## Messenger Flashes

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- DONATED CHURCH DEDICATED -- Brother Ramon Angelino (arrow), a member of the church in Florida, Copan, Honduras, bought the land and built the chapel dedicated on March 24. At the same service the group was organized into a church .-- R. S. Folkenberg.
- FROM PANAMA -- The village of Jaque in El Darien, was greatly benefited by a one-week evangelistic campaign held by pastor Claudio Hernandez. The women who attended, chiefly Choco Indians, took off their jewels and ornaments after hearing the message. Four families of another denomination that at-

tended the meetings, have requested baptism. A branch Sabbath school has been organized.

\*The Panama Conference now has a new secretary for the departments of Lay Activities, Education and MV in the person of Pastor Flavio Villarreal .-- E. Betancourt.

•NEWS FROM "INSTIVOC" -- Recently Elder Samuel Cole of Antillian College in Puerto Rico, held a Week of Prayer at Instituto Vocacional Adventista in Nirgua, Venezuela. As a result, three young people were baptized.

\*March 28 was School Day for Instituto Vocacional Adventista, an occasion long to be rememberd by students, teachers and visitors. Among the activities scheduled for the day was a beautiful program staged by sixteen people coming from as many countries representing the school family .-- Gladys de Hernandez.

● COLPORTEUR INSTITUTE -- March 28-31, twelve young men gathered at Tegucigalpa, Hon-



duras, coming from the four corners of the country for a brief colporteur institue held under the leadership of Prof. Dagoberto Barrios, publishing secretary for the mission (extreme right), and his associate, Escriel Romero (extreme left). After learning both the theory and the practical aspect of canvassing, these young men have joined the literature evangelist forces of the Honduras Mission .-- R. S. Folkenberg.

• FROM COSTA RICA--Three new workers were added to the mission staff--Reynaldo Canales for the Guanacaste district; Jaime Escobar for the new San Isidro del General

district; and Jose Batz for the Spanish work in Puerto Limon.

\*With the co-operation of the central church members and the union, the mission recently purchased a property located in the Desamparados suburb of San Jose. This is our second church in this capital city. Elders Efrain Murillo and Mario Robinson held a brief crusade each, and with the 18 souls won they had a joint baptism at the San Jose central church .-- Francisco Arroyo.

•FROM EAST JAMAICA--The tenth biennial session of the East Jamaica Conference held in Kingston March 31-April 3, was attended by the following special guests: The Right Honorable Hugh L. Shearer, Prime Minister of Jamaica; B. L. Archbold and R.R.Drachenberg, president and auditor, respectively, of the IAD; Walter Haase, pastor of the Temple church in Miami; and G. R. Thompson, president of the Caribbean Union. The conference officers and all departmental secretaries were re-elected.--R. R. Drachenberg

•A WONDERFUL MV CAMP--On the shores of Lake Masaya in Nicaragua, more than 100 campers enjoyed a happy week April 4-11 in Christian fellowship with Elders C. D. Christian, MV secretary for the Central American Union; W. H. Waller and Alfredo Garcia, mission president and mission MV secretary, respectively. After the last Sabbath activities were over, a beautiful baptismal service was held for six of the campers.--Edgar Mendoza.

•THE EL SALVADOR MV CAMP--The lively MV camp held April 5-11 was attended by over 160 young people. Several instructors helped out in this camp, among them mission MV secretary Raul Rodriguez; the veteran workers Elder and Mrs. Orley Ford; mission president Luis E. Leonor and the local workers.--C. D. Christian.

OWEST JAMAICA SESSION--April 7-11, the West Jamaica session convened at Montego Bay. President S. M. Reid, and treasurer and Book and Bible House manager R. O. A. Samms were re-elected. Former secretary and evangelist J. C. Palmer was called to the Stewardship Department of the West Indies Union and also to be union evangelist. Elder E. R. E. Wright is replacing him in the Secretarial Department, and he is also taking over the Temperance Department. Elder W. A. Shaw is the new publishing secretary replacing Elder R. B. Wallace who requested sustentation. The other department heads are: C. S. Plummer, Sabbath School; C. R. Perry, Lay Activities and Education; C. A. Holness, MV and Public Relations; C. C. Nebblett, Stewardship.--B. L. Archbold.

•BIENNIAL SESSION--The Central Jamaica Conference session was held April 14-17 in Spanish Town. All three administrators were re-elected as well as the departmental secretaries with the exception of Elder V.C. Hutchinson of the Publishing Department, who has requested a study leave. Elder A. L. Lyle is the new publishing secretary.-- B. L. Archbold.



ORDINATION IN MONTEGO BAY--On Sabbath, April 10, C. D. Standish, president of the West Indies College (extreme right); and R. O. A. Samms, treasurer and Book and Bible House manager for the West Jamaica Conference (second from right), were ordained to the gospel ministry. Present for the occasion were Dr. C. B. Hirsch (center), of the General Conference Department of Education, who delivered the sermon; Caribbean Union president G. R. Thompson, who offered the ordination prayer; IAD president B.L. Archbold, who read the charge; West Indies Union

president H. S. Walters, who welcomed the candidates to the ranks of SDA ministry; and union secretary M. G. Nembhard (extreme left), who presented the new ministers with ordination certificates.--B. L. Archbold.

•FROM THE WEST INDIES UNION OFFICE--Former union MV secretary Herbert Fletcher was elected union treasurer.

\*Elder J. C. Palmer, former secretary and evangelist for the West Jamaica Conference, has accepted the call of the union to be evangelist and stewardship secretary. At present he is holding an evangelistic crusade in Toronto, Canada.--B. L. Archbold.