretaries' Training School, the first ever to be held in the Australasian Division, will get under way in June. The Lakeside Hostel at The Entrance, New South Wales, is the spot chosen, and the whole of the hostel has been made available to us at a very reasonable figure. The school, to be held from June 8-16, will be attended by all Publishing Department secretaries and their assistants from the home fields. Lecturers will be the Publishing Department leaders from the Australasian Division, the Trans-Commonwealth Union Conference and the Trans-Tasman Union Conference in the persons of J. W. Nixon, P. H. G. Starr and S. H. Shell, and some of the subjects to be presented will be: Successful Leadership; Advanced Selling Techniques, and How to Select and Train Successful Salesmen.
- ✦ Remember the church members who were helping to keep children in church school—we told their story recently? They were looking for a fourth child to help, you might recall. Well, you'll all be relieved to know that they found him! **AND THEY FOUND SIX OTHERS WITH HIM!** Now they are keeping ten children in church school! Donations and dedication did it. And the Lord blessed everyone in the project.
- ✦ Regard this as just an advance announcement. If you are in the fifteen-to-thirty age group, then the end of the year will have something of interest for you. Both home unions are to hold youth congresses which, according to our men on the spot, will be really something. The Trans-Commonwealth Union's MV secretary, Pastor Gordon Box, has secured some plush accommodation at the National University, with a separate room for every one. And are these rooms something! Wall-to-wall carpet, hot and cold running water in all rooms, very lush, very classy. Not to be outdone, the Trans-Tasman MV man, Pastor D. B. Hills, has gone one better (he says). He has secured Avondale College for his congress, and than this, there is nothing more elegant. Whatever happened to those old days when you pitched a tent and just loved being eaten by mosquitoes?
- ✦ "Finally, brethren . . ." (From Mrs. E. G. White): To the Christian, every act of fault-finding is painful.

## Adventist Nurses

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women and three men. During the training they probably got more practical experience in caring for war injuries than did students of nursing anywhere else in the world. The hospital re-opened its school of nursing after the urging of Vietnamese officials."

### Second Mile

Two Korean nurses went the second mile and gave home care for a terminal patient who wanted to leave the hospital to be with her family until the end. At times it was necessary to walk through a downpour of rain, but the nurses went to care for the patient's physical and spiritual needs. While caring for her physical needs, they shared with her the love of God and His promise of a home in the new earth. This mother passed away believing in Jesus Christ and with the hope of a life in a world to come.

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<sup>1</sup> 1 Cor. 6: 19, 20; "Counsels on Health," page 43.  
<sup>2</sup> 15th Annual Statistical Report of S.D.A., 1967.

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## TO THE FRONT LINE

The following left the home shores for the mission fields during the month of January. They are all new appointees.

Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Greive on January 3, to Sierra Leone.

Miss Olwyn Ward on January 14, to Lae.

Miss Lynette Anderson on January 21, to Rabaul.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilchrist on January 21, to Goroka.

Dr. and Mrs. C. Hammond and child on January 21, to Wabag.

Miss Shirley Josephs on January 21, to Honiara.

Miss Glenda Wright on January 21, to Honiara.

Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Hess and child on January 23, to Rabaul.

Miss Colleen Buxton on January 26, to Goroka.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lankow and two children on January 26, to Rabaul.

Mr. and Mrs. Neville Toson on January 26, to Rabaul.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Ryan on January 30, to Rabaul.