



H. ARMSTRONG ROBERTS To all, Christ said: "He who does not take his cross . . . is not worthy of me."

SELF-CONTROL

By L. NELSON BELL

NE of the most difficult of all lessons the Christian has to learn is that of self-control. Saying no to self involves clarity of perspective and an exercise of the will, for self-control involves a discipline from which the natural man shrinks.

Who of us is not sadly aware of recurring failures, all because we failed to exercise self-control. Not that selfdiscipline is accomplished solely by human determination. We Christians know that the control of our lives is possible only as we make use of God-given defenses and directives. We take comfort in the promise, "No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it" (I Cor. 10:13, RSV).

One of our mistakes is unconsciously classifying necessary decisions into "small" and "great," into those we like to think of as "minor" as (Turn to page 9) Even the darkest days seem sunny when the soul is

In Tune With

By Gertrude Loewen

There is the stood beside me in the General Conference wrapping room where we were both getting parcels ready for mailing—this remarkable missionary woman from a lonely mission station, far away from all her own people, made all the more lonely since her young husband's untimely death. I was about to ask her how she endured the unending loneliness among strange people, when she began humming the song "Alone With God." My question was instantly answered. Her calm and serene face was bathed with a holy peace. Most of all, her warm, clear eyes drew me irresistibly to her. Through them radiated unmistakable signs of spiritual vitality. Then as I heard her tell the thrilling story of her work, I felt I wanted to love "her people" as she did.

What is the secret of such vibrant, victorious living? What is behind the enthusiasm that shines forth from a radiant personality? What makes one enjoy life to its full?

For many the answer is found in the private devotional life. That is the secret of their successful living and radiant personality. This inward communing with God, and getting in tune with Him, shines out through the Christian, far surpassing any outward adorning. When something happens on the inside it is reflected on the outside.

Everyone can have his secret ladder to a joyous Christian life and attain a happy personality, in keeping with his own individual needs and endowments. A young college girl, amid the hectic whirl of a busy study program toward graduation, told her friends, "I was at a loss to know what to do or say next, when I recalled the magnificent lives of men who got up at three in the morning to pray. So I thought I would try getting up earlier than usual. After the terrific struggle to get out of bed a half hour earlier the first morning, it wasn't too bad."

She had been used to having her devotions, but they had been rather hurried. With this extra time she found "I had lots of time to tell the Lord what I wanted." She memorized portions of the Bible and gained a blessing from that that brought unexpected and priceless returns.

EAVEN

"At times I wondered whether the loss of sleep might endanger my health, and whether it was worth it all. But I soon had my answer. When I got up half an hour earlier the day was wonderful, and everything fell into place smoothly, with the studies coming easier; but if I neglected my worship the day was most frustrating. I simply turned my life over to the Lord and said, 'Please teach me how to act.' When the Lord works, a person can't explain how He does it, but it happens just the same."

Soul Needs Inspiration

No one pattern for devotional habits can fit the lives of all, owing to individual personalities and circumstances, and the pattern changes from time to time because of differing conditions and Christian growth. The important thing is that there be private, individual devotion in the life—to become acquainted with God and imbued with heavenly things. After some of life's bitter experiences that come to each of us to purify and to perfect us, nothing is so satisfying as tuning in with God. Just as the fragrant flowers need the dew and rain of heaven to bloom, so does the soul hunger and thirst for divine inspiration.

Prayer is an intimate, personal conversation with our best Friend—One with whom we can share everything. Our crushing sorrows may be unburdened, and our souls find relief. As contrite, humble petitioners, offering fervent and meaningful prayers mixed with unutterable longings for salvation, and supplications for mercy, we may open the innermost thoughts of our heart to the Saviour.

To have this personal contact, to grasp the hand of Christ by faith, brings heaven close to earth. Quietly listening, and patiently waiting for His message through the moving of His Spirit upon the heart, we may individually hear Him speak, making God's grand purpose clear. Help can always be found, and an answer is always given, though at times not just the one we might desire.



Closely related to prayer is Bible reading and study. By this we feed our souls with the bread of life, so we may know better how to make requests for Heaven's power. Often a small gem of beauty from a short reading will linger with us throughout the day, giving guidance and casting a mold on our work. When the last thought at night is a spiritual jewel we awake in the morning with jewellike thoughts. This can create a thirst for more spiritual food in reading the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy, in searching for something deeper.

My personal practice is to read a page in each of three devotional books just as soon as I am dressed in the morning. With red pencil in hand I mark those places that are especially meaningful, often turning down the corner of a page for easy reference when I am searching for something that has impressed me.

Later on, as I have more time, possibly at bedtime, I can read and meditate further. The volumes of *The SDA Bible Commentary* make Bible truths plainer and more comprehensive. And now with the new Spirit of Prophecy *Index*, while surrounded with all the Spirit of Prophecy books and Bible commentaries on my sofa, I enjoy looking up my favorite topics and gleaning choice quotations. This bread from heaven has been as necessary for me as petitioning for my needs.

A Set Time

Having a set time for devotions is a good plan, but even more important is to practice continual communion with the Lord. Moreover, I must live through the day as a Christian should live. Through a continual lifting of my heart to Heaven my soul is quickened by the Spirit. When I have such communion I live as in the very presence of God, and the influence of holy thoughts and actions is unconsciously breathed out in the invisible atmosphere surrounding me.

When my "boss" dictates a letter to a missionary in a remote corner of the earth and says, "The Lord is too kind to be unkind in His dealings with any of us," my heart joins with that of the missionary in his appreciation of this comforting message. I am glad, as a secretary, to transcribe a letter like this and send it on its way. The letter continues: "After all is said and done, we claim to be Christians, and we should see to it that every day we manifest in our lives the spirit that actuated our Lord when He was upon this earth."

Such letters, breathing forth inspiration fragrant with delicate tact, challenge, encouragement, and consolation, are a real joy to write. Another letter may say, "Only this morning I was reading again the statement of Sister White, where she says that God today is looking for men who have the courage of heroes and the faith of martyrs."

And, as he accepted a call to new responsibilities, my "boss" said, "Through the years we have learned that it is a good thing to go, when He says 'Go,' and to stay, when He says 'Stay.' The safest place is where God calls."

There is a mystical atmosphere surrounding this busy executive—as though he is shut in with God—that can come only from a life wholly dedicated to Him. To cross his path even for a short time is a privilege. It is a truly enriching and pleasant experience so rarely found along life's busy way.

So, in my work duties, whether sitting at my desk or standing by the file cabinet, my heart turns heavenward.

Love of Music

Through my love of music this spirit of communion also is kept alive, for sacred music is really beautiful only when it comes from a living, personal Christian experience involving the whole heart. Wings of praise ascend nearer to heaven, and the sacred harmonies of the soul are brought in tune through songs of devotion. To realize that out of my experience of victory over sin and trials endured, my music will sound sweeter and more compassionate than that produced by angels, brings joy.

Private devotion enriches family worship and church fellowship. To hear baby lips joining with older children in framing their own prayers of devotion is sweetest music. How much I enjoy my husband's heartfelt prayer as he prays for me and my needs at worship. I sense his close touch with Heaven when he earnestly pleads that we may enter heaven as an unbroken family.

This spirit of communion and fellowship with Christ bears fruit in the experience of Christian witness. When Christ is the center of my life there is no question as to my witness—I witness what I see and experience. In my own way I relive the life of Christ as I make Him my model, and by my testimony I offer Christ to all whom I meet.

The love of God is foundational to all communion and witnessing. Hearts do not open to each other without the magnetic appeal of love and understanding. Flowers do not unfold their lovely petals until the sun's warm rays irresistibly loosen them from winter's cold.

The beauty of Christ's life is reflected in a smiling face and sparkling eyes: Holy joy and peace, radiating celestial brightness, give the countenance a heavenly and dignified appearance. The light of sympathy and love shines out from the face. It is but a mirror of the life within. The looks, manners, and words indicate serenity, hope, and courage.

As I commune with God, the words I speak will have a vital power, and my conversation will be on heavenly things. My words will be useful and refreshing. My voice will have a persuasive power as, in loving tenderness and sympathy, it melts and comforts troubled hearts.

Nothing is so thrilling as being able to witness for my best Friend. My heart throbs with animation and enthusiasm, and I feel a glow of happiness when someone comes closer to Christ. None of these contacts with people are purely accidental. God knows what kind of person He wants to make of me-each person whom I meet helps mold me into that pattern-and the solemn thing to me is that I may always be the kind of person whom He can use in the right way in all the lives that touch mine. It is my responsibility to represent Christ clearly in the most attractive manner. I must, in my own way, befriend those who are empty and crying inside, and be sensitive to their slightest needs, to help them choose their path in the maze of conflicting influences. This heart-to-heart contact awes and overwhelms me when I realize I can assist in satisfying another's dire need for spiritual help. When I am more concerned with what God thinks of my ways than of what people think of me, I can better meet the innermost need behind the artificial mask of society -the secret yearning of a human heart.

As I tune in to Heaven for my personal needs and relive the experience I receive from my heavenly Friend, I am alive to all real pleasures. I feel a ministry of love in my duties. I enjoy life to the full, choosing beautiful things and "happy" colors. On a dark, wintry day, among a sea of black and dark-colored coats a woman wore a beautiful red coat, the color of a deep red rose. A friend approached her with "You're wearing such a 'happy' color!" She replied, "That's just the way I feel—I feel happy." This love of the beautiful comes from the inner spirit of the heart.

Angels come near as I cherish this spirit of devotion, and revere and adore my Saviour. I can enjoy their companionship in the themes they desire to study. As my mind fills with great and pure thoughts and noble aspirations, I can draw nearer and nearer to the gates of the New Jerusalem. With delight I shall prepare to enter the gates of the celestial city and partake of heaven's worship exercises and activities. Then I can commune with my Redeemer face to face-with the One who has done so much for me-and enjoy His unbroken companionship throughout eternity.

Independent Publication of the Ellen G. White Writings-3

S. N. Haskell and "Early Writings"

Light from Heaven conflicts with sincere efforts that would have undermined church organization.

By Arthur L. White Secretary, Ellen G. White Estate

HE second proposal embodying independent publishing of of an E. G. White book was placed before Mrs. White in 1908. This came to her from an old friend, Elder S. N. Haskell. It came at a time when financial pressures on Ellen White were large. While her personal living expenses were met from her weekly salary paid by the General Conference, she was under financial pressure to carry on her literary work.

She personally met the expense of the salaries of those who assisted her in the preparation of her writings for publication. She also met the expense of setting up type and making the plates for her books and for illustrating those that carried illustrations. She met the salaries and expense of her secretaries in writing her letters and copying her articles.

There were some returns to her in a financial way. She received a modest royalty from the sale of her books and, at times, a modest fee for her articles. That which she received came far short of meeting the cost of the work. Then occasionally she borrowed money to aid in the general work of the church, such as evangelistic efforts and the establishing of institutions.

She found, in 1908, that she was becoming involved quite heavily in debt. This troubled her. Yet she sensed that her years were running out and that she must move forward with certain lines of work while she was able, confident that the royalty incomes from the sale of her books subsequent to her death would meet such obligations. She was not misled in this conclusion, for such indebtedness has long since been met from the income to her estate from the sale of her books.

But it was at the very time of financial pressure in 1908 that Elder S. N. Haskell, pioneer long in the work and at times closely associated with Ellen White, proposed a special edition of Early Writings. Elder Haskell was then president of the California Conference, with an office in nearby Oakland, California. He had observed with distress the limited circulation being given to the E. G. White books by the publishers of the denomination and was eager to see a wide distribution of Early Writings in particular. Also he knew the heavy burden of debt that Ellen White was carrying and he wished to help in bringing some relief to her.

His proposal called for an edition of Early Writings printed outside of our publishing houses at a minimum of expense and then circulated widely among Seventh-day Adventists, but by-passing the regular channels of distribution.

Elder Haskell Appeals for the Word — "Go Ahead"

Early in March, 1908, Elder Haskell had some conversation with Ellen White about this matter. While she was not entirely clear that his plan was feasible, her first reaction was quite favorable. Shortly after this interview, he wrote to her, describing in greater detail what might be done. He had secured figures on printing costs outside our own publishing circles, and he asked for her approval

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on his moving forward in the printing of a large special edition of Early Writings. Here is his proposition, as he laid it before Sister White on March 25, 1908:

Now I want to demonstrate what can be done with your writings. You know I spoke to you about Early Writings while at your place. One reason why I greatly prefer to begin with *Early Writings* is because of the effect I have seen and known of it having in establishing our brethren in the truth. I also want to do something with Great Con-troversy. We hope to go to Healdsburg before the school closes and encourage the canvassers on *Great Controversy*. There should be thou-sands of them sold this season.

Now about Early Writings for our people. Since I first spoke to you about it and you told me that I could print it, we have per-fected a plan whereby I can dispose of thousands of them among our people without interfering with the publishing house edition a particle. And, I am sure I can return to you in one year from the time I begin at least twenty-five hundred dollars, and I think much more than that. My plan is to print a different edition than is now printed, to have it smaller in circumference, so it can be carried in the vest pocket-a pocket edition—and to get it up altogther different from their edition.

You know we have tried for three years to get Early Writings at reasonable rates from the Publishers and failed. We can no more than fail if we print it. All I ask is to have you say to us, "Go ahead," and we will go you say to us, "Go ahead," and we will go ahead. You did tell me to print it, but, after getting the estimates I thought I would write you about it before I begin. If you say, "Go ahead," then that is enough. We do not ask this to bring you into it at all, or to use your name, unless it be to some of your special friends, but I simply want to be as-sured that you are in harmony with the move.

If God has given me wisdom to devise a plan to use ten thousand of them among our people as a reference book, then you can I want to see tens of thousands of your books on the market this year and with God's help we will see it.

There is no one book in all my fifty years of experience that has helped more of our brethren to become established on the Spirit of Prophecy than Early Writings has. This edition of Early Writings contains your early experiences in going from place to place in Maine and New England. If, in some future time a larger edition, one more full, is written, this will prepare the way for it. This is my judgment of the matter. It is what our people need at the present time. We propose to print it on thin paper so it can be carried to print it on thin paper so it can be carried in the pocket, as history says that they carried Paul's epistles before they were bound in the New Testament. Well, I will say no more at this time. The printers are awaiting my order by wire, if you simply say, "Go ahead." As ever in hope, (signed) S. N. HASKELL

(Signed) S. N. HASKELL

On March 30, Elder Haskell, not having heard from Ellen White, wrote a second letter, in which he said:

I am waiting to hear from you in reference to the matter of which I wrote you—the publishing of *Early Writings*. The more I have thought about that the more I am con-vinced that it will be so entirely a different edition from the ones already published, that it will not in any way affect the sale of the book as published by either of the publishing houses. It will be an entirely different edition, gotten up on a different plan, and a different class of our brethren will purchase it. The more I think about it the more I believe it will bring you a large revenue, larger than has ever been realized from the sale of that book.

The crisis that we are in at the present time, that book is needed, especially the latter part of it.

Ellen White's Reply

On March 28, Ellen White made her reply. Apparently this crossed in the mail the second letter from Elder Haskell. Here is what she wrote, indicating that God had given her light on the influence of such an action on her part:

> Sanitarium, California March 29, 1908

Elder S. N. Haskell

Box 457 Oakland, Cal.

Dear Brother Haskell,

I have received your letter, in which you speak of a plan for you to print and sell a

lârge number of my book, Early Writings, brought out in a new style of binding.

In the past I have given my consent to your suggestions regarding this matter, but recently I have received such positive instruction regarding the necessity of unity that I dare not

give my consent to your proposition. The Lord would have every movement made by you or by me such that it will inspire confidence in us as being led by the Lord. I should be sorry to see you do any-thing that would tend to lessen your influence as a wise counselor. As missionary workers, we need the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We must seek to follow the example set by our Saviour in His ministry of love. We must manifest the wisdom of the serpent and the harmlessness of the dove. May God help us that we may be a blessing to His people.

I would not wish to handle my books, nor to see you handle your books in a manner that would seem to throw discredit upon the publishing houses. We must manifest wisdom in this matter. To carry out the plans you suggest would, to many, seem that we were taking advantage of circumstances to benefit ourselves.



S. N. Haskell, pioneer Adventist minister, and close associate of Ellen G. White.

In your office as president of this conferencé, the Lord would have you do everything possible to bring about a spirit of unity. Let the idea of unity be the key-note of all your actions. This instruction has been given me for you, that not one move must be made that will create feelings of discord. . .

Let your whole influence be cast to create a spirit of unity with the men who are carrying responsibilities in the publishing work. Then your words will have more influence.

You and I are being watched very critically. If we were to carry out plans that would create dissension, this might result in the loss of souls.

The Lord would be pleased for you to modify your plans regarding the selling of books at low prices, lest you lead some to feel that our publishing houses were charging exorbitantly for their labor.

In your position of trust as president of the California Conference, you should take especial heed lest you give occasion for your selfsacrificing efforts to be regarded as a reflection upon the men connected with our offices of publication. You are to come as close as possible to our leading brethren. It would be a great mistake to follow methods in the a great mistake to follow methods in the publication and sale of your books that would injure your influence. Therefore, I say that it would not be wise, my brother, to carry out plans that seem to some to be contrary to fair dealing in the sale of our books.

Therefore I cannot give my consent to have any of my books handled at the present time in the way you suggest. It would make upon the minds of some of our brethren an impression that would not be desirable. Even though the whole thirty thousand dollars of my indebtedness might be settled in the manner you propose, yet I could not give my consent."—E. G. White letter 94, 1908.

Ellen White Dares Not Venture

On receiving the second letter from Elder Haskell, Ellen G. White, on April 2, 1908, wrote:

> Sanitarium, California April 2, 1908

Elder and Mrs. S. N. Haskell:

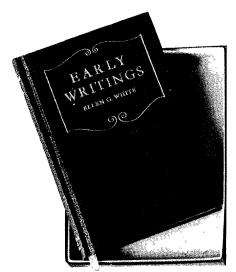
Dear Brother and Sister Haskell,

On making inquiries regarding the publication of Early Writings, I learn that our offices at Mountain View and at Washington have just brought out, and have in stock a large edition of this book, and that they are selling a paper-covered edition for thirty-five cents. Under such circumstances therefore, it would seem unjust to them were we to endeavor to place on the market a smaller-sized book, to be sold at a low price. . . . Now, Elder Haskell, I want you to under-

stand that I appreciate your interest in the scattering of the truth through a wide sale of Early Writings. I thank the Lord that I know you will not misunderstand me. . I know that your offer comes from the sincerity of your soul, and may the Lord bless you for your desire to help me. But I dare not venture to risk the consequences of the step you propose. .

Representations that have been given me lead me to fear the plan of selling our books at too low a price. Many who would take advantage of these low prices, might just as easily pay the full price. And some who buy the books for little, would sell them to others who would have to pay the regular prices. Such a plan is bringing in an order of things that will not bring the best results. If you find worthy people who are not able to pay for a book, it is your privilege to present it to them. But you should hold your books at a price that will insure against a loss to the publishers.

The enemy is ever seeking to scatter briers



The Christian Home Library edition of Early Writings.

and thorns among the precious wheat. Earnest labor is required to make a success of our efforts. While certain plans may seem to be wise, and while men may have the best of motives in following them, yet if these plans result in friction, it will be found that the good results that were sought will not appear. I dare not under present conditions do otherwise than as I have stated. While for a time there might be an enthusiasm in presenting books at a great reduction, yet there are only a few who could do this kind of work. And I cannot consent for you to do this in my behalf. We are both becoming old, and every move must bear the impress of the character of Christ. Not for a day must we venture to move unadvisedly. Looking unto Jesus constitutes real excellence of character. If we copy the pattern we shall always be safe; for Christ will be revealed in personal ministry. Let us make no mistakes, for we are sowing for eternity.

We should blend with our publishing institutions in laying and carrying out plans that will be productive of healthful unity. All should seek to be baptized with the Holy Spirit, and all speak the same things. Let each serve with an eye single to the glory of God. —E. G. White letter 106, 1908.

Elder Haskell accepted this counsel. He dropped the matter rather reluctantly, suggesting that he was prepared to work in harmony with the light that had been given.

It must be kept in mind that Ellen White's decisions in these matters were made in the face of her desire to see a wide distribution of her books; notwithstanding the fact that they were seemingly being neglected by our publishers; and in face of the proposal that such a sale of her books would bring funds to her that would help in liquidating her indebtedness incurred in carrying on the work of the Lord. But these considerations carried little weight in the light of what was opened to her in vision by the Lord as to the natural result of a course of action that would take the publishing of her books out of the normal channels of denominational printing and distribution.

Present Conditions Even More Favorable

Some may argue, as did Brethren Magan and Haskell, that the publishers of the denomination were rather indifferent to the E. G. White books and indifferent to their being made available at prices that were reasonable. But such cannot be justly argued today. Through the plan of the Missionary Book of the Year, a large denominational book has been made available each year for one dollar. In 1954, The Great Controversy was so used in a printing of the complete book, with paging identical with the indexed editions and with all indexes, et cetera, included. A total of 345,000 copies were distributed, and since that time the publishers have continued to make this book available at a very reasonable price.

A New Paperback Great Controversy

Just this year, the Pacific Press has issued a new printing of *The Great Controversy* in paperback form and is making this 719-page book available through the Book and Bible Houses at 75 cents a copy. This is the complete book with standard pagination. This has been done at a time when printing costs are constantly rising. What a generous gesture! What an opportunity lies before Seventh-day Adventists to distribute this truthfilled book in this form!

There has come to our attention through circulars in the mail a suggestion made by some independent organization led by certain ones who feel they are zealous Seventh-day Adventists, that a selection of matter be taken from the last 20 chapters of *The Great Controversy* and these be put out in a new format. Seventh-day Adventists are asked to contribute \$300,000 to this project.

If Ellen G. White were living today, it can be seen clearly from the review of some interesting points in our own history, that she could not place her approval on such an independent publication of portions of *The Great Controversy;* nor can the White Estate trustees place their approval on such an enterprise. No truehearted Seventh-day Adventist would wish to participate in such a privately engineered program.

We would encourage all Seventhday Adventists to make their investments in The Great Controversy in the full book produced at the bargain price by our publishers, that it may have the widest possible distribution. We would encourage them to give the book an unprecedented distribution. We would encourage each individual to review carefully the importance of organization and of working in lines that carry the benefit of the counsel of men of experience in conducting the work of the church and in the publishing and distribution of the Ellen G. White writings.

BLINDED EYES

(Based on 2 Kings 6:15-19)

The young man's eyes, though open, could not see The host of heavenly angels camping near. He only saw the foe's resistless force That filled his faithless heart with dread and fear, And as his helplessness and terror grew

He cried, "O, master! Now, what shall we do?"

The prophet knew God's tender love and care, And saw by faith the army He had sent

To give protection in the hour of need. When Israel's resources were nigh spent!

He asked, "O God! Please open now his eyes, That he may see Heav'n's army in disguise!" BY ELMA P. LAWRENCE

And to the youth he said, "Fear not the foe, For those with us are many more than they!" And then his eyes beheld the mountain filled With soldiers whom no earthly host could stay. Now, blindness fell upon the foe instead, And to the fortress city they were led!

Like that young man, we see the hosts of wrong, And often fail to see the angels near.

Our faith is weak! We cry, "What shall we do?" And tremble in our blind and faithless fear! We pray Thee, open now our blinded eyes To see, in faith, the help sent from the skies!

A Victorious Church

POR 6,000 years the conflict between good and evil, truth and error, righteousness and wickedness, has centered in the church. The powers of darkness have never ceased their warfare against Christ and His church. At times the battle is an open assault, with persecution; more often, a subtle, corrupting influence with error and worldliness as the weapons of warfare.

For the church there is but one defense—the whole armor of God, including the helmet of salvation, the breastplate of righteousness; but one weapon of attack—the sword of the Spirit, the Word of God. Sad to say, the church militant has at times been weakened with worldliness and corrupted with false doctrines.

According to Scripture there are two periods during which the church goes forth conquering and to conquer, its armor bright, its power unlimited. At Pentecost the believers were "filled with the Holy Ghost." Under the ministry of the Holy Spirit working through dedicated men, the world heard the story of redeeming love. In the last days of the conflict there is another Pentecostal outpouring of the Spirit and the same glorious gospel of salvation is carried to the ends of the earth.

The parallel between the two periods is most marked. One is the "early rain," the other the "latter rain." At Pentecost "they were all with one accord," were "all filled with the Holy Ghost" and, as a result, they "were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise" (Eph. 1:13). The believers of the remnant church also are filled with the Spirit and receive the seal of God. The early church proclaimed the truth of God in its fullness; in the remnant church all the truths of apostolic faith are restored. The apostolic church exalted Christ as the Creator, declaring that "by him were all things created." The call of the remnant church is for men to "worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.'

As is evidenced by the book of Hebrews, the apostolic church proclaimed the wondrous truths connected with the Sanctuary—Christ as the "one sacrifice . . . for ever," as our great high priest, the minister of the true Sanctuary, our mediator. The very hub of doctrine in the remnant church is the same sanctuary truth. Both churches preach righteousness by faith; justification, sanctification, perfection in Christ; the "blessed hope" of the second coming and the resurrection.

At Pentecost and after, the disciples were "anointed," "sealed," and "given the earnest of the Spirit" in their hearts (2 Cor. 1:21, 22). "Christ filled their thoughts; the advancement of the kingdom was their aim. In mind and character they had become like their Master."—*The Acts of the Apostles*, p. 45. The importance of the Holy Spirit as the directing influence in the life of the early church cannot be overemphasized. For the disciples "the Holy Spirit

By Varner J. Johns

was to be given them in its fulness, sealing them for their work" (*ibid.*, p. 30).

These Spirit-filled men were not "freed from further temptation and trial," but "were repeatedly assailed by the enemy," and "were compelled to strive with all their God-given powers to reach the measure of the stature of men and women in Christ Jesus. Daily they prayed for fresh supplies of grace, that they might reach higher and still higher toward perfection" (*ibid.*, p. 49). Thus "they received of the fulness of the Godhead, and were fashioned in the likeness of the divine" (*ibid.*, p. 50).

The remnant church is deeply concerned with the subject of the "latter rain," the "loud cry," and the "sealing." We live in the last of the last days. All the prophecies and promises will soon be fulfilled.

When the church receives the fullness of the latter rain will the people of God be so perfected that they are beyond the reach of further temptation and trial? If not, when are they so perfected? When does the church militant become the church triumphant? How does the experience of the remnant church differ from that of the apostolic church?

There are certain fundamental facts that must be understood by those who "by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life."

1. All who are saved, sanctified, and perfected in these last days are saved by the same gospel that saved men and perfected them in days of old. "The Lord has no reserve power with which to influence man. He can give no greater manifestation of Hislove than that which He has given." —ELLEN G. WHITE in *Review and Herald*, Dec. 20, 1892.

2. "A work is to be accomplished in the earth similar to that which took place at the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the days of the early disciples, when they preached Jesus and Him crucified. Many will be converted in a day; for the message will go with power. Thus it was at the time of the early rain; but the latter rain will be more abundant. The Saviour of men will be glorified, and the earth will be lightened with the bright shining of the beams of His righteousness."—Ibid., Nov. 29, 1892.

3. None can share the refreshing of the latter rain "unless they obtain the victory over every besetment, over pride, selfishness, love of the world, and over every wrong word and action" (Early Writings, p. 71). At the same time, the "refreshing" is necessary "to fit them to live in the sight of a holy God" (*ibid.*). The "refreshing" has a twofold objective: (1) "to give power to the loud voice of the third angel," and (2) "prepare the saints to stand in the period when the seven last plagues shall be poured out" (*ibid.*, p. 86).

4. As the disciples "daily prayed for fresh supplies of grace, that they might reach higher and still higher toward perfection," so will it be with the believers at the time of the latter rain. As long as men are in mortal flesh there will be a continual growth in grace. "The germination of the seed represents the beginning of spiritual life, and the development of the plant is a beautiful figure of Christian growth. As in nature so in grace; there can be no life without growth... At every stage of development our life may be perfect; yet if God's purpose for us is fulfilled, there will be continual advancement. Sanctification is the work of a lifetime."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 65.

5. As the last message of mercy is proclaimed to the world, the "judgment is set and the books are opened." The life's record is "examined," "investigated," and those who are found clad in the garments of Christ's righteousness, their sins all confessed and forgiven, victory complete in Christ, have their names retained in the book of life and their sins blotted from the books of record. By the Holy Spirit of promise they are sealed with the seal of the living God.

6. During the time of trouble the righteous are still in mortal flesh. They pass through a time of tribulation when their faith is tried as never before. "The lessons of faith which they have neglected, they will be forced to learn under a terrible pressure of discouragement."-The Great Controversy, p. 622. Not yet is the image of Christ perfectly reflected in them, for we are told that "their earthliness must be consumed, that the image of Christ may be perfectly reflected" (ibid., p. 621). They are fully conscious of their weakness and unworthiness, but there is no sin in them which Satan can use as he wars against them. As they go over their past lives they cannot remember a single unconfessed sin.

7. After this brief period of test, and trial, and tribulation for the people of God, deliverance comes. At the second coming of Christ the righteous dead are raised and with the righteous living are changed from mortality to immortality, from corruption to incorruption, and are taken to the mansions prepared for them. Through endless ages the redeemed of the Lord sing praises to the One altogether lovely, who gave His life that they might live. The church on earth is forever united with the church above.

God's Grace Sufficient

During these last moments of probationary time there must be unceasing prayer and continuous looking to the throne room, to the One who ever liveth to make intercession for His watching, waiting, praying people. Perilous times are before us. Fiery trials await the remnant church. But God's grace is sufficient for us.

The closer we come to Christ the more we will see of His perfection and of our imperfection, the greater will be our dependence upon Him for pardon, for cleansing, for perfection of character. "As we have clearer views of Christ's spotless and infinite purity, we shall feel as did Daniel, when he beheld the glory of the Lord, and said, 'My comeliness was turned in me into corruption.' We cannot say, 'I am sinless,' till this vile body is changed and fashioned like unto His glorious body. But if we constantly seek to follow Jesus, the blessed hope is ours of standing be



A New Disease

YOUNG man with whom I'm acquainted has been much concerned because he feels that he's greatly misunderstood. "Every time I open my mouth for purposes other than eating, I seem to put both my large feet squarely into it," he remarked rue-fully. "I think I've invented a new disease-'hoof-in-mouth'!" He went on to document his assertion with specific instances where he'd alienated friends, failed to influence people, gotten a reputation (he thought) as a "loudmouth," been categorized as disrespectful. It seemed that he'd pretty well run the gamut of all the complications in his self-styled disease. And he was honestly puzzled, hurt, and disturbed. After we discussed the matter for a while, there emerged some conclusions that he seemed to find worth while. Here they are:

First of all, any kind of communication involves three points-sending (or a sender), a message (spoken or written), and receiving (or a receiver). When even one of these areas isn't operating efficiently, or more to the point, when you don't understand the involvements of each area, trouble is likely to ensue. Then there's the matter of appropriateness in all three areas. This is where we pinpointed the trouble of my young friend. We decided that while the content of what he said usually was appropriate, his manner as a sender quite often wasn't carefully thought out.

After we'd explored this aspect for a few moments, it began to dawn on him that he had been most unintelligent. He spoke of an incident that had happened recently, just about sundown, on a fairly lonely street. He'd seen a small, elderly lady, quite obviously timid about being out alone at that hour of the day. He thought she had dropped a package, and without a moment's hesitation he'd leaped from behind his parked car where he'd been standing, and in a booming bass voice inquired, "Hey, lady, wait a minute—did you drop something?"

He'd thought he might have to call the rescue squad, he said, as the poor little woman started, turned pale, and began trembling. At the time, he'd just dismissed it as one of the vagaries of old age. But in the light of our analysis, he decided he should have made his presence known more appropriately by saying something like this: "I beg your pardon. Here's a package that I think you dropped." (All of this to be spoken in a quiet, controlled voice.)

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by Miriam Hood

Quite often young people try to prove that they feel at ease with the great and near-great, with authority figures and their superiors. They're democratic! They'll associate with the highest officials, or anyone else, on a perfectly equal basis. And in "proving" their social finesse, they speak to older people in terms that, if not downright disrespectful, are verging. You simply can't go about addressing your academy principal or college president as "Hey, man!" and come out of the encounter unscathed.

Old-fashioned, you say? Perhaps. But I'm only telling you how life *is*. The intelligent young person adapts to conditions that he isn't likely to change. (I, for one, hope courtesy and respect stay with us forever.)

We haven't talked about the idea of your message's being appropriate to the receiver. Simply stated, I believe you'll be a more successful person in the art of living if you'll eliminate "flip" expressions and slang when you're talking with adults. It strikes a jarring note; it tends to set the teeth of educated persons on edge.

Last, but by no means least, when you're giving any sort of public presentation that involves people other than your peer group, stick to basic English, simply spoken and well enunciated. I'm not referring to the content of your message, although I'd assume it's conservative and well thought out. But no matter how much you'd like to be "different," inappropriate language isn't a successful way of doing so. You'll probably get the audience's attention all right; they'll be writhing with embarrassment for you. But I hardly think that was your aim.

Well, the conversation with my young "hoof-in-mouth" friend was quite revelatory—to both me and him —and, I hope, to you. fore the throne of God without spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; complete in Christ, robed in His righteousness and perfection."—ELLEN G. WHITE in Signs of the Times, March 23, 1888.

During every prophetic period of the church, from Ephesus to Laodicea, there is a precious promise made to the "overcomer." The message is to the church, but the promise is to "him that overcometh." We must fight the good fight of faith, but not for a moment can we depend upon our own weapons of warfare. Nor can we ever trust in our own strength. Our strength is the strength of Israel; our righteousness is the Lord our Righteousness.

We must avoid, as we would a plague, the presumptuous perfectionism, the "second work of grace" error, which appears in many forms, and is in fact "self-righteousness." Victory is ours as we cling to Christ day by day, moment by moment. "In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God." The Lord loves His church and gave Himself for it. That we may find our salvation, our perfection, in Christ, our Redeemer and our Righteousness, is His prayer for His people.

Self-control

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compared with those we call "major"; major battles against the claims of the flesh are thereby lost in minor concessions we like to think are unimportant.

The Christian's influence is at stake, his health may be involved, and his own serenity of soul may be lost because of a lack of self-control. The primary link of a compromise with self-discipline can in time be forged into a chain that burdens and binds its victim, all because the spirit did not prevail over the body.

Paul was acutely aware of the necessity of leading a disciplined life: "I pommel my body and subdue it, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified" (1 Cor. 9:27). In these days of affluence and soft living, few of us have learned this lesson. Because we lack mastery of self, we pay the price of frustration and ineffectiveness where there should be evidenced the presence and power of the living Christ.

Discipline presupposes a goal other than self. Our Lord outlined man's material needs and then put them in proper perspective with these words: "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matt. 6:33). When man loses the discipline that is involved in putting first things first, the whole of his life falls into disarray.

Let no one think that self-discipline is easy. It involves a battle against our natural impulses and against the instigator of evil-Satan.

Self-discipline involves an act of the will. The Bible describes it in these words: ". . . let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfector of our faith . . ." (Heb. 12:1, 2). Paul expresses the same thought in Second Timothy 2:5: "An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules."

True Christianity is not legalistic and the freedom in Christ cannot be bound. Nevertheless, self-control is a vital part of the Christian life. Our Lord is the perfect example of the disciplined life, even unto death; discipline was a part of his perfection. He was subject to all the temptations we encounter, yet was without sin.

Of course self-discipline never reaches perfection even in the best of Christians, but its exercise brings blessings that increase with the experience.

Self-control involves the application of a principle to life. At the same time it carries its own reward: "Blessed is the man who endures trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life which God has promised to those who love him" (James 1:12).

Our Lord was very explicit about the matter of self-discipline. On one occasion he said: "He who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it" (Matt. 10: 38, 39).

This is not asceticism, for it is not withdrawal from the world and its pressures. Rather it is living as a Christian in a pagan setting, saying no to self and yes to the claims of God.

The "denying of self" of which our Lord speaks involves personal responsibility: "So therefore, whoever of you does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:33). This responsibility has to do with the effect of our actions, not only on ourselves, but also on others who come under our influence. It is not easy to desist from some action of whose rightness we are personally convinced. But Paul recognizes our higher responsibility: "Therefore, if food is a cause of my brother's falling, I will never eat meat, lest I cause my brother to fall" (I Cor. 8:13).

Self-control was one of the subjects

of Paul's defense before Felix: "And as he argued about justice and selfcontrol and future judgment, Felix was alarmed . . ." (Acts 24:25). To the unregenerate, self-control is alarming. Unfortunately, to too many of us Christians it is distasteful, to say the least. We all need to beware of taking advantage of the grace of God, for at no point does grace relieve us of personal responsibilities. "It is God's will that by doing right you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men" (1 Pet. 2:15).

The effect of a lack of self-control can be devastating. The Apostle Peter writes: "Beloved, I beseech you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh that wage war against your soul" (1 Pet. 2:11); this "abstaining" is nothing more or less than self-control. He says further, "Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil; but live as servants of God" (1 Pet. 2:16).

Lack of self-control is bringing a grim harvest in America. Beginning with parents who fail to lead disciplined lives, the process extends to their children. This is a question not merely of juvenile delinquency—the elongated shadow of adult delinquency—but of a generation that gives increasing evidence of ignorance of God-ordained restraints. We speak of "will power," but what is often needed is "won't power."

We are so accustomed to seeing advertising that appeals to self-gratification that we take it for granted. Nowhere is this more in evidence than in the subtle appeals to young people to take up the smoking of cigarettes. A long overdue warning of grave danger has now come from medical and governmental circles, but great damage has already been done our present generation. The American Cancer Society, for instance, states categorically that one million young people living today will die of lung cancer because of cigarettes. Those who have fostered this habit, by example or for financial gain, now face the herculean task of a reform movement, not based on self-control but for self-preservation.

But self-control extends into every area of life—eating, sins of the tongue, desire for wealth, and all other temptations to which the flesh and spirit are subjected.

A new standard of comparison is necessary. We must ask, not "What are others doing?" but "What would Christ have me do?" In him is found the wisdom and the power of selfcontrol.—Reprinted, by permission, from the March 27, 1964, issue of *Christianity Today*.



A simple medical examination could prevent many of the 16,000 deaths that occur in the United States each year from cancer of the cervix.

A MONG the many thousands of women who read this article some without knowing it are carrying *cancer*. This dread disease may strike at any time of life. It is slightly more common in women because of the changes that take place as a result of the menstrual cycle. Chronic infections also are more common in women, and these too sometimes play a part.

Take the question of breast cancer. No one really knows why breast cancer occurs. We cannot blame any specific injury for this condition. True, some women may be injured by a vigorous kick suffered while bathing a lively baby, but it is somewhat doubtful that a blow of this kind is an actual cause of cancer. The cancer is more apt to develop from some hormone imbalance within the body, which in turn produces marked changes within the glandular structures and other epithelial tissues. Even then, some believe that the virus of cancer must also be present before the tumor develops.

Diet may play a part in some forms of cancer, especially in people who take large quantities of burned foods into their stomachs. This is one of the objections to fried foods in which the fats are partially consumed, leaving behind chemical residues that may tend to produce cancer within the digestive tract.

It is a well-known fact that soot and other products of combustion are highly carcinogenic. This points up the wisdom of the counsel given us long ago in *The Ministry of Healing*. Without question, those who are wise enough to follow such counsel will do much to escape some forms of serious illness so common at this time.

But with all the amazing scientific advances of today, it is astonishing to learn that in the United States more than 16,000 women are doomed to die By Clifford R. Anderson, M.D.

from cancer of the cervix every year! If this is true, who can begin to estimate how many more needless deaths are occurring from this disease in other parts of the world?

Why is it that in these enlightened days so many women—even among Adventists—are so slow in seeking the help they need? There is nothing difficult or painful about having a pelvic examination. Nor should it be considered embarrassing or unnecessary. An examination of this kind is a very important step toward health.

Unfortunately, we still do not have any simple test for diagnosing cancer of the stomach or lungs. Carcinoma of the ovary, a very rare condition, is another serious female problem for which we have no certain diagnosis.

But the more common forms of female cancers occurring in the breast and cervix, or mouth of the womb, are easily detected today. Dr. Richard W. TeLinde, professor of gynecology at Johns Hopkins University, recently stated that by utilizing the simple Pap test for cancer "invasive carcinoma of the cervix could be pretty nearly wiped off the face of the earth." This being so, why aren't women everywhere taking advantage of this? Why do so many wait until too late to really do something about preventing cancer?

Some of you women who are now reading these lines have not had a complete physical examination for years. You say there is nothing wrong with you, and you may be right. But you could be *dead wrong* in your reckoning, for most forms of cancer show no signs or symptoms in the early stages of the disease. This is particularly true in cancer of the cervix. Once a woman has developed a chronic discharge with pain or abnormal bleeding, the disease is already far advanced. Why wait until it may be too late? The time for a complete checkup is *now*.

Making the Diagnosis

To examine for cancer, the doctor uses a simple instrument known as a speculum to visualize the cervix. Then a small, wooden spatula is lightly drawn across the surface, picking up a few of the loose cervical cells that are always present. These are transferred to one or two small glass slides and then stained by a special technique developed by Dr. George Papanicolaou, of Cornell University. This is the famous Pap smear.

There is no pain or discomfort in this simple test. The cost is small and in many areas it can be done free of charge. But the rewards are great—the reward of knowing you are free from any serious threat or the reward of being alerted to the danger you may be facing.

Don't let false modesty or foolish pride rob you of your future health, perhaps even of your life. Now, while your family needs you, is the time for you to get a checkup. You say there has never been any cancer in your family. Perhaps so, but this is no guarantee that you are free from this dread disease.

Perhaps someone has told you that So-and-so had an operation, after which the cancer spread all through the body. This may be true, but that cancer had already spread far and wide before surgery was attempted.

The only way to solve the cancer problem once it has begun is to remove the malignancy by surgery or else to kill the cancer cells by radiation. This must be done *before* any of these cancer cells have had a chance to spread to other tissues of the body. Someday we may be fortunate enough to have some type of cancer antibiotic. Until then, we must use the best means we have available—either surgery, radiation, or both.

No Home Remedies for Cancer

Remember this, there are no home remedies that will ever cure cancer. Nor are there any patent medicines that will do any good. Hydrotherapy and physical medicine are wonderful in treating many conditions, but they have no power to remove cancer cells or destroy them. This is not one of those maladies that respond to do-ityourself treatment. You need the help of an expert.

The best time to deal with cancer is at the beginning, before any symptoms show up, and the place to do this is in your doctor's office. You should never be satisfied until you have had a complete medical examination and also a Pap smear. If the cervix looks abnormal, a small piece of the affected tissue should be removed by biopsy and studied by a pathologist. If either the Pap smear or the biopsy show cancer of the cervix, the modern treatment is to implant a small amount of radium into the cervical canal. This may be followed by X-ray radiation or surgery, if your physician so advises.

Millions of women are now alive because they have taken these simple precautions in time. Millions of others are even now walking around harboring early forms of cancer that could be easily removed if they only knew. Some are languishing on hospital beds because they waited too long. Others are with us no more.

Are you going to be one of those 16,000 women who die every year because of neglect? Surely not. Adventists have been given the most advanced medical information of all time. We who have been blessed with so much should never neglect so important a step as this. Let us take advantage of our wonderful heritage and follow the principles of preventive medicine that have been given by God. Surely this is only good common sense.

Should You Consider Surgery?

If cancer in the early stage is found we should never rest until we have done all in our power to have it completely removed from the body. Even more important, we should see to it that all within our own family circles are given the benefit of a thorough physical examination at least once each year, including the necessary tests for cancer. This is particularly true in women, where most forms of cancer are more easily detected in the early stages. Two years ago, Dr. Elisabeth Larsson, professor of gynecology at Loma Linda University, and her associates, performed the Pap test on several thousand Adventist women attending the General Conference session in San Francisco, California. Dr. Larsson is to be commended for this forward step in preventive medicine. A number of precancerous conditions and some actual cases of carcinoma were discovered. All these patients were then referred to their own family physician. We understand that the American Cancer Society is planning to carry out the same test at the New York World's Fair. Even so, it is good to realize that one of our own devoted physicians was among the first to demonstrate the feasibility of this test in saving the lives of some of our own members and their friends. She had the courage and wisdom to lead out in this. We certainly hope every woman who reads these lines will follow her advice and thus help eliminate this form of cancer from our midst.



A Son is Graduated

"About five years ago I requested prayer that it would be made possible for my son to attend academy and that we would move where it would be possible to attend church. My son will graduate from the academy this spring. It was only because God arranged the circumstances that he was able to go. My husband's attitude has changed a lot, though he is still not a church member. We live 40 miles from church, but my husband takes us when he can get away from his work." ---Mrs. N., of Wyoming.

"Crying Tears of Joy"

"I want to thank you for your interest in my prayer requests. I know our loving, merciful God hears and answers our prayers, which are presented according to His will. Some time ago I asked you to pray for my three sons. Not too long after that one son came to visit me. I remarked about his not smoking, and he told me he had quit and was going to church again. It made me happy. For a year or more he went with his two small daughters and then his wife started going too with their two-year-old son. On March 14 I saw both my son and his wife baptized. My heart was filled to overflowing. My son and I were both crying tears of joy. Please continue to pray for them. About a month ago my youngest son quit smoking. My oldest son seldom comes to see me. I love him and his wife. Please pray carnestly for them too."—Mrs. V., of New York.

Prayers Answered

"I want to thank you for praying for my father and for my husband's mother, who have both passed away. My father gave up his smoking and coffee drinking and said he wanted to be ready when Jesus comes. He prayed a great deal before he died. My husband's mother asked to be forgiven for the things she had done. We hope to meet them in the first resurrection. Thank you all again."—Mrs. M., of California.

"Please put our youngest son's name on your prayer list. He is living far from God. Your prayers for our other son have been answered, and we are so happy. Thank you."—Mrs. N., of Nebraska.

Back After Twenty Years

"Your prayers and ours are answered. Our daughter is now attending church. This is the first she has gone for more than 20 years. There is power in Jesus through prayer."—Mrs. T., of Washington.

"About four years ago we asked you to pray for our son who was marrying a Catholic, and another son who was studying this truth. The first son returned to the church within a year and his wife also joined. Both are now rejoicing in the message. The other son also joined the faith later. Thank you so much."—Mrs. M., of Minnesota.

This column is dedicated to the encouragement of prayer for others at the sunset hour each Friday evening. Because of the large number of requests received and the complexities of the problems presented, it is impossible for us to answer each letter personally, but all requests will be acknowledged and will be kept on file in our office. Portions of letters, especially those that tell of answers to prayer, will be published as space permits.

YOU By Delmar T. Burke Pastor, Iowa Conference Have a Responsibility - Take It Seriously!

NE evening in Mason City, Iowa, a young father was relaxing, watching television. With his wife away for the evening, he was at home acting as a baby-sitter. Suddenly the program was interrupted and there appeared on the screen the picture of a baby in pajamas. It couldn't be! But it washis own child whom he was supposed to be watching. It had wandered out of the house without his noticing it and on down to the main street of town where a passing motorist had picked it up and taken it to the police station.

An amusing incident? Hardly. Here was a father who was downright irresponsible. Yet, unfortunately, he is typical of many who are indifferent to the responsibilities of life.

Christians should be at the head of the list of those who take life's responsibilities seriously. Surely if every Seventh-day Adventist took a serious attitude toward spiritual responsibilities, conditions would be different in the Advent Movement today. What are some of these responsibilities?

First, the responsibility of praying. Jesus said, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:38). There is great need of more willing workers in the harvest field. That need is not alone for paid workers but for lay members who will spend more time doing missionary work. This is a most vital need in this hour to which we have come. How much time do you spend praying that God will send forth laborers?

No person can long pray that prayer fervently without having a burning desire to see his prayer fulfilled. He will begin to realize that if he expects that prayer to be fulfilled, he must do something more than pray. It is one thing to expect others to do the work that we must as a people do and quite another to enter into the great gospel program ourselves.

When Jesus said, "Go ye therefore" He did not exclude a single Christian. Again the Master says, "Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you" (Matt. 20:4). How thrilling it would be if we could add the rest of the verse in every case, "And they went their way."

What would happen if every member took the program of the church seriously and did something about it? The results would be almost overwhelming. The number of souls won to the message would increase dramatically. Without question, the same would be true of the tithe paid into the churches. Other offerings given would swell greatly in proportion. The amount of Ingathering funds brought in would be much greater.

Finding work that needs to be done is not the problem. Rather, it is finding workers. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few" (Matt. 9:37).

If the command of Jesus to go were taken seriously, dark cities and dark counties would be entered, and many who are "looking wistfully to heaven" would be found and led to Jesus. Can you as a member of the remnant church pray, "Thy kingdom come" without responding to the command "Go"?

One of the most wonderful things about our missionary program is that Jesus does not leave us to do the work in our own strength. "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world," He has promised. He loves to be with us in our work for Him. And He imparts His power to us as we need it.

As He delights to do the will of the

Father in heaven, so He delights to have us do the Father's will. Real happiness can come to the Christian when he knows that God delights in him, and he in God. He can have that assurance when he goes "all out" for the program of the church. God gives all a chance to have a part in the great plan of salvation. He makes it your responsibility and mine!

Can anyone be happy if he excuses himself for not fulfilling his responsibility? Hardly, for he knows that his failure may cause the loss of souls. The young father who permitted his infant to wander away certainly is unhappy every time he recalls his experience as an irresponsible baby-sitter. His unhappiness would be multiplied manyfold if some accident had happened to his little child.

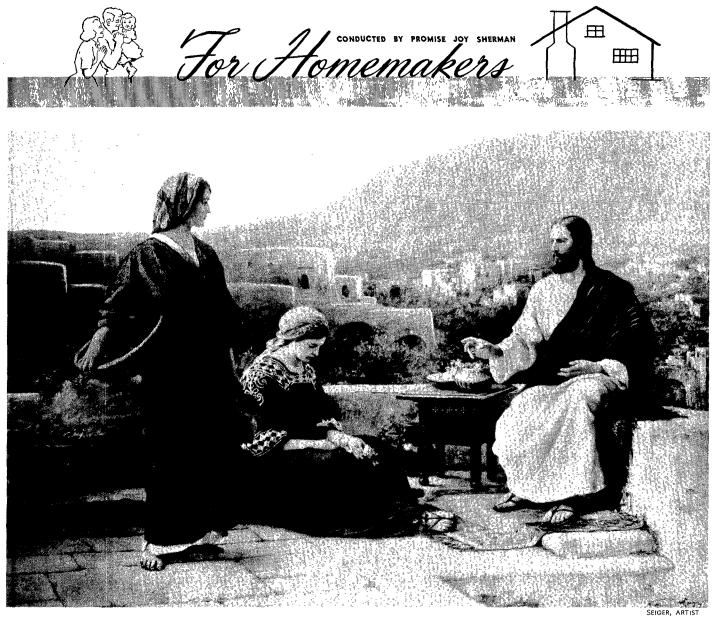
But to do the work if our hearts are not in harmony with it, will not make us happy either. Jesus said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Here is the secret of finding joy in doing God's will and work—it is love. It may be that we should add something to the prayer mentioned above. We should pray for a deep, yearning love for Jesus, and for the hastening of that day when He will come again.

We are told by inspiration: "In the trust given to the first disciples, believers in every age have shared. Every one who has received the gospel has been given sacred truth to impart to the world. God's faithful people have always been aggressive missionaries, consecrating their resources to the honor of His name, and wisely using their talents in His service.

"The unselfish labor of Christians in the past should be to us an objectlesson and an inspiration. The members of God's church are to be zealous of good works, separating from worldly ambition, and walking in the footsteps of Him who went about doing good... The influence that attends the practical carrying out of the divine commission, is irresistible.

"Every one who has received Christ is called to work for the salvation of his fellow-men. "The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come." The charge to give this invitation includes the entire church. Every one who has heard the invitation is to echo the message from hill and valley, saying, "Come." "—The Acts of the Apostles, pp. 109, 110.

Jesus said, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you" (John 15:14). Don't you want to be a true friend of Jesus? Then obey His commands. Fulfill your Christian responsibilities. Be about your Father's business.



The "one thing" Martha lacked is just as much needed by the Marthas of today.

In the busy round of daily activity Christians need to recall Christ's words-

"But One Thing Is Needful"

BETHANY, the home of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, nestled at the foot of the Mount of Olives, two miles east of Jerusalem. No doubt this typical one-storied Oriental home with a housetop veranda and guest room had frequent visitors. Bethany was on the Jericho Road, and weary friends and relatives stopped for refreshments and to rest their dusty, sandaled feet. Luke the physician and John the Beloved tell us in their scriptural account that this home was very dear to Jesus and He brought to it hope and courage.

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By Irma Jean Smoot

The story I am about to retell is not of the resurrected Lazarus, or of his sister Mary, who at Simon the leper's house anointed Jesus, but of their energetic, ambitious, and "troubled" sister Martha. We do not know whether Martha was the oldest, a widow, or unmarried; that is not important anyway. But the story implies that Martha's hands and feet were always busy. Those strong, brown, and calloused hands undoubtedly found barley to grind in the early morning hours, loaves to bake in a crude oven, olives to gather and cure, and figs to pick.

The Biblical narrative indicates that Martha was the careful housekeeper. She delighted in preparing favorite and elaborate dishes for her frequent guests. She enjoyed her role as hostess. Those feet probably took her on numerous trips to the village well, to the bazaars in Jerusalem, and to worship at the Temple of her forefathers as she had been taught to do. At times no doubt, they took her over the terraced hillside to pick the rose of Jericho or the lilies of the field. One ponders whether she would stop even briefly to hear the song of the wild dove or sparrow, for after all, there were many errands to be done.

Her toil to provide for Mary and Lazarus continued, and the days followed one another. Different from today to be sure, yet similar even to the time when Herod the Great ruled Palestine.

Martha had lessons to learn. Jesus and His disciples were guests in this home one evening. The day had been a long one for her. She became perplexed with the many details of preparing the supper alone. Mary may have been sitting with Jesus and the others at the doorstep, conversing, when Martha's rebellious feelings surfaced and she burst into Christ's presence saying, "Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me" (Luke 10:40).

We can assume that Mary was embarrassed at her sister's lack of composure and then perhaps she was even ashamed that she had neglected her share of the evening's responsibilities. In His compassion Jesus saw the hearts of these two women and began answering Martha affectionately by repeating her name twice and then continued, "Thou art careful and troubled about many things: but one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her" (verses 41, 42).

The "one thing" Martha lacked is as essential in the twentieth century as it has been for all the Marthas of all generations and of all climes. Jesus did not rebuke Martha because of her diligence in maintaining a well-ordered household. He is the perfect example of law and order. In His humble home in Nazareth He cheerfully performed His part of the household duties. He was a responsible worker.

The Bible clearly teaches that all things have their appointed time and place in one's life, although even the most important duties in our homes and our responsibilities to our family should not be permitted to crowd our relationship with Jesus. Nearly 100 years ago Mrs. White gave this advice to a homemaker who was unhappy with her little everyday household duties: "But all the work we do that is necessary to be done, be it washing dishes, setting tables, waiting upon the sick, cooking, or washing, is of moral importance; and until you can cheerfully and happily take up these duties, you are not fitted for greater and higher duties."—*Testimonies*, vol. 3, pp. 79, 80. About ten years later she wrote: "Many need to learn how to make home attractive—a place of enjoyment" (*ibid.*, vol. 4, p. 622).

Thus the rebuke from Jesus came not because Martha did all these things; it was given because she allowed daily tasks to occupy her to such an extent that she failed to gain a deeper knowledge of the kingdom of heaven. Then, too, on one occasion at least, she failed to do her work cheerfully.

Herein lies the important lesson to be gleaned. Our lives as keepers of homes can be spent busily fussing about daily tasks and perplexities and material things, which are so transitory, that we fail to develop the inner calmness and strength that are necessary for spiritual growth.

Martha's life in the Judean hills is not wholly known, but from her experience the Marthas of today may know that Christ loves them dearly. And He offers untold wealth—an inner calmness for the endless daily tasks. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God" is His counsel, "and all these things shall be added unto you."

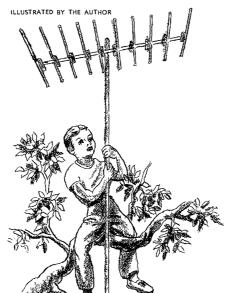


A Joke May Be Kind

By Mabel Earp Cason

MOTHER, just look what Jimmy has done!" Sally exclaimed one morning, holding up her sweater for mother to see. Each sleeve had three knots tied in it. Her sister Rose said, "Mine too; he tied knots in my sleeves, that rascal!"

Jimmy fastened the antenna to the tip of the top branch of the plum tree.



"Now we'll have to untie these knots on the school bus. I hear it coming," said Sally. "We'll get good and cold."

"Oh, I wish Jimmy wouldn't play jokes on other people," mother said. "But run along now or you'll be late."

Jimmy was eight years old and he thought it was very funny to play practical jokes that made people uncomfortable. Only the day before, the family had sugared their vegetables because Jimmy had filled the salt shakers with sugar.

sugar. Mother thought about Jimmy and his tricks all day. He had only two blocks to go to school and he got out earlier than his sisters did, so there was plenty of time for her to work out the plan she thought of.

First she had a long talk with him. Then she told him of her plan. Jimmy's eyes lighted up. He thought it was a good plan.

"I guess it would be more fun to play a nice trick on the girls for once," he said. "They'll be surprised."

He climbed out the attic window into the top of a plum tree, carrying a television antenna and some wire while mother stood on the ground telling him just what to do. He fastened the antenna to the tip of the top branch of the plum tree.

"How's that?" he called down to mother.

She went into the girls' room and told him when he had the antenna turned just right to get a good picture.

just right to get a good picture. "The girls have been wanting this fixed for a long time," mother said. "This will be a happy surprise for them."

When the girls got home from school, Sally, who was learning to cook, hurried to the kitchen to carry out a plan of her own. She was very busy for an hour. Then she called Jimmy. "Have a cooky," she said, offering him

"Have a cooky," she said, offering him a plate with several fresh, warm cookies on it.

Eagerly Jimmy took a cooky and bit into it. But he suddenly spit out the mouthful of cooky.

"Hey, there's cotton in this cooky!" he yelled. "You mean old girl!" And he threw the cooky angrily into the sink. But Sally only laughed.

"Just a little joke like one of yours," she said lightly. "You don't seem to like for others to do to you as you do to them."

Rose came running into the room. "Sally, our television antenna is up in the tree. Now we can get channel twelve perfectly." Turning to mother she asked, "Who put it up for us?"

Jimmy, who was still a bit angry about the cotton in the cooky, said, "I did. That's who put it up!"

Sally looked at him in surprise. "What a nice trick to play, Jim!" she exclaimed, giving him a big hug. Mother beamed.

"Well, so what if you did get even with me for some of my practical jokes, Sally. I guess I'll just stick to playing the kind of tricks that I'd like for other people to do to me."

"And that," said mother, "is following the golden rule."



Preview of the End of the World

Perhaps no convulsion of nature is more terrifying than a severe earthquake. As the earth trembles, everything that has seemed firm and enduring gives way and there is no place to hide, no place of safety and security. Such an experience came to the people of Alaska last March 27. Photographs of the devastation provide a graphic preview in miniature of what the entire world will look like—only more so—following the great earthquake of the last awful day, when time merges into eternity.

The most severe effects of the Alaska quake were felt along a section of downtown Fourth Street in Anchorage that sank from ten to fifteen feet below its former level. One of the most widely reproduced pictures of the disaster showed business establishments along this street sunken, almost intact, into their own basements, along with the surface of street and sidewalk in front of them. Signs of the businesses along this strip of Fourth Street, still in place, reveal that every one of them catered to the base, ignoble instincts of man. One after another they read:

"Liquor Store." "Amusements—Open 24 Hours." "Hamm's Beer." "TV Show." "Club—Bar." "Pawn Shop—Loans."

Zeus, it would almost seem, directed his fiercest bolts at the city's barbary coast—a name, by the way, that originally belonged to a vice-ridden section of San Francisco notorious for its gambling, prostitution, and riotous night life. Like its counterpart in Anchorage, the one in San Francisco was also demolished by an earthquake, more than half a century ago.

Inspiration tells us of a time when the entire human race will have joined the mad pursuit of pleasure and the lusts of the flesh, a time when the whole world will have become a vast "barbary coast." The signs along Fourth Street in Anchorage cannot be taken as an explanation of the cause of the Alaska quake, to be sure. But they do provide a vivid explanation of why, one day, it will be necessary for the Creator to destroy the works of man, root and branch. Like seismic waves that shatter the surface of the earth, the character-destroying pursuits announced by the signs along Fourth Street are ruining the lives of men and inevitably calling down the wrath of a righteous God upon a perverted and perverse generation.

Thus it was in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, names that have become synonymous with utter depravity. The day finally came when God in heaven could no longer wink at the evils that had become a fixed way of life among the inhabitants of those luxurious cities of the plain. "Sodom and Gomorrah," says the inspired record, are "an example" of the fate that awaits the entire world when "the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat," and "the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up."

""Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness," into which "there shall in no wise enter . . . any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, . . . but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."

Is your name inscribed there?

R. F. C.

Proselyting and Ecumenism

Increasingly the word *ecumenical*, with all that it stands for, keeps appearing in the religious press. And, as our readers know, we have given many columns to a consideration of the trend of modern religious thinking as regards having one great united body in Christendom. We need not here turn aside to consider the different ways in which various religious groups conceive of a united church. At one extreme are those who think a very loose union, with every present-day distinctive body retaining its distinctness, in some measure at least. The other extreme is best illustrated by Rome, where a "United church" means clearly and explicitly, yes emphatically, the Roman Catholic Church, with all the "separated brethren" of all communions drawn into the orbit of that church.

In between stand a great number of Protestant bodies that seem to be increasingly taking the position that it is not only proper but desirable that there be organic unity, at least between related branches of Protestantism. One bold suggestion of a highly placed churchman includes even the Protestant Episcopal Church as a part of a larger unit that would include such churches as Methodists and Presbyterians.

There is, of course, at the present time a certain rather brittle fellowship of Protestant bodies and the Eastern Orthodox Church, through the National Council of Churches, but the logic of this whole mood of mind, if we might be so bold as to say that moods have logic, calls for ever-increasing fellowship, not only among Protestant bodies, not only between Protestantism and Eastern Orthodoxy, but between Protestantism and Rome. Of this we have written at times in the past. Our justification for discussing it further is twofold: It is a subject of vast dimensions, and a subject that constantly presents new and ever more perplexing aspects.

Rome and Proselyting

We think right now of the aspect of proselyting. Christ called upon His disciples to go out and make other disciples. Such activity is known rightly as proselyting. The Catholic Church has been active in this through the centuries. Why not? It believes that it is the true church and has a message of life unto life or death unto death for every man. Why should it not attempt to make Catholics out of all men by proselyting? Protestantism in general, during its more virile days, followed the same logic. Protestants of virtually all persuasions still carry on in non-Christian lands a certain amount of what would be described as proselyting. In so called Christian lands such endeavors have been increasingly limited, pale, and palsied. The reason for the paralysis in such lands is the benumbing question: Why should we seek to win converts from other Protestant groups when we are all really traveling the same road heavenward and our beliefs are very much alike? If the question is rightly stated, the answer becomes evident. And the answer is: Not only should we abstain from all proselyting between church bodies, we should actively seek to unite.

Of course Rome, which is not bound by this question, has continued with vigor to grow in Christian countries, not only through a large birth rate but through winning Protestants to Rome. In this setting let us face a new development in the ecumenical movement, the relations of Protestantism with Rome in the matter of evangelism and proselyting. The concept of ecumenism is now increasingly being interpreted by the Protestant world as including some measure of unified endeavor with Rome on the mission field.

Protestant-Catholic Cooperation in Mission Lands

Only a few months ago Dr. David M. Stowe, executive secretary of the National Council of Churches Division of Foreign Missions, stressed that today it is "absolutely necessary" for Protestants and Roman Catholics to work jointly in missions abroad. Said he: "Difficult, even incredible as it may sound, we have to begin now to learn what joint action for mission means with Protestants and Roman Catholics as partners." This was an address he delivered at the last annual meeting of the United Church of Christ's Board for World Ministries. Dr. Stowe declared that the interreligious influence of the World Council of Churches and the Second Vatican Council have placed missions in a new frame of reference. He insisted that no denomination has the right to start or conduct a mission program that might disturb another Christian community. His position is that Protestants "face a radical turning in the road. Anti-Catholicism is simply impossible as a motive and basis for mission." He called for a "sharply new and ecumenically relevant form of Protestant mission in historically Roman Catholic lands.

Dr. Ben M. Herbster, president of the United Church, declared in his keynote address: "We are all going to work together or we shall perhaps cease working at all. It is the will of God that His children shall act as members of one family. We will never solve the problems we face unless we work together in unity both here in America and in our overseas missions."

We do not believe that any of the Protestant Reformers would have agreed to the tone of Dr. Herbster's and Dr. Stowe's addresses, though in our reading of the current religious publications, we found no criticism of what these present-day church leaders said. We have surely come to a new day. That is evident. It is a day that calls for Seventhday Adventists to know why we believe as we do and what is the reason for our foreign missions program, to say nothing about our evangelistic program in Christian lands.

Wrong Motive for Proselyting

We can certainly agree that "anti-Catholicism is simply impossible as a motive and basis for mission." We would add that "anti" anything is impossible as a motive for those who are trying to carry on the work of the Lord. But to let the matter stop here is to convey a hopelessly wrong impression, namely, that all proselyting is "anti" and hence should cease, and that we should link arms with every other church, including Catholicism. But then what would happen to Seventh-day Adventism and the message we believe we should preach to men? We are not "anti" anything. But we are for certain great truths, the truth of the second coming of our Lord, the truth of God's holy Sabbath day, the truth of the nature of man, the warning against the devil's last delusion—and so we might go on. We believe we were raised up to preach these great truths, and to call on all men everywhere to accept them, which means calling on them to join with us in the proclamation

of them. This is the basis of Adventist proselyting, the basis for our standing apart from the ecumenical movement. F. D. N.

Courage, the Cardinal, and Crime

The State of Massachusetts was treated to a strange spectacle recently—it saw the most prominent church official in the Commonwealth attack a government crime commission for obtaining indictments against 41 criminals. The churchman was none other than Boston's Richard Cardinal Cushing. In a radio interview he went so far as to say that it was "too bad the Crime Commission was ever set up." He then offered excuses for the numerous State officials whose corrupt practices had been exposed.

"Human nature is weak," he said, "and no man can tell me that he wouldn't take a thousand dollars [as a bribe] . . . unless he had the opportunity for doing so." He went on to blame ready availability of credit for part of the corruption, pointing out that this encourages people to get into debt. If they suffer reverses, they are tempted to steal.

Some years ago Chamfort said: "In France we threaten the man who rings the alarm bell and leave him in peace who starts the fire." Cardinal Cushing's attack on his State's Crime Commission sounds more than a little like threatening "the man who rings the alarm bell." We think he did a disservice both to his church and to the cause of good government by appearing as an apologist for lawbreakers.

A Previous Occasion

Unfortunately the Cardinal, on a previous occasion, also projected an image of himself as being soft on crime. In 1961 a television network, in a film entitled *Biography* of a Bookie Joint, showed uniformed Boston policemen going in and out of an alleged bookie shop. The Cardinal, instead of protesting what appeared to be corruption in the city police department, declared that those who were responsible for the film owed "an apology to the City of Boston." He said that "gambling exists everywhere and nobody can deny it. The U.S. Army would not be enough of a law enforcement agency to stop people from gambling."

At Sinai the tragic results of weakness by a leader were demonstrated, and were recorded in Scripture "for our learning" (Rom. 15:4). Aaron could have prevented the golden-calf apostasy if he had taken a bold stand for right, and rebuked those who demanded an idol to worship. But he wavered and yielded to the people. "When Moses, on returning to the camp, confronted the rebels, his severe rebukes and the indignation he displayed in breaking the sacred tables of the law, were contrasted by the people with his brother's pleasant speech and dignified demeanor, and their sympathies were with Aaron. . . [But] his course in giving his influence to sin in Israel, cost the life of thousands. . . . Of all the sins that God will punish, none are more grievous in His sight than those that encourage others to do evil. God would have His servants prove their loyalty by faithfully rebuking transgression, however painful the act may be. Those who are honored with a divine commission, are not to . . . shun disagreeable duties, but to perform God's work with unswerving fidelity."-Patriarchs and Prophets, pp. 323, 324. (Italics supplied.)

Men with the fidelity and courage of Moses could do much to roll back today's tide of evil. How much they are needed, in both church and state! K. H. W.

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Brazilian colporteur Pedro Souza won 19 souls and 11 new colporteurs last year.

HE Sabbath message is reaching many hearts in South America. The number of persons our colporteurs find keeping the Sabbath as a result of reading our publications is im-pressive. I learned of ten such cases last year, and nine others have come to my knowledge in the past two months. Let me tell you about them.

1. Last February the North Peru Mission colporteur bulletin told of two students who were thrilled to find two families in Lonya keeping the Sabbath be-cause of having read one of our books.

2. From the same field comes the story 2. From the same held comes the story of a fine-appearing gentleman from a dis-tant place in the interior who appeared at the mission office one day and asked for baptism. "Many years ago," he told them, "a colporteur came to my village, Shipasbamba, and sold me several books and the Bible. From them I learned the Adventist faith, and I am keeping the Sabbath. I have made this long trip so that I can be baptized." He was examined, found ready, and baptized within the week.

3. Elco Goulart had canvassed all but a small corner of his territory in the state of Espíritu Santo Brazil. Someone asked him, "Why do you waste time in that barren place?" But he remained to finish his territory, and a few days later found a man who had been keeping the Sabbath for 13 years, thanks to an Adventist book. The following day he met two more fam-ilies that had been keeping the Sabbath for six years. Two days later someone said to him, "A farmer who doesn't work on

A Golden Harvest **in** south america

By Nicolas Chaij, Departmental Secretary South American Division

Sabbath lives in that house. He won't even lend his animals on that day." Visit-ing the man, the colporteur learned that he had been reverently keeping the Sabbath for 28 years.

4. Also in Espíritu Santo, Lucas da Silva prayed one Friday, asking God to help him find an appropriate place to spend the Sabbath. A little later he came to a house where the owner told him that he was studying the Bible. The man had already discovered the Sabbath and was keeping it. 5. In San Fidelia in the same state,

Waldir dos Santos heard of two families that rested on the Sabbath. Upon visiting them he learned that they had been keeping the day for 15 years, having read about it in Nuestro Siglo a la Luz Pro-fética (Our Day in the Light of Prophecy). In the same book they had found a poem about the return of Christ, which they had set to music and used as a hymn.

6. Near Colatina, in Espíritu Santo, a group of evangelicals found the Sabbath and wanted to join our church. Visiting them, our pastor found that they had discovered the Sabbath through reading a single book. One had shared the information with others, and the entire con-gregation was keeping the Lord's day. After our pastor's visit, the man who owned the book bought the church where they were meeting and donated it to our organization. Soon 100 will be baptized there.

7. In a certain place in Minas, José Raimundo met a man keeping the Sabbath as a result of reading a copy of Nuestro Siglo he had purchased 30 years before.

8. In Costa Norte a Protestant pastor lent a copy of this book to one of his members, recommending to him that he not read the chapters on the Sabbath. But on coming to that part the man could not resist the curiosity to read these pages. After reading them he said to his wife, "It seems to me that the book is right." Then he went to his pastor and asked him, "Tell me, pastor, why is it that we should not keep the Sabbath?" Alarmed, the pastor replied, "Did I not tell you not to read those chapters?" After this our colporteur Gerson Gama found him and took him to our church, and last year he became a Seventh-day Adventist.

9. In Orilandia, Goias, a colporteur visited a man who refused his books and told him that he was studying the Bible. Our colporteur asked him, "And what have you learned from the Bible?'

"I have learned that baptism must be by immersion." "Yes! And what else?"

"That we must not eat unclean meat, and that we must pay tithe and keep the Sabbath."

"And to what church do you belong?" asked the colporteur.

"To none. I study the Bible with my son and the two of us keep the Sabbath. "Well, I too keep the Sabbath," the

colporteur then revealed. Really? And what is the name of



Antonio Andrade won 120 souls in two years in Paraná, Brazil.



The Honorable John A. Love, governor of Colorado, speaking at opening ceremonies of the new 2.5-million-dollar Porter Memorial Hospital wing, on May 17.

those that keep the Sabbath? Where is your church? Give me the address."

This father and his son have now been baptized.

Never before have I heard so many dramatic colporteur experiences as in recent months, In one local field, the Parana Conference, the colporteurs won 277 souls last year. One of those colporteurs, Antonio Andrade, won 70, and the previous year 50—a total of 120 baptized in two years!

Pedro Souza, a colporteur from Bahía, had a remarkable experience. Thanks to the fact that one day he lost his way, he found a group of persons eager to follow the light of God's truth, and 19 have already been baptized. In the small church of 140 members to which this colporteur belongs, he has recruited 11 more candidates for this work, and they too are out with our literature.

Here in South America we feel that we are in the time of the latter rain, and God is placing it in the hearts of His people to gather in the harvest.



Pasco, Washington, Missionary Volunteers are moving forward in MV Operation Fireside studies. One team is composed of Elaine Beers, 15 years old, and her sister, Mrs. Judy Clark. Elaine, who is blind, leads out in giving the study. She Brailles off the lesson and presents it to a new home each week.

► Voice of Youth evangelistic meetings were conducted recently at the Mount Lena community church by students of Mount Aetna Academy and youth of the Hagerstown, Maryland, church. Youth speakers included Lonnie Melashenko, Janice Haak, Fred Andrews, George Miller, Beverly Laubach, Ronald DeLong, Karen Myers, and George Carr.

Porter Sanitarium Opens New Wing

By H. E. Rice, Associate Secretary GC Medical Department

A significant forward step in Seventhday Adventist medical work was taken May 17 in Denver, Colorado, with the cutting of the ribbon and opening of a new wing to the Porter Memorial Hospital. R. H. Nightingale, president of the Central Union Conference and chairman of the board of directors of the hospital, and O. T. Moline, administrator, welcomed some 3,000 friends, patrons, and visitors.

Mayors of the three nearby communities personally extended their congratulations. Presidents of the medical staff and the women's auxiliary, and a representative of the State Health Department expressed appreciation for the work of the institution and pledged their continued support. Featured speaker was the Honorable John Love, governor of Colorado, who after his address cut the ribbon and led the way with Mrs. Love into the new five-story addition.

The original letter from Henry M. Porter proposing the establishment of what became Porter Sanitarium and Hospital, written April 16, 1928, was read. Two years later negotiations culminated in a gift of \$380,000 by Henry M. Porter and his daughter, Mrs. Dora Porter Mason, and the erection of the hospital. After the death of Henry M. Porter, his widow and her son, William E. Porter, continued, from time to time, their generosity toward the institution. At the time of his death in 1959, William E. Porter, son of the original benefactor, left a substantial portion of his estate to the hospital. It was this gift that made the new wing possible. Total investment in the new addition amounts to 2.5 million dollars.

The institution was honored in having Mrs. James J. Waring, a daughter of Henry M. Porter and sister of William E. Porter, on the platform for the dedication service.

The new five-story building, which is located immediately in front of the original building, provides additional administrative offices, a completely new cafeteria and dining area seating 260 patrons, a new kitchen, greatly expanded facilities in the department of radiology, a new suite of nine operating rooms, recovery rooms, and a new central supply and service department. In addition there are two floors of private and semiprivate rooms with appropriate nursing service areas. Each room has its own private balcony, where the patients may make full use of fresh air and sunshine as healing agents. The new addition increases the capacity of the institution to 315 beds.

On the afternoon of the opening an estimated 1,500 people went on guided tours through the institution. These tours were excellent classes in health education. The harmful effects of smoking were emphasized. A film on lung surgery was shown. The Five-Day Plan to assist those who desire to give up the habit of smoking was featured.

This fine hospital, now with its new

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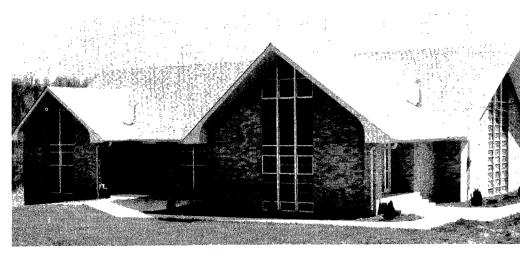
and expanded facilities, carries on a strong program of physical medicine including hydrotherapy, electrotherapy, exercise, and rehabilitation, under the professional supervision of Floyd E. Scott, M.D., Loma Linda University class of 1952, who specializes in this field. A strong spiritual ministry is conducted under the guidance of E. F. Irish, the chaplain.

Report From Iraq

By J. V. Scully, Associate Secretary GC Temperance Department

Adventist public relations are at their best in many countries of the Middle East. In Jordan we met the prime minister, His Excellency Sherif Nassir, and also His Majesty King Hussein, upon his return from a visit abroad. In Jordan, H. E. Robinson, the mission president, and Zaki Saliba, secretary-treasurer, had arranged our program.

Our next field was Iraq. While we were in Baghdad the Iraq Television Corporation arranged a 45-minute television broadcast during the first half of which I had the opportunity to discuss the effects of tobacco and alcohol on the human body. I utilized a number of visual aids, including cancerous lung specimens, "Elmer," the smoking dummy, and illustra-

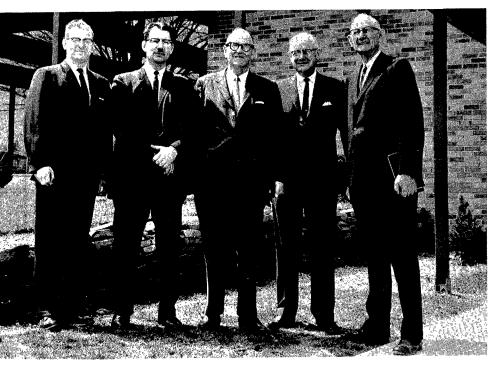


Columbia, Missouri, Dedication

Sabbath, March 14, the new \$90,000 church in Columbia, Missouri, was dedicated free from debt, a little less than two years after groundbreaking. The congregation had devoted many hours of loving labor to the task. One of those who did so was Arthur G. Gibb, a skilled carpenter.

Five hundred members, townspeople, and brethren from neighboring churches were present for the dedicatory services, in which James E. Chase, president of the Missouri Conference; R. H. Nightingale, president of the Central Union Conference; the pastor, Paul Curtis, Jr.; E. L. Moore, secretary-treasurer of the Missouri Conference; and John Longwell, mayor of the city of Columbia, participated.

The new church building is located in a desirable residential section and scats 320. The church was organized December 27, 1913, and on this occasion four charter members were present. PAUL CURTIS, JR., Pastor



Kalamazoo, Michigan, Church School Addition

A new addition to the Kalamazoo, Michigan, church school was dedicated Sabbath, April 11, with Lake Union Conference president J. D. Smith (center) presenting the dedicatory sermon. Others participating were (from the left): H. D. Miller, pastor; F. G. Harrell, M.D., a local physician; B. G. Butherus, conference educational secretary; and N. C. Wilson, conference president.

The new school addition contains three classrooms, an assembly room, and a gymnasium. It adjoins the auditorium building now being used by the congregation for its church services. Future plans call for the removal of the original church structure, which stands nearby, and its replacement by a new church that will adjoin the auditorium and recent addition.

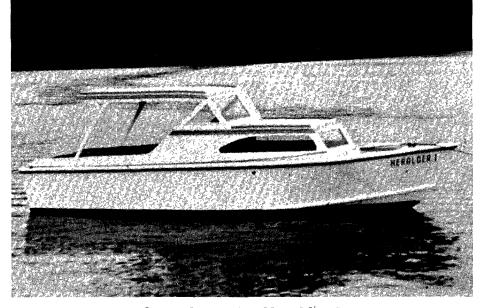
DON HAWLEY, Departmental Secretary Michigan Conference tions of the human brain. Following an explanation of the effects of alcohol on the central nervous system, the film Verdict at 1:32 was shown with its new Arabic sound track. This was its first public showing in the Arabic language.

After the program many of the employees of the station asked how to free themselves from these habits, and we told them of the Five-Day Plan to be held in Baghdad as soon as arrangements could be made.

Behnam Arshat, the conference president and temperance secretary for Iraq, has carried on excellent public relations work. Friday night 240 responded to our invitation to attend a public meeting in the Seventh-day Adventist church of Baghdad. Among those attending was the president of the Iraq Cancer Society, Dr. Kahlid Alkasaab. The minister of education, Dr. Mohmad Nasir, and the director of health, Dr. T. Abdul Jabbar, both asked whether we could arrange to spend a month or more during the next school year visiting every school in Iraq.

Colonel Basher Altalib arranged for a five-minute interview with the prime minister, His Excellency Taher Yahyett. On the way he told us that they had received an excellent response from the television program, and that many had called the station asking to have the program repeated. He had been responsible for arranging the television time. It is his duty to protect the lives of all officials of the Iraq Government, including the President.

We found the prime minister a most cordial person. We told him of our temperance program and complimented him on the law his country has enacted prohibiting the serving of alcoholic beverages at all government functions in Iraq, and at embassies abroad. We assured him



Launching the Heralder I

The Palau Mission boat *Heralder I* was launched recently. Each Sabbath church members in the Palau Islands of the Central Pacific conduct ten branch Sabbath schools. In the past we have often experienced difficulty in visiting these groups of believers and conducting church services, because no boat was available. Several of these villages and islands required from three to five hours' traveling time each way. After conducting the church services it was necessary to start home right away to reach home before dark. The church members have lent their boats for this purpose whenever possible, but we needed a boat of our own. The new boat cuts travel time in half.

Thanks to our loyal members who have made this beautiful new boat possible! JANICE BROWN HIGGINS SDA Mission

Koror, Palau, West Caroline Islands

that this was a step in the right direction, and an example for other nations to follow.

The prime minister showed us a jar of honey just received from the new crop. In another six months they hope to have their breweries making date honey instead of date wine. The use of alcohol is a financial loss to the country, he pointed out, as the people spend their money for it instead of clothing and other everyday needs. It is also part of their religious teaching, he added, to abstain from alcoholic beverages. We were happy to inform him that our church also believes in total abstinence. He told us that neither he nor the President of Iraq smokes or drinks.

Our visit with the prime minister extended to almost 30 minutes instead of five, as had been planned. Before leaving we presented him with a copy of Dr. Anderson's book *Health and Happiness*.

Both television and radio carried news stories of our interview with the prime minister, and every newspaper had at least one story on it.

The officials we visited were pleased to see the pamphlets, books, and films available in the temperance field. They asked us for samples of materials that could be incorporated into their plans for educating the youth of Iraq about these healthdestroying habits. The minister of education assured us that they plan to begin a positive program of this nature next year, and he was glad to find such films and pamphlets available.

The Hasso Brothers, wholesale and retail merchants in Iraq, have been serving the Lord for more than 50 years. Their family, especially Dr. Abid Fargo, has been most helpful in opening the doors that made our state visits possible. The Moslem world accepts our temperance work, and this is proving to be one of the best means of winning confidence and accomplishing something that is genuinely appreciated. The officers and committee members of the Middle East Division are to be commended for their vision and support in making temperance materials available in the Arabic, Turkish, and Farsi languages.

A Gambler Turns to God

By Al Cossetta

Over the years my friends have asked many times, "Why, once a Catholic, did you become a Seventh-day Adventist?" To my Catholic friends, giving up Catholicism was almost an unpardonable sin. Being of Italian ancestry and born and reared in the very heart of Catholicism, I had no opportunity to know anything else. Before I was 14 I had passed all the examinations to become an altar boy, received my first communion, and was confirmed by the bishop.

By the age of 20 I had become a compulsive gambler, and my parents ordered me to leave home until I overcame the vicious habit. Being a musician, I had an opportunity to travel about the country in a private railroad car with a band on a tour. One Sunday evening on our way into town for a movie, we were invited to attend a religious meeting at the city auditorium. Since I was a Catholic, I took it for granted that anyone who represented religion would be in the Roman Church.

Entering the auditorium, to my great surprise and astonishment, there on the screen was a picture of the pope, a chisel

A Handful of Rice

The Philippine Islands is a land of great extremes. In Manila there are many millionaires, but back in the mountains there are localities where money has never been seen.

At the Mountain Province biennial session, May 14 to 17, systematic giving was stressed. Brother Berto, the district pastor, told how the 25 members of the Pacol church, deep in the mountains, found money for Sabbath school offerings.

At each meal every family laid aside a handful of rice. At the end of the week, the rice each family had saved was collected and sold for 7 pesos, or approximately U.S. \$1.75. For many months this sum was the weekly Pacol offering to missions. This is real sacrifice for people who are actually living on a starvation diet! Pictured are some members of the Pacol church.

T. C. MURDOCH, President North Philippine Union Mission



The J. N. Andrews Magazine Chest

A magazine chest used by John Nevins Andrews, pioneer minister, writer, editor, and administrator, was recently presented to Andrews University and will be on exhibit in the James White Library Heritage Room. The black walnut chest was handcrafted by a cabinetmaker in Allegan, Michigan, who subsequently became an active Seventh-day Adventist.

Elder Andrews gave the sturdy case to his personal friend Wolcott H. Littlejohn, early Adventist educator and one-time president of Battle Creek College. His stepson, Fred Harvey, inherited it, and later gave it to a friend, Irvin M. Carr. The chest was presented to the University by Mark L. Bovee, a 1927 graduate of Emmanuel Missionary College. Mrs. Mary Jane Mitchell, University librarian, displays the case.

DONALD LEE, PR Director Andrews University



in one hand and a hammer in the other, chiseling away at the fourth commandment. Imagine how I felt! In those days no Catholic would dare be seen entering such a religious meeting, especially with a picture like that on the screen. I wanted to leave, but I couldn't. It was as though I were glued to the chair and that someone was holding me there.

After the meeting I remembered what I had been taught from the catechism when I was an altar boy: "She could not have substituted the observance of Sunday, the first day of the week, for the observance of Saturday, the seventh day, a change for which there is no scriptural authority." Now I was puzzled. Who gave the pope authority to make the change? The church frankly admitted making the change, and I was confused and perplexed. This acknowledgment proved to be one of the most convincing reasons for changing my whole religious life.

Before I could be accepted as a Seventhday Adventist I had to give up my job, stop playing for dances and other band assignments, abandon my vicious habit of gambling, and discontinue other worldly habits and practices that were dear to my heart. After baptism I worked as a colporteur for four years, thus paying my way through college. This, I discovered, is the best possible training experience, for it develops qualities needed in any branch of service in God's vineyard. In it I received the most rich and valuable training for my future work. There is no finer way to develop one's talents.

While in college I learned that I could sing. Because of the very high range of my voice, one of the Chicago Grand Opera Company officials asked if I would be interested in an audition with the opera company. Satan lost no time presenting me a glittering panorama of a bright future as a singer of prominence, with money, honor, pleasure, and the rare opportunity of traveling all over the world. This offer was one of the most persuasive temptations I experienced, a once-in-a-lifetime offer. With a grim determination to obtain an education,

however, I finally refused this unusual offer.

An Italian student whom I met at the college knew my parents. One day while canvassing he met my mother, and in the conversation told her about the transformation in my life, and that someday she would be proud of me. It was too much for her to accept. She could hardly believe that her boy had changed and had given up gambling. "If your religion was able to change my boy's ways," she replied, "thank God for that kind of religion."

After forty-five years in this message, and serving the church in many ways, I can say, truly, that nothing else could have brought me more comfort and peace of mind, more faith and trust in God, more determination to live a better life, or more joy than being a Seventh-day Adventist. Finding this message is like finding a strong anchor to hold in trouble. It instills confidence and faith. It brings courage and inspiration when we need it most.

My mother's prayer years ago as she kissed me good-by, hoping and praying that someday her son would change, has been answered. To her it was a miracle that the boy she once ordered to leave home was now changed. Her cup, which I had once filled with tears, was full of joy and happiness during her sunset days.

Orlando Central Initiates Hospitality Committee

By S. L. Dombrosky, Pastor Orlando, Florida

The Orlando Central church has initiated a hospitality committee to help members become acquainted with the church, the city, and denominational work in general. This service is provided by a committee of deaconesses under the supervision of Mrs. Stanley Barber, head deaconess, and Mrs. James Kerr, hospitality committee chairman.

This service is planned especially for newly baptized members, those who have joined the church by transfer of letter, and Seventh-day Adventists in the area who have not as yet transferred their membership. This list is based on information provided by the Chamber of Commerce and the hospitals, which list the church affiliation of patients. Also, the reception committee of our church meets all visitors in the foyer and records their names and addresses.

As they call on these people in their homes, members of the hospitality committee welcome them to the church, acquaint them with the various departments and activities of the church, and encourage them to take an active part in the church program. They also help arrange transportation for those who need it.

The new members are then presented with a specially prepared packet, a large portfolio with pockets. On the front is a color picture of the Orlando Central church. Inside are 55 different items, including:

Sabbath School Quarterly; tithe envelopes; church budget information; a directory of church officers; a complete list of church ac-



Mrs. James Kerr, hospitality committee chairman (right), presents a portfolio to Mr. and Mrs. Basham.

tivities; a local sunset calendar; a list of all Adventist churches in Florida; a booklet on tithing and Christian stewardship; a record for personal affairs; pamphlets on Investment, branch Sabbath schools, and morning worship; advertisements for such publications as the REVIEW, Life and Health, and These Times; information on our local church school, with a free school pencil; Pathfinder, MV, and junior camp information; listings of denominational TV and radio programs; enrollment blanks for the various Bible correspondence courses; a pamphlet from the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital; recipe booklets from the various health food companies; a Book and Bible House catalog; a city map with the locations of our churches, the conference office, the church school, and the sanitarium indicated; a number of commer-cial coupons provided by local merchants; a special discount coupon from the local Book and Bible House for newly baptized members.

The committee visitor then fills in a report of the interview, including the names and ages of members of the family. This information alerts the Sabbath school for new members who should be attending, and the deaconesses' new members committee, which follows through with plans to help the new members get acquainted. The interview is always concluded with prayer.

Committee activities are being expanded to include visits to families with newborn babes. A special packet including several gifts for the infant and items related to the Christian home is being used for this purpose. In the near future we hope to complete a packet for newlyweds.

Since the first of the year two outstanding soul-winning experiences have occurred. A family of former Adventists that moved into the area sought transportation to the church school for their daughter. They were visited by the committee members, and a report of the visit was given to the pastor, who called on them. As a result, the father, mother, and daughter were rebaptized on May 30. Another sister, whose husband was an Adventist, has joined our church family.

Those visited have been appreciative of the information and personal interest, and are being more quickly and closely drawn into the activities of the church. Our own members are being spiritually revitalized by this personal service for others.

Forty-ninth State Launches It Is Written

By G. E. Vandeman

It was recently my privilege to travel throughout the major cities and visit most of our people in America's last frontier, the forty-ninth State—Alaska. The spring meeting was in progress. C. A. Scriven, L. W. Crooker, D. E. Caslow, and A. R. Friendrich contributed to this yearly convocation of the churches.

The vast reaches of Alaska make administration of the work of the church difficult. Joseph Hansen, president of the mission, and his small but enthusiastic staff of workers, are serving an area nearly half the size of the 48 mainland States. Private and commercial airplanes with skis and pontoons, dog sleds, radio, and television are all in their plans. Most of our workers are mastering radio communication requirements and counting their hours of experience behind the pilot's stick, for the territory can be covered and the work carried on in no other way. Our mission school at Aleknagik can be reached only by a plane equipped with landing skis, during seven to nine months of the year.

The recent earthquake has sobered the population. Many who had chosen faraway Alaska as an escape from the claims of conscience are discovering that life in this progressive community offers no release from the claims of God. Our churches are houses of refuge for many who want to find their way back. I found few churches that were not crowded with visitors, and among them former Seventh-day Adventists from the "lower 48" States.

The devastation in Anchorage is, of course, appalling, but demolition and construction crews are rapidly restoring order. Huge buildings were shattered, and homes were tossed together in wild confusion. Fortunately, the tragedy came at an hour when all schools had been dismissed and people were homeward bound, or the death toll would have been much larger. Elder Hansen hastily arranged for the baking and distribution of 21,000 loaves of home-style bread, which he purchased from a church member who is in the frozen-bread business. Army ovens were commandeered, and

Cleveland German Church Dedicated

The Cleveland German church began in 1909 with 20 German-speaking Adventists who met Sabbath afternoons in the home of Elder Gaede. A few years later they bought a used church building from a Ukrainian congregation. In 1953 the building was in need of so much repair that the members decided to sell it and build a new one. Now a fine tan-brick structure stands in southwest Cleveland as a memorial to their efforts.

On March 21, F. W. Wernick, Ohio Conference president, gave the dedicatory sermon, and J. B. Bogle, conference treasurer, led out in the Act of Dedication. Since the church was organized and received into the Ohio sisterhood of churches, 249 have been added by baptism and 183 by letter. A. H. Schleicher (left), the pastor, watches the burning of the mortgage papers.

FRANKLIN W. HUDGINS, Departmental Secretary Ohio Conference





Mombasa Church Dedicated

A new church was dedicated in Mombasa, gateway to East Africa. For many years our members in this important city have worshiped in a small house that was entirely inadequate. Participating in the service were M. E. Lind, East African Union Mission president, the Honorable Matano of the Regional Assembly, and A. H. Brandt. The church seats 250. A. H. BRANDT, President Central Kenya Field

freshly baked bread sustained the workers and the homeless during the hours of the most serious privation.

But "man shall not live by bread alone." The Alaska Mission is planning an aggressive program to cover the entire State with the It Is Written television campaign. The Columbia Broadcasting System in Alaska, which has cable connections to the defense installations, has requested the program. These added outlets will reach tens of thousands of our Army and Air Force personnel. Our 700 believers in Alaska are eagerly committed to their part in follow-up plans.

to their part in follow-up plans. I was happily surprised, as you would have been, to see the cultural and educational achievement of the people in Alaska. Our own members are largely professional, technical, and business people. The educational level of Alaska's population is 20 per cent higher than the State of Utah, which claims the highest level of any of the 48 States. The forward look in Alaska is most refreshing.

Those with relatives or friends in Alaska might profitably alert them to the It Is Written program to be released in major cities of Alaska beginning in mid-September. Ninety-five per cent of the population will be covered. Our workers and people are praying for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at a time when the people are especially receptive and willing to listen.



Far Eastern Division

Elisa Lopez, a graduate from the fouryear secretarial course of Mountain View College, in the Philippines, left on May 28 for Bangkok, Thailand. She will join the staff of the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital as a secretary.

Eldie Dario left the Philippines on June 11 for Penang, Malaysia. She will join the nursing staff of the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital.

W. R. BEACH

"More Than Ever in '64"

By G. W. Maywald, Departmental Secretary Southern Asia Division

Amazing! Astounding! Unheard of! These were the words heard in Ceylon after the first week of Ingathering this year. The first day of the campaign in Colombo, the capital, newspapers carried the headlines: "Port Strike," "Mercantile Workers on Strike," "Tea, Rubber, and Cocoanut Piling Up," "Tea Auctions Called Off." Our workers met in a season of earnest prayer and decided to carry on. The result was 11,000 rupees—3,000 more than ever before! An earnest spirit permeated the entire church membership of the island. Students and teachers at our school at Lakpahana brought in a record figure—4,000 rupees. One dear sister of 80, living in Kandy

One dear sister of 80, living in Kandy and unable to walk more than a few yards at a time, asked for her share of magazines. In front of her home was a public water tap. As children came for water she called to them and sent the magazine home with them, asking the children to tell their parents to send an offering. How thrilled she was on Sabbath to turn in 25 rupees. This same spirit has helped the Ceylon Union to gather in 25 per cent more than ever before.

In Pakistan we found that the visit of the heart team from Loma Linda to the Karachi Hospital had made a tremendous impact throughout the country. Pakistan has broken all previous records, and expects to reach 150,000 rupees.

From Burma, P. A. Parker wrote promising to do their best despite seemingly impossible circumstances. Burma reached its goal in less than one month, and expects to set an all-time record. In India the story was the same. Three of our unions have gone over last year's figure, and South India has reached the sixfigure mark.

To date, the division has reached the record figure of 575,000 rupees, and by the time all reports are finalized we expect to go over 600,000.

"God has done marvelous things for his people" in Southern Asia, "whereof we are glad." Our members are going forth in the greatest evangelistic program ever conducted. Pray for the work in Southern Asia.



An 80-year-old member of the Kandy church who determined to have a part in the Ingathering program, with her pastor, B. F. Pinghe,





Atlantic Union Conference has prepared five half-hour documentary films on the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking, for use by laymen and pastors where no doctors are available. Several well-known men introduce these films—among whom are Dr. Paul Dudley White, Dr. Linus Pauling, and Dr. Alton Ochsner.

► On May 17 delegates of the New York Conference assembled in the new auditorium at Union Springs Academy for the twenty-second biennial session of the conference. R. W. Moore and R. C. Mills were re-elected president and secretarytreasurer. All departmental secretaries and the Book and Bible House manager were asked to continue. Elder Moore reported 430 baptized during the two-year period, but deplored the fact there had been a very small net increase. Tithe for the biennium amounted to \$1,268,548—an increase of \$107,075 over the two-year period. Mission offerings amounted to \$412,-930, which represents a good gain over the former two years.

► A new group of believers has been organized at Peekskill, New York, as the result of the work of F. H. Fletcher, pastor of the White Plains church. In 1963 Elder Fletcher held a revival in this area, and a number of persons showed a definite interest and were baptized then. At another baptism, April 11, ten were received into the church following meetings conducted by G. H. Rainey, associate secretary of the ministerial department of the Atlantic Union Conference. ► Adam Layman, who has served the Northern New England Conference as publishing secretary for the past five years, has left to take up the same responsibilities in the Greater New York Conference. J. M. Bucy, former Greater New York Conference publishing secretary, has already arrived in the Northern New England Conference and begun his work.

► Laurence A. Senseman, M.D., F.A.C.P., medical director of the Fuller Memorial Sanitarium and chief of neuropyschiatry at Pawtucket Memorial Hospital, was named the thirteenth annual Ruggles Orator by the Rhode Island Association of Mental Health. Dr. Senseman delivered an address on "Sobering Facts About Alcoholism" May 13 on the campus of Rhode Island College. The Ruggles Oration was established 13 years ago by the Rhode Island Mental Hygiene Society to honor Dr. Arthur Hiler Ruggles, its honorary life president.



Faith for Today is now being shown on WHIZ-TV each Sunday morning at ten o'clock in Zanesville, Ohio.

Twenty persons completed the Laymen's Training Course in the Wilkes-Barre church in Pennsylvania. T. H. Weis, conference home missionary secretary, led out in the class.

► Four persons were baptized into the new Alexandria, Virginia, church during May, bringing to a total 15 new members added since the evangelistic meetings held by the pastor last fall.

► Thirteen school children were baptized into the Camden Mt. Olivet church recently as a result of the efforts of their church school teachers. Twelve others have given their lives to Christ and are preparing for baptism soon.

Keith Hassinger from the Baltimore, Maryland, area, will begin his ministerial internship in the Chesapeake Conference in August. He received his M.A. degree in religion from Andrews University.



Lake Union

Reported by Mrs. Mildred Wade

► The new Chicago Heights church in the Illinois Conference was dedicated May 9. The church group was first organized in 1923 by E. F. Ferris, with 12 charter members. The congregation has grown until there are 91 members today. Jere D. Smith from the Lake Union, W. A. Nelson and Elton Dessain from the Illinois Conference, and two former pastors, V. R. Brown and T. J. Kroeger, assisted the pastor, R. H. Ferris, in the services.

► L. F. Hardin, a minister in the Wisconsin Conference, has accepted a call from the North Pacific Union to engage in evangelistic work at Portland, Oregon.

The Aurora, Illinois, church was dedicated May 16. Dr. Richard Hammill, president of Andrews University, delivered the dedication sermon. W. A. Nelson, president of the Illinois Conference, and R. E. Knox, pastor of the local church, participated in the dedication services.

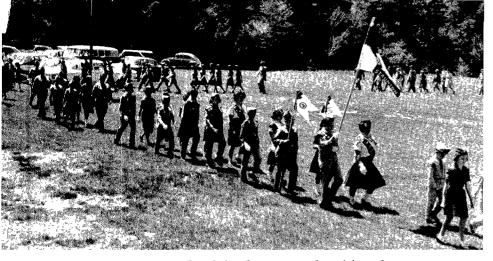
Merlin E. Foll reports 40 baptized in the Greater Lansing, Michigan, area following an extended campaign covering most of the winter and spring. The campaign was launched by George Vandeman,

Philippine Publishing House Council

The biennial council of the Philippine Publishing House was conducted April 5 to 7 in Cebu City. In attendance were the local mission publishing department secretaries and book and periodical agency managers of the three Philippine unions, the union publishing department secretaries and their assistants, the manager, treasurer, and assistant editor of the Philippine Publishing House, and the secretary and assistant publishing department secretary of the Far Eastern Division. Also present were guest speakers and workers from the three unions.

In the 11 missions comprising the three Filipino unions we have more than 500 literature evangelists. Student colporteurs number 515. The future of is bright indeed. E. A. BRODEUR, Departmental Secretary Far Eastern Division





Potomac Pathfinders on the March

More than 250 Virginia Pathfinders participated in weekend activities of the annual Pathfinder fair at Hidden Valley Youth Camp near Montebello, May 8-10. The fair provides opportunity for Pathfinder Clubs to display their talents and handiwork in crafts, nature, and recreation. A similar fair was held for the northern part of the Potomac Conference at Beltsville, Maryland, May 3. More than 300 young people participated. Otis Graves, conference MV director, was in charge.

J. N. MORGAN, Departmental Secretary Potomac Conference

continued by the Lansing pastor, and climaxed by the Walter-Lange evangelistic team.

Mrs. Adeline Drury, of DuQuoin, Illinois, was 98 years old May 1 and is believed to be the oldest resident in the city. She still attends church occasionally.



Northern Union Reported by L. H. Netteburg

► David Rouse, a graduate of Southern Missionary College, has been appointed dean of boys at Sheyenne River Academy in North Dakota.

► An eight-day series of evangelistic meetings recently climaxed Minot, North Dakota's, Operation Fireside. Six teams of young people gave Bible studies once a week to non-Adventist families.

► At a baptismal service at Bowdle, South Dakota, on May 16 three junior boys and one adult became members of the Bowdle congregation. H. E. Preston is the pastor.

Twelve have been baptized in Iowa as a result of fair-booth evangelism in Winterset. The It Is Written meetings were publicized at the county fair booth, with the result that over 100 nonmembers attended many of the meetings.



Pacific Union Reported by Mrs. Margaret Follett

An ordination service was held at the Lodi sectional meeting in the Northern California Conference on the afternoon of June 6. The two candidates were Alberto Guzman, of the Hayward Spanish church, and E. A. White, of the Berea and Pittsburg churches. The charge was given by R. R. Bietz, the ordination prayer offered by William H. Shephard, and the welcome by Carl Becker. Clarence Kott, for the past 13 years the secretary of the Sabbath school department in the Southern California Conference, has accepted the call of the Pacific Union Conference to assume the leadership of the Sabbath school and health education departments. He served in the Illinoins, Wisconsin, Washington, and Idaho conferences before his appointment in Southern California.

Robert Kepkey, former president of the Nicaragua Mission, is the new pastor of the South Brand church in Glendale, California.

► Liane Marlin, for the past two years a secretary in the Central California Conference office, arrived in Honolulu, Hawaii, May 24, where she has taken up her work as secretary to B. W. Mattison and M. O. Chang, president and secretarytreasurer, respectively, of the Hawaiian Mission.

Rio Lindo Academy's second graduating class, of 91 members, participated in services the last weekend in May. Speakers were Carl Becker, consecration; S. R. Jayne, baccalaureate; and W. O. Baldwin, commencement.

► Speaking to the 39 members of Mountain View Academy's graduating class the first weekend in June were R. Dale Mc-Cune, consecration; J. H. Apigian, baccalaureate; and R. E. Dunton, commencement.

Seventeen United Nations representatives, touring the West by air, were recent visitors at Monument Valley Mission.



Weekend regional meetings held in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and at Gentry, Arkansas, resulted in Sabbath school offerings of \$6,000, and offerings for local conference evangelism of more than \$10,000. ► N. L. Sims from the Wyoming Conference has transferred to the Texico Conference to be pastor of the English church in El Paso.

T. E. Dennis, Bible instructor at Shenandoah Academy in the Potomac Conference, has accepted a call to be pastor of the McAlester, Oklahoma, district.

Twelve persons were recently baptized by E. M. Cleek as a result of evangelistic meetings at Davis, Oklahoma.

Twenty-two were baptized at Little Rock, Arkansas, as a result of a three-week evangelistic meeting conducted by A. C. Carlson.

► To be director of physical education at Southwestern Union College in Keene, Texas, is Dallis Simpson, assistant in the physical education department and assistant dean at Union College.

► Duane M. Corwin, of the Oregon Conference, is holding a six-week evangelistic effort at Wagoner, Oklahoma, where his father recently contributed much in time and funds toward a new church.

Church Calendar

Pioneer Evangelism (Dark County)	August 1
Church Missionary Offering	August 1
Dakwood College Offering	August 8
Educational Day and	
Elementary School Offering	August 15
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Church Missionary Offering	September 5
Missions Extension Day and Offering	September 12



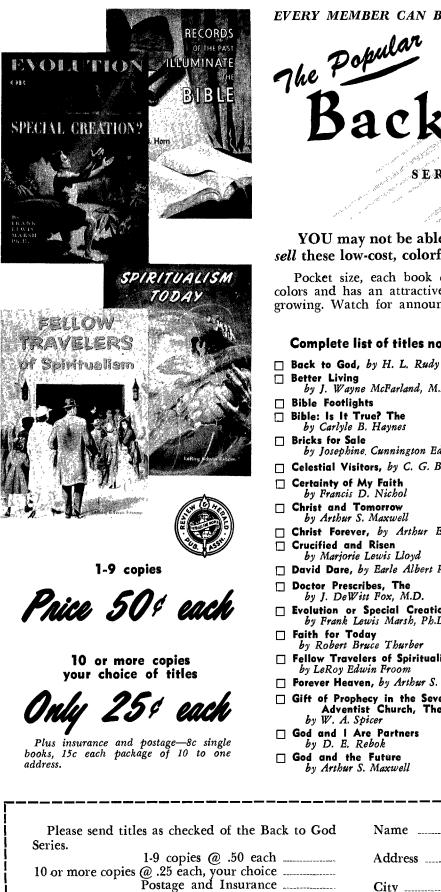
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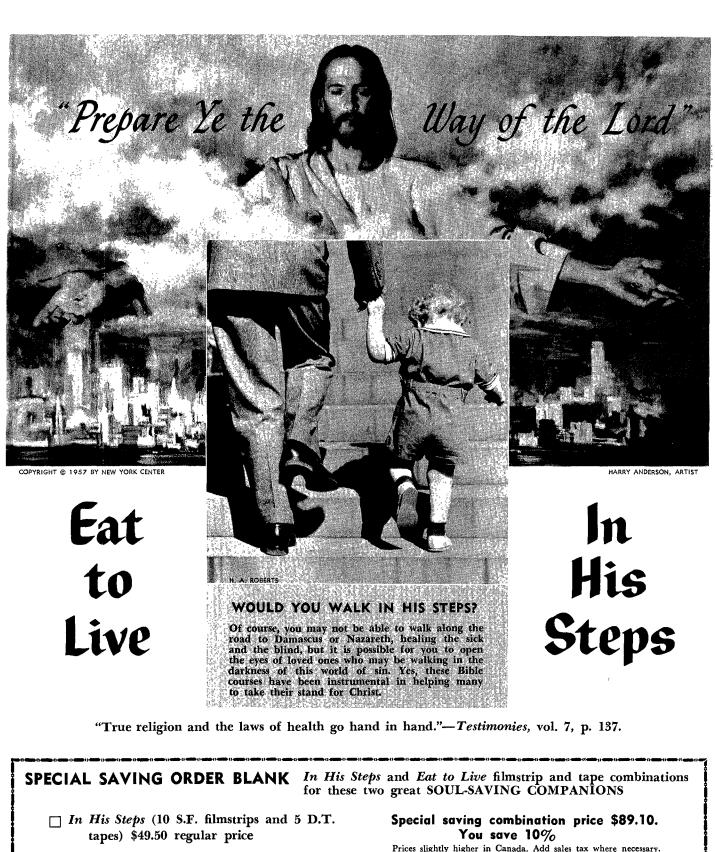
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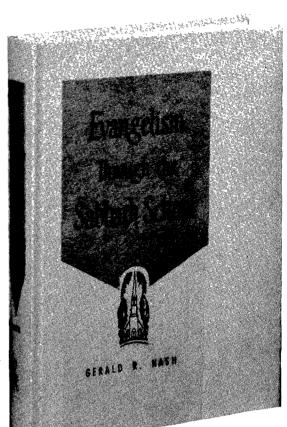
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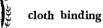
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Lightning Strikes Forest Lake Academy

On the evening of July 3 lightning struck the administration building of Forest Lake Academy near Maitland, Florida. Approximately half of the building was destroyed, with a loss in excess of \$100,000. HARRY HOUSE

Allegheny Conference Session

Delegates from the seven-State territory of the Allegheny Conference convened on the beautiful campus of Pine Forge Institute on Thursday, June 25, for their tenth biennial session. The reports revealed growth in all activities, and the conference membership is rapidly approaching the 10,000 mark. Both ministers and laity committed themselves anew to evangelism.

Re-elected for the ensuing biennium were W. L. Cheatham, president; W. A. Thompson, secretary-treasurer; and the entire departmental staff.

THEODORE CARCICH

1,870 Laymen on the March in Korea

Tremendous is the proper word to describe the activity in Korea early this spring. Ralph S. Watts wrote from the Korean Union Mission that they were preparing to launch a vigorous laymen's training institute program. In the spring of each past three years each mission has had an institute. These have been attended by hundreds of serious-minded laymen who spent up to eight days together under experienced teachers drawn from the union, the field, the college, and the sanitarium. Examinations are given at the close of each institute, and certificates are presented to the graduates. In 1963 there were 1,870 laymen who attended, most of whom satisfactorily completed the course. Hundreds of "120" pins were presented this past year alone, in addition to ninety-five "120" ribbons to those who had previously qualified for the pin but who have in the past year renewed their qualifications. Most remarkable of all was the fact that eighty-eight "120" tie clips and brooches were presented to men and women who had gone far beyond the "120" qualifications to raise up, during the past year, one or more churches.

J. ERNEST EDWARDS

New York Conference Purchases Campsite

High in the heart of the Adirondack Mountains on the shores of Upper Saranac Lake in New York State is Camp Cherokee, the newly purchased campsite of the New York Conference. In this region of scenic grandeur with forests of evergreens, birches, and poplars, are 109 acres recognized as one of the most ideal camping sections in the North American Division.

Camp Cherokee is to be used for the 1964 camping season. The camp is situated on a crystal-clear lake, has sturdy rustic structures, a modern kitchen, spacious recreation grounds, and equipment for water activities.

MV Secretary Vern C. Hoffman has a well-balanced program planned for this season's camping. The New York Conference committee, with Roscoe W. Moore as chairman, is to be complimented in having become the forty-forth conference in the North American Division to own its own camp. Seventy-seven per cent of our local conferences now possess and are developing their own campsites.

THEODORE LUCAS

Health-Education Booklet

A few weeks ago we stated that requests had come to the Medical Department of the General Conference for the reprint, in pamphlet form, of two series of articles published this year in the REVIEW from the pen of the editor, namely: "A Century of Our Health Work," and "An Address at the Dedication of the Kettering Hospital." The decision to publish was to rest on whether enough orders would be placed to justify this special reprint.

We are happy to announce that sufficient orders have been received. However, we shall wait a little to give full opportunity, yet, for any conference or institu-



The following news items are taken from Religious News Service, and do not necessarily express the viewpoint of the Review editors.

COLLEGEVILLE, MINN.—A Lutheran pastor from Germany, in a talk at St. John's University here, urged the Second Vatican Council to make possible the reception of entire non-Catholic churches into the Roman Catholic Church. The plea was made at the Catholic school by the Reverend Max Lackmann, of Westphalia, cofounder of the League for Evangelical-Catholic Reunion.

AMES, Iowa—Although Protestantism remains relatively strong numerically, it is losing its influence in American culture, an official of the United Church of Christ told his denomination's Iowa Conference here. As far as Protestants are concerned, Dr. Greene continued, "there is the gention or individual to order. The present plan is to make simply one printing to fill orders received, rather than to stock the booklet for future possible orders. The price will be only four cents a copy. Single copies will sell for ten cents. If you are in charge of a conference or medical institution that wishes to do a larger work of educating our workers and church members in general as to the importance of our health work, and the worth of dedicating our lives to labor in one of our hospitals, we believe you will wish to purchase an adequate supply of this pamphlet.

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T. R. FLAIZ, M.D.

The Grim Reaper Delivers Adventist Books

Some time ago Donald Young, a literature evangelist from Dallas, Texas, delivered a set of *The Bible Story*. When the husband of the family learned of the purchase he demanded that the books be returned at once. Reluctantly, Brother Young picked up the books. Later he received the following letter:

"Dear Mr. Young:

"I'm sorry I put you to so much trouble, but if you still have those *Bible Story* books, I would like them back. I didn't want to give them up, but my husband made me. He died May 4. If possible, I would like to have them back. Thank you."

You can be sure Brother Young went back. This time the woman took not only The Bible Story but also Bible Readings, Triumph of God's Love, These Times, and a Life and Health subscription.

LA MAR ALLRED Departmental Secretary Texas Conference

eral feeling that the church in the city is in panic, the church in the suburbs is sunk in complacency, and the church in town and country exhibits all the symptoms of rigor mortis."

CONCORD, N.H.—U.S. Postal authorities here ruled that New Hampshire may not use the mails to promote or operate the State lottery. State officials had sought to circumvent the law that prohibits the sending of lottery tickets through the mail by sending "acknowledgments" of tickets purchased. Mailing of form letters by the sweepstakes commission promoting the sale of tickets also was banned.

SAIGON, So. VIETNAM—Full religious freedom was granted to Buddhists in South Vietnam under a decree signed by Premier Nguyen Khanh, which rescinded previous regulations in force under the regime of the late President Ngo Dinh Diem. The decree gives Buddhists the same legal rights and privileges as any other religious body in the country. Previously their legal status was similar to that of a lodge or club.