



An Open Letter

Dear Brethren and Sisters in Africa,

It will soon be time for another Harvest Ingathering Campaign to open, and I am sure our believers in Africa will take hold of this work as earnestly as they did a year ago. We greatly appreciated the enthusiasm manifested by our people during the 1925 campaign, and I am sure that those who helped to make that effort a great success will desire to participate again in this splendid work.

The goal is the same this year as last, £3,000. With the experience of the past, we ought to be able to reach it much more easily.

Every passing year brings us nearer the end, and makes the calls of the great mission fields more and more urgent. God is depending upon our co-operation in the great task of finishing the work in this generation, and no one can afford to fail to do his duty.

Although some of us will not be able to take part in the campaign this year on account of attending the General Conference, yet our prayers will go with you, and we have all confidence that God will give you victory.

W. H. BRANSON.

For The Training of Our Youth

ONCE again we come to the time of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Our experience in this line of work cannot be considered to be a very long one. Just a few years ago this campaign was hardly known in this field. But, it seems that now it is one of our strong campaigns, and one to which the churches look each year with considerable interest. We have given willingly during the year of our own means as God may have prospered us, but now we have the privilege to give of our time and efforts in soliciting from others that they too might share in the blessings of giving for the advancement of the Master's cause.

The task of building up a training college is a big one. It will require the co-operation and support and prayers of every believer throughout the Division. It will be a costly task. But, more urgent than even the need for funds, is the need of your prayers that God may bless every effort put forth to erect a college for the training of our young people. And then, as we pray, let us, during the period, August 28 to October 9, put forth also our very best efforts in following the Lord's plan in the solicitation of funds for this worthy enterprise.

The great burden and the responsibility that rests upon each church member, and the responsibility that will come to those who today are hearing of this Message and who will accept it, is the work of making known in this generation to every tribe, kindred and people, the news of a soon coming Saviour.

How shall this task be completed? Have our young people any part in this work? The burden which has so long been carried by the older ones, must soon fall upon those of us who are younger. But to be equal to the task, we need a preparation, that we may be co-workers with Him in the salvation of lost men and women. "With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon-coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world!"—*"Education," page 271.*

We need young men and young women who are prepared and able to go to the mission fields, there to educate and train the converted heathen, that they in turn might go to those of their own race with the light of this Truth.

Our efforts in this coming Harvest Ingathering Campaign will be to accomplish just such a purpose. May each one grasp this opportunity to do something for the Master, and go out with a burden for the young people of this denomination in Africa.

W. B. COMMINS.



The Importance of Having a Goal and Reaching It

ALL effort, whether individual or collective, if it would produce the maximum result, must be directed toward some particular object, some standard or goal. The goal may be high or it may be low, but some standard is essential to the successful achievement of any purpose in life. No vessel ever left harbour without a definite port in sight; no merchant ever conducted business without a vision of prosperity ahead.

The sculptor has ever in his mind that figure he would produce, the artist that picture; and in every other walk of life, the goal to a very large extent at least, determines the degree of success achieved. The more important and vital the object, the more earnest the effort. Big goals demand big efforts, and as we study the experiences of men whose ideals have been high, we note that every energy of their being has been directed toward the attainment of that ideal. It has been the ruling passion of their lives. No cost has been too great.

Jesus Christ Himself worked toward a definite goal: "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work." Again, "Father, for this cause came I into the world." The cause toward which He worked was ever in His mind; nothing was permitted to obscure it from His vision. It actuated His motives, prompted His endeavours, and strengthened Him in each hour of trial. The Apostle Paul tells of his goal: "This one thing I do," he said, and then throughout his life there is to be seen the constant "pressing forward" until at last his goal was reached. That same goal must be the goal of every Christian; the very name indicates this, for without a goal no man can be a Christian. Christ is the goal. Every thought, every energy of his being must be directed toward this one supreme purpose, the exemplification of Christ in the life.

Not only is there a standard for the individual Christian, but there is a goal for the entire church organisation, set by Christ Himself. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel;" "this gospel . . . shall be preached." And the church was never to rest until that command was obeyed. Its fulfilment constituted a mighty goal for the combined efforts of God's people till the close of time. If then as Christians we strive after a goal—the pattern of Christ; if the church itself has a goal—the gospel to all the world, it would seem natural that in the various activities comprising our missionary endeavours, goals must likewise have their place. The church must endeavour by definite means to achieve definite results; its members endeavour by means no less definite to contribute their share. Not only will this afford a systematic distribution of responsibility among the individual members, but it will provide a link of vital interest between the member and the cause for which he works. The link will be strong as his share of the work, his self-appointed task, is constantly before him and is faithfully performed.

The Harvest Ingathering Campaign affords a wonderful opportunity in this direction. The campaign itself is a goal. It is depended upon by the Mission Board to furnish a definite amount toward the accomplishment of the divinely set goal, or the preaching of the gospel. That it may do this, the church members must individually contribute their share. They must recognise that the principle that brings success in every achievement in life must be applied to that share, that just as a goal actuated Christ in His work, as it constrained the apostles, as it impels the great Christian church on in its endeavour, so it has its place in the missionary activity of each individual, and will, if kept constantly before us, quicken our effort, intensify our interest, and bring success.

£3-0-0 has been recommended as a Harvest Ingathering goal for each member, but many can do far more

and should not be limited by this amount. All should, at the beginning of the campaign decide on a definite amount which will serve as their goal. It should not be set low, or there will be little interest in reaching it, nor should it be so high as to seem impossible of attainment. The goal that will be of real help to us will be one that is beyond our reach without persistent, earnest effort. Our efforts should be more earnest each succeeding year; the goals we set should make them so. Then, as our efforts yield greater results, there will be added blessing for the time and strength devoted to the work, greater means will be secured for the furtherance of the gospel message, and above all, the ultimate goal of all goals will be reached; souls will be saved for the kingdom of God.

May God help us to see the need of a personal goal, and then apply ourselves whole-heartedly toward its attainment, that we with others may receive the greatest blessing possible from this important campaign.

A. FLOYD TARR.



South African Union Conference Slogan "£2,475 In Six Weeks We Can—We Will."

In just a few days the big campaign of the year will begin. The goal for the Union has been set at £2,475, and it will require the earnest and loyal co-operation of every believer, young and old, to reach our goal.

The slogan adopted for this year's effort should be carefully studied, for it reminds us of four things.

First: The amount of money we are to raise, £2,475. We cannot think of this large sum without realising our personal responsibility to reach, at least, the individual goal of £3. Then, having reached our goal, we should not relax our efforts, but continue soliciting until the local or conference church has been carried well over its goal.

Second: The time—six weeks—August 28 to October 15. This means a brief, intensive campaign. It means we should make the time count from the beginning. It means that we aim at and work towards the finishing of this campaign within the six-week period.

Third: Our capability to achieve our aim is emphasised in the words, "We Can." There is no doubt about it. We are strong enough. We have the capability to do it.

Fourth: Our determination to succeed is shown in the words, "We Will." The Home Missionary Department confidently believes every member will enter the campaign with a strong determination to succeed.

E. M. HOWARD.



Will We Be Faithful?

"Do all in your power to secure gifts. We are not to feel that it would not be the thing to ask men of the world for means; for it is just the thing to do." —Mrs. E. G. White.

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come," and the wealth of the gentiles will flow into the treasury of the Lord in proportion to our rising and shining. It will be noticed that the text does not say "has come or will come," but "is come." The light concerning the

wealth of the gentiles flowing unto us is a ray of gospel light. Some do not believe this, but it is the truth. The world-wide Harvest Ingathering campaigns have proved that we have additional light on Isaiah 60.

The New Testament is full of light on money matters. We read much in it about money,—the widow's mites, liberality, cheerful giving, offerings and collections. Part of the showers of blessing during the Pentecostal experience was the showers of money poured into the Lord's treasury. Acts 2: 45. It takes a Pentecost to make some people give money to the cause of God. We are willing to give God most any other commodity, but money. We are willing to give time, talents and talk. Money is frequently mentioned in the Old Testament. At one time, they had a device quite like the one we use in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. They made a chest, or box, and bored a hole in the lid of it, and the people dropped their money into it. The boxes soon filled up, and then were emptied and filled again. This went on day after day. The money was paid out to carpenters, stone masons, buyers and repairers, who were engaged in the building of the temple. 2 Kings 12: 9-14; 2 Chron. 34: 8-11. When God's people have been faithful in carrying out God's financial policies, His work has prospered.

With the Harvest Ingathering, we are in perfect line with God's financial plan. Remember, the wealth of the gentiles will not flow unto us if we do not arise and shine! To shine means to be up and doing. The campaign spirit must throb within, thrill our hearts, and be the impulse for action. How long will we be in raising £3 each?

Brethren and sisters, let us not be slow in shining for God in this campaign. "WE CAN—WE WILL," do it in six weeks. Think how ambitious the world is for the things of this world. Johannesburg business men are putting up forty-two great city office and club buildings. They believe in Johannesburg. Durban is putting up the finest buildings in the Union. Her business men believe in Durban. Do you believe in God's Message? Do you believe in financing God's Message? There is but one way, and that is God's way. We can if we will. If we will, we can. We can collect £3 each, if we will. It is *not* an impossibility to do it in six weeks. My goal is £10.

"Just buckle in with a bit of a grin,
 Just take off your coat and do it;
 Just start in to sing, as you tackle the thing
 That 'cannot be done,' and you'll do it."

B. M. HEALD.



The Relationship of the Conference and Its Workers to the Harvest Ingathering Campaign

OBVIOUSLY, much of the success of the Harvest Ingathering depends upon the way the local conferences and the workers relate themselves to the campaign. The General Conference, the Division, and the Union Conference may perfect their plans ever so wisely and well; they may pass on these plans to the local fields in ample time to be of the most use in the campaign; and yet if the local conference and its workers fail to

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STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE AFRICAN DIVISION

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

NAME	AMT. FOR QUARTER		AMT. 2ND. QUARTER 1925		REC'D. TO DATE THIS YEAR		REC'D SAME PERIOD								
	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE							
S. A. Union Conference	£2609	5 11	231 13	1	2384 15	0	237 12	8	5086 15	7	426 18	11	5640 15	9	489
Zambesi Union Mission	373	16 9	103 19	0	184 2	4	50 0	3	629 4	7	174 10	6	416 3	1	99 1
S. E. African Union Mis.	55	15 11	46 4	5	58 11	11	28 4	9	119 15	5	76 2	3	96 8	7	58 1
Congo Union Mission	51	13 9	4 17	7	38 0	4	3 4	1	98 17	5	13 13	4	82 13	3	6
Equatorial Union Mission	30	15 7			14 17	0			30 15	7			29 9	5	
TOTALS	£3121	7 11	386 14	1	3180 6	7	319 1	9	5965 8	7	691 5	0	6265 10	1	654
							South West Africa	1 14 3					South West Africa		3

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

NAME	AMT. FOR QUARTER		AMT. 2ND. QUARTER 1925		REC'D. TO DATE THIS YEAR		REC'D SAME PERIOD								
	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE							
Cape Conference	776	15 4	45 17	7	733 4	7	43 12	3	1490 14	10	84 12	0	1687 15	8	77
Cape Conf. (Coloured)			66 0	11			100 8	5			112 13	4			232
Natal Tvl. Conference	1317	13 8	74 10	7	1585 3	7	51 10	6	2426 10	11	120 13	5	2837 3	2	101
Orange River Conference	485	10 2	36 11	6	566 6	10	35 17	6	1121 10	5	89 1	2	1115 16	11	67 1
Tvl. Delagoa Miss. Field	29	6 9	8 12	6			6 4	0	47 19	5	19 19	0			10 1
South Rhodesia	252	18 9	71 12	8	142 1	7	40 18	10	388 3	3	128 8	2	306 14	1	78 1
North Rhodesia	120	18 0	32 6	4	42 0	9	9 1	5	191 0	2	39 6	3	97 9	0	20 1
N.-E. Rhodesia									9 3	11	19 1				
Bechuanaland									40 17	3	5 17	0	12 0	0	
S. E. African Union Mis.	55	15 11	46 4	5	58 11	11	28 4	9	119 15	5	76 2	3	96 8	7	58 1
South Congo Miss. Field	30	0 0	3 0	0	22 15	3	2 0	0	61 1	5	8 7	3	52 5	8	2 1
Lomami-Kasai Miss. Field	13	1 9	1 7	0	8 0	0	14 5		21 5	4	3 15	6	15 17	10	2
Chikamba Mission Field	8	12 0	10 7		7 5	1	9 8		16 10	8	1 10	7	14 9	9	1
Bongo Mission					14 17	0							29 9	5	
Luz Mission	30	15 7							30 15	7					
TOTALS	£3121	7 11	386 14	1	3180 6	7	319 1	9	5965 8	7	691 5	0	6265 10	1	654
							South West Africa	1 14 3					South West Africa		3

Membership etc., of Union Organisations at Close of Quarter

	AFRICAN DIVISION		S. A. UNION		ZAMBESI UNION		S. E. AP. UNION		CONGO UNION		EQUATORIA
	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE
1. Ordained ministers	38	9	17	6	6	2	2		3	1	2
2. Licensed ministers	21	18	6	15	7		3	3	3		2
3. Licensed missionaries	35		12		9		1		2		1
4. Evangelists, teachers		305		28		157		104		14	
5. Colporteurs	17	20	17	17		3					
6. Other workers	42	71	7	3	15	21	3	46		1	
7. Total all workers	153	423	59	69	37	183	9	153	8	16	5
8. No. of Sabbath schools	52	254	48	64	1	115		63		10	3
9. Membership	1839	13319	1775	1301	48	5345		6130		412	16
10. Students at Spion Kop	75		67		7				1		
11. No. of church schools	6		4		1						1
12. Enrolment	86		80		4						2
13. Students in training schools		495		58		262		130		45	
14. Students in mission schools		1010		165		466		286		58	
15. No. of out-schools		203		18		116		60		9	
16. Enrolment		9920		521		3679		5488		232	
17. No. of church organisations	37	70	33	46	2	16		3		3	2
18. Membership Dec. 31, 1924	1521	4368	1451	1085	70	2019		1207		57	
19. Membership end last quarter	1612	5631	1563	1349	33	2230		1946		96	16
20. Added by baptism	69	5	69	5							
21. Added by vote	53	10	43	10	10						
22. Total gain during quarter	122	17	112	15	10						
23. Dropped by apostasy	18	68	18	66		2					
24. Transferred by letter	51	5	51	3		2					
25. Dropped by death	2	10	2	9				1			
26. Nett gain in members	51	66 loss	41	63 loss	10	4 loss		1 loss			
27. Present membership	1663	5565	1604	1286	43	2226		1945		96	16
28. Goal to close of year	1756	6522	1756	1632		2688		2000		183	
29. Probationers' class		2782		125		843		1751		53	
30. Hearers' class		3125		143		1111		1762		55	
31. Total keeping Sabbath	1663	11472	1604	1554	43	4180		5458		204	16

MISSION OFFERINGS RECEIPTS FOR QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30, 1926

Mission Offerings Receipts for the Unions

NAME	REC'D. FOR QUARTER		REC'D. TO DATE THIS YEAR		SAME DATE LAST YEAR		P/W PER MEMBER TO DATE								
	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE							
A. Union Conference	1459	14 11	82	4 1	2622	18 11	156	6 6	1992	11 0	149	16 4	1/4	1 1/2 d.	
Ambsesi Union Mission	215	18 4	42	7 6	338	17 7	93	15 3	296	12 2	73	6 11	3/8 1/2	1 1/2 d.	
E. African Union Mis.	17	13 9	26	0 1	45	14 11	65	0 10	85	9 6	104	0 1	5/-	1 1/2 d.	
Ango Union Mission	42	3 9	6	2 5	57	18 8	12	16 4	67	18 11	10	19 4	4/9	2 d.	
Matatorial Union Mission									36	6 8	1	0 0			
TOTALS	£1735	10 9	156	14 1	3065	10 1	327	18 11	2478	18 3	339	2 8	1/6	2 1/2 d.	
				South West Africa				4 0 0		4 18 6					

Mission Offerings Receipts for the Local Organisations

NAME	REC'D. FOR QUARTER		REC'D. TO DATE THIS YEAR		SAME DATE LAST YEAR		P/W PER MEMBER TO DATE								
	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE	WHITE	NATIVE							
Be Conference	£422	13 7	16	16 5	824	5 7	23	2 1	753	3 9	35	1 3	1/4	2 d.	
Be Conf. (Coloured)			31	2 6			54	0 8			62	15 4		4 d.	
Cal-Tvl. Conference	764	1 11	20	7 4	1269	17 10	43	1 9	826	5 1	39	13 11	1/7	2 d.	
Orange River Conference	259	3 2	6	18 3	514	19 3	22	14 2	413	2 2	12	5 10	1/2	1 1/2 d.	
L. Delagoa Miss. Field	13	16 3	6	19 7	13	16 3	8	7 10					3/4	2 1/2 d.	
North Rhodesia	189	0 10	35	9 7	259	9 5	76	1 8	231	11 0	51	9 1	3/10	1 1/2 d.	
North Rhodesia	26	7 6	6	11 11	34	9 6	9	11 11	65	1 2	21	15 10	2/2 1/2	1 d.	
E. Rhodesia					2	0 0	1	11 11					6d.	1 1/2 d.	
Swanaland	10	0	6	0	42	18 8	6	9 9			2	0	8/3	1 d.	
E. African Union Mis.	17	13 9	26	0 1	45	14 11	65	0 10	85	9 6	104	0 1	5/-	1 1/2 d.	
North Congo Miss. Field	23	3 11	4	13 7	30	7 8	9	15 3	38	5 3	5	18 2	4/7	3 d.	
Namibi-Kasai Mis. Field	15	14 9	14	6	20	8 11	1	11 4	14	6 6	3	14 9	7/10	1 d.	
Namibia Mission Field	3	5 1	14	4	7	2 1	1	9 9	15	7 2	1	6 5	2/8	3 d.	
Nz Mission									36	6 8	1	0 0			
Ango Mission															
TOTALS	£1735	10 9	156	14 1	3065	10 1	327	18 11	2478	18 3	339	2 8	1/6	2 1/2 d.	
				South West Africa				4 0 0		4 18 6					

Membership etc., of Local Organisations 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	STUDENTS IN MISSION SCHOOLS	STUDENTS IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS	NUMBER OF WORKERS
rence (white)	12	538		13 loss	646			538	521	12		30	17
rence (coloured)	5	124		2	149			124	165		15		4
rence (native)	13	325	5	6 loss	406			325	239	33		83	14
vaal Conf. (white)	12	645	48	33	689			645	831	31		41	22
vaal Conf. (native)	14	367		473				367	450	14		102	20
er Conf. (white)	8	405	19	8	421			405	407	24		9	10
er Conf. (native)	13	439		60 loss	528	85	143	667	376	11	150	235	24
a Mis. Field (white)	1	16	2	13				16	16				2
a Mis. Field (native)	1	31		1	76	40		71	71			101	7
esia (white)	2	43		10				43	48	7		4	19
esia (native)	10	1698		4 loss	2002	339	426	2463	3567	160	215	2369	104
esia (white)													11
esia (native)	4	455			591	490	600	1545	1500	100	170	1250	71
Rhodesia (white)													2
Rhodesia (native)	1	10			20	14	63	87	205		81	6	
d Prot. (white)													2
d Prot. (native)	1	63			75	22	85	73	73	2			3
Union Mis. (white)													9
Union Mis. (native)	3	1715		1 loss	1500	1751	1762	5228	6130	130	286	5488	146
, Miss. Field (white)													2
, Miss. Field (native)	1	66			128	40	30	136	135	45		30	3
ai M. Fld. (white)													3
ai M. Fld. (native)	1	23			40	3	11	37	227		33	182	7
fission (white)													1
fission (native)	1	7			15	10	14	31	50		25	20	2
on (white)												2	3
on (native)	1	10			19	10	29	49	65		35		2
i (white)													1
i (native)	1	2					25	27	66				

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function properly, the whole well-planned campaign breaks at the most vital point,—the point of contact.

Each conference assumes distinct and definite responsibility when it accepts its portion of the Harvest Ingathering goal, and each conference should begin to feel this responsibility several months before the campaign is actually launched. Definite steps should be taken early in the year to make the campaign a short, sharp, successful drive for missions.

The conference has a vital relationship to the local churches in making the Harvest Ingathering a success. The conference should, to the full extent of its ability, see that every church is properly organised and instructed for the campaign. Promotion material should be sent to all the churches early enough to be of practical benefit. Every church should be supplied, instructed and organised, to begin the first day of the campaign with a dash for victory.

The local conference also sustains an important relationship to the union conference in this campaign. In addition to the carrying out of the general plans of the denomination that are passed on to the local fields through the union conference, the local conference has a distinct responsibility to the union in the matter of reporting. Each conference should glean reports from the churches in its territory each week, and, after carefully compiling these, should send on to the union office a report of the progress of the work, with any special points of interest that the campaign may reveal. This enables the union officials to keep tab on the progress of the work, assists them in watching the development of the campaign, and affords opportunity for the making of helpful suggestions where needed.

The conference workers should all remember that in this Harvest Ingathering Campaign, as well as in all other lines of conference work, the conference is looking to them for leadership. Every minister and Bible worker, together with every other worker so far as possible, should lead out in the churches in a good strong way. Wherever conference workers are stationed they should, in conjunction with the elder or local leader, plan for and thoroughly organise the church for the campaign, and then personally lead out in an enthusiastic and energetic effort.

Conference workers can sometimes arrange their plans so as to visit several churches and companies. Where this is possible, it will be well for the worker to take the same general leadership in each place he goes, lending the support of his own enthusiasm and vigorous activity to the planning and executing of the work. He should encourage every one to reach the individual goal of £3, at least. The worker should also encourage promptness in reporting the results of each week's work. In order for the conference to report to the union, the churches must faithfully report to the conference, and the conference workers and church leaders should see that all are faithful in this matter.

Each conference is depending on the faithful co-operation of all its workers in this campaign.

L. L. MOFFITT.

Rally to the Task

AGAIN the time has come for us to turn our attention to the most important campaign of the year. There is no need for us to take up space in order to convince our people that the Harvest Ingathering is a heaven-ordained plan, and one of the best means of procuring funds for the cause of God, and of reaching people in the cities and districts with the Message. We read many reports telling of members who have accepted the Truth as the result of following up the interest created by the Harvest Ingathering work.

All will agree that this is a common task, and if we expect to succeed this year we must have the active co-operation of all. Many people can be found who believe in Harvest Ingathering, who are thankful for the large amount gathered in for the Cause, but we WANT WORKERS. Those who took part in the Ingathering last year did splendidly, and we are sure they will go out again. If all would participate in the work we would see greater results, but only about 50% of our members actually took part in the Harvest Ingathering effort last year. Our biggest problem is to get our people to take part in the campaign, but, brethren and sisters, shall we allow this condition to continue any longer, or shall we all at this time heed the call to come up to the help of the Lord, and rally around the banner? The work of God will soon be finished, and then it will be forever too late to help. Now is our opportunity. We would urge those who have not yet done anything in the Harvest Ingathering to arise now and join their brethren and gather in, so that the light of this Message may be sent out to those still sitting in darkness. The Lord wants you. Do not fail to respond.

This year, we must set our stakes to reach our goal, and we believe by the help of the Lord we can do it. So, let us rally to the task and make the campaign a grand success this year. The time set for it is August 28 to October 9, and we should endeavour to start and finish on time.

Plans, programmes, and leaflets for the coming campaign have been sent out to churches and isolated members, and we should do everything possible to organise our forces properly for the work. To keep in touch with the progress of the campaign throughout the conference, we must adhere to the plan of weekly reporting. So, we kindly request all to faithfully send in their Harvest Ingathering reports every week.

Draw near to God, work unitedly, and success is assured.

J. N. DE BEER.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER CORNER

The Young People's Part

ONCE again the rallying call comes to our Missionary Volunteers throughout the South African Union to prepare for our Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

We think of the valuable assistance rendered by the children and young people in past campaigns, and are led to believe that once again we may expect their practical co-operation.

The Union has accepted a large goal, and we can and *will* reach it only as we all take hold of the work.

Begin at the commencement of the campaign, and make this a quick effort. Please be sure to report the amount collected to your local Missionary Volunteer secretary.

Remember our slogan.

E. M. HOWARD.

WE CAN—WE WILL
Do It In Six Weeks

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A Tour Through the Eastern Province

In company with Elders E. M. Howard and W. C. Tarr, the writer has recently completed a motor trip through a portion of the Eastern Province, visiting some of the isolated European believers, and our native churches and schools.

Some of the places visited were Bethel, Komgha, East London, Kingwilliamstown, Stutterheim, Queens-town, "Tarsus" near Cathcart, Alice, Lower Blinkwater and Wezo near Fort Beaufort, Peddie, Temba and Rhoda on the Fish River, Maranatha, Sevenfountains and Grahamstown.

During the fourteen days that we were on this tour, we held fifteen meetings, besides inspecting schools and visiting in the homes of our people. All the believers, both European and native, seemed to greatly appreciate our visit, although in several places we could stay but a few hours.

In crossing the mountains from Cathcart to Alice, we encountered snow. Near the summit at "Hogsback," the snow had drifted into the road to a depth of about two feet. Here we stopped for a short time, made a snow man, and took some pictures. The pictures look more like snaps of an Arctic expedition than of a South African missionary tour.

Although we encountered very cold weather on our trip, our hearts were warmed and cheered by the courage, fidelity and devotion to the Message of our faithful believers. Many of them carry on from year to year separated from those of like precious faith, seldom seeing a conference worker, or hearing the voice of prayer or a sermon from one outside the family circle. May God bless our isolated believers and little companies of faithful souls, who are holding up the light of truth in their neighbourhoods.

L. L. MOFFITT.



As We Draw Nearer

THE momentous times in which we live clearly show to us that we are drawing nearer to the end. The Bible points this out; the Testimonies tell us so. We dare not disbelieve it.

As the end draws nearer, the zeal of God's people in missionary endeavour must be,—yes, will be—increased. We will draw nearer together, and, as a united people, will be the medium through which the last message will be given.

Another date draws nearer. The 28th of August stands out bold and clear in the mind's eye. It is the signal of another campaign,—a momentous one, the Harvest Ingathering. As that date draws nearer, let us remember that this should be primarily a spiritual campaign. It should be uplifting to our own souls and to the souls of those with whom we come in contact. Let us one and all draw nearer to God.

P. W. WILLMORE.



News Notes

REMEMBER that Harvest Ingathering begins promptly on August 28. Be ready!

MRS. A. W. STAPLES, SNR., is at George, paying a short visit to her son, Elder Staples.

THE George church is nearing completion, much to the joy of the members at that place.

BRETHREN MINTER AND THEUNISSEN are holding a series of lectures in the Salt River church.

WE are glad to learn that as a result of the East London effort, quite a large number have expressed their desire to keep the Sabbath.

BROTHER A. F. TARR recently spent a few days at Port Elizabeth, auditing the books to June 30, 1926. We were glad to have him with us.

ELDER W. C. TARR is spending a part of the month of August at Grahamstown, building a native church. During this time, he will conduct a series of public meetings in the location.

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Teachers' Institute at Songa Mission

WE quote from a personal letter just received from Brother B. E. Schaffner, of the Katanga mission, Elisabethville:

"We have just returned from Songa mission, where an interesting teachers' institute was conducted. The work started off well, with a strong spiritual tone, and throughout the entire six weeks, there was a strong desire to become better acquainted with God and His Word, and to be better able to present the Truth to others. The teachers had many important questions to ask. Some of these questions were quite vital, and required serious thought in order to be answered properly.

"One of the teachers, Matthew by name, went to

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visit his son for a few days. He had not seen his son since accepting the Message. When they met, the father told his son about the Truth, and he is now keeping the Sabbath. What a noble lesson of giving the Truth to our friends and dear ones!

"One Sabbath, several of the teachers and mission boys went out with picture rolls, and preached in the neighbouring villages. There is a marked interest among the Baluba people, and efforts like this are a great strength to the work.

"The teachers have returned to their schools to battle with difficulties, but we hope and pray that the training which they received during the six weeks spent together, may encourage their hearts, and that a rich harvest of souls may be the result of this effort."



Chikamba Mission

THE Chikamba mission will be two years old in August of this year. During the last year, we have witnessed evidences of the Lord's hand in the work here, even though the fruits of labour are small.

With but one available teacher, we could answer only one of a number of calls for out-schools the past year. It was opened about six months ago in a village five or six hours' ride by bicycle. The chief and the people seem delighted to have the school. The little school building and the teacher's house are an example of neatness. The present enrolment numbers twenty-one. The teacher, Jeremiah, also conducts a school in a nearby village once a week for fourteen more children.

On the main station, we have an enrolment of twenty-eight and an average Sabbath attendance of forty.

We have met with much opposition, but we believe if we are faithful in doing our part, God will use the wrath of man to praise Him.

Our native evangelist, Samuel, has walked many hundreds of miles visiting many villages and witnessing by word and kindly act for the Truth, and at the same time neutralising a lot of the harm done by the evil reports.

The mission home, kitchen, store-room and carpenter's shop are almost completed. The bricks we had left over after the buildings were completed are to go into our new church and school building. Another kiln will soon be ready to burn, which will be used to finish this building.

Eighteen acres of land have been cleared, and ten of these planted with cassava. The rest, excepting that which is reserved for gardening purposes, is planted with bananas, pawpaws, lemons, mulberries, pineapples, etc.

The prospect for a large harvest of souls is bright to a faith that can surmount obstacles and see beyond a sable wall of indifference, ignorance and superstition. We thank God for, and are encouraged by, the beginning that has been made. We thank Him also for the souls that have, through His grace, renounced their heathen vices and customs and have responded to the call of the gospel.

H. L. FERGUSON.



General News Notes

BROTHER L. A. VIXIE spent a few days at the Cape last week, assisting the canvassers in the Peninsula.

ELDER J. F. WRIGHT reports a good meeting at Solusi. He says: "About 600 were in attendance, and on Sabbath afternoon 78 were baptised."

At Elizabethville, on the 20th of July, the marriage took place of Brother D. A. Webster and Miss M. J. Slabbert. We extend to these young people our best wishes.

LAST week, Brother W. B. Commin left the Cape on an extended trip to Rhodesia and Nyasaland. Brother Commin will audit the books of the northern unions, and also attend the Nyasaland camp-meetings.

IN a letter recently received from Elder W. H. Anderson, he passes on the following message to the readers of the OUTLOOK: "My greetings to the brethren in Africa. We have had a splendid conference, and are coming back with renewed hope and courage to unite with you in the finishing of the work."

BROTHER F. M. ROBINSON, writing from the Rusangu mission, July 22, says: "Our camp-meeting is over, and we truly had a special blessing from God. More than five hundred persons were present at Sabbath school. A large number were baptised on the closing day. All through the meetings, the Spirit of God seemed to work on the hearts of the people. We are thankful that it was our privilege to be here."



"Just stand aside and watch yourself go by:
 Think of yourself as 'he' instead of 'I.'
 Pick flaws; find fault, forget the man is you,
 And strive to make your estimates ring true.
 The faults of others then will dwarf and shrink,
 Love's chain grows stronger by one mighty link,
 When you with 'he' as substitute for 'I'
 Have stood aside and watched yourself go by."



Errata

WE would call attention to the financial report of the South African Union Conference, which appeared in our issue of August 1. Mission offerings per week per member for the Coloured and Native Departments were given as 3/9 and 9d. respectively. The correct figures are 3.9d. and .9d.