

# Greetings from the General Conference Committee

# To the Brethren in the African Division:

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At the first meeting of the minority committee held in the new year, our thoughts seemed naturally to turn to the work as represented in our great division fields. Elder Spicer proposed to the committee that the secretary be instructed to pass on to each of our division headquarters greetings from the committee at the General Conference office.

Word comes frequently from the African Division, telling us of advancement, despite the many hindering conditions and influences peculiar to your Indeed, in every division the work is onward. From every quarter field. of the earth, comes the word of cheer. Even in the older North American base the work is moving steadily forward. More funds for missions have been raised during 1926 than ever before. More workers have gone from the home bases into foreign service during 1926 than in any year in our history, save one, 1920, when the flow of money was abnormal. In every way and in every land, there has never been a year like 1926.

As we enter 1927, we are mindful that a myriad of evidences tell us that we are approaching the end. As never before, we must press this Message on into new territories; it must quickly be told to the millions in all lands. The committee here suggests that "Evangelism" be our motto for 1927. Every division will heartily adopt this motto, calling every worker to a year of evangelism, such as we have never known. May the "Lord of the harvest" bountifully bless, during 1927, all the

workers toiling in the African Division.

January 4, 1927.

In behalf of the committee, B. E. BEDDOE.

## A Message to the Workers in Africa

[IN 1890, Sister White wrote a special letter to those in charge of the work in Africa. We take the opportunity of copying a few extracts from this letter, which, we believe, will be of benefit to our people now as it was to our workers thirty-seven years ago.— w. B. C.]

"DEAR Brethren now Labouring as Missionaries in the Field of Africa:

"You are indeed labourers together with God, and will you seek most earnestly to answer the prayer of Christ that you may be one as He is one with the Father?

"Be careful how you build, for it is for time and for eternity. Counsel together, have your seasons of prayer together. Christ is our living head, and we are members of His body, and all dependent upon the head. Each worker is to use his God-given ability to the utmost for the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom on the earth. We each have an individuality in manner and bearing, and this is as it should be; but this need not prevent our working together in perfect harmony.

"The Lord Jesus Christ is the living vine, and all who are children of God are grafted into the parent stock, drawing sap and nourishment from the one root. The branches are not blended into one, but are diverse, separate branches; yet they all live from the same root. In the words of Christ, we find an important lesson which should have a more direct bearing upon the life, the motives, and the experience of those who claim to be children of God. 'Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in Me. I am the vine, ye are the branches; he that abideth in Me and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without Me ye can do nothing.' How essential it is that every one who claims to be a child of God should work in harmony with Christ, catching the divine illuminaton of His Spirit, studying the manner of His labour, and working as He worked, putting self out of sight and ever making Christ prominent. We should bring cur own ways into harmony with Christ's ways, manifesting the spirit of the Masterworker, that Jesus may appear in our work and in our character.

"God has a great work to be accomplished in Africa, and no plans must be laid without the aid of His infinite wisdom. After your plans of labour have been talked over together, mingled with earnest prayer, work for Christ. Be not intimidated by apparent difficulties, which threaten to obstruct your pathway. There is a right way to work, and God will be with you. This is God's work, and He will make the rough places smooth. He will prepare the way before you. The work which is to be done in foreign countries can never be done by mortal man unaided by divine wisdom. You must look to the Captain for orders, then obey without questioning. As you go forward in the strength of Israel's God, in simplicity and faith, the difficulties which Satan will magnify into mountains will become as mole hills.

Be an example to those who shall accept the Truth. May the Lord give you light and wisdom and His righteousness, is my prayer." NATAL-TRANSVAAL CONFERENCE B. M. HEALD, President A. E. NELSON, Secy.-Treas.

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## **News Items**

ELDER HYATT held a baptismal service in Johannesburg, February 19.

BEFORE leaving for Johannesburg, Elder Hurlow will hold a baptismal service in the Maritzburg church.

BROTHER NELSON is in the field auditing the books of our churches. He will first visit the churches in Natal.

ELDER TARR is taking a few days' holiday and is enjoying a much needed rest. May God continue to bless Brother and Sister Tarr as they again take up work in the important city of Durban.

A REPLY to the attack, recently made in Pretoria, upon Seventh-day Adventists is being printed in both English and Dutch by the Sentinel Publishing Company. Pretoria will be circularised with this "Defence."

PLANS have recently been laid for Elder B. P. de Beer and Miss Leonie de Beer to be associated with Elder Birkenstock in a tent effort in the Lichtenburg district. There are many thousands of men from all over our territory who will hear the Truth in this way, and we should pray for this soul-winning campaign.

THE building fund for the Pretoria church is increasing week by week. The donations that are being made are appreciated, and we believe God will give success to the efforts to bring this fund up to £1,500. We should do all in our power to help this worthy undertaking, and in the meantime pray that a church building may be erected soon. The Pretoria company is the most needy in the conference at present.

B. M. HEALD.

# REMEMBER

The next big thing, for a big cause is BIG WEEK, April 2 to 9. Watch for announcements.

#### Deliverance

THE Durban church rejoices today over the Lord's wonderful deliverance in healing. One of our number has been given back to us from what might have been his death-bed.

Recently, Sister Leverett, with her husband and son, Geoffrey, spent a holiday at the Cape. On their return, Geoffrey visited friends in the Kimberley district, and came home on January 21. The next day, he was at church, but in the evening since he was feeling ill he was advised to see the doctor.

He cycled across town, and the doctor advised him

to apply certain treatment to a swelling on the neck. This was done, but the next morning he became suddenly ill and collapsed. Two doctors gave immediate attention, but the neck became much swollen and he was taken to hospital. After blood tests, the dreaded word. "anthrax," was pronounced. Geoffrey's parents were informed that not more than one in fifty recover from this disease, and that no hope could be given.

But, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble," and the ministers and others were asked to pray for Geoffrey. Only his parents were allowed to see him, and for only a few minutes at a time. Prayer was continually offered by several families of the church, and at the mid-week meeting. Through the grace of God, both parents resigned the case of their only son into His hands, wholly trusting in His will. On the following Sabbath, special prayer was offered at the church service.

For a week or more little was heard from the hospital, but God's believing people continued praying and hoping. Then, after long suspense, came the glad message, "Geoffrey is now out of danger." Both parents and friends are now rejoicing in our God, Who heals and saves. Brother Geoffrey Leverett seems like one given back from the very gates of death. Let the people of God trust Him, "Who forgiveth all thine iniquities, Who healeth all thy diseases."

Sister Leverett, her husband and her son, wish to express sincere thanks to God and to all who remembered them in their time of need.

J. C.Rogers.

#### CAPE CONFERENCE

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# Cape Conference of S. D. A.

#### Statement of Tithe and Mission Offerings for year ending December 31, 1926

Church		the		Miss. (	Offs	Rec.	Mis.	Off.	Goal	% Attained
EUROPEAN										
Cape Town	487	3	1	381	5	5	533	0	0	71
Claremont	653	19	6	<b>3</b> 90	1	9	422	10	0	92
Conference	566	6	8	390	11	5	845	0	0	46
East London	108	6	6	198	19	4	<b>5</b> 2	0	0	383
George	374	<b>2</b>	4	123	17	0	169	0	0	73
Grahamstown	28	19	9	51	8	5	<b>5</b> 8	10	0	88
Kingwilliamstow	n 145	18	0	58	10	5	117	0	0	50
Langkloof	77	19	9	46	6	7	260	0	0	18
Port Elizabeth	443	17	7	356	15	1	325	0	0	110
Rokeby Park	158	11	9	158	7	10	156	0	0	101
Worcester	148	17	9	173	13	10	110	10	0	158
$\mathbf{W}$ ynberg	328	17	6	225	4	6	546	0	0	41
Totals	£3523	0	2	2555	1	7				•
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Elsies River	155	3	4	70	10	4	72	3	0	97
Port Elizabeth	83	16	1	49	16	4	44	17	Ō	111
Salt River	123	ĝ.	8		16	2	99	9	0	97
Uitenhage	1	11	3	2	13	3	19	10	0	14
Totals	£364	0	4	218	16	1				
NATIVE										
	£186	<b>2</b>	0	107	15	8	215	3	0	50
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Treasurer

## Notice

• NOTICE is hereby given that the thirtieth annual session of the Cape Conference is called to convene at Cape Town, April 26 to May 1, 1927. The first business meeting will be held in the Cape Town church, April 26, at 11.15 A. M.

Officers will be elected for the ensuing term, and such other business transacted as may properly come before the conference.

L. L. MOFFITT, President,

P. W. WILLMORE, Secretary.

#### Thanks to Providence

I FEEL that I should give thanks to my God for His wonderful power on my behalf. Recently, I experienced a fearful motor accident. I was travelling to the station by motor lorry and was sitting with my legs hanging over the side. A motor car, dashing along at the rate of about thirty miles an hour, caught both my legs and I was dragged for about twelve yards.

When the doctor arrived, and after examination, he stated, "Nothing broken, only the legs badly bruised." Taking everything into account, all exclaimed, "It is only God who delivered you." It is one of those wonderful deliverances of the Almighty God.

I have been laid up for almost two months with blood poisoning in the one leg and inflamation in the other. I praise God for delivering me and restoring me to health again. I thank Him that I am not crippled for the rest of my life. I praise Him continuously for His love to me. E. EYBERS.

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# Wanted

By young lady, just from Spion Kop College, situation in Adventist family to instruct and take charge of one or two little children. Apply, "Northdene," Grove Walk, Claremont.

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## When Supper is Over

EVENINGS are the beginnings of a new day. An evening spent in studying a lesson in Bible doctrines, or learning to speak or write effectively, or mastering some of the principles of salesmanship, will pass rapidly and pleasantly, and will leave a blessing behind. A well-spent evening leads to refreshing sleep and health and forward-looking thoughts. You can become a better father or mother, a better Sabbath school teacher, a more efficient church elder by taking up some definite line of correspondence study. Our teachers will give you their personal attention and help you to work out the plan that God has for your life. May we not have the pleasure of hearing from you and adding your name to our list of stu-M. E. Olsen, Principal. dents?

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#### **General News Notes**

WE are sorry to report that Sister Slate is in hospital at Wynberg, having undergone an operation.

THE secretaries of the General Conference have been asked to compile material for an eight to ten minute mission talk to be broadcast each week through the radio station at Berrien Springs.

In a recent letter received from Brother D. E. Robinson, of the Rusangu mission, he says: "A letter was brought to me this morning by a messenger from one of our out-school teachers. He is located in a village where a school was closed a year ago, because of lack of interest, and of a school house, as the old one had collapsed. This new teacher reports seventy in his baptismal class, and a Sabbath attendance of 370 at times. He is so overwhelmed that he is asking us to come up to help him. This seems good from a village where there has been no special evangelistic work."

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#### **Report of Literature Sales for December**

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Bible Readings											
F. E. Potter	$61\frac{1}{2}$	<b>24</b>	36	11	0		12	0	37	3	0
P. Grobler	65		Delive	rin	g						
Great Controversy											_
Mrs. I. C. Kuit	$27\frac{1}{2}$	<b>24</b>	33	0	0				33	0	0
Past Present & Fu	ture										
Mrs. M. Smith	34 <u>3</u>	<b>2</b>	1	5	0	1	11	6	<b>2</b>	16	6
God's Answers											
Mis K. Neuhoff	52	19	8 3	12	6	15	16	0	<b>24</b>	8	6
Ladies' Handbook.											
Miss P. Naude	$116\frac{3}{4}$	94	141	0	6				141	0	6
Mrs. Swanepoel	53	21	32	17	6				32	17	6
Miss. F. Kruger	<b>21</b>	8	12	10	0				12	10	0
Mrs. A. A. Pitt	5		De	live	ring						
Practical Guide.											
H. J. Moolman	118	58	86	17	6		15	0	87	<b>12</b>	6
Delmer Gibson	23	12	16	17	6				16	<b>17</b>	6
Miscellaneous	21	11	4	14	6		10	6	5	5	0
	598‡	273	<b>3</b> 74	6	0	19	5	0	<b>39</b> 3	11	0
Periodical sales			70	10	3				70	10	3
Native sales			51	10	<b>2</b>				51	10	2
Office sales	-		· 64	1	7				64	. 1	7
Totals	$598\frac{1}{4}$	273	560	8	0	19	5	0	579	13	0

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Bible Readings.											
D. D. Toerien	$162\frac{3}{4}$	53	70	5	0	3	8	6	73	13	6
A. F. Minter	$129\frac{1}{2}$	41	59	15	0	1	3	0	60	18	0
Practical Guide.											
D. J. Kruger	45	9	11	10	0				11	10	0
I. Bredenkamp	256	105	142	17	6	1	8	• 6	144	6	0
E. W. Marter	206	126	174	0	0		<b>2</b>	6	174	2	6
L. A. Vixie	15		]	Deli	veri	ng					
S. Stevenson	$78\frac{1}{2}$	45	59	15	0		11	0	60	6	0
Our Day											
I. H. Beattie	125호	<b>44</b>	35	7	6		6	0	35	13	6
C. Petersen	116	55	44	8	0				44	8	0
E. McAlpine	82	19	15	17	6	<b>2</b>	19	0	18	16	6
Miss de Gourvi	lle 31	48	35	5	0				35	5	0
A. Lategan	16	17	14	2	6		6	0	14	8	6
-	1263 <del>1</del>	562	663	3	0	10	4	6	673	7	6
Periodical sales	-		54	16	4				54	16	4
Native sales			1	1	<b>2</b>				1	1	<b>2</b>
Office sales			17	6	10				17	6	10
Totals	$1263\frac{1}{4}$	562	736	7	4	10	4	6	746	11	10

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Practical Guide		• .				
V. Gibson	131	72	98	10	0	98 10 0
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S. J. Fourie	17	18	25	7	6	$25 \ 7 \ 6$
	429 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <b>3</b> 9	189	7	6	189 7 6
Periodicals sales			<b>2</b>	9	6	296
Office sales		•	42	1	4	$42 \ 1 \ 4$
Native sales			6	3	0	630
Totals	$429\frac{1}{2}$	139	240	1	4	240 1 4

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Zan	nbesi Union	
Miscellaneous		$14 \ 14 \ 11$
Native sales		$2 \ 3 \ 0$
Periodical sales		$5 \ 4 \ 0$
	$\mathbf{Total}$	£ 22 1 11

#### **Transvaal Delagoa Mission Field**

Miscellaneous	£3	3	6
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#### Totals for December 1926

Totals	2 <b>2</b> 91	974	1562	2	1	29	9	6	1591	11	7
Office sales			123	. 9	9				123	9	9
Native sales			60	17	4				69	17	4
Periodical sales			133	0	1				13 <b>3</b>	0	1
T. D. Miss. Fiel	d		3	3	6				3	3	6
Zambesi Union			14	<b>1</b> 4	11				14	14	11
O. R. Conf	429	$\frac{1}{2}$ 139	189	7	6				189	7	-6
Cape Conf	1263	$\frac{1}{4}$ 562	663	3	0	10	4	6	673	7	6
N-T Conf	598	$\frac{1}{4}$ 273	374	6	0	19	5	0	393	11	0

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