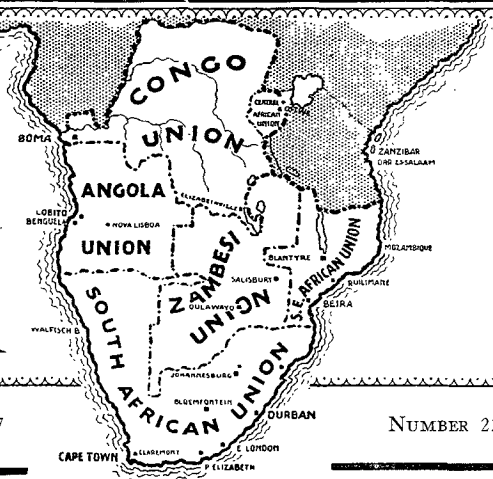


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“The Deepest Need of the Church”

J. F. WRIGHT

DR. A. J. GORDON said not long ago, “The deepest need of the church today is not for any material or external thing; *but the deepest need is spiritual. . . .* The interests of the kingdom are *pressing in upon us thick and fast*, and we must be more *instant and constant* in prayer.” (*Italics ours.*)

In view of such a great need, another writer has expressed himself as follows: “If we could but really appreciate the situation we are now in [spiritually] the whole church would be upon its knees in sack-cloth and ashes, *crying out to God in heaven to save us from our present shameful lack of spirit, faith, devotion, sacrifice and loyalty.*” (*Italics ours.*)

While both of these men doubtless refer to the Christian church at large, yet it is well for us to pause frequently and take stock as to where we, as a people and a church, stand as regards spiritual life and the things of the kingdom. What is our present daily spiritual condition? What is our present faith, devotion, and loyalty to God and His cause? Are we constantly advancing, or are we often found on the retrograde? What can be our reply to such searching questions as we face the perils of the last days? Such questions ought to cause us to stop and think seriously, should they not?

Once more through divine providence, we are afforded the opportunity as a church and as individuals to take an inventory of our spiritual life. It is for us to discover anew our spiritual condition as it appears in the sight of Heaven. This special time for such a work is what we term in our church, The Week of Prayer.

As we come to this annual Week-of-Prayer season I wonder if we do sense, as we should, our spiritual condition; or have many fallen into a somewhat lukewarm state of affairs? Yes, I wonder if we indeed realise as we ought, that the hours of probation are rapidly drawing to

a close and that soon the angel of mercy will depart from this earth never more to return. Really, dear brethren and sisters, I cannot help but feel sometimes that we do not sense the times in which we live and our deep spiritual need as we ought.

It seems to me then, that the coming Week of Prayer should prove to be a season of great heart searching and mighty intercession with God. *How mighty is the power of prayer to move toward us the arm of the Infinite!* Listen! “When prayer fails, the world fails; when prayer fails, the church fails; when prayer fails, the church loses its divine characteristics, its divine power, and the world scoffs at its obvious impotence.” Certainly such facts as these should cause us to turn mightily to God in sincere, earnest, ardent, importunate supplication.

How many more such seasons of prayer like this one we shall enjoy in peace and unmolested, Heaven only knows. Soon, *how soon*, no one can tell, when the same conditions, that now prevail in China and the Far East, may come to every land. This we do know, that soon the world may be plunged into the very abyss of war and bloodshed. Then the flock of God will be scattered abroad and many will be forced to stand alone.

So let us make this special season of prayer what prayer was to the apostle Paul, *a striving with earnest effort of soul*; what it was to Jacob, *a wrestling and prevailing with the omnipotent Jehovah*; what it was to the Lord Jesus, *a time of strong crying and tears.*

The saints of God in days of old, we are told, prayed with all prayer and supplication in the spirit. They were ever watching thereunto with all perseverance. Why should it not be so now? They evidently realised that the “effectual, fervent prayer,” has always been the mightiest weapon of God’s children against the forces of evil. One has effectively remarked, “The

prayers of God’s saints are the capital stock in heaven by which Christ carries on His great work here upon earth. The great throes and the mighty convulsions on earth are the results of these prayers. Earth is changed, revolutionised, angels move on powerful, more rapid wing, and God’s policy is shaped as the prayers are more numerous, more efficient, more earnest and more urgent.”

Then let us turn to God with all sincerity and earnestness of soul at this time in whole-hearted entreaty for a new and large unction of His grace and power to come upon us. If we will but do this, ours will be a refreshing, a spiritual awakening, and a divine quickening, such as the present demands, and which will greatly strengthen us and deepen our experience in the things of God as we press on unitedly toward the coming kingdom of our Lord and Saviour.

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Annual Offering, December 11, 1937

C. W. BOZARTH

THE time for another Week of Prayer is approaching. It hardly seems possible that another year has passed into eternity since your attention was called to the 1936 Annual Offering, yet I feel sure that each one of God’s children in the Southern African Division can find innumerable reasons for thanking our loving heavenly Father for His many mercies and blessings, and for the privileges and opportunities He has given us. We are very grateful for His keeping power and protecting care which has been over His people and work during the past twelve months.

This has been a good year for God’s work throughout the Division. Many hundreds,—yes, even thousands—of dear souls have heeded the gospel appeals and turned from a life of darkness into the

marvellous light of God's love. Just yesterday I was reading a letter from Pastor H. M. Sparrow in which he told of evangelistic efforts that had just closed in one section of the Nyasaland field where more than one thousand persons accepted this Message and joined the Bible classes. In the Congo Union, as the result of the evangelistic efforts held during the months of June and July, there were nearly three thousand persons who turned from heathenism to this Truth. Similar reports as these come to us from every part of the Division.

Just over three thousand have followed their Lord through the watery grave and united with this people in church fellowship. Our camp-meetings have been the largest of any in the history of the work in Africa, there being over 125,000 persons in attendance at these meetings throughout the field. Surely the Lord has been good to us, and as we come up to the Week of Prayer let us thank Him for all these manifold blessings.

The Lord has left us the finishing of His work on the earth. It is a wonderful privilege He has given us to be co-workers with Him. He extends to us the opportunity again this year of proving our love for Him, and those who are still in darkness, by giving not only ourselves anew, but our means as well. Dear brethren and sisters, God is depending on us, and we must not fail Him. Let us make an offering this year commensurate with the many blessings received.

I trust that all our people throughout the Division will respond generously to the Annual Offering. This year has been a very prosperous one for South Africa, so we can expect a large offering on December 11. God can use our means just now in His work, but the time will soon come when He will no longer need our money, so, brethren, let us respond liberally while we have the opportunity and thus hasten the finishing of the work.

men who have longed for victory over some besetting trial, or who have craved power in service for others,—all have experienced in greater or lesser degree the fruition of their hopes in marked answer to prayer. But their prayers have been specific; they have reached out for definite blessings, claiming the promise, "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father . . . He will give it you." This is the kind of prayer God expects His children to pray. It is the kind of prayer that should mark the supplications of His people during the week we are about to commence.

What Should We Specifically Pray For?

Though we might list many things the following seven come particularly to mind: *Victory Over Sin.*—Does the insinuation of the Word mean what it says when we read: "Sin shall not have dominion over you"? Or is it intended only to mock? It is unthinkable that God would mock His children whom He redeemed at such tremendous cost. Then why do we not claim the promised deliverance, and claim it on this occasion? If we do not claim it now, when do we plan to do so? How much more insistent do we expect God to be with us before we rouse from our stupor? We are living in a time when He is about to present to Himself "a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but . . . holy and without blemish." It should be the burden of our prayers each day of this coming week that we might rid ourselves of the works of darkness and be clothed with the armour of light.

Freedom From Discouragement.—How many professed Christians, yes, Seventh-day Adventists, are bowed down with care and worry, and have not yet experienced the real joy of salvation! Our Saviour specifically promised: "My peace I give unto you. . . . Let not your heart be troubled." It is a definite non-acceptance of His gift when we prefer our worry to His peace, for such our attitude often is. Have we not reached the time when the command is operative: "Lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh"? If so, it would seem that one of our main requests at this time should be for grace and for willingness to throw off forever the despondency that has wrought such havoc with our past experience, and claim as our most prized possession, the "peace of God which passeth understanding."

Love for the Brethren.—One wonders whether we as a church fully merit that distinctive mark, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." It is this quality that must distinguish the true followers of Christ. It distinguished the early Christian church, when with self-abandonment and holy zeal they sought the interests of others and took joyfully the spoiling of their goods that others' interests might be served. (Heb. 10: 33, 34.) It was outstanding in the early history of this denomination, but is it as prominent now as it ought to be

A Week of Prayer!---For What Should We Pray?

A. FLOYD TARR

It has been a supremely blessed occasion that has each year called the thousands of advent believers of every country, nationality, and language, the world around, to united prayer. These occasions have become increasingly blessed as the years have rolled by, as, with added responsibility, and a growing concern for spiritual integrity amid advancing darkness, there surges in the soul an insistent longing for the fulness of strength and joy that is to be found in the Christian way. The farther earthly attractions and pleasures have receded into the background the greater has been the burden of soul for union with the things of God. In the enjoyment of this experience these annual seasons have become, as it were, milestones by which there may be traced successive stages in spiritual growth. Coming as they do during the closing days of the old year and at the threshold of the new, they are appropriate spiritual landmarks in a progressive experience. They mark off the failures and disappointments, and the periods of limited success attained, and they reinforce the foundation for a deeper, stronger grip on the fundamentals of Christian living. They also inspire to nobler and more zealous service as surely as with a growing tree the possibilities are enlarged for more abundant fruit.

It would be difficult to measure fully the value of these seasons of prayer to the advent people. In a very fitting way they seem to meet the need of our hungry, thirsty souls. Through the timely and stirring messages prepared by leaders who have their fingers on the pulse, so to speak, of

religious life, the minds of believers are directed to the major issues confronting them. These messages point out the tendencies which seem to assert themselves under the peculiar circumstances in which the church is placed, and we seem to discover in their presentation of the common need the very difficulties with which we ourselves have been battling. They raise anew the gospel standard and emphasise the incentives so generously provided; they direct the eyes to the goal that urges the Christian on. New hope, new courage, new determination to press on in the way, seem to grip the life as the warnings and admonitions are presented in the readings. The occasion is truly a week of inspiration to striving, struggling members.

But these messages, important as they are, are not ends in themselves. They are but means to an end. In presenting the heights to which in life and in service the church must attain, the readings would fail in their purpose, did they not rouse the church to earnest supplication for the power that is supremely vital in attaining the goal. The underlying purpose of the week, the real objective that it holds before us, is that we might "unlock heaven's storehouse, where are treasured the boundless resources of Omnipotence," and the key which is placed in our hands to do this, is prayer.

It is prayer that has made these seasons such blessed ones. Sinners have come to the fountain and found cleansing; dejected, disconsolate souls have received new courage and hope, as upon their knees they have sought this previously elusive experience;

among those who are preparing for translation? The distribution of temporal possessions by the early Christian church was but an indication of the love and unity and fellowship that prevailed. It was that fellowship that in large measure brought the outpouring of the former rain; and it found its birth in the upper-chamber experience of prayer and supplication. In the task of even greater magnitude that confronts the church today, ought we not to pray specifically as did the disciples, for the presence of holy, unselfish love that all of our relationships within and without the church might mark us as those who are worthy to be called His disciples?

The Raising of the Standard.—While standards in the world and in the church are trailing, the responsibility is placed upon the remnant church to "lift up a standard for the people." That standard must be exemplified in Christian conduct. It must be embodied in the life. It involves a spiritual relationship to all of the requirements of God. It involves the acceptance of the standards set by this denomination for health reform, for dress, for pleasure, Sabbath observance, social relationships, home relationships, and all that would tend to influence our spiritual life. For the daily maintenance of these standards we should most earnestly pray.

Our Homes.—The home life of some Seventh-day Adventists still leaves much to be desired. The power to meet temptation without is weakened by the lack of mutual understanding and sympathy that prevails within the home. We think, too, of the absence of the family altar, and of the intrusion of so much that tends to break down the barriers that separate our homes from the prevailing worldliness without. Yes, we should pray very fervently that God will bless our homes.

The Conversion of Relatives.—Comparatively few Seventh-day Adventist homes are not divided. It may be the husband or the wife, it may be a son or a daughter, or parents, or brothers or sisters, that remain without the fold. It is time that specifically and fervently we entreated the Lord in their behalf. Shall we not remember these during this Week of Prayer?

Power for Witnessing.—It was through the days of heart-searching and prayer in the upper room that the disciples received the power to bear witness of a risen Saviour. The outlook had seemed dark and forbidding. They themselves had been deserters to their Master's cause. How could they possibly bear the responsibility He had now entrusted to them? It was prayer alone that changed things. Their prayers were honoured and the promised power was bestowed. In this power they accomplished their task.

Seventh-day Adventists are as needy in relation to the task confronting them as were those early disciples. They need the same measure of power, and they need it urgently. In the Week of Prayer there is provided for us that upper-room experi-

ence that meant so much to the disciples; and it can change our lives as it did theirs. Shall we not, therefore, in all of our churches earnestly and perseveringly, and with a sense of the critical conditions before us, enter into this upper-room experience and supplicate God for the power of the Holy Spirit to enable us to live and to witness as men who look for their Lord's return?

These are but seven of the specific needs that should find a place in our prayers. Others might loom up in our experience, but whatever they are, let us present them specifically that not one need may remain unfilled when the Week of Prayer is over. Why ought this not to be a time when the burdens of our hearts are rolled upon the Lord, and when we are completely freed from sin with all its cares and discouragements and unrest? What a mighty shout of victory would then go up from thousands of voices, and with what joy of heart and peace of mind and fragrance of life we would enter upon the responsibilities before us. And why ought it not to be so? The only reason lies within ourselves—and this is what God would remedy during this coming Week of Prayer.



A Chain Letter

A FEW months ago our leaders in the Southern African Division, in council with General Conference representatives who were visiting Africa at the time, decided to sell one of our Southern Rhodesian mission stations, using the funds derived from such sale in the establishment of a new station in a more favourable location. The station involved is now surrounded by farms which are owned by Europeans and is rather far removed from the native reservations which it is expected to serve. It is believed by our brethren in Africa that the re-establishment of this mission, more nearly in the centre of the native population of that section of Southern Rhodesia, will greatly facilitate the work among the Mashona people.

Now comes a so-called "chain letter," from some anonymous writer who signs himself "T" in which a pitiful appeal is made for this station, urging our people everywhere to send financial aid to prevent this mission station from being closed and the work among the Mashona people abandoned. The writer of the letter urges all who receive copies of the same to, in turn, make copies and send to their Seventh-day Adventist friends everywhere.

We wish to speak a word of warning to our people against responding to appeals of this nature, and in fact to any appeals for mission funds not approved by our responsible Division or General Conference committees. Those responsible for the work in Africa, while greatly pressed for funds with which to meet the demands of a rapidly growing work, are nevertheless

giving due consideration to the work in Mashonaland, and they believe that by the station in question being transferred to a more advantageous position they will, in the end, greatly strengthen the work in this district.

We trust that those who may receive copies of this "chain letter," sent out by an unknown person, will destroy them. Missives of this nature are calculated to do a great deal of mischief, and divert from our regular mission programme, funds that are so much needed for the carrying on of our regular work. We strongly disapprove of funds for our work being raised by the chain letter method. We are sure that all will agree that it is far safer to have the prosecution of our work in mission lands in the hands of duly constituted committees, rather than to follow the lead of single individuals who set up their judgment against that of their brethren. In unity there is both strength and safety.

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

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The Work at Munguluni Mission

M. M. WEBSTER

WE returned from our coastal furlough on May 16 of this present year. Our health had improved and we felt ready once more to put our shoulders to the wheel and keep pace with the onward movement of God. Everything looked new to us. Some things seemed to have grown out of recognition, but this impression soon wore off and it became the old place once again.

When we left on furlough the school building was complete, excepting for the doors and windows, but the carpenters completed these during our absence. The building looked very attractive, but because we had not yet received permission to conduct school, it lost its attractiveness to us. As you know, every building is built for a purpose and if it stands empty it is not very pleasing to the individual concerned. The permission was dependent on the report of the medical officer. We invited him to come up in June and visit the mission and inspect the school building. Once more we had to exercise patience. We waited until July. He gave a very flourishing report about the school building and forwarded it to the governor. We thought things would now move, for we had met the requirements of the law. But alas! we had to continue to wait. I finally went to Quelimane to interview the governor and the inspector. The inspector

had not heard of the doctor's report. The governor had, and was surprised that we had not yet received any reply;—we are still waiting. Our only source of endurance is the Lord. We are bidden to "be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord."

Is it the absence of God's presence that brings difficulty upon difficulty? Is it because we have taken a step in the wrong direction? No, far from it! We have seen the Lord's hand many times. He has been with us; He has guided us. A little while ago we were perplexed to know from where we could get a native Portuguese teacher, with the necessary qualifications. Lo, and behold! one day a boy came seeking employment as a teacher. He had the necessary qualifications; he had been offered other positions on the way here, but was persuaded to come here first. Who led him here? Was it not the Lord? This same man is with us and is eager to study God's Word. We hope that the Spirit that led him here will lead him in his study.

The building work has advanced fairly rapidly. The school, the director's, and the pastor's houses have been completed. Since our return we have made bricks and completed the Portuguese teacher's home and at present we are busy putting the roof on the doctor's house. We are also making bricks for the dispensary. We need a doctor with us. We do not yet know who he will be, but we believe that the Lord has one chosen for this very place and that he will come on time. We need his help in breaking the superstition that binds so many. We also need him to help us with the many serious cases we meet. His ministrations to the sick will help to break down the many barriers that separate them from God.

While I was in Quelimane and my wife was alone on the mission one of the boys became seriously ill. She was called to this case, for this individual was said to be dying. My wife said, "Why do things happen when my husband is away?" but she went with the courage she possesses, and handled the situation with the help of the Lord. She treated him, and had prayer for him—he got well. One woman, after having had some treatment, was getting weaker and weaker every day, so my wife went to see just what the reason was for her taking so long to get well.

She found the woman locked up in a house without food, for they said that someone had bewitched her. The witch-doctors were there endeavouring to persuade the parents who the individual was who had bewitched their daughter. After some explanation and prayer those witch-doctors scattered and were defeated and the woman is well. We need the doctor to multiply such instances a hundredfold.

The task of building our church is still before us. For the means with which to build this we have to look beyond our own field of labour. We still meet under the trees, and when it rains we crowd into

several of the school rooms. We hope that this will not continue for very long as it will open the doors to irreverence. We hope that the Lord will prosper his people that they may be able to help meet the needs of our first mission in Portuguese East Africa.

The task is stupendous; it has just begun. Spiritually we long to be filled with the Spirit of God to enable us to accomplish this stupendous task. It is stupendous because of the unsettled state of the natives. Many are accepting the Truth; they have learnt to bow to the Lord in prayer; they are studying the Truth and stay with us for a while, then they are gone—recruited for labour. What will happen to the seed we sow? Our lot is to keep on praying and working for we know not "whether shall prosper, either this or that."

We have no one yet permanently settled in any village, teaching the Truth, but we have a number of elderly boys studying the Portuguese language, and we hope soon to have them scattered all over this country. All we are able to do at present is visit and hold meetings during the week-ends in five different places. We are sowing the seed; may the Lord give the increase. Take the work and workers of this mission and make their success the burden of your heart.

N. T. Conference

A. N. Ingle ————— President
P. W. Willmore ——— Secy.-Treas.

292, Louis Botha Avenue,
Orange Grove, Joh'burg, Tvl.

Call to Camp-meeting

THE time is drawing near for us all to be making definite plans for our camp-meeting. I have just returned from a long visit through the field and everywhere the members are planning to attend. There is no doubt that we are likely to have about 1,200 attending our main meetings and we can all look for a real blessing and inspiration.

The times in which we live are serious. Satan is busy trying to break down faith and confidence in this Message. Especially for those who are far away from others of like faith the camp-meeting is a time of spiritual refreshing, and we can all look forward to going home with renewed faith and hope.

Special programmes are being arranged for persons of all ages, and the children will find our camp-meeting as interesting, if not more so, than the adults.

The large auditorium will have ample accommodation for all. There is an excellent dining-room, and under the capable care of Sister Honey, the tasty menus ought to prove as popular as they have in the past.

Special concession fares will make the journey quite inexpensive and there is no doubt that we should all make a special effort to be present at our opening meeting on Friday evening, January 7, at 7:30, and continuously throughout the period.

A. N. INGLE.



Begin the New Year Aright

P. W. WILLMORE

In a few weeks' time the Old Year 1937 will be gone, and a new one will take its place. Father Time, wielding his scythe as ever, will pass by another milestone, and we will face a new period. Who knows what it will bring forth? How shall we begin this New Year?

Camp-meeting

What better can one do than to begin aright? If there have been failures, heart-aches, sorrows, trials, disappointments,—forget them. Begin the New Year by attending our camp-meeting, January 7-15, and thus begin aright.

Place of Meeting

The Coronation Hall, well known to many of you because of past camp-meetings, as the Freemasons' Hall, together with the buildings of our central church, which is situated almost next door, will constitute our meeting place. In the OUTLOOK which will be issued December 15, will appear a diagram showing how visitors may find their way from Johannesburg railway station to the hall.

Concession Fares

The South African Railways have graciously granted the usual concession fares. Application for concession certificates, which must be signed here at the office in order to be of any use, may be made to the secretary (292 Louis Botha Avenue, Orange Grove, Johannesburg). These concession applications will enable you to travel at excursion rates. When applying for a concession certificate please be sure to state: (1) Name and address. (2) Class you will travel. (3) Date you will leave. (4) Name of your station. Please note that no one using a concession railway ticket may return from Johannesburg until seven days after the date of issuance. This is important. Those desiring to be in Johannesburg early, if leaving their homes or before January 3, should buy the usual summer excursion ticket, and not a camp-meeting ticket. Summer excursions are available up to, and including January 3. Children sixteen years and under are not eligible for concession fares; these must travel on the usual half ticket. Children under seven years travel free.

Accommodation in Johannesburg

A locating committee has been appointed. This committee will select rooms for those making application for same. Send in your requests for rooms to: The Secretary, 292

Louis Botha Avenue, Orange Grove, Johannesburg. BE EARLY.

Catering Facilities

Mrs. R. C. Honey, assisted by trained and efficient workers, will conduct a well-organised cafeteria. You really must plan to take your meals in the quiet, cool, dining-room of Coronation Hall.

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Natal-Transvaal Conference Session and Camp-meeting

NOTICE is hereby given that the 24th Session of the Natal-Transvaal Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is called to convene in the Coronation Hall, Claim Street, Johannesburg, Transvaal, January 7-15, 1938.

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

The first preaching service of the camp-meeting will be held in the Coronation Hall, Friday night, January 7, at 7:30. The first meeting of the business session is called for Sunday, January 9, at 10:00 A.M.

A. N. INGLE, *Chairman*,

P. W. WILLMORE, *Secretary*.

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News Items

IN a recent visit through the Western Transvaal and Western Free State our president met several of the old brigade of col-porteurs, and we are sure that many friends will rejoice to know that Brother Van Zyl, now of Wolmaranstad, is of good health and courage. Then, Brother Celliers, now farming near Bothaville, is in good health and of excellent courage. This brother came into the Truth and canvassed for some time. Later, he went farming near Kroonstad, and now is holding up the light of truth in the little town of Bothaville, where he and his family are the only believers. The reputation of this brother made the writer wish that every professed Adventist might have the same good report in his own neighbourhood.

Brother D. Jonker, for many years a canvasser, is still actively spreading the knowledge of the Truth in the Klerksdorp district, while he is selling pictures and films to pay expenses.

THE interest in Senekal, as a result of seed sowing there by canvassers and lay-brethren, is now bearing fruit. Brother Herholdt (with him Brother Mellett Coetzee and wife), has been holding meetings there for the past two months. Last Sabbath there were about twenty-five adults at the first Sabbath meeting held. This in spite of bitter opposition and the circulation of untrue reports of our work and people. We rejoice with Brother Herholdt in this splendid interest.

HARVEST INGATHERING, 1937

Final Results

EVERY FIELD EXCEEDS GOAL — £10,000 COLLECTED

The greatest campaign in the history of the Division! Just study these figures:

	1935	1936	1937
Goal	£5,020	£5,100	£6,205
Income	7,260	8,661	10,000
Surplus	£2,240	£3,561	£3,795

In 1936 the surplus was £1,321 over that of 1935, while in 1937, in spite of an increased goal of £1,105, the surplus went £234 better than 1936.

Analysing the actual income we see that 1936 went £1,401 better than 1935, and 1937 showed an increase over 1936 of £1,339. Truly a performance which reflects great credit on both workers and lay-members alike, and reveals in a marked way the proof that, when His people increase their faith and multiply their efforts, the Lord adopts the same principle in the bestowal of His blessings.

We desire to express once again our deep appreciation of the splendid services of both workers and church members throughout the Division in bringing in such a fine contribution to the treasury through the Harvest Ingathering channel.

It was not possible to present this final report for the Division any earlier, owing to the fact that our northern fields hold their campaign much later.

Till next campaign *au revoir* — and thank you.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS,
(Southern African Division)

F. E. POTTER, *Home Missionary Secretary*.

CAPE CONFERENCE SUMMER CAMP

For Junior Missionary Volunteers

January 4-13, 1938

ENROLMENT APPLICATION FORM

I, the undersigned, cheerfully agree to the spirit and code of the J. M. V. Summer Boys' and Girls' Camp, and desire to be enrolled as a member.

.....
(Signature)

.....
(Age)

.....
(J. M. V. Member)

We are in favour of the above Junior's attending the J. M. V. Summer Camp, and as parents, or guardians, accept all the conditions named in the information circular Number One, including release of the management from liability in case of accident or illness.

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(Signature)

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(Address)

NOTE.— Notice of withdrawal for any cause must be given not less than one week preceding the opening of Camp.

FILL IN AND FORWARD WITH DEPOSIT OF 10/- AT ONCE

to

PASTOR A. C. LE BUTT

P. O. Box 508, Port Elizabeth, C. P.

Brother Venter, at Ficksburg (with him Brother Haarhoff), is having good meetings. The attendance is small, but we believe there will be a good harvest of souls.

Our difficulty is trying to care for the large number of interests we have all over the country, with such a small working force.

Brother D. A. de Beer reports from Machadodorp a good interest and a new group of people standing for the Truth.

EVERYWHERE in the country districts there is a wonderful interest in the coming camp-meeting, and there is no doubt that we will have a record attendance in Johannesburg in January next.

OUR evangelists are having some interesting experiences. One who has had very bitter opposition in the town in which he is working writes:

"The post office has a large number of surcharged letters lying there for me. Every day they come. I told the postal clerk to return them to the senders. The local minister got all of his people to return my handbills through the post without stamps. I got wise after the first few and will not be caught again."

Another experience: "The local minister called with the town clerk in his official capacity, on my landlady who keeps a cafe. They wanted to get her to give me notice and threatened if she did not do so immediately they would have an Indian open a cafe right next door."

Another worker writes: "My attendance has grown larger as the days go by. It is individual advertising now and those who are coming are bringing others with them."

Another reports: "We held our second Sabbath service this week with the interested ones. There were twenty-five new faces at our Sabbath meeting."

So the work is onward and the enemy of souls is busy, but he knows that his time is short, so we must expect opposition.

Our workers everywhere are of good courage.

Effectual and Fervent Prayer

W. H. HURLLOW

How often we receive the request, "pray for us." How readily we include in our letters of sympathy and encouragement the words, "we are praying for you." Recently a sister in great distress of mind 'phoned to me a request to pray for her, and concluded her request with the statement, "You know, 'the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.'" I had promised to pray for her, but her last statement brought in a very serious train of thought. What would my prayers avail? I turned to the epistle of James and read again the statement, I read it also in the modern speech version where it reads, "The heartfelt supplication of a righteous man exerts a mighty influence."

We are facing times of great stress and difficulty. Daily conditions are getting more dangerous and complicated. Influences are abroad which will go far toward destroying that slow growth of the ages which we call our civilisation. We are looking for and expecting soon those closing scenes which will bring to the earth its final death pangs. It is at such a time as this that we, as a church, are called to united prayer. How much will our prayers avail? How mighty will be the influence they exert?

I am convinced that our first concern should be to satisfy ourselves, by sincere self-examination, that our personal relationship to our Saviour and to the remnant church of Christ is sincere and true. The time is passed for a mere passive acknowledgment of the truth, or for a half-

a little time longer to work for the souls of men. The intensity of feeling produced by these things is pictured by the prophet Ezekiel who saw the seal of God being placed on the brow of those "that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof."

It was no self-centred throng of worshippers with purposeless creed which Ezekiel saw. It was a band of men and women, fully conscious of their own and other's needs, crying in the agony of deep conviction with their faces toward the throne of mercy and grace.

It is in this spirit that we must come during this week of united prayer, so that effectual and fervent prayer—heart-felt supplication—shall unite with the unutterable groaning of the Holy Spirit, plead before our heavenly Father in this hour of desperate need.

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Progress Through Persecution in the Gold Coast, West Africa

T. H. FIELDING

It was in Agona, twenty-two miles north of modern Kumasi, capital town of Ashanti, that our first mission station was established on the Gold Coast. All our work lay around that centre until 1932. It was to Agona that my wife and I came in January, 1935. Very quickly we saw that there is something more in the Gold Coast than mineral gold. The Lord is giving us rewards for our labours and the gold is beginning to shine in its true lustre. There are still towns in Ashanti where the name of Jesus has not been sounded. There are many, many more which have still to hear the threefold Message. But our hearts are cheered to see new companies growing up and rejoicing in the new-found light of the everlasting gospel.

In the middle of 1935, the Lord opened a door for us into a new tribe some 120 miles to the north. The habits and dress of the people are very primitive. Civilisation is nowhere to be seen. It was left to a humble lay believer of one of our coast churches to unlock the door to that darkened region. Being there to trade, he began to talk about God and the Advent Message. The result was a visit to Agona by two strangers, asking for more light. First we sent one of our native pastors on a visit. Later we were able to send a teacher. More than forty persons turned from heathenism to walk with the Lord. Twenty-two of these followed their Lord in baptism. At the present, a dozen more are awaiting baptism.

Then a fetish priest gave his heart to Jesus. This decision came because someone stole his gods and a better way was revealed to him. The evil one could not let one of his own disciples leave his ranks. False charges were brought against the ex-priest and he was cast into prison. How

Cape Conference Junior Camp

This will be the last invitation to the boys and girls of the Cape Conference to attend the camp to be held at Wemmer's Hoek, near Paarl, commencing January 4 and continuing for ten days.

You will find in this issue of the OUTLOOK an application form. If you are planning to attend fill in the form at once and send it to the writer (P. O. Box 508, Port Elizabeth), along with a deposit of 10/- and all particulars will be sent to you. Do not delay and find that you are too late to enjoy a jolly ten days with our other Junior Missionary Volunteers. Cut out the form and post it right away.

A. C. LE BUTT.

hearted response to its loud cry for this hour. Complete separation from sin and from the entanglements of this world is demanded of the one who seeks to engage the ear of the righteous God in prayer. Only to the extent that one is clothed with the righteousness of Christ can prayer be effectual and exert that mighty influence with which God has invested it. The only prayer that an unrighteous man can hope to have answered is the broken-hearted supplication to be freed from sin.

Our prayers to be fervent and heart-felt must come from an intelligent knowledge and appreciation of the world conditions which face us, and the dire consequences these conditions will bring to the world. The doom of the world, the peril of sin-stained humanity, the waning hour of judgment, and the overwhelming responsibility which is ours as the messengers of God, should force us to our knees in search of strength and endurance, and to plead for

his face shone as he returned home, his sentence completed, still ready to proclaim his Lord. Others of our believers were beaten and threatened.

But now all is changed. "The people that sat in darkness have seen a great light." A second visit has laid a foundation for a large work amongst that benighted tribe. One young girl was at first banished from her village for accepting the religion of Jesus, with a threat against her life if she returned. But apart from her fellow-Christians she held aloft the banner of Truth. Early this year her guardian sought her out desiring her to marry a man already having a wife. Refusing to lower her colours, she fled to Agona. It was the time of an institute for church elders at Agona. The elders took up the matter and decided to send two trusted men to the place to plead for the girl. We wrote a letter to the chief, asking him to allow the girl to worship in her native village. Our every request was granted. The two elders held a service before the chief with the result that a number of the heathen decided to become followers of Jesus. A message was brought back to us that our next personal visit was eagerly anticipated.

[The Thirteenth Sabbath Offering Overflow for this quarter is for the African missions under the care of the Northern European Division.]

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Your Responsibility?

MRS. A. P. TARR

S. S. Secy., South Bantu Mission Field

At the Sabbath school convention held last autumn in Johannesburg, the following resolutions, among many others, were passed:

"That on our farms the natives be given opportunity of attending a Sabbath school established especially for them."

"That we suggest the following slogans: (a) 'Every farm a miniature mission station.' (b) 'Every servant in Seventh-day Adventist homes a possible star for someone's crown.'"

This is official recognition of divinely given responsibility. Its value lies in its being carried out by our farmer believers. The efforts made by many of our farmers to teach their servants how to find theiraviour are producing desired results.

Recently a visit was made to a farm that really does seem to be a "miniature mission station." Some minutes before scheduled time, fifty adults and children were assembled and ready for the opening of the Sabbath school session. The farmer's wife acted as superintendent and gave the review of the previous week's lesson. The classes were taught by natives. The members had been taught to memorise Xosa hymns, and all joined in singing. All knew the day's memory verse.

The farmer's wife also had oversight of

a Junior M. V. meeting held each Wednesday, and a joint meeting with the Seniors once a month. With the help of two non-European Christian workmen, the farmer has oversight of other church activities—baptismal class on Wednesday night, and Sabbath afternoon prayer meeting, as well as the Sabbath morning service, and Sabbath opening and Sabbath closing vespers. A day school of twenty-four pupils is conducted by a trained native teacher.

This organised work is the result of years of definite, prayerful, continuous effort. It has not been easy. There have been, and still are, perplexities and disappointments. Satan bends all his energy to keep within his grasp those who strive to turn from heathenism. But some of the good seed does fall into good ground, take root, and bear fruit to the honour of the heavenly Sower.

At least three other such "miniature mission stations" in the South Bantu Mission Field are remembered. But there could be, and should be, many more.

The Master holds all equally responsible. Someday soon He will ask, "Where is the flock that was given thee?" (Jer. 13:20.) "If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and those that are ready to be slain; if thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not He that pondereth the heart consider it? and He that keepeth thy soul, doth He not know it? and shall not He render to every man according to his works?" (Prov. 24:11, 12.) "What wilt thou say when He shall punish thee?" (Jer. 13:21.)

Publishing Dept.

F. E. Potter, Secretary

Our Colporteur Corner

HERE you see the tenth contingent of student-colporteurs entering the field from Helderberg College. Take a good look at them and when you see one operating in

your neighbourhood give him or her all the help and encouragement you can. Do not tell them they are having a hard time; they will know that better than you, if they are doing their work properly. Commiseration is a doubtful tonic at any time. Talk courage to them, pray with them, lighten their expenses by entertaining them in your home if you can. In this way you will strengthen them and help them on the road to success. They are doing missionary work of the highest order and deserve the prayers and support of all Seventh-day Adventists.

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Our Busy Season

WHEN Commencement is over and the students have gone home, and summer has come in good earnest, and birds and bees and flowers are with us once more, then begins the busy season of the Home Study Institute. Do you ask why? Because a great many of our finest young people have found so much pleasure in their happy school tasks that, just as a matter of choice, they want to go on studying during the summer.

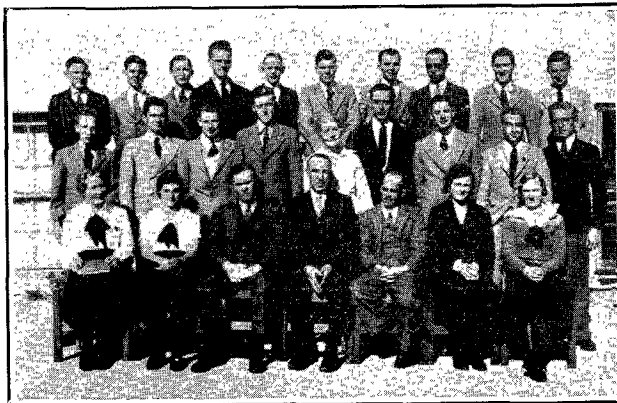
It may be a favourite course in English Literature, or College Rhetoric, or News Writing; it may be Modern European History, or Bible Doctrines, or New Testament History, or Public Speaking, or something else.

We think all our courses are interesting, especially when studied in a leisurely way in the familiar home surroundings.

Let it be said, too, that the occasional writing out of a short recitation paper is really the smallest part of the programme. Thoughtful reading of well-written books and reflecting on what one has read—the thing that intellectually-minded men and women expect to keep on doing all their lives—that is the essence of a good Home Study course, and the wise young people who thus employ some of their summer leisure hours, do not waste time listening to others who are trying to recite. They are either studying the lesson or preparing a short test paper which is to keep them in touch with their instructor so as to secure from him all needed help.

Summer mornings given to reading and study, afternoons and evenings to work and recreation and pleasant social intercourse,—is not this an attractive programme for the long vacation? And when you young people have carried out such a programme, how proudly you will mount the steps of your alma mater in the fall with Home Study credits in your pocket that will

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STUDENT-COLPORTEURS FROM HELDERBERG COLLEGE.

The Youth's Page

For Help and Guidance

Conducted by the South African Union Conference Missionary Volunteer Department

How Can I Spend My Christmas Holidays?

THE holiday season will soon be here. Oh what joy it brings us as we realise that soon we can stop thinking of dictation, sums, history, and so on, and can close our books, put our school bags on the top shelf, and know that the school doors are closed, good and tight, for the Christmas holidays.

But what are we going to do during the holidays? Do we have a definite plan or are we going to wait and let things just happen? Let us talk it over, for I believe we will be able to help you to have a really good and profitable holiday. Now, as we know, Christmas is a time of good cheer and we all like to enjoy ourselves, but we must always remember that Satan uses a time like this to spoil our good experience, and so we have to be on our guard lest the pleasures that confront us are such that the taste for the higher life may be marred or destroyed. Therefore let us make some definite plans that will be a real joy to us and give us the pleasure that will build up and maintain our Christian character, and at the same time be profitable.

Why not plan to enjoy the camp-meeting at Rosebank? Don't you think it is fortunate that the camp-meeting comes at the same time as the Christmas holidays? This is always a time of family reunion, so let us join with God's great family on the show grounds and have a very happy Christmas.

Then there is the Junior Boys' and Girls' Camp. Is it not splendid that this comes during the holidays too? Ten days under canvas at Wemmer's Hoek, with lots of other boys and girls of like precious faith! Could you wish for anything better?

If you cannot go to the camp-meeting or the Junior Camp, why not make some money, and at the same time help to spread the Truth? What about getting a batch of *Signs* from your church leader and, either sell them out of hand, or take subscriptions? The profits made could be used to help your society to buy Reading Course books for 1938, or you could use the proceeds to help buy your school books or to get some new shoes for the beginning of the year. Don't you think it would be fine to be able to buy your own shoes, or that school cap, with money earned by

your own hands during the holidays? and would not mother and father be proud of such an attainment?

So you see, there are many things you could do that would be profitable and would build up your character and make you useful boys and girls besides giving good, wholesome pleasure. At this time of the year everybody feels in a generous mood and usually a good spirit is at large, so let us take advantage of this season of festivity, and press in; then we will not look back on our holiday with regret, but with pleasure.

A. C. LE BUTT.



Origin of Christmas

NEARLY every boy and girl welcomes in an extraordinary way the Christmas holidays and looks forward to a very special time of enjoyment.

There is no harm in good, wholesome enjoyment, and if it gives others pleasure to receive a present, then let us see that they have this pleasure. It is also a good time to review the way in which God has blessed us during the year and in gratitude we can give Him a special offering of thanksgiving. It is a time of cheer, and it was our Saviour's counsel on many occasions to "be of good cheer."

December 25 was not the birthday of Jesus. There is not a word in the Scriptures about the precise day of His birth, or the time of the year when He was born.

Then how does it come that Christmas day is looked upon as the anniversary of the birth of Jesus, and that that festival is connected with December 25?

We would like to quote from Hislop's "Two Babylons," pages 92, 93, in answer to the above question. "Indeed, it is admitted by the most learned and candid writers of all parties that the day of the Lord's birth cannot be determined, and that within the Christian Church no such festival as Christmas was ever heard of till the third century, and that not till the fourth century was far advanced did it gain much observance. How, then, did the Romish Church fix on December 25 as Christmas-day? Why thus: Long before the fourth century, and long before the Christian era itself, a festival was celebrated among the heathen, at the precise time of the year, in honour of the birth of the

son of the Babylonian queen of heaven; and it may fairly be presumed that, in order to reconcile the heathen, and to swell the number of the nominal adherents of Christianity, the same festival was adopted by the Roman Church, giving it only the name of Christ. . . . That Christmas was originally a Pagan festival, is beyond all doubt. The time of the year, and the ceremonies with which it is still celebrated, prove its origin."

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Reading Course Books for 1938

HAVE you seen the list of fine books for next year? I, personally, have never seen a finer selection of good reading matter. These books will be fascinating, instructional, and interesting. Take for instance the senior course. Every Senior boy and girl should read "Dope-Adventures of David Dare." If you have read Earle A. Rowell's other book, called "David Dare," you will want to read this one.

Then there is "Pioneers and Builders," by L. H. Christian. Talk about excitement! this book is just full of it. Elder Christian tells of the development of our work in Europe. You will read of persecution; of suffering; of hardship; of imprisonment; and at the same time you will read of deliverances which can be accounted for only by the interposition of our heavenly Father, and you will be led to realise anew that "man's extremity is God's opportunity" and you will exclaim, after reading this thrilling story, "What hath God wrought!"

Then, for the Juniors there are "Living Monuments" and "From Ant to Elephant," — just to mention two of the books. In the Primary Course there are "O-go, the Beaver" and "The Slave Boy Who Became Governor." I have no need to say anything about these books, for the titles convey the fact that they are worth reading and that the stories are thrilling.

Start making plans now to get possession of these books. If you cannot get them personally, ask your young people's leader or secretary to get them for your society, but let me urge you to start early. Buy now for there is sure to be a rush early

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Bladsy vir Jongmense

Vir Hulp en Leiding

Gereël deur die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie Konferensie Strewers Departement

Hoe sal Ek My Kersvakansie Deurbring?

EEN van die dae sal die skole sluit. Hoe he is dit nie om daaraan te dink dat ons ons eerlank nie meer sal hoef te bekommer oor diktee, somme, geskiedenis ens., nie; ons kan ons boeke in die rak wegpak met die versekering dat die skooldeure dig toegesluit is vir die Kersvakansie.

Maar wat gaan ons aanvang gedurende die vakansie? Het ons 'n definitiewe program uitgewerk, of gaan ons die vakansie sommer so doelloos in. Laat ons bietjie oor die saak gesels, want ek meen dat ons 'n paar goeie wenke aan die hand kan gee vir 'n baie aangename vakansie. Soos ons almal weet, is Kersfees 'n tyd van welwillendheid, en ons wil almal graag die lewe geniet. Maar ons moet onthou dat Satan juis sulke geleenthede tebaat neem om ons geestelike lewe te bederf; ons moet dus op ons hoede wees dat die plesier waaraan ons deelneem nie ons smaak vir die hoër en edeler dinge van die lewe bederf nie.

Laat ons dus ons planne so beraam dat die vakansie vir ons 'n ware genot sal wees, wat terselfdertyd sal help om ons Christelike karakter op te bou en te ontwikkel.

Waarom nie 'n plan gemaak om die kampdienste op Rosebank by te woon nie? Dink julle nie dat dit 'n gelukkige toeval is dat die kampdienste saam met die Kersvakansie val nie? Kerstyd is altyd 'n geleentheid wanneer vriende en huisgenote saamkom — 'n tyd van hereniging; laat ons dan as huisgenote van die groot gesin van God op die tentoonstellinggronde, Rosebank, saamkom vir 'n gelukkige Kersfees.

En dan nog is daar die uitkamping van die Junior seuns en dogters. Is dit nie 'n goeie idee om hierdie kamp ook gedurende die vakansie te hou nie? Dink net daaraan: tien dae by Wemmershoek, in tente, saam met baie ander seuns en dogters van dieselfde geloof! Kan julle ooit iets beters verlang?

Maar as daar diegene is wat nie na die kampdienste of Junior Kamp kan kom nie, waarom pak julle nie iets aan waardeur julle kan geld maak en terselfdertyd die waarheid kan versprei nie? Waarom kry julle nie 'n klomp *Tekens* van julle kerk nie? Julle kan dit óf verkoop óf in tekenars werf. Die geld wat julle op hierdie wyse verdien kan gebruik word om julle

vereniging te help om van die Leeskursus boeke vir 1938 te koop, of om julle eie skoolboeke vir die volgende jaar te koop, of om 'n paar nuwe skoene vir die nuwe jaar te koop. Dink julle nie dat dit 'n goeie plan is om b.v. julle eie skoene, of daardie skoolkleure, te koop met geld wat julle self gedurende die vakansie verdien het nie? En sal vader en moeder nie trots wees op so 'n prestasie nie?

Julle sien dus dat daar baie dinge is wat julle kan doen gedurende die vakansie, wat leersaam is, wat julle karakters sal opbou en wat aan julle gesonde plesier sal verskaf. By hierdie tyd van die jaar is daar by almal 'n goeie gees — 'n gees van vrygewigheid; laat ons dan hierdie tyd van feestelikhede tebaat neem, sodat ons op die vakansie sal kan terug kyk met blydschap en nie met teleurstelling nie.

A. C. LE BUTT.

Die Oorsprong van Kersfees

SEKER alle seuns en dogters sien met groot verwagting uit na die Kersvakansie — veral as hulle dink aan die aangename tye wat hulle sal hê.

Daar is geen kwaad in gesonde plesier nie, en as dit aan sommige vreugde verskaf om presente te gee, gun hulle dan maar die vreugde. Met Kerstyd is dit ook goed om na te dink oor al die seëninge wat God aan ons geskenk het gedurende die jaar, en om dan uit dankbaarheid 'n offer aan Hom te bring. Dit is 'n tyd van welwillendheid; selfs die engele het gesing: Vrede op aarde, in die mense 'n welbehag! Laat ons dan aan gesonde plesier deelneem en onthou dat Kersfees nie 'n *heilige dag* nie, maar 'n *vakansiedag* is.

Die vyf-en-twintigste Desember is nie die geboortedag van Jesus nie. Die Skrifte sê nie op watter dag die Heiland gebore is nie, en meld selfs nie die tyd van die jaar nie.

Hoe is dit dan dat 25 Desember vandag as die geboortedag van Jesus gevier word?

Ons wil hier graag 'n aanhaling uit „The Two Babylons” van Alexander Hislop, gee, bls. 92, 93. Dit sal ons vraag beantwoord en dit lui as volg: „Inderwaarheid erken die meeste skrywers van alle partye dat die dag van die Here se geboorte nie vasgestel kan word nie, en dat die Christelike kerk eers in die derde eeu van Kersfees gehoor het. Eers diep in die vierde eeu het

die mense dit algemeen begin vier. Hoe dan het die Roomse Kerk die vyf-en-twintigste Desember vasgestel as Kersfees? Op die volgende wyse: Lank voor die vierde eeu, selfs lank voor die Christelike jaartelling was daar 'n heidense fees, gevier op dieselfde tyd van die jaar, ter ere van die geboorte van die seun van die Babiloniese koningin van die hemel. Ons presumeer dus, dat die Roomse Kerk, om die welwillendheid van die heidene te win en ook om die ledetal van die naam-Christene uit te brei, daardie feesdag oorgeneem het en dit na Christus genoem het. . . . Dat Kersfees oorspronklik 'n heidense feesdag was, val nie aan te twyfel nie. Die tyd van die jaar waarop dit gevier word en die pligplegings wat daarmee gepaard gaan, bewys die oorsprong daarvan.”

A. C. LE BUTT.

Boeke vir die 1938 Leeskursus

HET julle al die lys van boeke vir aanstaande jaar gesien? Ek, persoonlik het nog nie 'n beter keuse van goeie leesstof gesien nie. Hierdie boeke is boeiend, leerzaam en interessant. Neem b.v. die boeke vir die Seniors. Elke seun en dogter behoort „Dope — Adventures of David Dare” te lees. As julle d'e ander boek van Earle A. Rowell gelees het, n.l. „David Dare,” sal julle baie graag ook hierdie een wil lees.

Dan is daar „Pioneers and Builders,” deur L. H. Christian. Praat van spanning! dis vir jou 'n spannende boek. Leraar Christian vertel van die uitbreiding van ons werk in Europa. Julle sal lees van vervolging, lyding, ontberings en tronkstraf; maar hy vertel ook van wonderbaarlike verlossings wat alleen deur die tussenkoms van onse Hemelse Vader kon teweeg gebring gewees het. Julle sal meer en meer onder die indruk kom van die waarheid van die spreuk: „Wanneer die nood die hoogste is, is die redding naby;” en telkens sal julle uitroep: Wat het God gedoen!

Onder die boeke vir die Juniors, om maar net twee te noem, is daar: „From Ant to Elephant” en „Living Monuments.” In die Primêre afdeling is daar: „O-go, the Beaver,” en „The Slave Boy Who Became Governor.” Ek hoef nie oor hierdie boeke uit te wei nie, want hulle titels is genoeg

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Our Busy Season

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iron out those awkward wrinkles in your course or insure you some extra hours for pleasant social events during the school year!

It is a good plan to make an early start. If you write now for the Home Study catalogue or send in your enrolment, you can finish the course in good time and have a few weeks for something else, perhaps a visit to the home of a school friend, before school begins in the fall.

Whether you are taking work with us for the first time or have had the pleasure of trying the plan several times before, you will receive a hearty welcome and the best attention of our large faculty of teachers. Catalogues and price lists are yours for the asking.

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Cape Conference Session and Camp-meeting

NOTICE is hereby given that the thirty-fourth session of the Cape Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is called to convene at the Rosebank Show Grounds, Rosebank, Cape Province, December 24, 1937, to January 1, 1938.

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

The first service of the camp-meeting will be held Friday, December 24, at 7:30 P.M. and the first meeting of the session Sunday, December 26, at 10:00 A.M.

W. H. HURLOW, *Chairman*,

P. E. WILLMORE, *SECRETARY*.



Reading Course Books

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next year and the supply will soon be exhausted, then you will have to wait until a fresh supply comes in from overseas—so order from your Depository right away to avoid disappointment.

A. C. LE BUTT.



On Looking Where You are Going

I BOARDED the train in Cape Town for Somerset West but neglected to read carefully the notice board before commencing the journey. True, I read that the train was to leave at 3:38, and that it was going to Somerset West and that it was to leave from platform no. 2, but I neglected to read the small type that indicated a change at Eerste River.

Having located a vacant compartment

I settled down to enjoy a good book. The examiner punched my ticket and said something which my ears failed to disentangle from the noise of the wheels. But why worry, I had read the notice board. Occasionally I glanced at my watch for I had carefully noted the time of arrival at Somerset West. With just a few moments to go I collected my possessions and made ready to alight at the next stop. And, yes, we were pulling in just on time, but think of my chagrin when I discovered the station to be Stellenbosch instead of Somerset West. It took some little time and put me to considerable inconvenience to adjust that little failure of mine to read the sign correctly.

We are all travellers, and the journey is life, the signs are everywhere for all to

read; human wrecks, as warning boards against the bypaths of vice and evil; ne'er-do-wells, as signs against the slopes of indifference and carelessness; sensitive, irritable folk, indications away from the valleys of self-pity and pride, and strong vigorous fruitful lives as pointers to the highroads of integrity and success. We do well to read and heed the signs.

F. G. C.



Holding up the Standards

THE Missionary Volunteer Department has arranged and outlined a number of progressive classes to assist our youth in the development of Christian Character and service, as well as training them to be capable and self-reliant. The present courses call for a high standard of efficiency in the various activities and studies required. It should be the endeavour of every Missionary Volunteer to maintain the highest possible standards in all of our programme. Slipshod work or half-hearted endeavour is unworthy of our advent youth.

We are anxious that every young person in the South African Union Conference shall become enrolled in one of the progressive classes, and at the same time we are hoping to build up, through investiture into the various groups, the best equipped and most efficient corps of young people in our ranks.

Do not become discouraged if you fail to make the grade and obtain the coveted pin. Just try again and ever keep your eye on the development of character and the attainments offered of which the pin is but a symbol. Remember it is better to have the knowledge without the pin than the pin without the knowledge.

Let our motto for the progressive classes be: "HOLD UP THE STANDARDS."



Hou die Standaard Omhoog

DIE Stewersdepartement het 'n aantal progressiewe studies voorberei en gereël om ons jongmense te help in die opbouing van hulle karakters, sowel as om hulle bekwaam en selfvertrouend te maak. Die voorgeskrewe kursusse vereis 'n hoë standaard van bekwaamheid in die verskillende werksaamhede en studies. Dit behoort die doel van elke Strewer te wees om die hoë standaard te behaal in al ons programme. Agtelose of halfhartige werk is ons Adventjeug onwaardig.

Ons is ernstig om elke jongmens in die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie-Konferensie ingeskryf te sien vir een van die progressiewe klasse. Terselfdertyd hoop ons om deur middel van Investituur in die verskillende groepe, die beste toegeruste en bekwaamste afdeling jongmense in ons geledere te hê.

Moenie moed opgee as jy nie slaag om die graad te behaal en die begeerde speld te kry nie. Probeer maar weer met die oog

Reading Courses for 1938

WORD has just been received regarding the Reading Course books for 1938. Many of the books are just off the press, and judging from the titles and authors, should make very attractive reading.

Sets ordered now should reach this country early in the new year. Place your order at once with your Book Depository.

Senior

1. "The Sabbath and the Sabbath Day." By A. W. Spalding.
Paper 1/9
2. "The Spirit of Prophecy in the Advent Movement." By W. A. Spicer.
Cloth 5/-
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op d'e karaktervorming en bekwaamheid wat jy sal behaal en waarvan die speld maar slegs 'n simbool is. Onthou dit is beter om die kennis sonder die speld, as die speld sonder die kennis te hê.

Laat ons leuse vir die progressiewe klasse wees: „Hou die Standaard Omhoog.”



Kyk Waar Jy Heengaan

Ek het in Kaapstad op 'n trein gekl'm om na Somerset Wes te gaan, maar nie goed na die aanplakbord gekyk voor ek my reis aanvaar het nie. Ek het wel gelees dat die trein om 3.38 sou vertrek na Somerset Wes vanaf platform 2, maar ek het nagelaat om die kleiner druk te lees en gemeld het dat ek op Eerste Rivier moes oorklim.

Nadat ek 'n leë kompartement gekry het, het ek lekker gaan sit om 'n mooi boek te geniet. Die kaartjiesonderseker het iets gemompel wat my ore nie kon onderskei van die geraas van die wiele nie. Maar waarom sou ek my bekommer? Ek het mos die kennisgewing gelees. Af-en-toe het ek na my oorlosie gekyk, daar ek goed opgelet het hoe laat ons op Somerset Wes sou arriveer. Net 'n paar minute voor die tyd het ek my besittings bymekaar geskraap en klaargemaak om af te klim. En, ja, die trein was net op tyd, maar dink net hoe het ek gevoel toe die stasie nie Somerset Wes was nie, maar Stellenbosch. Dit het bietjie tyd geneem en my baie ongerief veroorsaak om daardie fout reg te maak wat ek begaan het deur nie die uithangbord deeglik te lees nie.

Ons is almal reisigers en die reis is die lewe; die kennisgewings is orals vir almal om te lees—menslike wrakke, as waarskuwings teen die uitdraaipadjes van ondeug en kwaad; niks nutte, as tekens teen die afdraende van agtelosigheid en sorgeloosheid; gevoelige, liggeraakte mense, as aanwysings weg van die dale van selfbejammering en hoogmoed; en sterk, kragtige, nuttige lewens as wegwysers na die grootpad van opregtheid en sukses. Dit sal ons goed doen om ag te gee op hierdie tekens.

F. G. CLIFFORD.



Boeke vir die 1938 Leeskursus

(Vervolg van bladsy 9)

om ons te laat verstaan dat hulle spannende verhalte bevat.

Begin nou al planne maak om hierdie boeke in die hande te kry. As julle dit nie persoonlik kan koop nie, vra dan julle Stewers-Leier of Sekretaris om hulle vir die Stewersbond te bestel. Ek raai julle aan om vroeg te begin. Bestel dadelik, want daar sal gewis 'n groot aanvraag wees en die voorraad sal nie lank hou nie. Stuur dadelik julle bestellings aan julle Boekdepôt om teleurstelling te voorkom.

A. C. LE BUTT.

„Die Grootste Behoeft van die Kerk”

J. F. WRIGHT

NIE lank gelede nie het Dr. A. J. Gordon gesê: „Die grootste behoefte van die kerk vandag is nie aan iets stofliks of uiterlik nie, maar dis 'n geestelike behoefte. . . . Die belange van die koninkryk *dring hulleself aan ons op*, en ons behoort *gedurig en sonder ophou* te bid.” (Ons kursiveer.)

Met die oog op hierdie behoefte het 'n ander skrywer hom as volg uitgedruk: „As ons maar net die toestand kon besef waarin ons vandag verkeer [ons geestelike toestand], dan sou die hele kerk hom in sak en as verneder, en *ons sal tot God in die hemel roep om ons te verlos van ons skandelijke gebrek aan geestelike, geloof, toewyding, selfverloëning en getrouheid.*” (Ons kursiveer.)

Hoewel albei hierdie manne natuurlik die Christelike kerk oor die algemeen bedoel, sal dit nogtans goed wees as ons onself 'n bietjie wil ondersoek om uit te vind hoe dit met ons as 'n volk en 'n kerk gesteld is wat betref die geestelike lewe en die dinge van die koninkryk. Wat is ons huidige geestelike toestand? Hoe staan dit vandag met ons geloof, toewyding en getrouheid aan God en Sy saak? Gaan ons steeds voorwaarts of gaan ons agteruit? Watter antwoord kan ons op hierdie vrae gee? Dit is vrae wat ons tot ernstige nadenking behoort te stem, nie waar nie?

Andermaal weer word daar aan ons, deur goddelike beskikking, geleentheid gegee om 'n ondersoek in te stel na ons geestelike lewe. Dit is vir ons om te ontdek presies hoe ons voor God staan. Hierdie spesiale geleentheid vir self-ondersoek noem ons die Week van Gebed.

Waar ons weer voor 'n ander jaarlikse Week van Gebed staan, wonder ek of ons ons ware geestelike toestand besef soos ons behoort; of verkeer ons in 'n toestand van louheid? Ek wonder of ons besef dat die genadetyd vinnig na sy einde snel, en dat die engel van genade binnekort die aarde sal verlaat om nooit weer terug te keer nie? Regtig, broeders en susters, ek kannie help om te voel dat ons soms nie die erns van die tye besef nie, en nog minder ons geestelike behoeftes soos ons dit behoort te doen.

Ek meen dus dat die Week van Gebed 'n tyd behoort te wees van ernstige self-ondersoek en smeking tot God. *Watter mag het die gebed nie om die Almagtige te beweeg om Sy arm vir ons te ontbloot nie!* Luister! „As gebed versaa word, dan gaan die wêreld ten gronde; As gebed versaa word, dan gaan die kerk ten gronde; as gebed gestaak word, dan verloor d'e kerk sy goddelike eienskappe, sy goddelike krag, en die wêreld bespot sy magtelosheid.” Waar ons hieroor nadink, behoort ons in alle erns en opregtheid, vurig tot God te bid.

Hoeveel tye van gebed ons nog verguns sal wees om in vrede deur te bring, weet die hemel alleen. Gou, hoe gou kan ons nie sê nie, mag dieselfde toestande wat daar tans in China heers, ook in alle lande heers. Dit weet ons egter, dat die wêreld eerlank in 'n verskriklike bloedbad gedompel sal word. Dan sal die kudde van God wyd en syd verstrooi word, en baie sal vinger-alleen moet staan.

Laat ons dan hierdie tyd van gebed maak soos wat dit vir die apostel Paulus was—„'n vurige stryd”; en wat dit vir Jakob was, „'n worsteling en oorwinning”; en wat dit vir Christus was, 'n tyd van „smeking met sterke geroep en tranen.”

Ons lees dat die heiliges vanouds „met alle gebed en smeking by elke geleentheid gebid het in die Gees.” Hulle het gedurig met volharding gewaak in die gebed. En waarom kan dit nie vandag ook so wees nie? Hulle het gewis besef dat „die vurige gebed van 'n regverdige groot krag het,” en altyd een van die magtigste weermiddels is teen die bese magte. Iemand het tereg gesê: „Die gebede van Gods heiliges is die kapitaal in die hemel waarmee Christus Sy groot werk hier op aarde voortsit. Die magtige skuddings op die aarde is die gevolg van hierdie gebede. Die aarde word verander, daar is omwentelings, die engele ontvang meer krag, en namate die gebede toeneem, doelmatiger, vuriger en dringender word, het dit ook 'n uitwerking op die beleid van God.”

Laat ons ons dan, in hierdie tyd van algemene gebed, in alle opregtheid en erns tot God wend sodat Hy ons met krag kan omgord. As ons dit maar sou doen, sou ons wakker geskud en verkwik word volgens ons behoefte; en dit sal ons grootliks versterk en ons geestelike lewe verdiep waar ons in eensgesindheid voortgaan na die komende koninkryk van onse Here en Heiland.



'n Week van Gebed! Waar- voor Behoort Ons te Bid?

A. FLOYD TARR

DIS 'n baie geseënde geleentheid wat elke jaar duisende advent-gelowiges, in alle lande en uit alle volke en tale oor die wêreld, byeenroep vir gebed. Met verloop van die jare het hierdie bidstonde steeds geseënder geword, veral waar daar, as gevolg van ons vermeerde verantwoordelikhede en ons onsteltnis oor die toenemende duisternis, 'n oorweldigende verlange in die siel ontstaan het vir die volheid van krag en vreugde wat alleen op die Christelike weg kan gevind word. Hoe meer ons losgeskeur word van die aanloklikhede en plesier van

die wêreld, hoe sterker het die verlange geword na die dinge van God. Hierdie jaarlikse bidstonde is as 't ware mylpale langs die weg, wat die opwaartse stappe in die geestelike lewe aanwys. En waar hulle aan die einde van die ou en aan die begin van die nuwe jaar val, staan hulle soos gepaste geestelike bakens in ons Christelike lewe. Hulle wys ons op die mislukings en teleurstellings en op die skamele sukses wat ons behaal het, en hulle help ons om 'n beter besef te vorm van die grondbeginsels van die Christelike lewe. Ook inspireer hulle ons tot groter en yweriger diens, net soos 'n groeiende boom wat steeds meer vrugte voortbring.

Dit sou moeilik wees om vas te stel presies hoeveel waarde hierdie bidstonde vir die advent-volk besit. Op treffende wyse voorsien hulle in die behoeftes van ons hongerige en dorstige siele. Deur middel van die tydige en opwekkende boodskappe, geskrywe deur d'e leiers wat so-te-sê hulle vingers op die pols van die geestelike lewe het, word die aandag van die gelowiges gevestig op die reuse vraagstukke waarvoor hulle staan. Hierdie boodskappe wys ons op die neigings wat daar in hierdie dae in die kerk is, en ons besef terselfdertyd dat dit juis ook die moeilikhede is waarmee ons self te kampe het. Opnuut word ons aangedag gevestig op die evangelie, en daar word nadruk gelê op die dryfveer om dit te verontondig; ons oë word gevestig op die doelwit wat die Christen aanspoor. Namate ons luister na die waarskuwings en vermanings in die lesings, word ons vervul met nuwe hoop, nuwe moed, en 'n nuwe voorname om aan te druk op die lewensweg. Dis waarlik 'n week van besieling vir die strydende kerklede.

Maar hierdie boodskappe, belangrik soos hulle is, is nie die doel self nie; hulle is slegs die middels tot die doel. Waar hulle op d'e hoogtes wys wat die kerk moet bereik, wat die lewe en diens van die lede betref, sal hierdie lesings hulle doel mis as hulle nie die kerk wakker skud om ernstig te bid vir die krag wat so nodig is om daardie doel te bereik nie. Die doel wat ten grondslag lê—die ware doel van die Week van Gebed—is dat ons die „skatkamers van die hemel mag oopsluit, waar die onbepaalde skatte van die Almag bewaar is,” en die sleutel wat dit kan ontsluit het ons in ons hande—dis Gebed.

Dit is gebed wat hierdie bidstonde vir ons so geseënd gemaak het. Sondaars het na die fontein gekom en hulle is gereinig; neerslagtige, mistroostige siele is op hulle knieë besiel met nuwe hoop en moed; sommige wat ernstig verlang het na oorwinning oor die een of ander boesem sonde, of wat verlang het na krag in die diens vir ander, het as gevolg van hulle gebede tot 'n mindere of meerdere mate 'n verwesenliking van hulle hoop gesien. Maar hulle het vir bepaalde dinge gebed; hulle het om bepaalde seëninge gesoek en die belofte aangeneem: „Alles wat julle die Vader sal vra in My naam, sal Hy julle gee.” Dit is die soort gebede wat God

van Sy kinders verwag, en dis ook die soort gebede wat die aanstaande Week van Gebed behoort te kenmerk.

Waarvoor Moet Ons Veral Bid?

Hoewel daar baie dinge is, dink ons veral aan die volgende:

Oorwinning oor die Sonde.—Bedoel die Ingegewe Woord dit ernstig as hy sê: „Die sonde sal oor julle nie heers nie”? Of is

Eind-Resultaat van die 1937 Oesinsamelingsveldtog

ELKE VELD IS OOR SY GESTELDE DOELPUNT

£10,000 INGESAMEL

Dit was die grootste veldtog wat ons nog ooit in die Divisie gehad het! Bestudeer net die volgende syfers:

	1935	1936	1937
Doelpunt	£5,025	£5,100	£6,205
Ingesamel	7,260	8,661	10,000
Surplus	£2,240	£3,561	£3,795

Die surplus van 1936 het dié van 1935 met £1,321 oortref, terwyl die surplus van 1937 dié van 1936 met £234 oortref het, en dit ondanks die feit dat die doelpunt in 1937, £1,105 hoër was as in 1936.

As ons die bedrae analiseer wat werklik ingesamel is, sal ons sien dat daar in 1936, £1,401 meer ingesamel is as in 1935, en dat daar in 1937, £1,339 meer ingesamel is as in 1936. Dit is waarlik 'n prestasie vir werkers sowel as leke, en dit is bewys dat die Here groter seëninge gee wanneer daar by Sy volk groter geloof en kraginspanning aan die dag gelê word.

Nogtans wil ons ons innige waardering betuig aan ons werkers en kerklede oor die ganse Divisie vir die mooi som wat hulle ingesamel het.

Weens die feit dat die noordelike sendingvelde hulle veldtogte baie later begin as ons hier in die suide, was dit vir ons onmoontlik om die finale rapport eerder in te dien.

Totsiens! tot die volgende veldtog, en baie dankie.

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Suidelike Afrikaanse Divisie.

dit somer maar ironie? Dit is ondenkbaar dat God die spot sal dryf met Sy kinders wat Hom so oneindig veel gekos het om te verlos. Waarom neem ons dan nie die belofte aan nie—veral gedurende die aanstaande Week van Gebed? As ons dit nie nou doen nie, wanneer sal ons dit dan ooit doen? Watter dwangmiddels verwag ons dan nog van God voordat ons sal

wakker skrik uit ons slaap? Ons lewe in die tyd wanneer die Here die gemeente aan Homself sal voorstel „sonder vlek of rimpel of iets dergeliks.” Ons behoort elke dag van die Week van Gebed te bid dat ons van die werke van duisternis gereinig mag word sodat ons die wapens van lig kan aandoen.

Verlossing van Moedeloosheid.—Hoeveel belydende Christene, ja, Sewende-dag Adventiste, gaan gebuk onder kwellings en die sorge van die lewe—mense wat nog nie die vreugde van die verlossing gesmaak het nie! Ons Heiland het die bepaalde belofte gegee: „Vrede laat Ek julle na. . . Laat julle hart nie ontsteld word en bang wees nie.” As ons verkies om ons te kwel liever as om Sy vrede aan te neem, dan verwerp ons feitlik Sy aanbod. Het ons dan nie die tyd bereik wanneer ons gehoor moet gee aan die bevel: „Kyk dan na bo en hef julle hoofde op, omdat julle verlossing naby is.” As dit waar is, dan behoort ons veral te bid om genade en gewilligheid om die moedeloosheid wat ons Christelike lewe in die verlede so belemmer het, vir altyd af te werp, en daardie kosbaarste van alle gawes aan te neem, n.l. die „vrede wat alle verstand te bowe gaan.”

Liefde vir die Broeders.—Mens wonder soms of ons as 'n kerk daardie kentekens openbaar wat die dissipels van die Here sal onderskei: „Hieraan sal almal weet dat julle My dissipels is, as julle liefde onder mekaar het.” Dit is hierdie hoedanigheid wat die ware dissipels van die Here sal kenmerk. Dit was die kenmerk van die eerste kerk toe hulle hulleself verloën en met heilige ywer in die belang van ander gewerk het; en selfs die berowing van hulle goed met blydschap aanvaar het. Dit het ook h'erdie denominasie in die begin gekenmerk; maar word hierdie eienskap vandag aangetref onder diegene wat hulleself klaarmaak vir die verheerliking? Die uitdeling van hulle aardse besittings deur die vroeë Christelike kerk was slegs 'n teken van die liefde en eensgesindheid wat daar onder hulle geheers het. Dit was daardie onderlinge gemeenskap wat in 'n groot mate bygedra het tot die uitstorting van die vroeë reënt; en dit het gekom as gevolg van die volharding in die gebed daar in die bovertrek. Waar die kerk vandag voor nog 'n groter taak staan, sal ons dan n'e veral bid, soos die dissipels vanouds, vir heilige, onbaatsugtige liefde nie, sodat ons binne en buite die kerk die merkteken mag dra as diegene wat waardig is om Sy dissipels genoem te word?

Die Opheffing van die Banier.—Terwyl die banier in die wêreld en in die kerk in die grond sleep, rus die verantwoordelikheid op d'e laaste kerk (die oorblyfsel) om „'n banier oor die volke op te steek.” Ons Christelike gedrag moet die banier wees; dit moet in ons lewe gesien kan word. Dit het te doen met ons verhouding tot al die vereistes van God. Dit beteken dat ons op die gebied van gesondheidshervorming, van kleredrag, plesier, Sabbatviering, die sosiale lewe, die

huislike lewe en alles wat met die geestelike lewe te doen het, die banier sal omhoog hou. Laat ons ernstig bid vir die handhawing van die peil in hierdie verband.

Ons Huislike Lewe.—Die huislike lewe van sommige Sewende-dag Adventiste laat nog veel te wense oor. Die krag om versoeking van buite te beveg word ondernyn deur gebrek aan samewerking en simpatie binne die huis. Ons dink ook aan gevalle waar die huisaltaar ontbreek, en aan die baie dinge wat meewerk om die mure af te breek wat ons huise behoort te beskerm teen wêreldgesindheid. Ja, laat ons vurig bid dat God ons huise sal seën.

Die Bekering van Bloedverwante.—Daar is betreklik min Sewende-dag Adventiste huise wat nie verdeel is nie. Dit mag die man, die vrou, 'n seun of 'n dogter, of broers of susters wees wat nog buite die kudde is. Dit is tyd dat ons die Here ernstig moet bid vir die bekering van sulke persone. Laat ons aan hulle gedenk gedurende die aanstaande Week van Gebed.

Krag om te Getuig.—Dit was toe die dissipels daar in die bo-vertrek volhard het in die gebed dat hulle krag ontvang het om vir hulle verrese Heiland te getuig. In daardie tyd het alles maar donker gelyk. Hulle self was mense wat hulle Heiland verlaat het. Hoe kon hulle ooit die verantwoordelikheid aanvaar wat Hy nou op hulle geplaas het? Dit was gebed wat alles verander het. Hulle gebede is verhoor en die beloofde krag het gekom. Omgord met hierdie krag was hulle in staat om hulle taak te volbring.

In hierdie verband is Sewende-dag Adventiste net so behoeftig ten opsigte van die taak wat voor hulle lê, as die dissipels vanouds. Hulle het dieselfde mate van krag nodig, en hulle het dit dringend nodig. Gedurende die Week van Gebed kan ons ook daardie bo-vertrek-ondervinding soek wat soveel beteken het vir die dissipels; en dit kan ons harte net so verander as hulle s'n. Sal ons dan nie in al ons kerke, in alle erns, volhardend, en onder 'n besef van die haglike toestande voor ons, die Here vurig bid om die krag van die Heilige Gees om ons in staat te stel om te lewe en te getuig soos mense wat die wederkoms van hulle Here verwag?

Dit is slegs sewe van die dinge waarvoor ons behoort te bid. Ons mag nog oor ander dink, maar wat dit ookal is, laat ons ons bes voor die Here bring sodat ons alles van die Here mag verkry. Waarom sal ons dit nie die geleentheid maak waar ons al ons laste op die Here lê nie, sodat Hy ons kan bevry van al die kwelling, onrus en moedeloosheid? Watter magtige oorwinningkreet sal dan nie gehoor word uit duisende kele, en hoe blymoedig en volvrede sal ons nie die verantwoordelikhede wat op ons rus aanvaar nie? En waarom kan dit nie so wees nie? Die enigste struikelblok kan onself wees; en dit is wat die Here wil regmaak gedurende hierdie Week van Gebed.

'n Kettingbrief

'N PAAR maande gelede het die leiers van die Suidelike Afrikaanse Divisie, in beradslaging met die afgevaardigdes van die Wêreldkonferensie wat destyds hier op besoek was, besluit om een van ons sendingstasies in Suidelike Rhodesië te verkoop, en om die geld te gebruik om 'n ander stasie op 'n geskikter plek te vestig.

Die betrokke stasie is nou omring deur plase en dit is ook ver weg van die natuurlike reservasies wat dit moet bearbei. Ons broeders in Afrika voel dat 'n nuwe stasie op 'n geskikter plek doelmatiger sal wees, en ons werk onder die Masjonas grootliks sal bevorder.

'n Naamlose brief—die skrywer noem homself „T”—doen nou die rondte. Die skrywer lewer 'n hartroerende pleidooi vir die ou stasie, waarin hy 'n beroep doen op ons lede orals om geldelike steun, om te verhoed dat die stasie gesluit en die werk onder die Masjonas gestaak word. Die skrywer van die brief versoek almal wat die brief ontvang dringend om afskrifte daarvan te maak en dit dan weer aan vriende te stuur.

Ons wil graag ons mense waarsku teen versoekes van hierdie aard, en ook teen alle versoekes om middele vir sendingdoelendes wat nie deur die bevoegde Divisie, of Wêreldkonferensiekomitees goedgekeur is nie. Diegene wat verantwoordelik is vir die werk in Afrika, hoewel hulle fondse dringend nodig het vir die uitbreidende werk, het nie die behoeftes van Masjonaland oor die hoof gesien nie, en hulle meen dat die verskuiving van die betrokke stasie na 'n beter posisie, op die ou end die werk in die distrik baie sal aanhelp.

Ons vertrou dus dat persone wat gemelde kettingbrief mag ontvang, dit sal vernietig. Sulke briewe kan groot kwaad doen deur die so nodige middele vir ons gereelde sendingwerk in ander kanale te stuur. Ons keur hierdie metode om fondse in te samel ten strengste af. Ons meen dat almal sal instem dat dit baie veiliger is om die werk in die sendingvelde oor te laat aan die behoorlike aangestelde komitees, liever as om gehoor te gee aan oproepe van enkele persone wat dink dat hulle beter weet as die broeders. In eendrag is daar altyd mag en veiligheid.

WÊRELDKONFERENSIE KOMITEE.

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Die Jaarlikse Offergawe, 11 Desember 1937

C. W. BOZARTH

DIE tyd vir die volgende Week van Gebed is naby. Ons kan byna nie glo dat daar 'n jaar verbygegaan het van ons laaste Jaarlikse Offergawe in 1936 nie. Ek voel egter seker dat elkeen van Gods kinders in die Suidelike Afrikaanse Divisie baie stof tot dankbaarheid het vir die menigvuldige seëninge van God, en vir die voorregte wat Hy aan ons geskenk het. Ons

is baie dankbaar vir Sy beskerming oor die afgelope twaalf maande.

Dit was 'n baie goeie jaar vir Gods werk oor die hele Divisie. Duisende siele het gehoor gegee aan die prediking van die evangelie; hulle het hulle lewe van duisternis versaak en gekom tot die wonderbare lig van Gods liefde. Nog gister het ek 'n brief van Leraar H. M. Sparrow ontvang, waarin hy vertel van die pogings wat maar in een deel van Nyasaland gehou is, en waar meer as 'n duisend siele die boodskap aangeneem en by die Bybelklasse aangesluit het. As gevolg van die pogings wat gedurende Junie en Julie in die Kongo Unie gehou is, het byna drieduisend siele die heidendom waarvel gesê en hulle tot die waarheid gekeer. Uit alle dele van die Divisie ontvang ons dergelike rapporte.

Hierdie jaar is daar iets oor die drieduisend lede gedoopt en by die kerk toegevoeg. By ons kampdienste het ons hierdie jaar nog die grootste opkomste beleef in die geskiedenis van ons werk in Afrika; daar het altesame sowat 125,000 mense na die verskillende kampdienste gekom. Waarlik die Here was goed vir ons, en waar ons hierdie keer aan die Week van Gebed deelneem, laat ons Hom dank vir al hierdie baie seëninge.

Die Here het die voleinding van die werk op die aarde aan ons toevertrou. Dis 'n baie groot voorreg wat Hy aan ons skenk om medewerkers met Hom te wees. Hierdie jaar gee Hy ons weer die geleentheid om ons liefde vir Hom te toon, en ook vir diegene wat nog in die duisternis is, deur onself by hernuwing aan Hom te gee, en ook om van ons middele te gee. Die Here reken op ons, broeders en susters, en ons moet Hom nie teleurstel nie. Laat ons hierdie jaar 'n offer bring volgens die seëninge wat ons ontvang het.

Ek vertrou dat al ons mense oor die ganse Divisie op gulhartige wyse sal bydra tot die Jaarlikse Offergawe. Hierdie jaar was 'n baie voorspoedige jaar vir Suid-Afrika, en daarom verwag ons ook 'n milde offergawe op 11 Desember. God kan die middele wat ons gee juis nou baie goed bestee, maar daar sal 'n tyd kom wanneer Hy nie meer ons geld sal nodig hê nie; laat ons dus mildelik gee terwyl ons die kans het, sodat die voleinding van die werk kan verhaas word.

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Deel dit mee

As u deur die Heilige Gees gebruik is om 'n siel na die waarheid te lei; as u ondervinding van sielredding en diens u susters en broeders sal aanmoedig tot hernude en groter inspanning; sal u ons dan nie toelaat om daardie ondervindings deur middel van hierdie kolomme aan die kerk mee te deel ter ere van God en die versterking van Sy heiliges nie? Stuur u ondervindings aan:

Die Buurtsending-Departement
Posbus 468,
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Kaapse Konferensie-Sitting en Kampvergadering

KENNIS word hiermee gegee dat die vier-en-dertigste sitting van die Kaapse Konferensie van Sewende-dag-Adventiste byeenroep word om op die Rosebank-Tentoonstellinggronde, Rosebank, Kaap Provinsie, vanaf 24 Desember 1937 tot 1 Januarie 1938 te vergader.

Beampes vir die volgende termyn sal gekies word en ander sake wat voor die Konferensie mag gebring word sal afgehandel word.

Die eerste diens van die kampvergadering sal op Vrydag, 24 Desember om 7:30 n.m. gehou word en die eerste sitting van die raad op Sondag, 26 Des. om 10:00 v.m.

W. H. HURLOW, *Voorsitter*,
P. E. WILLMORE, *Sekretaris*.

Uitgewers Dept.

F. E. Potter, *Sekretaris*

Ons Studente-Kolporteurs

Op bladsy 7 verskyn daar 'n foto van die tiende afdeling studente-kolporteurs van Helderberg Kollege. Kyk goed na hulle gesigte en as u een van hulle in u buurt sien werk, hoop ons dat u hom alle hulp en aanmoediging sal gee. Moenie vir hulle sê dat hulle 'n moeilike taak het nie; hulle sal dit gou self uitvind as hulle hulle werk behoorlik doen. Klaagliedere is maar 'n baie swak versterkmiddel. Bemoedig hulle; bid vir hulle, en nooi hulle na u huis toe, want op daardie manier kan u help om hulle onkoste laag te hou. Langs hierdie weg sal u hulle aanhelp tot sukses. Hulle is besig met uitstekende sendingwerk en hulle verdien die voorbidding en hulp van alle Sewende-dag Adventiste.

N. T. Konferensie

A. N. Ingle *President*
P. W. Willmore *Sekr.-Tes.*
Bus 7768, Johannesburg, Tvl.

Uitnodiging na die Natal-Transvaalse Konferensie Kampdienste

DIE tyd is daar om definitiewe reëlings te tref vir die bywoning van die kampdienste. Ek het nou net teruggekeer van 'n rondreis in ons veld, en orals het ek van ons lede aangetref wat voornemens is om na die kampdienste te kom. Ek twyfel gladnie daaraan nie dat sowat 1,200 mense

die dienste sal bywoon, en ons kan reken op 'n geseënde tyd.

Ons lewe in ernstige tye. Satan is druk besig om die geloof van baie in hierdie Boodskap te ondermyn. Veral vir diegene wat op afgeleë plekke woon, sal die dienste geestelike verkwikking bring, en ons kan almal daarop reken om huiswaarts te keer met nuwe geloof en hoop.

Daar sal dienste wees vir oud en jonk, en selfs die kinders sal die dienste net so aangenaam vind, indien nie aangener nie, as die groot mense.

Die groot saal sal genoeg sitplek hê vir almal. Daar is 'n gerieflike eetkamer; en onder toesig van Suster Honey, kan ons verseker wees van smaaklike etes.

Die spesiale konsessie-kaartjies wat verkrygbaar is, sal die dienste binne bereik van almal bring, en almal behoort 'n poging aan te wend om teenwoordig te wees by ons openingsdiens om 7:30 v.m. Vrydagaand, 7 Januarie.

A. N. INGLE.

Begin die Nuwe Jaar Reg

P. W. WILLMORE

NIE meer lank nie, en die ou jaar sal verstreke wees. Vader Tyd sal 'n ander mypaal verbygaan en ons sal 'n nuwe tydperk intree. Wie weet wat die toekoms sal baar? Hoe sal ons die Nuwe Jaar begin?

Die Kampdienste

Ons kan nie beter doen as om reg te begin nie. As daar mislukkings, hartseer, verdriet, beproewings en teleurstellings was, laat ons dit vergeet. Begin die Nuwe Jaar deur ons kampdienste van 7 tot 15 Januarie by te woon, en begin sodoende reg.

Die Plek

Die Coronation-Saal, wat deur baie van u bekend is as die Vrymesselaars-Saal, en ook ons sentrale kerk langsaan, sal gebruik word vir die dienste. In die OUTLOOK van 15 Desember e.k., sal ons 'n tekening plaas wat die weg sal aanwys van die Johannesburgse Stasie na die Saal.

Konsessie-kaartjies

Die Suid-Afrikaanse Spoorweë het goedgunstig ingewillig om die gewone konsessie-kaartjies uit te reik. Aansoeke om konsessie-sertifikate, wat by ons kantoor onderteken moet word voor hulle geldig is, moet gerig word aan: Die Sekretaris, 292 Louis Botha Laan, Orange Grove, Johannesburg. Aan die toonders van die konsessie-sertifikate sal kaartjies uitgereik word teen die ekskursie tarief.

Wanneer u aansoek doen om konsessie-sertifikate, moet u die volgende besonderhede verskaf: (1) Naam en adres. (2) Klas wat u wil reis. (3) Datum van vertrek. (4) Naam van u spoorwegstasie. Let a.u.b. op dat niemand aan wie 'n konsessie-kaartjie uitgereik is die terugreis mag aanvaar tot eers sewe dae ná die uitreikingsdatum. Onthou dit, want dit is belangrik. Diegene wat op, of vóór 3 Januarie wil vertrek, hoef

nie konsessie-sertifikate te hê nie, want hulle kan 'n gewone ekskursie-kaartjie uitneem. Sommer-eksursiekaartjies is verkrygbaar tot op 3 Januarie. Kinders van sestien jaar en daaronder het nie konsessie-sertifikate nodig nie — hulle reis halfprys. Kinders onder sewe jaar reis vry.

Verblyfplek in Johannesburg

Daar is 'n kommissie aangestel vir die bespreking van herberg. Hierdie kommissie sal kamers bespreek vir diegene wat daarvoor aansoek doen. Aansoek om kamers moet vroegtydig gerig word aan: Die Sekretaris, 292 Louis Botha Laan, Orange Grove, Johannesburg.

Verskaffing van Voedsel

Mev. R. C. Honey, bygestaan deur 'n aantal bekwame helpers, sal voedsel op 'n cafeteria-stelsel verskaf. Besluit geruim u etes in die gerieflike, koel eetkamer van die Coronation-Saal te geniet.

Natal-Transvaal Konferensiesitting en Kampdienste

KENNIS geskied hiermee dat die vier-en-twintigste sitting van die Natal-Transvaal Konferensie, van 7 tot 15 Januarie, in die Coronation-Saal, Claimstraat, Johannesburg gehou sal word.

Beampes vir die nuwe termyn sal gekies, en alle sake wat behoorlik voor die konferensie dien, sal afgehandel word.

Die eerste diens in verband met die kampdienste sal Vrydagaand, 7 Januarie, om 7:30 n.m. in die Coronation-Saal gehou word. Die eerste besighedingsvergadering in verband met die konferensiesitting is vasgestel op Sondag, 9 Januarie, om 10 uur in die voormiddag.

A. N. INGLE, *Voorsitter*,
P. W. WILLMORE, *Sekretaris*.

Nuusbrokkies

TYDENS 'n onlangse besoek aan die westelike Transvaal en westelike Vrystaat, het ons president 'n paar van die kolporteurs van die ou garde ontmoet. Ons is seker dat die baie vriende van Broeder van Zyl, tans van Wolmaransstad, bly sal wees om te verneem dat hy nog goeie gesondheid geniet en vol moed is. Met Broeder Celliers wat tans naby Bothaville boer, is dit ook nog baie goed. Hierdie broeder, die waarheid aangeneem en vir 'n tyd gekolporteur; hy en sy gesin is al nou die enigste verteenwoordigers van die waarheid op Bothaville. In die buurt waar hy woon staan Broeder Celliers baie hoog aangeskryf. Mag dit die geval wees met al ons gelowiges.

Broeder Jonker wat vir baie jare kolporteur was, is nog besig om die waarheid te versprei in die distrik van Klerksdorp. Hy verkoop prente om sy onkoste te dek.

DIE getroue bearbeiding van Senekal deur kolporteurs en leke broeders dra nou vrugte.

Broeder Herholdt, bygestaan deur Broeder M. Coetzee en sy eggenote, hou reeds vir die afgelope twee maande daar dienste. Verlede Sabbat het sowat vyf-en-twintig volwassenes die eerste Sabbatdiens bygewoon, en dit ten spyte van bittere teenstand en die verspreiding van valse gerugte aangaande ons werk en mense. Ons verheug ons saam met Broeder Herholdt oor die goeie belangstelling aldaar.

Broeder Venter, bygestaan deur Broeder Haarhoff, doen ook goed op Ficksburg. Die opkomste is nie groot nie, maar ons verwag goeie resultate. Ons grootste moeilikheid is om die baie belangstellendes oor ons uitgestrekte gebied, met ons skamele werkkragte geestelik te versorg.

Uit Machadadorp rapporteer Broeder D. de Beer goeie belangstelling. 'n Nuwe groep mense het daar vir die waarheid uitgestaan.

ORALS waar ek rondgegaan het, is daar groot belangstelling onder ons mense in die aanstaande kampdienste. Ons twyfel nie daaraan nie dat 'n groot aantal die dienste op Johannesburg, gedurende Januarie-maand, sal bywoon.

INTERESSANTE ondervindings val soms ons evangeliste tebeurt. Een wat bittere teenstand ondervind het in die dorp waar by werksaam is, skryf as volg:

„In die plaaslike poskantoor lê daar 'n hele aantal briewe, sonder seëls, wat aan my geadresseer is. Daar kom elke dag nog meer. Ek het die posbeamptes versoek om hulle aan die senders terug te stuur. Die plaaslike predikant het al sy mense opdrag gegee om my strooibiljette wat by hulle huise afgelewer is, aan my, oor die pos, terug te stuur sonder die nodige posseëls. Ek het gou die ding agtergekom en my nie daardeur laat vang nie.”

'n Ander een skryf: „Die plaaslike predikant, vergesel van die stadsklerk in ofisiële hoedanigheid, het 'n besoek aan my huisbaas ('n vrou wat ook kafee-eienaar is) afgelê. Sy is versoek om my kennis te gee, en indien sy dit nie dadelik doen nie sou hulle 'n Indiër toelaat om langs haar perseel ook 'n kafee te open.”

Een van ons ander werkers skryf as volg: „Die opkomste by my dienste neem met die dag toe. Dit is die persoonlike uitnodigings wat dit doen; diegene wat kom bring weer ander saam.”



Kennisgewing aan Leraars en Plaaslike Leiers

VIND u enige baat by die vyftien-minuut sendingsketse? As hulle enigins tot nut is vir u sal ons bly wees om dit te vernem, sodat ons kan reëlings tref om 'n verdere voorraad vir aanstaande jaar te kry. Stuur net 'n poskaartjie sonder versuim aan:

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Kaapse Veld

J. N. de Beer, Superintendent

Strewersweek in die Kaapse Veld

Ons voel dat die Strewersweek 'n stap in die regte rigting was. Die planne om gesamentlike dienste vir ons kerke elke aand gedurende die week en op die twee Sabbatte aan die begin en aan die end, in die „Forresters” Saal te hou, het mooi gewerk.

Die jongmense het van die hulp wat hierdie dienste hulle verleen het, gebruik gemaak, en hulle gereëde bywoning van hierdie dienste van begin tot end was 'n aanmoediging vir diegene wat die dienste waargeneem het. Daar is bepaalde oorrinnings behaal oor verkeerde gewoontes en baie het hulle belofte om die Here te dien, hernu, terwyl andere Jesus vir die eerste keer as hulle Verlosser aangeneem het.

Die volgende uittreksel uit 'n brief wat skrywer van 'n Strewer ontvang het, druk, volgens ons mening, die gevoelens van al die jongmense wat die dienste bygewoon het, uit. „Ek wens om u te bedank vir hierdie heerlike week van seëninge wat ons geniet het. Ek weet daar is baie jongmense, myself ingeslote, wat nader aan ons dierbare Verlosser getrek was as gevolg van die dienste.”

Ons wens om ons innige waardering uit te spreek van die uitstekende hulp wat leraar Clifford, Strewersvereniging-sekretaris van die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie-konferensie, ons gegee het in verband met ons werk vir die jongmense, gedurende hierdie spesiale week.

J. N. DE BEER.

Doodsberig

NORDEJEE.—Catherina M. Nordejee (gebore Dirksen) is Sabbatmôre, 30 Oktober, om 6 v.m. in die Johannesburgse Algemene Hospitaal oorlede in die ouderdom van byna 58 jaar.

Suster Nordejee het in 1932 die Boodskap onder Leraar Raubenheimer se prediking op Bethlehem gehoor en gereedlik aangeneem. 'n Jaar of wat later het sy na Eastleigh verhuis, 'n dorpie sowat ag myl van Germiston, waar sy rustig haar laaste dae deurgebring het.

In Meimaand vandeessjaar is haar eggenoot oorlede. Dit was dus ook 'n harde slag vir onse suster wat aan haar hart gely het, maar sy was gesteun en gestut deur die dierbare waarhede van Gods Woord.

Sy laat twee getroude dogters en 'n aangetroude seun, Mnr. S. Roux, na.

Skrywer het die lyksrede aan haar huis

op Eastleigh waargeneem waar 'n groot skare van belangstellendes bymekaar gekom het.

Sy is in die kerkhof op Primrose ter ruste gelê.

J. J. B. COMBRINCK.

Obituary

VAN RENSBURG.—Tobias Johannes Janse van Rensburg passed away on September 5, 1937, in his sixty-sixth year, and he was laid to rest on his farm, near Ermelo, in the Transvaal.

Our departed brother accepted the Truth over thirty-two years ago. In the year 1905 he read a little book entitled „Matthew 24”; this was a Seventh-day Adventist publication which someone had cast away. He and his wife both read the little booklet, and both accepted the Message. They were later baptised by the late Elder J. M. Freeman.

Brother Van Rensburg for a number of years resided in the Orange Free State where he and his wife faithfully helped the cause by spreading the Message. For many years Brother Van Rensburg was a member of the Orange Free State Conference committee. Later he moved to Ermelo where he served the church as local elder.

About three years ago Sister Van Rensburg died, and later Brother Van Rensburg married Sister M. M. van der Merwe who now survives him. His three daughters, Sister Lansdown of Bloemfontein, Sister Lee of Breyton, and Sister Meyer of Newcastle, are all active members of the church. The godly example of the parents, their faithfulness at the family altar, and their faithful attendance at the Sabbath school and church services made a lasting impression on the children. Although the parents may be dead, their good influence still lives on.

To the widow, the three daughters, and two sons who are left to mourn, we would express our sincere sympathy. We commend them to God and the precious promises of His Word. The dark shadows of this life shall flee away at the resurrection morn when loved ones separated by death will again be reunited.

J. E. SYMONS.

“SOME think that if they give money to this work, it is all they are required to do, but this is an error. Donations of money cannot take the place of personal ministry. It is right to give our means, and many more should do this; but according to their strength and opportunities, personal service is required of all.”—“Testimonies,” Vol. VI, pages 275, 276.



“THERE are many, who, because of prejudice, will never know the truth unless it is brought to their homes. The canvasser may find these souls and minister to them.”

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General News Notes

ELDER MILTON ROBISON, who has been on a tour in the South African Union in the interests of education work, is back at the office.

MISS LORNA STEVENSON has been to Bulawayo on her annual holiday, but we are glad to have her back in the office again.

Miss Helen Wheeler, one of the Helderberg students, has been assisting in the Division office during Miss Stevenson's absence. Miss Wheeler will continue as a relieving stenographer during the summer holidays.

THE Division officers are very busy getting things in readiness for the Division Committee meetings which begin on November 28. By the time this issue of the OUTLOOK reaches you the committee will be in session. The brethren will have some heavy problems to consider at these meetings, so let us hold them up before the throne of grace that they may have heavenly guidance.

WE are glad to report that Elder W. H. Anderson has now returned safely to the Division office after an absence of nearly seven months.

On November 20 Sister W. H. Anderson and her sister, Mrs. J. A. Hockett, arrived at the Cape from America. The members of the Claremont church particularly, will be happy to see Sister Anderson back in their midst. We also extend a hearty welcome to Sister Hockett.

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Resolution Passed by Division Committee

"REALISING the serious condition obtaining in many parts of South Africa due to the prolonged and widespread drought, and the consequent hardships and privation experienced by thousands of people today, among whom are many of our own church members who look to us for special intercession in their times of need, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we, the executive committee of the Southern African Division of Seventh-day Adventists, in meeting assembled, set apart Sabbath, December 11, 1937, the last day of the annual Week of Prayer, as a special day of prayer and fasting, that God might be pleased to send the relief so urgently needed."

We extend a sincere and urgent invitation to our people throughout South Africa to join with us in earnestly beseeching God to manifest His love and mercy and to send abundant rain that man and beast may rejoice, and that new courage may be awakened in the hearts of believers. We look to Him now, as always, as the Giver of every good and perfect gift, and have confidence to believe that He will answer the prayers that rise from the hearts and lips of His needy, supplicating people.

A. F. TARR.

Spesiale Biddag om Reent

Besluit Geneem Deur die Divisiekomitee

"ONDER 'n besef van die haglike toestande wat daar in baie dele van Suid-Afrika heers as gevolg van die voortdurende en byna algemene droogte wat groot ontberings veroorsaak onder duisende, waaronder ook baie van ons eie kerklede wat hulle oë op ons vestig om hulp en voorbidding,

"Besluit Ons, die uitvoerende komitee van die Suidelike Afrikaanse Divisie van Sewende-dag Adventiste, wat tans vergadering hou, om Sabbat 11 Desember 1937, vas te stel as vas- en biddag om God te smeek om die hulp wat so dringend nodig is."

Ons versoek al ons mense ernstig en dringend om God saam met ons te smeek om Sy liefde en genade te openbaar deur 'n milde reent wat mens en dier sal verbly, en wat die gelowiges met nuwe hoop sal vervul. Ons vestig nou ons oë op Hom, soos in die verlede, as die Gewer van elke goeie en volmaakte gawe, en ons het vertroue om te glo dat Hy die gebede uit die hart van Sy behoeftige en smekende volk sal verhoor.

A. F. TARR.

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Musicians — Attention!

In order that the singing and general tone of the music at the forthcoming Cape Conference camp-meeting may be interesting, we suggest that as many as can play suitable musical instruments should bring them along. Thank you!