

"Signs of the Times" Campaign February 27 to March 6

"More 'Signs,' More Souls"

"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1.

Yes, there is a time for everything and the time for our annual Signs of the Times Campaign is February 27 to March 6. We take this opportunity to appeal to our dear brethren and sisters to co-operate with us in an effort to increase the circulation of our missionary paper. As a result of the special Signs week effort last year, a large number of subscribers were secured, and we are very pleased to be able to report that during the year several people have accepted the Truth as a direct result of reading this excellent missionary paper. The MORE Signs WE CIRCULATE, THE MORE SOULS WE WILL SEE WON FOR JESUS.

At the present time, the circulation of the Signs is not more than 10,000 copies per issue. This is quite a decrease as compared with the circulation of the paper a year ago. For various reasons, some of the churches have decreased their clubs and many of the individual subscriptions have expired. However, we have confidence to believe that all of our brethren and sisters will join heartily with us again this year in our campaign to increase the circulation of this paper; first, by increasing their own personal clubs, and second, by securing as many new subscribers as possible. If every member would send in the names of six new subscribers, it would mean an increase of between 9,000 and 10,000 in the circulation of the paper for the rest of this year. And on the basis of "More Signs, More Souls" this would be a good investment of both our time and means.

G. S. Joseph.

An Important Event

As important event is coming! What is it, you ask? It is the special campaign for Africa's prophetic monthly, *The Signs of the Times*. When is it to take place? February 27 to March 6, 1926. This is a matter of no small concern; therefore, we wish to invite your earnest consideration and co-operation this year in making the campaign a real success.

We believe that the *Signs* is a splendid little paper, and is destined to play a large part in our soul-winning endeavour during the days to come. Already, its uplifting influence is being felt throughout the field.

The Signs, published overseas by the Pacific Press, years ago adopted as its slogan, "More Signs, More Souls." This slogan has not been amiss, for truly the Signs there has been indeed a great soul-winner, lighting the way for scores into the Truth. Today, it has as large a circulation as any religious weekly magazine in America. What the American Signs has done for America, the African Signs should do and can do for Africa.

There is no better way to spread the truth of the Third Angel's Message among your neighbours and friends than to place in their hands the African Signs of the Times. You cannot do a more important work nor render a better service than to use a club of the Signs this year in carrying forward your missionary activities. The best manner in which to prepare the way for a tent effort or any public meeting is to circulate the Signs of the Times. And the surest way in which to help the Signs succeed in doing its heavenappointed work is to circulate it far and near.

All right, then! Remember the date for the cam-

paign, February 27 to March 6. Be prepared to order your club, and together let us help this good missionary paper, through a larger circulation, to win many souls for the kingdom of God during the present year. J. F. WRIGHT.

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A Twofold Opportunity

WE are launching in the Cape Conference an "Every Member Win Another One" campaign, and are urging all our members to enlist in an earnest soul-winning endeavour during 1926. How to begin the effort for our neighbours and friends is a question with some. "How shall I obtain an entrance into the homes of my neighbours to talk to them about their souls?" "I wish I had a plausible excuse for calling on them to see if they would be interested in this Message.

That "plausible excuse" is here, and more-a wonderful twofold opportunity is the Signs campaign, February 27 to March 6. In this campaign, we not only have the privilege of putting this truth-laden, soul-winning periodical in the homes of the people to do its silent work of witnessing, but it also gives all of our members an avenue of approach in seeking out those who are longing for light, and for whom they can continue to labour in a personal way with the object of winning them to Christ and the Third Angel's Message.

I trust that throughout the Cape Conference, this campaign shall have the active and hearty support of all our people. In working to get your six subscriptions, you will very probably find at least one for whom you can personally labour and who can be won before the close of 1926. L. L. MOFFITT.

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The "Signs" for 1926

THE present generation is given to reading. The news of the world is eagerly awaited from day to day. The people read, but they do not understand the import of the rapidly developing crisis among the na-tions. The African Signs of the Times will continue to give a prominent place to the major events of the day and their meaning, as shown by Bible prophecy.

. It is the plan to conduct a series of studies on the prophecies, dealing with important prophecies of Daniel and the Revelation. A month by month study of these prophecies should be productive of much good.

Another new feature of the Signs will be a series of articles on the religions of the world as compared with Christianity. South Africa has been invaded by the religions of the Near and Far East, as well as having one of the most primitive religions at her door, and, without doubt, this series of studies will be beneficial.

The Signs will continue helpful instruction on Christian living, together with the doctrinal truths that we, as a people, hold.

There are many persons in your neighbourhood who need and would welcome the material contained in our missionary paper. While the opportunity remains for us to help these souls, let us circulate the Signs among them. May this be the best year thus far in the circulation of the timely truths in our missionary T. M. FRENCH, Editor. paper.

Recruits for 1925 Within the Field

- W. Mason, from Spion Kop College, appointed to work in the Zambesi Union.

- Lyndon Tarr, from Spion Kop College, appointed to work in the Zambesi Union.

P. Venter, Jnr., from Spion Kop College, appointed to work in the Orange River Conference.

Miss O. M. Willmore, transferred from work in the Cape Conference to the South African Union Conference.

P.-W. Willmore, of the Natal-Transvaal Conference, transferred to work in the Cape Conference.

Miss E. George, of Port Elizabeth, appointed to work in the Division office.

T. L. Bulgin, transferred from South Rhodesia to work in the Division office.

S. J. Fourie, of Spion Kop College, appointed to work in the Orange River Conference.

E. M. Howard, transferred from the Orange River Conference to work in the South African Union Conterence.

W. W. Walker, transferred from North Rhodesia to work in Bechuanaland.

Mrs. Honey, of Camelford, appointed to work at Spion Kop College.

W. C. and Mrs. Walston, transferred from Spion Kop to the Natal-Transvaal Conference.

M. C. and Mrs. Sturdevant, transferred from the Cape Conference to the Zambesi Union Mission.

W. Hodgson, transferred from the Orange River Conference to work in the Natal-Transvaal Conference.

J. E. Symons, of the Zambesi Union Mission, transferred to South Rhodesia.

D. E. Robinson, of the Sentinel Publishing Company, transferred to the Zambesi Union Mission.

A. C. le Butt, transferred from the Congo Union

Mission to work in the Natal-Transvaal Conference. Miss B. Webb, of Spion Kop, appointed to work in

the Orange River Conference. Miss W. Tickton, of Spion Kop College, appointed to work in the Cape Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Webster, of Spion Kop College, to work in the South East African Union.

--W. Herbert, of Spion Kop College, appointed to work in the South East African Union.

-Mr. and Mrs. L. Billes, of Spion Kop College, . appointed to work in the Congo Union.

A. P. Tarr, of East London, to work at the Bethel Mission, South African Union Conference.

R. C. Sharman, transferred from the South East African Union to work in the South African Union Conference.

F. M. Robinson, of the Sentinel Publishing Company, transferred to work in the Zambesi Union Mission.

C. W. Bozarth, transferred from the Cape Sanitarium to work in the Zambesi Union Mission.

✓ Dr. C. Birkenstock, of the Cape Sanitarium, transferred to work in the South East African Union.

J. E. Symons, transferred from the Zambesi Union Mission to work in the South African Union Conference.

A. Butterfield, transferred from the Zambesi Union to the South East African Union.

Miss L. Southgate, transferred from the South East African Union to work in Bechuanaland.

Miss D. Ingle, transferred from Bechuanaland to work in the South East African Union. Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Bulgin, transferred from the

Division office to the Orange River Conference.

EQUATORIAL UNION

W. H. ANDERSON, Supt. W. B. COMMIN, Secy.-Treas. OFFICE ADDRESS: Grove Avenue, Claremont, C. P.

Our New Station in Angola

IT was toward the end of August of last year, that we arrived at this mission from Lepi, after having been on the road three months. We were glad to reach our journey's end and to be able to settle down again. Elder Anderson had been busy while waiting for us, and had had the land cleared and grass cut for two houses. He had also put up a grass house in which we lived until we could have something better. We were also very glad to find some cattle that had been bought for this mission, as there are no cattle to be had here.

We have now been here three and one half months, and things are getting on nicely. We are in our new house, although it is a long way from being finished. We are also building a dispensary. We have about two hundred pineapples and some bananas planted. Brother Baker is visiting us now and he brought us a number of fruit trees, including apples, peaches, guavas, loquats, also mulberries, strawberries and blackberries. I have a nice lot of pawpaws in a box to set out later.

We like this part of the country very well. The worst thing about it is the sand, which is everywhere. This makes it difficult to build as there is no clay for bricks. By digging down, we get a soil that will make Kimberley bricks, and is good for plastering, but it will not burn. We have trouble with the grasshoppers so have not been able to have much of a vegetable garden.

We see openings for a big work here. It is a very thickly populated part of the country, and very little missionary work has been done here. The people are sorely in need of help, both spiritually and physically. They seem anxious to learn and also anxious to hear God's Word. About ten have taken their stand, and we hope to have more soon.

One of the boys is an especially interesting case. He was one of the first to come and work for me. At the time, he did not look very promising, but since taking his stand for the Saviour, there is a marked improvement in him.

Another interesting case is a boy from one of the other missions. He came over here for a visit, and I had a talk with him about the Sabbath. He now says that he plans to keep the Commandments, and when he can leave the other place, he is coming here. He understands the Portuguese language, and would make a very good interpreter. I used him for that purpose while he was here. We are very glad to have Brother Baker with us for a short time, as we are all alone, three hundred odd miles from the railway, and further from any of our own people. The next visit we have from Brother Baker will be in about six months' time.

We get our mail once a week, but sometimes several post days pass without any mail. And then our letters are always six weeks or more old, as it takes them a month to reach us from the coast.

The railway is gradually coming this way. It is now fifty miles nearer than when we left Lepi, and sometime next year, we hope it will be eighty-five miles nearer still. When the line is completed, it will be about fifty miles from us. We hope it will be finished by the end of 1927.

Our courage is good and the work is onward, and I am glad to report that we are all in good health. We ask an interest in your prayers that the work may go forward. O. O. BREDENKAMP, Missao de Luz, Rio Mufeze, Dala, Dist do Lunda, Angola, via Saurimo.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER CORNER

Missionary Volunteer Statistical Report For Year Ending 1925

WE are not able to report for the Missionary Volunteer Society's work for the past year as we would like to be able to do. While it is recognised that there is considerably more that might be done by the young people in this Division, yet we are pleased to note the missionary spirit that prompts our young people, and we are confident that Heaven accepts the work that they have done during 1925. The following is the report of work done by the several societies throughout the African Division:

Number of Societies	76
Total membership	2209
Number observing Morning Watch	350
Number reading Bible through during year	91
Number taking Reading Course	15
Number studying for Standard of Attainment	27
Missionary visits	4626
Bible readings given	1980
Hours of Christian help work	13713
Number of treatments given	2901
Approximate value of food given away 4	259-12-4
Number of articles of clothing given away	1321
Number of bouquets given away	544
Number of periodicals distributed	18898
Number of tracts distributed	13395
Number of subscriptions to periodicals	1 2 1
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Number of books distributed Number of Scripture cards given away Number of missionary letters written	2372
Number of books distributed Number of Scripture cards given away	$\begin{array}{c} 2372 \\ 1701 \end{array}$

W. B. COMMIN, Division M. V. Secretary.

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"Pur any burden upon me, only sustain me; Send me anywhere, only go with me; Sever any tie but the one that binds me To Thy service and to Thy heart."

-Fly leaf Miss Brigham's Bible.

Report of Cape Conference Session

On Friday night, the 15th of January, the first meeting of the twenty-ninth annual session of the Cape Conference opened at the Port Elizabeth church at 7.45. Elder Wright spoke to a fairly large congregation. After the opening service, with the exception of Thursday, the 21st, the meetings were held at the Masonic Hall in Havelock Street.

The first business meeting convened at 11.15 A.M. on Sunday the 17th, with Pastor Wright in the chair. All joined heartily in the singing of that stirring hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," and Elder Branson offered prayer, thanking the Lord for His care for and blessing upon our conference during the past year.

After the seating of the delegates, two churches were presented for acceptation into the sisterhood of churches in our conference. Brother Willard Staples presented the request of the church at George, and Elder Birkenstock voiced the request of the Worcester church. It was voted to accept these churches into the conference.

REPORTS

Elder Wright then presented his presidential report, giving many interesting items.

Elder Branson commented briefly on the report, saying that he believed 1925 to be a record year for soul winning in the Cape Conference. Six years ago, the membership of the entire Union was what the membership of our conference is now. As an expression of heartfelt gratitude to God, the congregation rose to their feet and sang, "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow.'

The treasurer's report was presented, and this showed a gain in each department as follows: European, £550-19-7; Coloured, £41-19-5; Native, £6-7-10. At the close of 1925, the finances of the conference were in a healthy condition.

Interesting reports were presented by the Publishing, Sabbath School, and the Missionary Volunteer and Educational Departments.

OFFICERS FOR THE NEW TERM

The nominating committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

President of the Conference : L. L. Moffitt.

Secretary-Treasurer of Conference : P. W. Willmore. Secretary-Treasurer Cape Book and Bible Society : P. W. Willmore.

Secreitary Home Missionary Department : L. L. Moffitt.

Secretary Sabbath School Department : Mrs. L. A. Vixie. Secretary Educational and Missionary Volunteer Departments : E. M. Howard.

Field Missionary Secretary : L. A. Vixie. Conference Committee : L. L. Moffitt, A. V. Edwards, J. G. Slate, L. A. Vixie, F. G. Clifford, Chas. Sparrow, and W. C. Tarr.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS

WHEREAS, The blessing of God has rested upon the Cape Conference during the past year in perhaps a greater measure than ever before, as evidenced (1) in the preservation of the health of all our workers, (2) in the spirit of love, fellowship, and co-operation manifested not only among the workers, but by the rank and file of our members throughout the field, (3) by the unusually large number of souls won to the Truth, constituting altogether one of the most successful years in the history of the conference, therefore

Resolved, That we reverently acknowledge that all these blessings and manifestations of favour come from our Heavenly Father, and that we express our love and gratitude by the reconsecration of our lives and all to His service and for the finishing of His work.

WHEREAS, We believe that the Signs of the Times, Africa's Prophetic Monthly, is ordained of God to accomplish a great work in our missionary endeavours, and

WHEREAS, There is urgent need of building up the circulation of this paper, thereby increasing its usefulness, therefore

We recommend, That constant efforts be made throughout the year to encourage our church members to take church clubs for local missionary work, and that they also be encouraged to increase the subscriptions to the Signs among their neighbours.

Resolved, That the mission offerings goal for 1926 be set as follows:

European workers, 5/- per week per member. European laymen, 2/6 per week per member. Coloured members, 9d. per week per member. Native members, 3d. per week per member.

Resolved, That we accept a Harvest Ingathering goal of £900. In view of the dire need of securing approximately £40,000 for the world mission field, in addition to the money now in

sight to meet the additional 10% appropriation for this year, We recommend, That June 5-12 be set apart as a week of self-denial, in accordance with the Union Conference recommendation.

WHEREAS, The spiritual condition of the church depends so largely upon the condition of the homes constituting the church, and we are told in the "Testimonies" that "by the example and we are tord in the destination of the example and teaching of parents, the eternal destiny of their households will in most cases be determined," and WHEREAS, There is a most helpful magazine entitled "Parents'.

Lessons" published monthly by the Home Commission of the General Conference which will materially help fathers and mothers and teachers in their problems with children, and in the training of those under their care, therefore *Resolved*, That the attention of parents and teachers be called

to this magazine, and that it be recommended for use in our homes and schools.

Resolved, That we adopt the following calendar of special dates recommended by the South African Union Conference : Signs of the Times Campaign, Feb. 27 to March 6.

Missions Rally Sabbaths, March 13, June 12, Sept. 18, Dec. ?

British and Foreign Bible Society Offering, April 17.

Big Week, May 1 to 8. Missionary Volunteer Day, May 15.

Week of Sacrifice, June 5 to 12. Home Missionary Day, July 10. Sabbath School Rally Day, August 14. Harvest Ingathering Campaign, August 28 to Oct. 9. Review and Herald Campaign, November ?-?

Week of Prayer, December ?-?. Annual Offering, December ?

Recognising the good work that is being accomplished by the British and Foreign Bible Society, and the help that this work affords in spreading the gospel message, and since this society

is presently in need of funds to carry on its work, Resolved, That we set apart one Sabbath's collection during 1926 for the assistance of the society, and that we suggest April 17 as the date.

We recommend. That the time of the Sabbath school be limited to one hour and a quarter, and that during this period consideration be given to no other matters but those directly related to Sabbath school work.

WHEREAS, The Sabbath school is expected to contribute 50% of mission funds, and since the needs of the mission fields are so urgent,

We recommend, That on no account should any portion of the Sabbath school offering be devoted to any other purpose than that of foreign mission work, and that the Sabbath school offering shall not at any time be dropped when some special offering is about to be taken.

Resolved. That the Sabbath School Investment Plan be fostered by all of our conference and mission workers, and that of our Sabbath schools be encouraged to adopt the plan. We suggest that the sixth Friday in each quarter be the date for the opening of the Investment containers.

WHEREAS, Our schools have been ordained of God for the purpose of providing Christian education for our young people, therefore

Resolved, That we encourage our members to put forth every possible effort to place their children and youth in our denominational schools.

We recommend, That the name of the Parow church be discontinued, and that the name of Elsie's River church be substituted.

WHEREAS, There is urgent need of a dispensary in the Nyasaland Mission Field and the proceeds of this year's Big Week have been voted by the Union for assisting in meeting this need, therefore

Resolved, That this conference accept a goal of £125-0-0 to be raised and contributed towards the erection of this building, and that May 1 to 8 be set apart as the week, when every worker and lay member in the Cape Conference shall rally to

the task of raising this amount. To facilitate and encourage cur mission department in handling the tithe and offerings of our people,

We recommend, That a cash box be placed in the hands of the local church treasurer, and that all tithe and offerings be placed in this box, and that the name and record of the amounts be entered in a cash book at the same time.

The cash recorded in the cash book should be the same as the amount in the cash box. These cash boxes are to be gathered by the president of the conference, or someone authorised by him, at least once each quarter. After the cash has been removed and has been found to balance with the cash book, the amount be credited to the mission church, and cash book and box, together with receipts, are to be returned to the treasurer.

WHEREAS, There has been a revision made in the operating policy of the native department in the South African Union,

Resolved, That our constitution be amended so as to provide for this revision. Article 7 will now have the addition of Section No. 4, which will read as follows: "NATIVE ADVISORY COUNCIL: There shall also be an advisory

council which shall meet once each year. The membership of this council shall be :

"1. Delegates at Large: (a) Conference president, who shall act as chairman. (b) Any available members of the Union Con-ference committee. (c) The members of the conference committee. (d) One European representative for each mission station, not already represented by a committee member. (e) The native ordained and licensed ministers in the employ of the field. (f) The head native teacher of each mission station.

"2 Regular Delegates : Such native delegates as shall be elected by the respective churches within the territory, on the basis of one for the organisation, and one for each twenty-five members, or major fractional part thereof.

"Object and Powers: The purpose of this council shall be to consider the interests of the various lines of work carried on in the field, such as evangelistic, church and school extension, school improvement, church discipline, Missionary Volunteer, home missionary, Sabbath school, health and sanitation, etc.

"Any recommendations made by this council shall be passed on to the conference committee for their consideration, and, in no case, shall they be considered binding upon the field, until they have been approved by the committee. In the event that any recommendations of the council look toward a change in general operating or mission policy, such recommendations shall be referred by the conference committee to the Union committee, and should the Union committee approve, it in turn shall pass them on to the African Division committee for final approval.'

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND LICENSES

MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS : L. L. Moffitt, W. L. Hyatt, A. V. Edwards.

Ordination and Ministerial Credentials : W. C. Tarr, A. Willard Staples.

MINISTERIAL LICENSE : F. G. Clifford. MISSIONARY CREDENTIALS : P. W. Willmore, L. A. Vixie, Mrs. L. A. Vixie, Miss A. G. Fleming.

NATIVE MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS : Agrippa Mzozoyana.

NATIVE MINISTERIAL LICENSES : Amos Magalela, Bandford Scott.

The names of other native workers who are at present holding ministerial licenses and missionary credentials were referred to the executive committee for consideration.

J. F. WRIGHT, President, P. W. WILLMORE, Secretary.

President's Annual Report

TO THE DELEGATES AT THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE CAPE CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS, GREETINGS:

Today, we esteem it a real privilege to present to you once again some good omens pertaining to the work in the Cape Conference. It is a pleasure to greet so many at this time. To you we extend a very warm welcome. We sincerely trust that God will richly bless our assembly, and that His sweet Spirit will guide in all the deliberations of this conference session. To such an end, we invite you to join with us in seeking the Throne of all Grace, for power, for wisdom, and a closer connection with the Master-Workman, as we endeavour to plan wisely for the advancement of the work in this part of the broad harvest field.

While we rejoice because of your presence with us this day, yet we are quite mindful of the many dear believers remaining at home who do not enjoy our privilege. They long to be with us; I know that in heart they are with us, and their prayers are turned toward this place. Let us pray the Lord to remember them, as we receive of His blessings during the days of this conference and camp-meeting.

At such a time as this, our hearts should swell with sincere praise to Him who loves us, and has caused so many rich blessings to be showered upon our work and upon our individual lives. Yet, while it gives us a deep sense of gratitude as we meditate upon His mercies, our hearts ought to be solemnised because of the grave and serious time to which we have come. We are truly in the last portion of the last days. This last October ushered us into the eighty-first year of the judgment. Jesus will not remain many more years as our Advocate and Intercessor. The tarrying time will soon end. Years ago, the servant of the Lord stated that "suddenly, unexpectedly, probation would close," and the destiny of the human race would be forever fixed. We have many evidences today that we are rapidly nearing this final event.

Hence, this conference session should be more than simply a business meeting, in which we shall study plans and adopt some more resolutions. It ought to be a time when we shall give ourselves to the most serious consideration of the days to which we have come and the unfinished task, in the world, in the church, and in our individual lives. The HOUR OF SET-TING SUN is upon us. What is done by the church of the living God will need to be done quickly. The times demand greater consecration, more earnest service, larger sacrifice, and a deeper experience individually in the things of God. May God grant that this conference session may lead us to higher ground and better fitness for the finishing of the tremendous task committed to our trust.

EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS

The past year, God has been very near to our ministers and Bible workers in the winning of souls. Elder Hyatt recently completed his work with the churches in the Peninsula. As the result of his earnest labours, conducting the effort in Cape Town

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STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE AFRICAN J

Tithe Receipts of the Unions, as Compared with Corresponding Quarter of Last Year

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Tithe Receipts of Local Organizations as Compared with Corresponding Quarter of Last Year

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Natal-Tvl. Conference	$1137 \ 17 \ 4$	$81 \ 7 \ 10$	$1401 \ 6 \ 10$	$44 \ 16 \ 6$	$5391 \ 4 \ 11$	242 5 1	$5231 \ 15 \ 4 \ 182$	7 0
Orange River Conference	659 9 11	47 2 7	$561 \ 4 \ 2$	$73 \ 12 \ 5$	$2479 \ 1 \ 5$	$135 \ 13 \ 8$	2418 2 10 176	49
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South Rhodesia "	112 8 6	$160 \ 16 \ 4$	$220\ 15\ 7$	$105 \ 15 \ 2$	$472 \ 2 \ 4$	$278 \ 10 \ 6$	724 9 9 335	11 2
North Rhodesia ''	$103 \ 5 \ 11$	$16 \ 15 \ 1$	$168 \ 7 \ 10$	31 6 6	286 14 11	47 9 7	257 2 6 54	$1 \ 7$
Bechuanaland ''	$35 \ 4 \ 0$	2 10 6			$68 \ 9 \ 0$	$14 \ 7 \ 3$		
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South Congo Miss. Field	$28 \ 1 \ 6$	$4 \ 14 \ 0$	$28 \ 17 \ 2$	$1 \ 12 \ 0$	$127 \ 10 \ 5$	$10 \ 11 \ 10$	$131 \ 18 \ 1 \ 6$	$4 \ 0$
Lomami-Kasai Mis. Field	$19 \ 13 \ 0$	$3 \ 3 \ 8$	$8 \ 4 \ 5$	2 3 2	45 11 3	760	$55 \ 1 \ 2 \ 4$	10 8
Chikamba Mission Field	$9\ 11\ 6$	$1 \ 1 \ 7$	$6\ 15\ 0$	3 0	$32\ 15\ 4$	$3\ 11\ 3$	20 10 9	14 1
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TOTALS	£3198 10 9	$534 \ 15 \ 6$	3181 4 10	494 14 8	12839 7 8	$1459 \ 7 \ 1$	12219 5 6 1476	19 1

Membership etc., of Union Organizations at Close of Quarter

		AFRICAN]	Division	S. A.	Union	Zambesi	UNION S	3. E. Af.	UNION	Congo	Union	S. Atl	AN.
		WHITE	NATIVE.	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NAT
1.	Ordained ministers	35	8	13	5	7	2	$\frac{2}{3}$		$\frac{3}{2}$	1	2	
2	Licensed ministers	24		9		9		3				1	
- 3	Licensed missionaries	35		15		7				2		1	
4	Evangelists, teachers		315	-	39		153		106		14		
5.		25	20	25	18		2						
6.	Other workers	42	21	5		16	19	2		2	1		
7.	Total all workers	161	364	67	62	39	176	7	106	9	16	$\frac{4}{3}$	
8.	No. of Sabbath schools	59	243	54	54	1	112		64		11	3	
9.	Membership "	1438	13005	1373	1061	49	5967		5464		443	16	7
10.	Students at Spion Kop	70		65		5							
11.	No. of church schools	7		5	•	1						1	
	Enrollment "	85	*	81		2						2	
	Students in training schoo		568		64		292		180		32		
	Students in mission school	IS	1713		172		955		492		59		1
	No. of out-schools		202		17		115		61		9		
	Enrollment "	<u></u>	9808	<u>.</u>	418		4078		5014		298		
	No. of church organisatio		59	34	36	\cdot 1	16		3		3		
	Membership Dec. 31, 192		3669	1266	1046	107	1668		939		16		
	Membership end last quart		4896	1513	1122	62	2300		1373		88	16	
20.	Added by baptism	29	579	29	213		90		276				
	Added by vote	34	10	34	2				5		3		
22.	Total gain during quarter		489	63	215	_	90		281		3		
23.	Dropped by apostasy	9	97	8	5	1	92						
	Transferred by letter	65	66	37		28	61		5				
25.	Dropped by death		19				11		5				
	Nett gain in members		loss 410	18	210	$29 \log$		3	271		3		
	Present membership	1580	5306	1531	1332	33	2226		1644		91	· 16	
	Goal to close of year	1911	5665	1911	1335		2576		1600		135		
29.			1641		116		844		618		53		
	Hearers' class	1 * 0 0	2986		233	00	922		1754		48		
эт.	Total keeping Sabbath	1580	9933	1531	1681	33	3992		4016		192	16	

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ION FOR QUARTER ENDING DEC. 31, 1925

Mission Offerings Receipts for the Unions

Name	REC'D. FOR WHITE	QUARTER NATIVE	Rec'd. to Date white	This Year native	Same Date . white	Last Year native	p/w per Membe white	r to Date Native
A. Union Conference	£2857 14 1	$230 \ 10 \ 10$	$6455 \ 15 \ 10$	460 1 6	$7437 \ 16 \ 11$	$429 \ 6 \ 5$	2/-	2d.
mbesi Union Mission	$451 \ 18 \ 5$	109 0 10	913 8 1	$217 \ 13 \ 11$	857 5 1	252 0 1	$3/1\frac{1}{3}$	łd.
E. Africa Union Mis.	$32 \ 13 \ 0$	47 5 8	$147 \ 4 \ 6$	171 5 3	96 19 1	457 9 0	8/1	şd.
ngo Union Mission	67 11 6	$6\ 11\ 3$	$152 \ 4 \ 7$	23 13 2	$67 \ 1 \ 2$	999	8/4	1d. ≹d. 7d.
Atlantic Missions	$15 \ 17 \ 0$	$4\ 1\ 2$	$76 \ 0 \ 4$	$7 \ 9 \ 3$	95 3 5	$12 \ 14 \ 6$	· 1/9	21d.
TOTALS	$3425 \ 14 \ 0$	397 9 9	7744 13 4	880 3 1	8554 5 8	856 18 7	2/2	1d.

Mission Offerings Receipts for the Local Organizations

NAME	Rec'd. for WHITE	R QUARTER NATIVE		'd. to Date white	This Year Native	Same Date La white	AST YEAR NATIVE	p/w per Member white	to Date Native
pe Conference	£1107 1 9	42 10	2	$2345 \ 1 \ 1$	$91\ 16\ 6$	2435 15 7	89 16 11	2/2	1 <u>1</u> d.
pe Conf. (Coloured)		$131 \ 15$	2		$222 \ 4 \ 6$		$170 \ 10 \ 11$		$10\frac{1}{2}$ d.
tal-Tvl. Conference	$1214 \ 12 \ 3$	30 9	0	2813 1 7 8	94 5 11	$3567 \ 19 \ 10$	$95 \ 4 \ 7$	2/-	2d.
ange River Conference	516 8 1	22 - 2	9	$1251 \ 19 \ 1$	44 9 7	$1434 \ 1 \ 6$	$73 \ 14 \ 0$	1/7	<u></u> }d.
lDelagoa Miss. Field	$19 \ 12 \ 0$	$3 \ 13$	9	$44 \ 18 \ 0$	7 5 0				
uth Rhodesia ''	391 7 8	$93 \ 10$	6	$770\ 15\ 6$	$173 \ 3 \ 0$	$729 \ 17 \ 1$	$228 \ 12 \ 2$	2/9	₹d.
rth Rhodesia ''	$50 \ 10 \ 3$	12 10	0	$125 \ 11 \ 5$	38 5 10	12/ 8 0	$23 \ 7 \ 11$	3/5	≩d .
chuanaland ''	$10 \ 0 \ 6$	30	4	$17 \ 1 \ 2$	6 5 1				
E. Afric. Union Mis.	$32 \ 13 \ 0$	47 5	8	$147 \ 4 \ 6$	171 5 3	$96\ 19\ 1$	157 9 0	8/1	<u>3</u> ₫.
uth Congo Miss. Field	41 0 4	4 6	10	89 0 10	$14 \ 12 \ 1$	$50 \ 1 \ 10$	4 7 4	11/5	2d.
mami-Kasai Mis. Field	$16 \ 0 \ 7$	19	10	$34 \ 14 \ 10$	$6 \ 7 \ 10$	$11 \ 2 \ 10$	4 8 3	6/8	$1\frac{1}{2}d$.
ikamba Mission Field	$10 \ 10 \ 7$	14	7	28 8 11	$2\ 13\ 3$	$5 \ 16 \ 6$	$14 \ 2$	5/6	2d.
ath West Africa		$4 \ 1$	2	$4 \ 6 \ 8$	6 5 3	$3 \ 7 \ 6$	$12 \ 14 \ 6$		9d.
nguella Mission	$15 \ 17 \ 0$			71 13 8	$1 \ 4 \ 0$	$91 \ 15 \ 11$		3/1	
Totals	£3425 14 0	397 9	9	7744 13 4	880 3 1	8554 5 8	$856 \ 18 \ 7$	2/2	1d.

Membership etc., of Local Organizations at Close of Quarter

NAME	NUMBER OF CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS	PRESENT MEMBERSHIP	BAPTISMS DURING QUARTER	NET GAIN FOR QUARTER	GOAL TO CLOSE OF YEAR	PROBATIONERS' CLASS	HEARERS' CLASS	TOTAL KEEPING SABBATH	MEMBERSHIP SABBATH SCHOOLS	STUDENTS IN TRAINING SCHOOLS	STUDUNTS NUTURNIN SCHOOLS	STUDENTS IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS	NUMBER OF WORKERS
ence (white) ence (coloured)		$\begin{array}{c} 546 \\ 124 \end{array}$		19 loss 5 loss	$691 \\ 162$			$\begin{array}{c} 546 \\ 124 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 412 \\ 192 \\ \end{array}$	14		-36 15	19 2
ence (native)	11	331	42	42	331		73	404	304	36		70	$12 \\ 23 \\ 18 \\ 13 \\ 25 \\ 3$
vaal Conf. (white)	12	589	29	35	785		00	589	634 097	31		36	23
vaal Conf. (native)	7	373	126	126	$\frac{296}{435}$		20	393	$\frac{227}{323}$	16		$102 \\ 9$	18
r Conf. (white)	$10 \\ 13$	396	37	$\frac{2}{37}$	$\frac{439}{521}$	75	125	$\frac{396}{678}$	$\frac{323}{271}$	$\frac{20}{12}$	157		10
r Conf. (native)		478	37	51	921	10	129	010	271	12	191	190	20
Mis. Field (white) Mis. Field (native)		26	8	10	25	41	14	81	71			56	$\frac{3}{4}$
	1	20 33	0	10	20	41	1.4	33	49	3		2	20^{-1}
	10	1702	49	$115 \mathrm{loss}$	2087	348	422	2472	3567	186	795	2828	103
sia (native) sia (white)	10	1102	40	110 1088	2001	040	. 72.22	2112	0001	2	150	2020	14
sia (native)	5	461	27	27	442	490	500	. 1451	1500	100	160	1250	71
i Prot. (white)	0	TOT	21	24	4.42	100	000	, 1-01	1000	100	200	1200	3
l Prot. (native)	1	63	14	14	47	6		69	90	6			$ \begin{array}{r} 14 \\ 71 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 7 \end{array} $
Union Mis. (white)	-	00	1.4	**		0				Ť			7
Union Mis. (native)	3	1644	276	271	1600	618	1755	3916	5464	180	492	5014	106
Miss. Field (white)	Ŭ	2012											1
Mis. Field (native)	1	64		3	85	40	30	134	170	32		92	$\frac{1}{5}$
i M. Fld. (white)													4
i M. Fld. (native)	1	20			40	6	11	37	223		33	206	$\frac{4}{7}$
ssion (white)													$\frac{1}{3}$
ssion (native)	1	7			10	7	7	21	50		26		3
frica (white)	1	7						7.	4				
Africa (native)	1	3						3	5				1
ssion (white)												2	$egin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{array}$
ssion (native)	1	10				10	29	40	65		35		2

Statistical Report for the Year 1925 for the African Division

ioi the minouli Dividio	12
Tithe receipts for 1924	£13696- 4-7
Tithe receipts for 1925	
Increase	602 - 10 - 2
Mission offerings for 1924	9411- 4-3
Mission offerings for 1925	8624 - 16 - 5
Decrease	786 - 7 - 10
Miss. offerings p/w p/m (white) for 1925	2/2
Miss. offerings $p/w p/m$ (native) for 1925	2d.
South African Union Con. (white) $2/0$	
South African Union Conf. (native) 2d.	
Zambesi Union (white) $3/1\frac{1}{2}$	
Zambesi Union (native) \dots $\frac{1}{2}d$.	
Congo Union (white)	
Congo Union (native) 7d.	
Equatorial Union (white) 1/9	
Equatorial Union (native) 2 ¹ / ₂ d.	
Number of baptisms (white)	170
Number of baptisms (native)	1255
Church membership Dec. 31 (white)	1580
Church membership Dec. 31 (native)	5206
Number in Probationers' Class	1641
Number in Hearers' Class	2986
Total number keeping Sabbath	11413
Sabbath school membership Dec. 31	14443
Students in native training schools	568
Students in mission schools	1713
Students in out-schools	9808
Total enrollment native schools	12089

The statistical report for the fourth quarter of last year, as found on pages 6 and 7, and the above figures for the year 1925, will be of interest to our readers. The results for the year's work are encouraging, and call for an expression of gratitude to God for what He has done through His children the past year. No one is satisfied, and we wonder what might have been accomplished in 1925, if throughout the year each worker in the field and each church member had enjoyed a full Christian experience and that close relation to his Heavenly Father as it was his privilege to have done. The fields are white, ready for the harvest, but there is much which must yet be done before our Lord returns.

There is at least one feature to the financial report that calls for serious thought. With a tithe income for 1924 of £13,696, we gave to missions, £9411, and the year following the tithe increased by £602, and we gave £787 less to missions than in 1924. As time passes the needs of the mission fields become more urgent, and we are admonished to give as God hath prospered us.

The year 1926, with all its opportunities and privileges, is before us. What kind of a record will be made this year? The goals of God are always in advance. Shall we not so consecrate ourselves for service that He may give us the best year in our experience? Time is quickly passing, and we are forcibly reminded of the Master's statement, "For the night cometh when no man can work."

W. B. COMMIN.

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"CHRIST is able to meet every man's need."

Our 1925 Balance Sheet

WHEN this number of the OUTLOOK comes to most of its readers, the year 1925 will be closed.

A retrospect is not out of place, as regards our life and faith, and our work as well.

Every worker, man or woman, should examine his own work and apply the acid test to see if it is genuine,—if it has a reward in it which will come to him.

Some people say, "I do not work for a reward. I work out of true love for God." Be that as it may, the reward for service is strongly stressed in the Bible. The Psalmist sang: "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing seed for sowing, shall doubtless come again with joy, bringing his sheaves with him." Ps. 126:6. A. R. V.

Daniel must have thought of reward when he wrote: "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever." Daniel 12:3.

Paul thought of the reward awaiting him as he took a retrospective view of the past. Then it was that he wrote: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of rightousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day." 2 Tim. 4:7, 8.

James stressed the same thought when he wrote: "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he hath been approved, he shall receive the crown of life." James 1:12. A. R. V.

Our Saviour Himself often held out the reward for faithful service. "Then shall He render to every man according to his deeds." Matt. 16:27. A. R. V. "For thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just." Luke 14:14. "He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward." Matt. 10: 41, 42.

The Lord intends that every worker shall be rewarded according to his own works. As the year closes, let us examine our service, and rejoice in our future reward. How many souls have you won for Christ? That is the real objective of all our service. Have you thrown yourself into this warfare with all your strength? The fight today is between heaven and God's children on earth on the one side, and Satan and the unsaved on the other.

Have you done your best for Christ during the past twelve months? If you have, rejoice with your Lord in this great service.

As you close the old year, count up your jewels that you have secured for the coming eternal kingdom. Reckon each soul won to Christ as worth more to you than millions of money. Do not be satisfied with what others have done; we have a right to rejoice in our own labours. Now is the time to take a new inventory.

Then, there must be victory in our own lives as well,—victory over sin, victory over evil thoughts, bad tempers, envies, jealousies. I. H. EVANS.

Report of Cape Conference Session (Concluded from page 5)

and holding Sunday night services, thirty-five dear souls have been baptised and received into church fellowship. Brother Hyatt has now been at the Cape for two years, and altogether 150 have been added to the churches there. We are pleased to report in this connection that the work is progressing nicely on the new church building now under construction at Wynberg, and we hope that soon it will be ready for the members, who have waited so patiently for it to be completed.

Most faithfully, has Brother Staples laboured at George, until a splendid church has been raised up there. Sisters Bull and Dixie, together with Sister Staples, have shared in the labours at that place. The devil surely has put forth very earnest efforts to hinder and overthrow the work, yet in the face of apparent defeat, obstacles and severe persecution, the work has advanced.

Next, we would mention the effort conducted by Elder J. J. Birkenstock at Worcester. Brother J. H. Raubenheimer and Sister Dixie have shared in the labours at this place. This corps of workers, from the very first faced real hardships and encountered in some respects even worse persecution than the workers at George, but we are pleased to report that victory was gained for the Truth, and a nice little church was recently organised there.

The early part of 1925, Brother F. G. Clifford conducted an effort between Goodwood and Parow for the coloured people. Associated with him were Sisters Clifford and Osborne. These three workers put forth earnest efforts. From the very first of the meetings. there was a good interest, and at the close of the effort, seventeen dear souls received the rite of baptism, uniting with the church. Others will soon follow.

Last, but in nowise least, are we pleased to report the earnest and splendid work carried forward by Brother Claude Tarr in behalf of the natives of Kafirland. He lias been handicapped by lack of means and workers, yet he has pressed the battle hard, and today we can report that sixty-two have accepted the Truth and been baptised.

At the present time, we are making a good beginning with our work in Pondoland. The Lord has opened up the way before us, and we feel that if we can send some workers in there during 1926, a large harvest of souls will be reaped.

Altogether, as the result of our evangelistic efforts during 1925, the following numbers have been received into church fellowship: Europeans, 81; coloured, 23; natives, 62; or a total of 166, bringing our present membership up to 1,050.

TITHE AND OFFERINGS

We now call attention to a few figures regarding the financial side of our work. The following will reveal how our tithe has been running for the last three years:

	EUROPEAN	COLOURED	NATIVE			
1923	$\pounds 2978 6 4$	£319 13 8	$\pounds141$ 18 4			
1924	3148 0 6	$405 \ 10 \ 0$	$203 \ 2 \ 6$			
1925	$3646\ 15\ 1$	$368 \ 13 \ 3$	$168 \ 16 \ 2$			

Our miss	sion offerin	igs are	e as follows:	
	EUROPEA	N	COLOURED	NATIVE
1923	2419 5	3	$319 \ 12 \ 10$	$91 \ 13 \ 4$
1924	2439 5	2	$170\ 10\ 11$	$89 \ 16 \ 11$
1925	2356 6	2	222 4 6	$87 \ 12 \ 1$

HARVEST INGATHERING AND BIG WEEK

We are happy to tell you that we reached our Harvest Ingathering goal for 1925, and passed it. The following figures will place the fact before you:

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1921	••••••	$\pounds 500$	10	1
1922		509	11	4
1923	••••••	801	0	0
1924		871	13	8
1925		857	$\overline{7}$	11

For the Big Week campaigns, we give the following results:

1922	$\pounds64$	0	0
1923	45	4	2
1924	33	12	9
1925,	130	0	0

OUR NEEDS AT THIS TIME

1. We would mention as foremost and primary among our needs, a spiritual revival and a spiritual reformation. For this, the Lord has been calling since 1902, and after twenty-three years have passed, it is high time that we respond to the call presented in the prophecy of Joel. We should give earnest study and consideration to the living of a victorious life in Christ,—a preparation of life for the coming of the Lord, and translation.

2. As a second need, may I submit that we need a vision? A vision of what? Of the world task, the field and its needs, as it is laid by the Lord upon the church and its individual members. Every Seventhday Adventist today should fully sense that we are not connected with a local conference movement, but with a world movement, the largest of its nature in this earth; and that connection with the same, calls for our time, our talents, our means, and our all to be laid a living sacrifice upon the altar for God to use in the finishing of His work.

3. Next in order, we mention the need of consecration. The kind which is needed we find pointed out clearly in the following words from the pen of the Lord's servant:

"The same devotion, the same consecration, the same subjection to the claims of the Word of God, that were manifest in Christ, must be seen in His servants."—"Gospel Workers," p. 111.

4. Last, we should mention co-operation. This is the oil that makes the machinery run smoothly. As one brother put it, "We do not need slackers, shirkers nor jerkers, but we do need helpers, pushers, and faithful, courageous workers." The day is here when every soul of us ought to put his hand and shoulder to the wheel and all OPERATE together, FOR CO-OPERA-TION is two-thirds OPERATION.

My dear delegates, brethren and sisters, if the real spiritual revival called for would come during this meeting, if our vision could be so enlarged as to behold the ripened harvest of the world field, if true consecration would come to every heart, if all unkind criticism and unfaithfulness in service would give way to earnest zeal and wholehearted co-operation, then we would be fitted, not only to receive the plans that shall be presented to us at this meeting, but we would go forth to accomplish greater things for God in this part of His vineyard during the year 1926. May God add His blessing and thus lead us to such an experience.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION

We must not close this report without taking just a moment to express sincerely our deep appreciation for the prayers, the good will, and the loyal support rendered by both labourers and laymen during the past year, as we have carried forward the work in your conference. Your words of courage, of cheer and counsel, have helped to make the task easier and more pleasant. We thank God for what has been accomplished. To Him be all the praise! And now let us consecrate ourselves to Him at this time in such a manner, that when we shall leave this place and return to our homes, we may go back to become under Him, burning, shining lights, and a mighty power for good in helping to finish His work. To this end, then, this day, let us dedicate our all to His blessed service. J. F. WRIGHT.

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Special Meetings with the Peninsula Churches

THE constituency of the Cape Conference is so divided into two sections of the field, that it seemed that, although Port Elizabeh was central for members living in the Eastern Province, it was not the most convenient for members of the conference residing in the Peninsula. Realising the benefits which those who attended the camp-meeting in Port Elizabeth received from the meetings, it was decided to hold a special series of meetings for the Peninsula churches from the 4th to the 7th of February. These meetings were conducted in the Claremont and Cape Town churches, and were attended by members of the Cape Town, Claremont and Wynberg companies.

Only a little of the time was taken to report briefly on the results of the conference work for the past year, and a few financial statements were rendered to keep us in touch with the work of the conference, and the rest of the time was practically all spent in spiritual meetings, which proved a great blessing to all of us.

At the service at Cape Town, on Sabbath morning, the church was well filled, the number present being between 200 and 300 people. The members of the Peninsula churches appreciate the kind thought of the officers of the conference in arranging for these special services, and at the Sabbath morning service, there was a splendid response to the call to reconsecrate ourselves, our time, and our talents for the furtherance of the Master's cause. We were given the privilege and opportunity at this time of making a contribution towards the erection of a girls' dormitory at the new school farm. The value of the pledges amounted to £170. W.B.C.

Our Work in Abyssinia

DURING the time of the meetings held by the Cape Conference at Claremont for the benefit of members of the Peninsula churches who were not able to attend the conference session at Port Elizabeth, one afternoon's service was given to Brother V. E. Toppenberg. Brother Toppenberg and family have just arrived at the Cape on a visit to their relatives, Brother and Sister Slate, and are in transit to America on furlough. Brother Toppenberg spoke to us on the afternoon of the 5th inst., reporting on the progress of the work in Abyssinia.

In introducing his subject, Brother Toppenberg read Habbakuk 3:7 and Zephaniah 3:10. We are told that the time will come when Ethiopia will stretch out her hands for help from the true God. To this call, a response must be given, and so our missionaries have laboured there the past few years in endeavouring to start our work in that difficult country.

Abyssinia has a population of from ten to twelve millions of people, and unlike almost every other country in the world, it is ruled by the native people. Abyssinia is a little larger than France, and is a mountainous country, and enjoys a good climate. The country is good for cattle, and produces coffee and other such products in abundance.

The larger portion of the population of Abyssinia professes Christianity, and the rulers claim to have descended from Solomon. The religion of the country is largely the Greek Catholic, though in a degraded form. The natives themselves are ignorant of their religion, for they are controlled by ignorant priests, and their religion has become one of fear.

Protestant missionaries have not conducted their efforts in Abyssinia very long, but the work that has been accomplished has been done under difficulties. At the time of the World War our missionaries had to leave Eritrea, the Italian colony where we started work among the Abyssinians in 1907. Brother Toppenberg was sent to reopen the work in Eritrea in 1920; but since it was impossible for Protestants to start new stations in that colony, Brother Toppenberg decided to attempt entering Abyssinia proper, leaving younger workers to continue the work in Eritrea.

Many having laid down their lives attempting to enter Abyssinia proper, it was feared for him to take the risk, but God in different remarkable ways led out in the move, and prospered our brother. Providential openings encouraged Brother Toppenberg to go on with his work, for he felt that God was leading.

On account of the fear on the part of the people of Abyssinia that the white man will enter his country and take it from him, it is not possible for a European to buy land there, and this caused our missionaries considerable difficulty in obtaining a mission site. However, through the favour of the Consulate, the ruler of the country made it possible for the mission to secure a good site.

Again, the medical work was used to open the way for evangelistic services. Though Brother Toppenberg and his associate workers have conducted work in Abyssinia proper for only a few years, they have already started six widely scattered stations and have conducted two baptisms. A new baptismal class has been started with promise of more fruit a little later. Until 1922, none of our literature was printed in the language of the country, and this made progress most difficult. The Abyssinian language has 275 characters, and it is a difficult language to learn. However, God has blessed Brother Toppenberg in his efforts to learn the language, and some tracts and small books have been translated and printed. W.B.C.

The Port Elizabeth Coloured Church

WE are glad to say that the Lord is still with us. We have cause for great rejoicing, for five of our young people have definitely placed themselves on the Lord's side. These were baptised in the Baaken's River on Sabbath afternoon, February 6. Brother Jeffrey, who conducted the service, gave wise counsel to the candidates.

We are of good courage. Brothers and sisters, please pray for the coloured church at Port Elizabeth. E. BULL.

NATAL-TRANSVAAL CONFERENCE B. M. HEALD, President A. E. NELSON, Secy.-Treas. OFFICE ADDRESS: Joubert Street, Johannesburg.

A Telegraphic Message

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Outlook

Report of late conference session will appear March first. Twelve hundred pounds pledged to new college to date. Prospects bright. Watch announcements.

ZAMBESI UNION MISSION

F. E. THOMPSON, Supt. C. W. BOZARTH, Secy. Treas. OFFICE ADDRESS: P.O. Box 573, Bulawayo, Rhodesia

Upper Zambesi Mission

WE now have two flourishing schools in the extreme western portion of our district, and calls have come in for more. I have never seen anything like the present desire amongst the natives for an education. At several places, as well as at old Kalimbeza, the girls would not come to school, but now they come to all of our eight schools.

Last Sabbath at our main station, we had 192 in attendance. We have been granted permission by the magistrate for all the children on the other side of the river to come to school in the Strip, and return again across the river to their homes.

For a time, it seemed as though we would have to close school for lack of food, for the rains have been very light this year.

Our prospects for entering Barotseland proper are very good. We thank God for His blessings and help. S. M. KONIGMACHER.

General News Notes

BROTHER AND SISTER PHILIP WESSELS, of the Transvaal, are visiting at the Cape.

BROTHER F. E. THOMPSON was at the Cape last week, attending a meeting of the Division committee.

BROTHER JOSEPH is due to sail from Cape Town about the 20th inst., and leaves for the General Conference meeting earlier than the other delegates in order to spend some time with the Publishing Department of the General Conference, before the General Conference session opens.

It is expected that Elder Branson and family and Mrs. Joseph will sail for Australia this week. Brother Branson is travelling to the General Conference meeting by way of Australia, and will spend a few days in that country becoming acquainted with the conditions of our work, and the problems of the mission fields in the Australasian Union. Mrs. Joseph is on a private trip, visiting her people in Australia, while Brother Joseph attends the General Conference session.

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Extracts from Letters from the Mission Field

Malamulo Mission, Nyasaland: "I cannot but sound a note of courage, as I see the work advancing in this part of the field. Every indication seems to be that the Lord is in this Message. I was very much pleased over the promise of a new hospital building here during the next year, and am sure that the building will do its part in bringing a knowledge of a risen Saviour to a dying world."—C. F. Birkenstock.

Missao de Luz, Dala, Angola: "The work is going nicely, and I am glad to say we are all keeping well. I am kept very busy, as there are so many different things needing attention."—O. O. Bredenkamp.

Bungo Mission, Lepi, Angola: "We have just closed our week of prayer, and we all surely enjoyed it. On Sabbath, we had a baptism of seven. Our new baptismal class has twenty-nine members. Thus, we are getting a start. With Brother Harder in charge of the school, and Brother D'Oliviera to help, we are beginning to get our school in full swing. We believe that the school will rapidly grow."—J. D. Baker.

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In 1924, there were 25,626 baptisms throughout the world field. During the last twelve years receipts by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination for foreign missions exceeded four million pounds sterling, or about three times as much as the total receipts for missions during the previous fifty years.

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THE period of greenness is the period of growth. When we cease to be green and are entirely ripe we are ready for decay.—Bryan.

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Change of Address

Our people are asked to take note of the fact that the address of the Rusangu mission station, Northern Rhodesia, has been changed from Monze to Mission, North Rhodesia. A new post office has been installed at Mission Siding; hence, all communications for our workers connected with the Rusangu mission should be addressed to P.O .Mission, North Rhodesia.

W. H. BRANSON.

Charge of Name

At a recent meeting of the committee of the North Rhodesia Mission Field, it was decided to change the name of Lusaka out-schools to Muchenje mission.

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"NOBODY can tell me how to train my children. They are different from other people's children !''

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