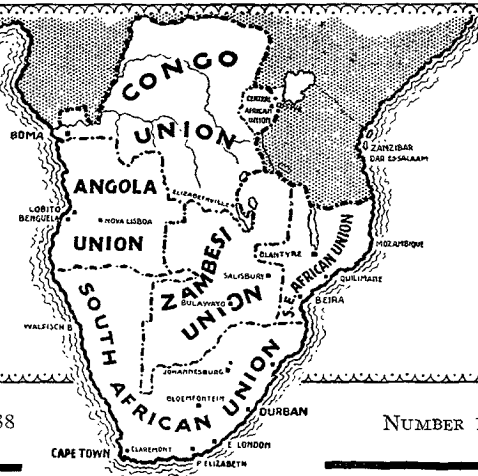


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F. G. CLIFFORD

The MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER WEEK OF PRAYER is an occasion when we are privileged to hasten the fulfilment of the Elijah message, "He shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers." Mal. 4: 6. That such a message is timely and urgent is evident when we consider prevailing conditions. We all sense the grave danger in this modern age of a wedge being driven between parents and their children that is resulting in an ever-widening gap of indifference and misunderstanding.

The standards of education, the revolutionised social life, and the ease and speed of travel have resulted in numberless parents being strangers to their offspring. In some countries, and the tendency is spreading, the state has largely usurped parental control and is ordering the lives of its children and youth, moulding them en masse to conform to political creeds and national schemes of life. The Scriptures make it clear that great attention is to be paid to the children in these last days. The prophet Joel directs that the children be gathered

Beware of the Bushel

"I have no ability to speak convincingly, and my own knowledge and experience are superficial. Moreover, there are others who are qualified and whose business it is to do the work of the church. I can do best by keeping quiet and going on with my own particular work."

Under that bushel the light of many a life is hid. To be sure, the supreme work is not public speaking, and no one contends that that is the work of every Christian. On the other hand, who among us can refrain from talking in these days? Do we not talk of many things every day that we think and feel? What right have we to excuse ourselves from speaking of the things on which, if we are loyal Adventists, we think and feel most deeply? We have no right to be silent on the points on which our testimony is needed most. No bushel of silence is to be allowed to cover that testimony.

Nor have we a good excuse for silence in these days when so much excellent and inexpensive literature has been provided for our use in witnessing among the people. Each day should find us passing out one or more pieces of our message-filled literature. Let us be grateful that, if we cannot preach like Paul, we can pass on to others the good sermons in print.

Remember today: "More literature going out means more souls coming in." A MINISTER.

for a solemn assembly. (Joel 2: 15, 16.)

As a people we have put forth great efforts on behalf of our young people. Our schools have been established and are operated at great expense. We have our Missionary Volunteer organisation that directs the attention of our youth toward, and occupies their energies in, character-building endeavours and studies.

The church must stagnate unless it retains its youth within its ranks. That the youth need the church is just as evident as that the church needs the youth. To lead our boys and girls to Christ and bind them to the church is an objective toward which parents and church members, young people's leaders and gospel workers should lend their best efforts.

The Missionary Volunteer Week of Prayer should witness a people burdened for our unsaved youth. By earnest prayer and personal labour we can co-operate with God in saving our young people. No other field of labour is so promising, no other endeavour offers such rich returns.

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A Letter from the President

DEAR FELLOW BELIEVERS,

May I first thank each one of you for the splendid help you have given in the recent Harvest Ingathering Campaign. I know that the work is not easy, but with the help of each individual we have reached the conference goal and also gained a substantial surplus. These funds are most urgently needed, and, as you have already been advised, we are spending more in conducting our medical work, than the total funds subscribed by the general public. It is possible that some still have unworked portions of territory and if these could be worked in the near future it would be greatly appreciated.

I am sure you will also be glad to know that the general work of the Natal-Transvaal Conference is making good progress. Efforts have been conducted in several places and a small steady influx of baptised members is taking place.

During the first half of 1938 an effort was held in central Pretoria by Elder J. Raubenheimer, assisted by Brother E. Stevenson and Sister A. Bulgin. There has been no baptism held as yet for this year's work, but twenty souls have been baptised this year as a result of the work done in 1937.

In Johannesburg Elder A. W. Staples has had Brother A. Worsley and Sisters Jeffrey and M. Dixie associated with him. An effort was held at Orange Grove, near where the conference office is situated, but the results thus far have not been large. However, we are happy to see a few new ones attending the Sabbath services. There are always a large number attending baptismal classes on the Reef and we see a steady growth of membership.

On the East Rand Brother J. J. B. Combrinck and Brother A. van der Bergh have been kept more than comfortably busy. An effort toward the close of the year at Germiston had very poor results, but following that a series of meetings held at Edendale, about eight miles distant, has resulted in a splendid little company standing for the truth and preparing for baptism. Brother Combrinck, and the new group of believers, have between them raised the necessary materials, supplied the labour, and soon they will have a comfortable little meeting place ready for occupation. We hope to see this place dedicated free of debt. The ground was given by one of the newly interested folk and the conference has promised the last £25 necessary to complete the building.

In the Free State, Brother A. J. Herholdt and Brother P. Haarhoff have been battling along at Marquard. The opposition has been strenuous, but that is always to be expected, and these brethren thrive on it. In April we saw a harvest of souls go forward in baptism at Senekal, being fruits of the previous year's work, and before long we will see another little group standing out at Marquard. These brethren, besides conducting public work, are responsible for another three companies within about sixty miles.

In Natal we have Brother Eva, and with him associated Sister A. Mitchley, holding a series of meetings at Maritzburg. Sister Lund was assisting Brother Eva, but home duties have taken her out of the field for a time. There is a little group of believers in Maritzburg planning for baptism. We thank the Lord for these souls.

Over in the Eastern Transvaal we have Brother D. A. de Beer fighting a lone battle. There is nothing spectacular in this brother's work, but we see a steady influx of well-established members as a result of his quiet work. Brother De Beer has been working at Machadodorp alone and has also been visiting regularly with the Carolina and Ermelo companies.

Coming down to the Natal border, we

find Elder P. Venter working along quietly at Volksrust. Brother Du Plessis from Bethlehem has been helping him for the past three months but he has now returned to his own private work. They have had a hard battle, for most of the interested ones were employees on the Railway and it has been a hard battle for them to make the necessary decision to obey the Lord. However, a small group is preparing for baptism there.

In the Northern Transvaal we have Brother P. van der Merwe working alone. This brother has tried to help the people of Nylstroom but without result. He is now conducting cottage meetings at Loubad and reports a fine group of interested persons. We have had two baptisms there recently of about a dozen persons whom Brother Van der Merwe and also Brother P. Venter have helped in their decisions.

Now, as we look at our field, we find so many of the workers scattered out to other responsibilities. To enable us to keep as many workers on our roll as we have, it was necessary to ask seven of them to go on self-supporting work for three months. Otherwise it meant we would have to discharge two workers, and where could they be spared and who should be discharged? We cannot spare a single worker and just wish it were possible for us to double our personnel.

Brother Van der Merwe, our only worker in that great territory from Pretoria to Beit Bridge, will be selling *Signs* and books for three months in the Southern Transvaal area. The little companies he has been trying to help must manage as best they can.

Brother E. Stevenson has left Pretoria and is canvassing on the South Coast of Natal. His family is staying with Mrs. Stevenson's parents. Brother Stevenson writes that he is of good courage and that he is having good success, but how much we need him to care for some of the interests in Pretoria and environs.

Brother A. Worsley is canvassing on the north coast, Natal. He will be out for three months, and this leaves Elder Staples in Johannesburg, central, with far more work than he can possibly handle efficiently. How we do appreciate the faithful work of our laymen on the Reef!

Brother Haarhoff is canvassing in the Winburg area. The little companies of babies in the truth that he has been caring for must get along as best they can, for he will not be back among them before September.

Brother Eva is canvassing in the Pondoland area and the little group of interested ones that he had in Maritzburg must struggle along wishing he were there to help them, and he too wishing that it might be possible—but what can we do to make the funds eke out as far as they must go?

Brother A. van der Bergh is canvassing in the Rustenburg area—smiling his way along; selling many books—but how his services are needed on the East Rand,

Ingathering News

Seventy-nine churches and companies out of a total of eighty-three within the South African Union reached their goals within six weeks. Of this number twenty-four have doubled their goals, five have trebled their goals and one has quadrupled its goal.

The Ingathering total in the South African Union on July 20 amounted to £7,852. £1,852 over the goal.

One very encouraging feature of the campaign this year is that the lay members have gathered a larger amount than they have raised in past years. They have realised almost £200 more than last year in each of the conferences. This is a trend in the right direction.

Many have testified to the blessings they have received from the Ingathering this year. Many favourable contacts have been made, and, given faithful follow-up work, some souls should be won for the kingdom. We can thank the Lord for the privilege of Ingathering and the good measure of success He has given us.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPT.,
South African Union Conference.

where Brother Combrinck is endeavouring to care for about a dozen companies and a large number of newly interested people!

Brother D. A. de Beer is now canvassing in the Eastern Transvaal. He is trying to keep hold of the interested ones, and yet for three months he will be doing self-supporting work. He is not willing to go far from his interests and yet is trying to be in two places at the same time.

Brethren and sisters, this is just a tiny view of the activities of the workers in this field. Your president is away from home about three weeks out of four: In May, Harvest Ingathering in Natal; later visiting believers and companies in Natal and Transvaal; then committee meetings at the Cape, and in two days' time start-

ing out with Brother Willmore to visit the isolated believers throughout the Western Transvaal and Bechuanaland where live the lonely ones who scarcely see a fellow-believer once a year. How glad they are for a visit!

Then you have the office workers, not heard of very much, yet doing their part to try and keep things running. Working overtime more often than not, but with nothing spectacular to keep them encouraged. The department men, with their endless reports and material for churches and canvassers, are all endeavouring to do their share to make the message go in the field for which they are responsible.

How we wish our means permitted us to increase our working force! But that is

not possible. We do wish to express our very deep appreciation to those who so faithfully send in their tithes and offerings from week to week. Can we once again voice our earnest appeal to those who may have been just a little lax in their duty of returning to the Lord that portion which is His? Will you not see that your tithe is faithfully and regularly sent into your local church or the conference office, so that the necessary means may be provided to keep the work going as you desire it should go?

We are now planning for our spring efforts. These will be starting in just a few weeks' time and we do ask for an interest in your prayers.

We have been made glad to hear that a worker from overseas will be available for the Natal area within the next few weeks. For nearly two years we have been waiting for this word until we have almost given up in despair and our dear Natal brethren have wondered if they could rely on our promises any longer.

Your conference force of workers will soon be busy in public meetings and I see them in my mind starting their meetings in Durban, Johannesburg, Witbank, Benoni, Amersfoort, Paul Roux, and possibly Klerksdorp, or some other Western Transvaal town.

Brethren we need your prayers and we need the money that the Lord has placed in your charge, for though there be wars and rumours of wars, though there be men's hearts failing them for fear, remember the end is not yet. It is only when this gospel has been preached to all the world for a witness, *then* shall the end come.

Will you not help us in our efforts? We cannot do more than you permit us to do, for we are your servants. God is looking to see whether you are being faithful to your trust or not, and I do pray that you may each one be found as faithful as God knows you might be.

Yours sincerely,
A. N. INGLE.

M. V. Dept.

F. G. CLIFFORD, *Secretary,*
So. Af. Union Conference

Notes for Youth

OUR young people throughout the Union have rendered yeoman service in the Ingathering Campaign. They have gone out alone, as well as in twos and threes and larger groups. Some societies have formed singing bands and have met with a good measure of success. While some of the older members seem to dread Ingathering, a number of Juniors, who have one or more points to their credit, are already eagerly enquiring about the next campaign. To all of our young people who took part we send a big THANK YOU.

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Examinations

A FEW days ago we had the pleasure of reading over a number of Study and Service League examination papers for Bible Doctrines. These came from the Johannesburg area. Seven passed the test, some with very high marks. That five failed is an indication that a considerable amount of knowledge is required to make the grade. We wish all of our youth could attend Helderberg College, but for those who cannot the Study and Service League offers a splendid preparation for service on behalf of the truth in their neighbourhoods.

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Cape Conference

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Miss P. E. Willmore *Secy.-Treas.*

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News Notes

THE executive committee of the Cape Conference concluded its deliberations on Sunday, July 10. We were favoured with the attendance of Elders A. F. Tarr and J. E. Symons, whose counsel we greatly appreciated. We were able to lay definite

plans for a strong forward movement in the evangelisation of our territory.

THE recent addition to our evangelistic staff of Elders W. L. Hyatt and E. L. Cardey enables us to place well-staffed and well-equipped evangelistic companies in

Port Elizabeth and Cape Town, at which places strong efforts will be held.

ELDER S. S. HITEN will proceed to the north-eastern Cape where interests demand a bilingual worker. With the assistance of Sister Swanepoel he will conduct an effort in Barkley East.

ELDER S. G. HITEN will care for the work in Kimberley and district where interests have for some time been growing.

OUR company in South-West Africa, consisting of Elder J. van der Merwe and Brother R. Visser, nobly assisted by their wives, will now spread out to the territory around Windhoek and foster the growth of the seed sown there.

To give sufficient strength to the city evangelistic companies we have called another Afrikaans worker to our field.

MISSES WINIFRED LE BUTT and Gertrude Piercey have been added, temporarily, to our staff of Bible workers.

MISS FLEMING is working at Belmont binding off the interest there before proceeding to the Cape. Already some have decided for the truth, and a nice Sabbath school is in progress.

WE invite all our members to place these workers and their efforts very definitely on their prayer lists. Why not have a little place and a little time every day to hold up the hands of our evangelists and thus have a very real part in their work and success?

FOR some weeks Brother D. Douglas has been giving assistance to the company at Cradock. This company is very active and its members are not satisfied unless they can write to the office of people interested in the message. Brother Douglas is fostering these interests in an endeavour to bring them to fruition.

THE believers at Vredendal are busy building a church. They have heard the voice of God saying, "Let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them." The conference has been able to give them some help from the small Church Extension Fund and we trust that it will not be long before we shall have a small, though representative church building dedicated to the worship of God, in that smiling valley.

The Believers at Miller

ELDER HYATT spent the week-end, July 1-3, with the believers at Miller. Those who were privileged to meet together will long remember his visit and the splendid meetings which were held. The Spirit of the Lord was present and all felt renewed

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More recently it has been discovered that the song has been associated with the advent movement from the very beginning. The "Zion Herald" of November 25, 1844, describes the practice of early Adventists of the first angel's message in the use of this song. These early believers in the imminent advent of our Lord were accustomed, when closing a camp-meeting, or other similar general meeting, to form a large circle, and with clasped hands, sing: "And soon we shall with Jesus reign, and never, never part again." Then one group would sing, "What! Never part again?" and another company would reply, "No, never part again!" And thus they would part by solacing their hearts with the age-long hope of the church.

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in mind and strengthened to press forward. Of those in attendance Sister A. P. Welman writes:

"We had the privilege of having with us Sister Fourie and Brother and Sister Johannes and Ouida Fourie from Klipplaat, thirty-six miles away. The services were held at Brother and Sister Stol's place. We had Brother and Sister Gerald Rudman with us too, besides those who usually or occasionally come together for Sabbath school. We had several visitors too, some came from Jansenville district.

"It was also our privilege to have with us Nellie Welman from Klipplaat, Dorithia Welman from Baviaans' Kloof, and Paulus Welman from Willowmore.

"We wish to thank the conference for sending out to us Elder Hyatt who, although not feeling too well, forgot his own discomfort and ministered to our souls—who needed the spiritual food he so lavishly served to us—with the help of the Holy Spirit."

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"MANY have gone down to ruin who might have been saved, if their neighbours, common men and women, had put forth personal effort for them. Many are waiting to be personally addressed."—*Desire of Ages*, page 141.

Insamelingsnuus

Negen-en-sewentig kerke uit 'n totaal van drie-en-tagtig in die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie het hulle doelstelling binne ses weke bereik. Hiervan het vier-en-twintig kerke hulle doelstelling verdubbel, vyf het driemaal soveel as hulle doelstelling ingesamel, en een kerk het glad viermaal soveel ingesamel.

Op 20 Julie het die bedrag van die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie op £7,852 gestaan, wat beteken dat hulle hulle doelstelling met £1,852 oortref het.

Iets wat baie bemoedigend is in hierdie veldtog is dat die leke 'n groter bedrag ingesamel het as in vorige jare. In elkeen van die konferensies het hulle £200 meer ingesamel as in vorige veldtogte. Dit is gewis 'n stap in die regte rigting.

Vele het getuig van seëninge wat hulle met die insameling ontvang het. In baie gevalle is daar in aanraking gekom met belangstellendes en as die werk opgevolg word behoort daar siele in die koninkryk gewin te word. Ons dank die Here vir die voorreg om fondse in te samel en vir die sukses wat Hy ons gegee het.

BUURTSENDING-DEPT.

Suid-Afrikaanse Unie-Konferensie.

Strewers Week van Gebed

13-20 AUGUSTUS

F. G. CLIFFORD

Die Strewers Week van Gebed is 'n geleentheid wanneer ons die voorreg het om die vervulling van die Elia boodskap, wat as volg lui, te verhaas: „En Hy sal die hart van die vaders terugbring tot die kinders, en die hart van die kinders tot hulle vaders." Dat dit 'n tydige boodskap is blyk duidelik as ons die huidige toestand in oënskou neem. Ons besef almal die gevaar wat daar in ons dae bestaan van 'n kloof tussen ouers en kinders wat as gevolg van onverskilligheid en misverstand steeds groter en groter kan word.

Die huidige opvoedingstelsel, die omwenteling in die sosiale lewe, en die vinnige vervoermiddels het as gevolg dat baie ouers vreemdelinge geword het vir hulle kinders. In sommige lande het die staat heeltemal die opvoeding en beheersing van die jeug op hom geneem, sodat hulle grootskeeps kan gevorm word op die politieke en nasionale lees van die staat. Die Skrifte toon duidelik dat daar in hierdie laaste dae groot aandag aan die kinders bestee sal word. Die profeet Joël beveel dat die kinders versamel moet word. (Joël 2: 15, 16.)

As 'n genootskap het ons baie moeite gedoen vir ons kinders. Ons skole word opperig en aan die gang gehou teen groot onkoste. Daar is ons Strewersdepartemente wat daarop gemik is om die aandag van die jeug te vestig en besig te hou met werk en studies wat hulle karakters sal vorm.

Die kerk wat nie sy jongmense behou nie, sal sterwe. Die jeug het die kerk nodig net so gewis as die kerk die jongmense nodig het. Om ons seuns en dogters tot Christus te bring en hulle aan die kerk te heg is 'n doelwit waarna ouers, gemeentelede, die leiers van die jongmense en evangeliedienaars steeds moet strew, en waarvoor hulle al hulle kragte moet inspan.

Die Strewers Week van Gebed behoort te toon dat ons die belange van die ongeredde jongmense op die hart dra. Deur ernstige gebed en persoonlike arbeid kan ons met God saanwerk vir die redding van ons jongmense. Geen ander arbeidsveld is so veelbelowend en geen ander werk lewer sulke goeie resultate nie.

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„Tekens"-Grootweek

VERANDERING VAN DATUM

Die aandag van alle kerkleiers word bepaal by die feit dat die datum van die Tekens-Grootweek wat eers vasgestel was vir 27 Augustus tot 3 September nou van 29 Oktober tot 5 November sal wees. Wysig asseblief u kerk-kalender dienooreenkomstig.

Kaapse Konferensie

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Nuusbrokkies

Die uitvoerende komitee van die Kaapse Konferensie het op 10 Julie hulle beraadslagings beëindig. Leraars A. F. Tarr en J. E. Symons was teenwoordig en ons het hulle wenke en advies baie op prys gestel. Ons het al ons planne agtermekaar vir 'n voorwaartse beweging met die evangelisasie van ons terrein.

Met die uitbreiding van ons korps evangeliste deur die toevoeging van Leraars W. L. Hyatt and E. L. Cardey sal ons in staat wees om deeglik uitgeruste werkers in Port Elizabeth en Kaapstad te plaas, waar sterk pogings gehou sal word. Leraar S. S. Hiten sal na die noordelike deel van die Oostelike Provinsie gaan waar die dienste van 'n tweetalige werker nodig is, en bygestaan deur Suster Swanepoel sal hy 'n poging op Grikwaland Oos hou. Leraar S. G. Hiten sal die werk op Kimberley en in die distrik behartig.

Ons groep werkers in Suidwes-Afrika, bestaande uit Leraar J. v. d. Merwe en Broeder R. Visser, bygestaan deur hulle vrouens, sal die belange van die werk rondom Windhoek behartig.

Ten einde ons pogings in die stede te versterk, het ons 'n ekstra Afrikaanse werker beroep, en ook Mej. Winifred Le Butt en Gertrude Piercey gevra om tydelik by ons aan te sluit.

MEJ. FLEMING is hard besig op Belmont om haar werk daar af te sluit alvorens sy na Kaapstad vertrek. Daar is reeds 'n paar wat die waarheid aangeneem het en daar is ook 'n Sabbatskool gestig.

VIR 'n tyd reeds is Broeder D. Douglas besig om die gelowiges op Cradock te help. Hierdie lede is baie bedrywig en hulle is nooit tevrede as hulle nie aan die kantoor kan skrywe van nuwe belangstellendes in die waarheid nie. Broeder Douglas is besig om hierdie nuwe belangstellendes te onderrig.

Die gelowiges op Vredendal is besig om 'n kerkgebou op te rig. Die konferensie het hulle 'n bietjie geld voorgeskiet uit die „Kerkboufonds," en ons hoop dat hulle eerlank 'n geboutjie sal hê waar hulle die Here kan aanbid.

ONS versoek al ons lede beleefd om ons werkers in hulle gebede te gedink.

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Vergader Skatte in die Hemel

A. N. INGLE

OMDAT die volgende voorvalle miskien 'n inspirasie vir ander kan wees, maak ons hulle in hierdie kolomme bekend:

Onlangs het ons 'n telefoonboodskap ontvang van 'n bejaarde dame, woonagtig op 'n dorpie omtrent 'n honderd myl hiervandaan (Johannesburg). Sy stel baie belang in die verspreiding van die boodskap, en toe my eggenote en ek haar gaan besoek het, het sy ons meegedeel dat sy 'n sekere som geld het wat sy graag aan die konferensie wil gee: sy het toe 'n hele paar honderd pond in die bank aan ons oorgemaak om gebruik te word in die saak van die Here. Volgens die beleid van die denominasie sal een-derde in hierdie konferensie bestee word, terwyl die ander tweederdes eweredig sal verdeel word tussen die Uniekonferensie en die Divisie.

'n Rukkie daarna het 'n ander bejaarde suster die konferensiekantoor besoek en ons meegedeel dat sy graag al haar besittings aan die saak van die Here wil oormak. Dit is gedoen, en nou weet sy dat haar bietjie ook sal help om die waarheid te verkondig.

'n Paar dae gelede het ons 'n brief ontvang van 'n suster vyftig myl hiervandaan, waarin sy ons gevra het om haar te kom besoek sodat sy sake kon reël in verband met sekere besittings wat sy ook graag aan die werk van die Here wil oormak.

Onlangs het nog 'n suster haar besittings aan die saak van die Here oorgemaak, en 'n som geld by die Divisie gedeponeer wat solank vir die werk kan gebruik word — op hierdie geld sal sy rente trek gedurende haar leeftyd, maar na haar dood sal die denominasie dit erf.

Ek voel dat daar miskien nog ander is wat ook graag sulke reëlings sou tref. Ons het middele dringend nodig vir die werk, want hierdie boodskap moet aan almal verkondig word voordat Christus kan kom.

Nie so lank gelede nie het 'n suster 'n taamlike som aan die saak van die Here oorgemaak, en as gevolg daarvan staan daar vandag gedenktekens ter ere van haar; want 'n derde van die geld is gebruik vir die oprigting van 'n kerkgebou; een-derde is gebruik om te help in die oprigting van 'n skoolgebou, en een-derde het gehelp in die oprigting van 'n hospitaal. Kan daar 'n beter manier wees om mens geld te bestee as om dit aan die saak van die Here te bemaak?

U kan u geld aan die denominasie oormak terwyl u nog in die lewe is; daar sal rente aan u betaal word solank as u lewe, en na u dood sal die geld oorgaan aan die denominasie. Sodoende kan mens terwyl jy nog in die lewe is die wete hê dat jou geld gebruik word vir die verbreding van die boodskap.

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'n Brief van die President

GEAGTE MEDE-GELOWIGES,

Laat my eerste van alles toe om julle te bedank vir die uitstekende hulp met die Oesinsamelingsveldtog. Ek besef dat die werk nie maklik was nie, maar met die hulp van elke lid was ons in staat om ons doelstelling te bereik, en ook nog 'n aansienlike surplus te hê. Hierdie fondse is dringend nodig, en soos ons reeds bekendgemaak het, word daar meer aan ons mediese werk bestee as wat die publiek bydra. Dit mag wees dat daar nog diegene is wat nie al hulle terrein bewerk het nie, en in daardie geval sal ons bly wees as hulle dit in die nabye toekoms kan doen.

Ek is seker dat u ook met genoeg sal verneem dat die werk in die Natal-Transvaal Konferensie goeie vordering maak. Daar is op verskillende plekke pogings gehou en daar kom steeds nuwe lede by.

Gedurende die eerste helfte van 1938 het Leraar J. Raubenheimer 'n poging in Pretoria-sentraal gehou, bygestaan deur Broeder E. Stevenson en Suster A. Bulgin. Daar is vir hierdie jaar se werk nog geen doopdiens gehou nie, maar daar is twintig siele gedoop as die gevolg van die werk gedurende 1937.

Leraar A. W. Staples, bygestaan deur Broeder A. Worsley en Susters Jeffrey en M. Dixie, het 'n poging op Orange Grove, nie ver van die konferensiekantoor gehou; maar daar het egter nie veel vir die waarheid uitgestaan nie, dog daar is 'n paar nuwes wat die Sabbatdienste bywoon. Op die Rand is daar altyd 'n aantal in die doopklasse en daar word steeds nuwe lede by die kerke toegevoeg.

Leraar J. J. B. Combrinck, bygestaan deur Broeder v. d. Bergh, het hulle hande meer as vol op die Oos-Rand. 'n Poging op Germiston, aan die einde van verlede jaar het nie eintlik veel nuwe lede opgelewer nie, maar die dienste op Edenvale, sowat agt myl daarvandaan, het goeie resulte gelever en 'n mooi klompie maak nou klaar vir doop. Broeder Combrinck, met behulp van die nuwe gelowiges, is besig om 'n plekkie vir hulle Sabbatdienste op te rig, en eerlank verwag ons om 'n gerieflike saaltjie daar te sien. Ons hoop dat die geboutjie sonder skuld sal wees. Die bouverseel is deur een van die belangstellendes gegee en die konferensie het ook £25 bygedra om die gebou klaar te maak.

Broeder A. J. Herholdt, bygestaan deur Broeder P. Haarhoff, voer die stryd op Marquard. Hulle moes baie teenstand ondervind, maar dit is ook wat ons altyd kan verwag. Gedurende Aprilmaand is

daar 'n klompie gedoop op Senekal, maar dit was die gevolg van die werk van verlede jaar; ons hoop egter om binnekort 'n aantal te sien uitstaan vir die waarheid op Marquard. Hierdie broeders, behalwe die pogings wat hulle hou, moet ook nog die geestelike belange van drie ander groepe behartig.

In Natal het Broeder D. Eva, bygestaan deur Suster A. Mitchley, 'n reeks dienste gehou op Maritzburg. Eers het Suster Lund Broeder Eva gehelp, maar huislike pligte het veroorsaak dat sy die veld vir 'n rukkie moes verlaat. Op Maritzburg is daar 'n klompie wat klaarmaak vir die bediening van die doop.

Broeder D. A. de Beer werk alleen in die oostelike Transvaal. Hierdie broeder gaan stadig maar seker aan met sy werk en daar is altyd 'n paar siele gereed vir die doop as gevolg van sy werk. Broeder De Beer het op Machadodorp gewerk en ook gesorg vir die gelowiges op Carolina en Ermelo.

Leraar P. Venter is op Volksrust besig; Broeder du Plessis wat hom vir die afgelepe drie maande bygestaan het, het tans weer sy privaat werk opgeneem. Hulle het maar 'n swaar tyd gehad, want meeste van die belangstellendes is spoorwegamptenare, en dit gaan maar moeilik vir hulle om die Sabbat vry te kry. Daar is egter 'n klein klompie wat klaarmaak vir die doop.

Broeder P. v. d. Merwe is alleen besig in die noordelike Transvaal. Hierdie broeder was eers op Nylstroom besig. Hy hou tans dienste op Loubad en hy berig dat daar 'n mooi klompie belangstellendes is. Ons het onlangs daar 'n dosyn gelowiges gedoop — dit was die vrugte op die vorige werk van Broeder v. d. Merwe en Leraar Venter.

Waar ons die arbeidsveld so in oëskou neem, sien ons so baie van ons werkers besig met ander werksaamhede. Om ons getal werkers aan te hou, was ons genoodsaak om sewe van hulle te vra om vir drie maande selfonderhoudende werk te doen, anders sou dit beteken het dat ons twee werkers sou moes afsit; en op watter plek sou ons hulle kon spaar en wie sou hulle gewees het? Ons kannie een enkele werker spaar nie, en ons wens dat ons die middele gehad het om nog 'n maal soveel in diens te neem.

Broeder v. d. Merwe, ons enigste werker in die noordelike Transvaal, sal vir drie maande *Signs, Tekens* en boeke verkoop in die suidelike Transvaal. Die groepies wat hy bedien het, sal nou maar sonder hom moet klaarkom.

Broeder E. Stevenson, kolporteur tans aan die Suidkus van Natal. Sy vrou bly vir die tyd by haar ouers. Broeder Stevenson skrywe dat hy goeie sukses het en vol moed is; maar hoe nodig het ons hom nie vir die werk in Pretoria en die voorstede nie!

Broeder Worsley is besig om te kolporteur aan die Noordkus van Natal. Hy sal vir drie maande afwesig wees, sodat Leraar Staples veel meer werk sal moet doen as

wat hy kan behartig. Ons stel die hulp van die getroue leke op die Rand baie op prys.

Broeder Haarhoff is besig om op Winburg te kolporteer, en die drie klompies gelowiges wat hy bedien het, sal nou maar sonder sy hulp moet klaarkom, want hy sal nie voor Septembermaand onder hulle terug wees nie.

Broeder Eva kolporteer in Pondoland, en die klompie op Maritzburg moet maar aansukkel sonder hom. Maar wat kan ons doen as ons nie genoeg fondse het nie?

Broeder v. d. Bergh kolporteer in Rustenburg. Blymoedig verkoop hy baie boeke, maar hoe nodig het ons hom nie op die Oos-Rand waar Leraar Combrinck sy hande vol het met meer as 'n dosyn groepe en nog 'n hele aantal belangstellende persone.

Broeder D. A. de Beer kolporteer tans in die oostelike Transvaal. Hy trag darem om sy oog ook te hou oor die belangstellendes, maar vir drie maande sal hy self-onderhoudende werk doen. Hy is nie gewillig om ver weg te gaan van die plek waar sy belange is nie en hy probeer om op twee plekke tegelyk te wees.

Broeders en Susters, dit is maar 'n kort oorsig van die werksaamhede van ons werkers in die veld. Ek, as president, is drie weke uit elke vier van huis af. Gedurende Meimaand het ek Oesinsamelingwerk in Natal gedoen, later het ek die gelowiges in Natal en Transvaal besoek. Daarna moes ek komiteevergaderings in die Kaap gaan bywoon, en in twee dae se tyd vertrek Broeder Willmore en ek om die afgeleë gelowiges in die westelike Transvaal en Betsjoeanaland te gaan besoek—diegene wat maar selde of ooit 'n mede-gelowige sien. En hoe waardeer hulle nie ons besoeke nie!

En dan is daar die kantoorwerkers waarvan nie veel behoort word nie, maar wat tog hulle deel bydra om alles vlot te laat gaan. Die meeste van die tyd moet hulle oortyd werk sonder veel om hulle aan te moedig. En dan is daar die sekretarisse van die verskillende departemente, wat op baie maniere trag om die werk te bevorder in die veld waarvoor hulle verantwoordelik is.

Ons wil ook graag ons dank betuig aan diegene wat so getrou hulle tiendes en offergawes inbetaal. Maar in hierdie verband wil ons nogeens 'n beroep doen op diegene wat 'n bietjie laks is in verband met die betaling van hulle tiendes. Sal u nie toesien wat u u tiendes getrou by u kerk inhandig of aan die konferensiekantoor stuur nie, sodat ons die nodige middele kan hê om die werk aan die gang te hou?

Ons is nou besig om planne te maak vir die lentepogings, en binne 'n paar weke sal hulle in volle gang wees. Ons vra u voorbidding in hierdie verband.

Ons was bly om te verneem dat daar eerlank 'n oorseese werker beskikbaar sal wees vir die werk in Natal. Vir byna twee jaar al wag ons op hom; ons het

al byna gewanhoop, en die vraag het ook seker al by ons Natalse gelowiges opgekrom of hulle nog op ons beloftes kon reken.

Eerlank sal daar pogings aan die gang wees op Durban, Johannesburg, Witbank, Benoni, Amersfoort, Paul Roux en miskien Klerksdorp of een van die ander dorpieë in die westelike Transvaal.

Broeders, ons het julle gebede nodig en ook die middele wat God aan julle toevertrou het, want hoewel daar oorloë en gerugte van oorloë is, en hoewel die mense se harte beswyk van benoudheid, moet ons nogtans onthou dat dit nog nie die einde is nie. Eers wanneer die evangelie aan die hele wêreld verkondig is as 'n getuie aan alle nasies, dan sal die einde kom.

Sal u ons nie in ons pogings help nie. Die Here kyk om te sien of u getrou is aan die werk wat Hy aan u toevertrou het. My bede is dat elkeen getrou mag bevind word.

Ek bly,

Getrou Die Uwe,
A. N. INGLE.

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Nuus vir die Jeug

ONS jongmense oor die hele Unie het uitstekende diens gedoen gedurende die Oesinsamelingveldtog. Hulle het alleen uitgegaan sowel as in groepe van twee, drie en meer. Sommige van die verenigings het met 'n groot mate van sukses sangkore gestig. Terwyl sommige van die ouer lede bang is om te gaan insamel was daar 'n aantal van die Juniors wat hulle doelstellings bereik of verdubbel het, en wat al weer verneem na die volgende veldtog. Aan al ons jongmense sê ons hartlik dankie!

DIE byvoegsel tot die Junior-handboek is gereed en is onontbeerlik vir diegene wat deelneem aan of leiding gee met die klaswerk. Die doel van die byvoegsel is om die handboek aan te pas by die toestande in Suid-Afrika. Die standaard wat moet bereik word in die verskillende afdelings is gewysig, en daar word 'n lys van teksboeke gegee wat in die Unie verkrybaar is. Die Stewers-sekretaris van julle konferensie sal julle 'n vry eksemplaar op aanvraag stuur.

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Eksamens

'n PAAR dae gelede het ek die genoë gehad om 'n aantal eksamenpapiere oor die leerstellings van die Bybel na te sien—van die Johannesburgse afdeling. Sewe kandidate het geslaag—sommige met hoë merke. Die feit dat vyf gedruip het, is bewys dat daar baie kennis nodig is om te slaag. Ons wens dat al ons jongmense Helderberg Kollege kon bywoon, maar vir diegene wat dit nie kan doen nie, sal die Studie- en Diensbond baie behulpzaam wees, en dit bied uitstekende geleentheid

om mens voor te berei vir die verkondiging van die waarheid in jou eie buurt.

F. G. C.

Obituaries

SMITH.—Maria Elizabeth Smith was born in 1865 and passed to her rest in the Lord June 11, 1938. Sister Smith was baptised at Kingwilliamstown in 1923 as a result of the effort held that year by Elder W. H. Hurlow. For some years her health has been failing, yet her life has been characterised by her patience and her un-failing trust in God. She leaves to mourn, her husband, who is a member of the Kingwilliamstown church, two sons, and a daughter. The services in the funeral parlour and at the grave-side were conducted by Elder W. H. Hurlow.

RUDOLPH-GORDON.—Elizabeth (Betty) Rudolph-Gordon was born May 8, 1882, and passed peacefully to her rest, at her home in Somerset West, June 28, 1938, after an illness of eleven days.

Sister Gordon became acquainted with our doctrines through reading literature, and began the observance of the Sabbath in the year 1923, but was not baptised into the message until she attended the camp-meeting, held in Kenilworth, in 1931.

It was the privilege of the writer to talk and pray with Sister Gordon during her last sickness, and he found her to be of good courage. Her confidence in this message was firm, and she expressed herself as being ready to go, should the Lord call her to lay down life's burdens.

We believe that an angel of God has marked the resting place of our sister, and that she shall come forth from her dusty bed, glorified, when the trump of the Lord shall sound.

The burial took place in the English Cemetery, and the Rev. Martin, of the Church of England, conducted the funeral services at the grave-side.

A husband, John Harry Gordon, three sons, three daughters, and many friends are left to mourn their loss.

A. V. EDWARDS.

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General News Notes

ELDER L. L. MOFFITT returned to the office on July 8, from a camp-meeting trip in Nyasaland, and will be leaving for camp-meetings in Angola on August 11, to be away from the office until the end of September.

ON Friday afternoon, July 15, quite a number of relatives and friends gathered at the docks to bid farewell to four of our missionary families as they sailed for the States in order to take up further study. These families were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Marais and Elza from Helderberg, Mr. and Mrs. Lyndon Tarr from Nyasaland, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Buckley and three children from Angola, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hayter and baby son from Bethel Training School. We wish these workers God-speed as they go on their way.

MRS. GURNEY, for many years resident in the Cape Peninsula, also sailed the same afternoon on a visit to her home in Zurich, Switzerland.

MISS PETRA HOVIG, who is being transferred from the Angola Union to the Zambesi Union, has been spending a few days here at the Cape *en route* to the Maun Medical Mission where she is to labour.

Prior to connecting with the work in Angola, Miss Hovig spent several years at one of our hospitals in Abyssinia. We extend a hearty welcome to her as she joins the corps of workers in this part of the world field.

ON Monday, July 11, Elder Milton Robison started on his three months' trip to Nyasaland where he is to assist during the camp-meeting season, and also conduct two teachers' institutes at Malamulo and Mwami missions.

WE extend a hearty welcome to Elder and Mrs. E. L. Cardey who have just arrived from the States. Elder Cardey is to connect with the Cape Conference for evangelistic work. His first effort is to be conducted in Cape Town.

Change of Date of the "Signs" Big Week

In planning for the work in the churches we wish to call the attention of all leaders to the fact that the date for the "SIGNS" BIG WEEK has been changed from August 27 - September 3, to October 29 - November 5. Please adjust your calendar of special Sabbaths accordingly.

F. G. C.

Sabbath School Rally Song

To be learned by all our Sabbath School Members, and sung at the eleven o'clock service, September Ten.
Begin practising it right away.

RALLY TO THE SABBATH SCHOOL

A. J. Dyason.

A. J. D.

1. Would you meet some day in the courts a-bove and stand on the cry-stal
2. Would you feel se-cure in the truth of God, be freed from the curse of
3. Would you bring your loved to the Glory land as tro-phies of Heavenly

sea? Would you sing your song in the realms of love with the ran-somed and the sin? Would you tread the path that your Sav-iour trod, seek meek-ly to follow grace? Would you see your kin from the dis-tant strand made one with the roy-al

free? Would you see the smile of the Sav-iour's face as He greets you one by Him? Would you keep in step with the church be-low, march on to the journey's race? Would you find your way to the Earth made new when the trump of God shall

one? Would you thank the Lord for His sav-ing grace and the victories He has end? Would you see your King from the skies a-glow with the Heavenly host de-call? And the ris-en saints with the rem-nant few shall crown Je-sus Lord of

won? scend? Then rally to the Sabbath school? And always be on time; your lessons learned all? Teach

passing day will make you glad as you sing and pray, Then rally to the Sabbath school.

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