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MORE ABUNDANT LIFE

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ment*

THE YOUTH of Southern Asia love life. They are determined to extract all the joy possible out of each day. They want friends. They want health. They want opportunity. They want pleasure. They want to serve and they want more of the material things of life than their parents had. All of these desires are legitimate if wisdom and moderation are used in seeking them. But the fulfilment of all these dreams will not fully satisfy.

Jesus Christ is the answer. In Him is life. Every longing for possessions or enjoyment is implanted in the human heart by Jesus that it might lead to Jesus. The human heart is restless until it finds rest in Him. Although the Saviour never hides Himself to make it difficult to come to Him, an individual must hunger and thirst after His presence to make the discovery.

Choosing to unite with Christ does not remove difficulty or heartache. It does not eliminate trials and temptations. Life here on earth will still have its clouds and shadows, but the companionship of the Son of God gives a security and trust that produces peace within.

This inner strength does not depend on outward circumstances. It makes of the dependent soul a conquering power. This partnership can meet any emergency successfully.

The affections and purposes of the individual are centered on things above. The light of God's love shines through the yielded life, making his influence fragrant with blessing. His very countenance radiates a cheerfulness and optimism which lifts his associates. In this spirit life, strength, talents and time are devoted to the glory of God and the uplift of mankind.

Thus the church can make its greatest contribution to the younger

generation. In Southern Asia, July 1958 has been dedicated to youth evangelism. Ministers and workers will be presenting Christ in public meetings and personal appeals. Youth who know Jesus Christ will appeal to their young friends to accept Him and discover the abundant life. Nothing could be more important. There are hundreds of young lives who will respond, bringing to God's altar their fresh, uncrippled energies to work for Him till the task is finished.

As I visualize the splendid dedication on the part of workers and youth, surely this 1958 season

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July

Youth Evangelism Month

MV Week

— July 19-26

MV Community Service Day — July 26

A CHANGED LIFE

C. P. JONAHS

ABOUT thirty-eight years ago a travel-worn wayfarer took shelter for the night in a hospitable Hindu home. He learned that the couple were in great distress of mind because they had had no issue for the past eight years of their married life. They had visited all the temples within their reach desiring a child, but without success.

"Did you try Jesus?" inquired the stranger sympathetically. "Oh, no! we are not Christians," was the answer with a frown. But finding an opportunity the stranger pressed into their hearts a conviction of the wonderful power and love of Christ. Before long the couple decided to embrace Christianity. With fresh enthusiasm in their new found faith, they both implored God every day for their most cherished desire—a child. Like Hannah of old they prayed: "If thou give unto us a child, we will give him unto the Lord, all the days of his life." The Lord heard their prayer and granted them a baby boy and they, too, named him Samuel.

The child grew up to a wayward and profligate manhood. But one day Mr. Samuel was stricken in his conscience for his parental vow and joined the Methodist Mission as an evangelist for some years. But he had to withdraw from this mission for the Lord had His plans to be worked out in a mysterious way.

The "Voice of Prophecy" lessons fell in his hands and thus he came face to face with the Truth. Brother J. Daniel, the worker in Chikmagalur, helped him to understand the truth more fully. Finally, he was baptized in the year 1956 amidst much opposition from his wife.

This brother lost one job after another, because of his Sabbath-keeping. He was made tempting offers but all these things never shook him from his new-found faith. Alone in a Godless village with its evils, his upright life is a

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GRATIFYING RESEARCH REPORT
AND APPEAL

THIS is to report that, through the wonderful co-operation of our workers and laymen in various world divisions, priceless evidence has been secured showing that Conditional Immortality has been held by individuals and groups of Christians throughout the centuries. For example, by some in Ethiopia in the sixteenth century—and about the same time by Nestorian Christians on the Malabar Coast of India, and in 1574 by certain Anabaptists in Poland—the unconscious state of the dead was cherished as an article of faith.

Each century since the Reformation has had its quota. Valuable evidence has been obtained regarding current holders of Conditionalism among the clergy of various denominations in Finland, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Germany, France, Switzerland, and other lands. A century ago a remarkable revival of Conditionalism took place, not only in Britain, continental Europe, and North America, but extending into India, Ceylon, Jamaica, South Africa, Australia, and the Far East as well.

As a result of this quest an unrivalled conditional Immortality Source Library has been brought together at General Conference headquarters, comprising some two hundred original books, pamphlets, and bound periodicals, 150 microfilm copies of other rare items, including manuscripts, and two hundred packets of photostats, many of them priceless because difficult of access.

These provide the factual basis for the manuscript now in course of preparation. But such a denominational enterprise would have been impossible without the help of hundreds of alert eyes and helping hands, not a few being non-Adventist scholars and librarians. This is therefore a most hearty "Thank you!" for fine co-operation—and an appeal to keep on the alert a little longer for other materials, old or new, still scattered

in many lands in periodical, book, and pamphlet form.

Where possible the original document should be secured. Quoted extracts need the full name of author, exact title of book, place of publication, name of publisher, and date (noting the particular edition or revision), with the quotation verified for exact wording, spelling and punctuation. In case of a periodical, the name of journal, place of publication, title of article, full name of author, volume and number, date, and the pages. When originals are unobtainable, photostats of title page and pertinent pages—or a microfilm of the entire work or the relevant sections—are of equal service. But these should always include the title page.

Biographical data is also highly desirable—birth and death dates, education, posts held, books or articles written, significant human interest features, and how Conditionalism came to be accepted. A photograph of the individual adds human interest.

Your continuing help is earnestly solicited. If anyone finds further data, please communicate with L. E. Froom, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Takoma Park, Washington 12 D. C., U. S. A.

—L. E. FROOM.

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of youth evangelism will be the most fruitful in the history of the division. The divine predictions will be fulfilled. The youthful army will be recruited for Christ, trained by the church and will march in the forefront of the last great conflict. Youthful witnesses will exert a mighty influence and persuade their associates with simple but compelling power, "Be ye reconciled to God."

In this time of promised blessing may the God of heaven richly bless MV Month in Southern Asia.

TRAVELLING WESTWARD

DUANE S. JOHNSON

LETTERS, committee items, and memos had been carefully filed in envelopes for many months. Preparation for the officers' meetings, committee discussions and programmes at the General Conference had taken many hours. On the 26th of May it was time to leave Poona for Bombay and New York.

Pastor and Mrs. Lange and Brother Osmund were on the Janata with me and with them along it did not seem quite so difficult to say goodbye to the family. The train was so crowded that Monday morning that there were as many people standing as there were sitting on the benches.

By 2:30 p.m. a smooth-running Indian Airlines viscount put me down in Karachi, where for twelve busy hours I visited with our workers.

Pastor D. T. Hawley was playing music through the public address system for the patients in the hospital when I arrived. This is very much appreciated and there is a good response. Active personal work with the staff and patients is achieving results.

It was good to meet Dr. and Mrs. Saunders and Brother and Sister Bakkelokken for the first time. Their contribution to the programme in Karachi is a great blessing. Dr. Wilkinson and our staff in Karachi are of good courage and the construction of the hospital addition under Brother Streeter's supervision is progressing rapidly.

By Tuesday morning, May 27, I was in Beirut. Dr. T. M. Geraty, the President of the Middle East College, was out at the airport though conditions were very unsettled in the city and throughout the entire country. Men and women who lead in the affairs of government need our prayers in these unsettled times.

The new Middle East Airlines carried me to Brussels where I arrived on the 27th night. I had boarded the plane in Karachi wearing a bush shirt, packing my thin coat in the suitcase which was not available during the journey. A brief stop at Athens convinced me I had made a mistake. Over the Alps we were in a snowstorm, and at Geneva and Zurich it was cold and rainy. At Brussels I immediately pulled out my coat and almost put on my heavy sherwani.

I had decided to stop for a day and a half at the World's Fair in Brussels, Belgium. Tremendous efforts have been made by the nations to portray cultural, scientific and social achievement. The pavilions of the various nations surpass those at the Chicago and San Francisco fairs. Advancement in the fields of pure science, automation, transportation, medicine, and in many other areas testify that we live in the days referred to by Daniel when "many shall run to and fro and knowledge shall be increased." Men everywhere worship pleasure and power.

Truly the motto of our General Conference, "Thy Kingdom Come," is appropriate. Many are looking today for a knowledge of that "blessed hope" in a world of selfishness and fear. They can expect us to live that message as ambassadors for Christ.

MORE BRANCH SABBATH SCHOOLS—MORE SOULS

Branch Sabbath schools win souls. Everywhere branch Sabbath schools are conducted faithfully, souls respond to the message of God. We have several instances in the Division where branch Sabbath schools have grown into churches. We must keep up the good work.

Let the Sabbath school leaders everywhere find a way to conduct one or more branch Sabbath schools each.

—O. W. LANGE.

FIRST FRUITS OF 1958 EVANGELISM

ALTHOUGH only five months of 1958 are in the past, more people have been baptized in southern Asia this year than during any previous six months in the history of the work. The gain for the Division for the five months of 1958 over the first six months of 1957 is approximately 45 per cent. Surely our hearts are made to rejoice as we think of this most encouraging increase!

As a result of the broad vision, the loyal co-operation and the enthusiastic promotion of Union and local leaders, and the special blessings of God we are able to share with TIDINGS readers the following report of baptisms by Unions for January 1 to June 7, 1958:

Burma	82
Ceylon	17
Pakistan	99
Northwest	56
Northeast	179
South India	433
Western India	98

Division Total 964

—J. F. ASHLOCK, Secretary
Ministerial Association.



SHOULD NOT WITHDRAW TITHE BECAUSE DISPLEASED WITH MANAGEMENT

"Some have been dissatisfied, and have said, 'I will not longer pay my tithe; for I have no confidence in the way things are managed at the heart of the work!' But will you rob God because you think the management of the work is not right? Make your complaint, plainly and openly, in the right spirit, to the proper ones. Send in your petitions for things to be adjusted and set in order; but do not withdraw from the work of God, and prove unfaithful, because others are not doing right."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 9, p. 249.



THIRTY-FIVE PREPARE FOR CHURCH FELLOWSHIP AT CHUHARKANA

SABBATH morning, May 10, marked the commencement of the Spring Week of Prayer for Pakistan Union School and College, with Pastor A. E. Rawson leading out in the services of the week.

Pastor Rawson's theme for the week was that of consecration. He commenced by telling the students of the seven most dangerous enemies that the Christian faces, some of which were Prayerlessness, Selfishness, Pride, Jealousy, and Lack of Love. His other subjects dealt with the growth that comes in the life of the Christian, and were fittingly illustrated with a ladder of six steps.

At mid-week a testimony service was successfully held. Friday evening at the vesper hour Pastor Rawson illustrated his sermon on the Game of Life with slides. A standing dedication was made at the close of this service. But the Sabbath morning hour was truly the climax of the week. At the altar-call which concluded the morning message a special appeal was made for those who had not yet been baptized to come forward. To this many of the smaller children responded, as would be natural. But the Spirit of God was also working on the hearts of the older students who had not yet taken this important step, and many answered the call to decision. This group provided the nucleus for the baptismal class that was begun the following Friday night. About thirty-five students thus are preparing for this step.

After this specific call, a general call to re-consecration was made when the entire congregation went to the altar. The Sabbath morning service was concluded by the baptism of one of the girls who had been unable to be present at the earlier baptism this Spring. It was a fitting climax to a wonderful week. Pastor M. R. Justin officiated at this service.

Pastor Rawson's use of one of the smaller students, Joseph, on

the first Sabbath, and again on subsequent occasions drove home the practical application of the messages in a personal way. The students derived much blessing from the visual illustrations of the week.

The devil sought to discourage and disrupt the work of the week by a number of things, including a terrible dust-storm that lasted all of one day, but each time the Lord

calmed the atmosphere, and the meetings progressed with His blessing.

The regular prayer bands that met each day encouraged student participation. To this was added the use of the college students to assist with the meetings. Two of the college boys served efficiently as Pastor Rawson's translators most of the week. Both of these young

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WATCH, PRAY, WORK

"There are three watchwords in the Christian life, which must be heeded if we would not have Satan steal a march upon us; namely, watch, pray, work."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 2, p. 283.

Unwarned men are looking alarmed, apprehensive, terrorized by developments day by day. To believers the command, "Watch"—"Be ready" now sounds with greater meaning. The night is almost ended. The "Great Day" is upon us.

The Christian who is observing (watches) must pray, for he realizes the meaning of events.

If a man watches and has faith he will pray. But prayer will not be enough. The following experience of Martin Luther's friend, as told by J. Ernest Edwards, tells why.

When Martin Luther set out in the work which shook the world his friend, Myconius, expressed good wishes. "But," he said, "I can best help you where I am. I will remain and pray while you toil."

Myconius prayed day by day, but as he prayed he began to feel uncomfortable. One night he had a dream in which he saw the Saviour who showed him His hands and His feet. He saw the fountain in which he had been cleansed from sin. Then looking earnestly into his eyes, the Saviour said, "Follow Me." The Lord took him to a lofty mountain and pointed eastward. Looking in that direction, Myconius saw a plain stretching away to the horizon. It was dotted with white sheep—thousands and thousands of them. One man was trying to shepherd them all. The man was Luther. The Saviour pointed westward. Myconius saw a great field of standing corn. One reaper was trying to harvest it all. The only labourer was spent and exhausted. Myconius recognized him as his old friend, Luther.

"It is not enough," said Myconius when he awakened, "that I should pray." He went out and shared his old friend's labours.

God calls you as His disciple to "come, work today in My vineyard."

God is calling you to WATCH, PRAY, WORK. Every member of the church who will be saved will obey.

—O. W. LANGE.



NURTURED FOR FRUIT-BEARING

Part 3

When we examine the Voice of Prophecy programme, how thankful we are for the hundreds of thousands who have received the truth-filled messages by post through this great branch of our work, as well as for the millions who have heard the message over the air. We can well ask ourselves, Are we taking full advantage of the Voice of Prophecy and properly contacting the thousands who have completed its lessons throughout our Division? I know that all of you are doing much, and the task does seem stupendous at times. But very often we do not know where to place our influence or efforts.

Let us consider the potency of the great bulk of truth-filled literature that has gone into thousands of homes throughout this Division, with every page of it effectual for fruit-bearing. None of it is for the purpose of making records. It all carries a direct message into the homes of every kind of people—Christian and non-Christian alike. It is no respecter of persons. How wonderful it would be if we could follow these lessons into the homes of the people, study with them and lead them to accept their Master. We know that only a small percentage will accept the message, but there is a programme in which every man and every worker can have definite part because of the interest created by the lessons. A direct approach can be made to encourage the people to study and report over the line, and give their hearts to the Lord. How fruitful the Voice of Prophecy could and

should be if we would take upon our hearts the burden for these students that we ought to.

Last, but not least, is our evangelistic programme. As we consider this branch of the work we can truthfully say that it is a direct approach. Everyone connected with an effort is geared to the one objective of soul-saving. The expenditure of funds, too, has but one direct objective, and that is fruitage of souls. We thank the Lord for our faithful evangelists. It almost seems at times that this is a great basket in which the fruit from every other line of activity is harvested. During an evangelistic campaign the work of all departments—publishing, home missionary, Sabbath school, Voice of Prophecy, medical, and our schools, comes to a head. This most important branch of the work must be carefully pruned so that it will bring forth much fruit. Are we putting as much emphasis upon this phase of our work as we should? Are we throwing as much of our man-power and our talents into this direct line of soul-saving as we ought to?

We can find many excuses why we do not put greater emphasis upon evangelism. A large personnel is needed for our offices, hospitals and our schools. Naturally everyone connected with a particular branch feels that his work requires the cream—the best talent—in order to do efficient work. I admit that we need efficient men in all of these places. But at times I pause and wonder if that which should absorb our greatest interest is not that to which we give

secondary thought, instead of the very first in all of our planning. If the great vine-dresser should give as much care to the machinery and as little care to the active approach of lost souls around us, I wonder what would be the result? I ask this question not only of you but of myself. We want the tree to look nice and we want it to be an efficient one. "I am the vine, you are the branches . . . and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch of Mine that bears no fruit, He takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit."

We do not know His mind and we do not know when He will start to prune, but we do know that whatever He does to the tree it will not be to increase its foliage but to increase its fruit. Our Father in heaven is not ruthless, but He has a right to expect of us far more than we are producing for Him. He has a right to look into our lives and into our own individual sphere of activity, into the responsibility that we carry, and to ask us some very heart-searching questions: Are you truly a fruit-bearing branch? Is the work you represent fruit-bearing? Is it all adding up to a finished work? Are you pruning the tree for a beautiful appearance and not being as mindful of its results as you ought to be?

May God truly make every one of us a fruit-bearing tree!

—O. O. MATTISON, *President.*

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men are preparing for the ministry and this provided them with opportunity to develop their talents under guidance and to demonstrate their dedication to this service in a practical way. The Lord was with them.

Professor R. K. Hamilton, the principal, with the co-operation of his staff carried the smooth planning of the Week of Prayer to a success. It is the prayer of each here that the blessing begun will continue throughout the year.

R. E. REYNOLDS.

TEMPERANCE T WITTERS



22,000 PEOPLE SEE "ONE IN 20,000"

A film with a message and an impact

A VAILABLE reports indicate that over 22,000 people saw our temperance film "One in 20,000" in the last three months at centres like Rawalpindi, in West Pakistan; Hubli, Karaikudi and Mayuram in South India, and Sholapur and Dhulia in Western India. In all these centres successful evangelistic campaigns were in progress, and the film was shown at the meeting places and in conjunction with our evangelistic work. The film has a vital message and a tremendous impact on the conscience and/or on the good sense of the people. A temperance meeting brings record crowds to the meeting place; it affords an opportunity to make favourable impressions on and form friendships with government officials for the good of our work; it helps to break down a very widely-held but mischievous fallacy that Christianity favours drinking, smoking and allied evils; above all it draws souls to Christ.

These statements are not "promotion pulls" for temperance meetings; they are statements of realized truths. Armed with "One in 20,000" one finds no closed doors, including even palaces.

"I have heard some, when speaking in reference to temperance, say, 'I have not time. I have so much to do in preaching here and there upon the third angel's message and the reasons of our faith, that I cannot take time to engage in health and temperance work.' If these men would cut their sermons short about one third, the people would receive more benefit from them, and they would then have time to speak upon this question."—*Review and Herald*, Feb. 14, 1888.

S. JAMES, *Secretary, International Temperance Association, (Southern Asia Division).*

THE ADVENT MESSAGE REACHES KARAIKUDI

A TTRACTIVE handbills announced the opening date of the very first evangelistic effort conducted at Karaikudi. Our beautiful pandal with all the well-pleasing arrangements accommodated those who came. Pastor D. David began his effort series by suggesting an answer to the question—his title—"Is Peace Possible?" He was assisted by Pastor N. Vinayagam, and Mr. R. V. Isaac for the first few days and Mr.

Thavasmoney, Mr. P. R. Israel, Miss A. Nesam, Miss Ratnabai Pakkianathan and the writer for the whole effort.

Special mention must be made of the visit of Pastors E. L. Sorensen, I. K. Moses, and G. Gurubatham to Karaikudi to conduct a successful Temperance programme. This message has left an indelible impression upon the hearts of the people encouraging

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TWENTY-EIGHT JOIN BAPTISMAL CLASS AT A. T. S.

MAY 9-17 was a special week for the students and staff at the Assam Training School. Pastor E. M. Meleen, from his rich store of experience, gave a very interesting and inspiring series of studies on The Application of Christian Principles to Daily Life. It was a week in which many young people gave their hearts to Christ for the first time; and for others, it was a week of re-dedication and a re-consecration of their services to the Lord.

We had two meetings each day—one in the morning and the other at the evening worship period. The special music, contributed by various staff members, was deeply appreciated by us all. After the morning meetings we met in prayer bands—arranged according to language groups: Garo, Khasi, Lushai, Manipuri, and Naga—so that each student could take part in the spiritual feast.

In the church service, on May 17, Pastor Meleen said, "More than forty years ago, when Mrs. Meleen and I were first travelling to India, our little daughter who ran about among the passengers was asked, 'How long will you stay in India?' To this she replied, 'Oh, we will stay till Jesus comes.' Today my daughter (Mrs. W. G. Lowry) is still living in India, and who knows but that she may still be here in India when Jesus comes."

Indeed, we were all inspired and heartened to hear such a strong testimony of faith.

At the close of the service, Principal H. D. Erickson, announced that a baptismal class was being organized and invited those who would like to join to remain after the meeting. Twenty-eight students responded. This is the working of the Spirit of God. We request the readers of the TIDINGS to remember, in your prayers, these young people who have taken their stand for Christ that they may be fully prepared for the great task that lies before them.

—L. K. KAMA.

Calendar of Special Days and Offerings 1958

July 5	Medical Missionary Day, H.M. Offering
July 12	Mid-Summer Offering
July 19-26	MV Week of Prayer
August 2	Home Missionary Day and Offering
August 16	Sabbath School Rally Day
August 23	Bible Society Offering
September 6	Home Missionary Day and Offering
September 20	Tithe Covenant Day
October 4	Home Missionary Day and Offering
October 4-11	"Review and Herald" Campaign
October 18	Colporteur Rally Day
October 25	Temperance Day and Offering
November 1	Lay Witnessing Day, H. M. Offering
November 8	Voice of Prophecy
November 22-29	Evangelism Day and Offering
November 29	Week of Prayer and Sacrifice
December 6	Week of Sacrifice Offering
December 6	Home Missionary Day and Offering

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING

September 27	Inter-American Division
December 27	South American Division

KARAIKUDI

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them to continue to attend our meetings and to leave off smoking and other harmful practices.

At the close of these meetings it was our privilege to accept into our fellowship three souls. They were baptized by Pastor D. David on the Sabbath of May 24, 1958.

We wish to express the conviction that as a people we have been called to take God's fully recovered truth to the entire world within a short space of time. That hour has struck in Karaikudi.

—JOHN WILLMOTT.

TEMPERANCE WEDGE IN RAWALPINDI

PASTOR William H. McGhee, editor of the Urdu edition of *Alert*, using the temperance film, "One in 20,000" has addressed nearly 10,000 people during March

and April in Rawalpindi. He has enrolled around 200 in the National Temperance Society, not including high schools which will form their own chapters. The places where the film was shown ranged from The Lawyer's Bar Association and the Rotary Club to the Liaquat Garden, the Kohinoor Textile Mills and Gordon College.

Some prominent citizens who saw the film were the district commissioner, the chief executive officer of the city with his council, the managers of the larger industries in the city (including the manager of a prominent tobacco company), the inspector of schools and all headmasters. The superintendent of police detailed three truckloads of policemen (about 150) off duty to see our film at the Masonic hall.

It was from these contacts and N. T. S. P. members that a nucleus for public evangelistic meetings was formed. Regular attendance has grown to over 500 each Friday, Saturday and Sunday night.

—W. H. MCGHEE.

THE "VOICE" GOES TO KALUTARA

EARLY one Sunday morning a few weeks ago, the active members of the Colombo churches assembled at the entrance to the Union offices. Excitement mounted when a great red bus ground to a halt outside the gate and brethren Moser and Thiedeman—church missionary leaders for Colombo—jumped out. That bus was what everybody had been waiting for.

With these leaders present everybody began to crowd into the bus and into the private cars parked behind it for the 28-mile drive to Kalutara where they were to enrol people in the Voice of Prophecy correspondence course.

After prayer the bus moved into gear and started down Galle Road toward our goal. There was very little traffic at this early hour and we made good time through the city and out into the country. The road was gaily decorated with banners and beautifully-made paper flowers because of the Vesak festival. We like to think that they

were especially put up to welcome us.

At Kalutara the members grouped into their bands and set out to visit, if possible, every house in town. The people were very friendly and very few refused to enrol. In many places our people were invited to offer prayer—sometimes it was for the sick and at other times it was for someone who felt the need of a closer walk with the One who said, "Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Many interesting experiences were told when we reassembled. In one place we were invited to conduct a branch Sabbath school. This request is being attended to by one of our members who lives near by.

With the work in town done, we left for a large estate outside the town where lunch baskets were unpacked and the food enjoyed. We all felt that we had accomplished something on this well-planned trip.

—ESTHER DAHLSTEN.

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Miscellany

- During the first five months of 1958 there have been 958 baptisms reported by the churches in the Southern Asia Division. This is the largest number ever baptized during the first half of the year in the history of our work in Southern Asia. The membership in the Division now stands above 19,900.
- An evangelistic council for workers from the Frontier area was held in the Rawalpindi mission compound from March 24-30. Pastor W. H. McGhee led out at the council, assisted by Pastor E. R. Reynolds, the Bible Instructor at Chuharkana school. Instruction was carried on in the daytime, and in the evening demonstrations were conducted

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sure inspiration to many. Within two years of his Adventist life this brother was the cause of bringing four souls to Christ, one of them was his own wife, who was an enemy to the Truth when he accepted it.

A well-known magician in that village who was making a fortune out of his profession, and who was also a terror to the villagers because of his drunken and dissolute life, happened to fall into the hands of our brother Samuel. Astonished at the logical explanation of Christianity, coupled with the powerful evidence of a changed life seen in Mr. Samuel, this magician returned and burnt all his books on magic and became a follower of Christ. It was the writer's privilege to baptize him sometime ago as a completely changed man.

I thank God for lay-preachers like Brother Samuel and it is my prayer that the Lord will raise many more Samuels all over India.

which were open to the public. The workers in attendance were Pastor Ghulam Masih, Brethren B. M. Mushtaq, R. M. Khan, A. S. Khan, Javed Raja, and Chaudhry Inam Ullah Khan as well as four students from the Chuharkana school.

- Master R. Peter of Chuharkana has joined the Rawalpindi church school as headmaster. He conducts an English medium school with an enrolment of over 20 students, and the school has been growing rapidly. In addition to his school programme he assists with translation work and also in vernacular evangelism.

- Pastor and Mrs. H. G. Josephs, Shirley, Beverly, and Derryl are now settled in Kandy, Ceylon where Pastor Josephs will be pastoring the Kandy church and conducting a series of meetings. They have come to the Southern Asia Division from Australia, arriving there on the 5th of April. We welcome these workers to the Southern Asia Division family.

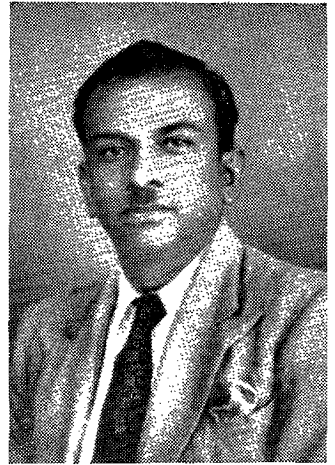
- Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Small and daughter arrived in Madras about the 1st of July. Dr. Small will serve in the Department of Pathology at the Christian Medical College, Vellore. Enroute to this field they have visited a number of our workers and institutions in the Far Eastern Division.

- The Senior Youth Camp in Burma was held at Kyauktaing, Toungoo from April 26 to May 3, 1958. All in attendance received a blessing from the time spent in nature. Pastor C. B. Guild, Saya Barnabas Peter, Saya U Tun Sein and other leaders were also in attendance at the camp.

- Other recent visitors in Colombo are Pastor T. C. Lawson, President of the Trans-Commonwealth Conference of the Australasian Division, Pastor and Mrs. Palmer, also of Australia, and Pastor and Mrs. Tilstra who have been serving in New Guinea for several years. All were enroute to the General Conference.

- The church members at Enderamulla are digging the foundations for their new church,

MEET OUR WORKERS



Dr. W. G. Thomas accepted the Seventh-day Adventist truth in 1941 while he was working in Pudukottah state as a medical officer. He was baptized by the late Pastor E. D. Thomas.

After spending two years in its armed forces, Doctor Thomas was appointed to the Votaw Dispensary, Salisbury Park, Poona.

Very soon, however, he joined the Giffard Mission Hospital, where he worked for some time before being asked to open a clinic at Trichinopoly. This clinic has grown into a hospital and at present Doctor Thomas is also operating two clinics a few miles from his hospital at Trichy. Dr. Thomas is a lay worker conducting a self-supporting hospital and clinic. Through his influence many come in contact with the last warning message.

in this way saving on the cost of construction and giving all the privilege of having a part in the new church project.

- Misses Siloda and Lal Pari from Assam and Miss Iris Massey from the Pakistan Union were visitors in Poona over the past week-end. They have come from Nuzvid where two have just completed their training, and the other is starting her second year of the nurses' course. Miss Massey was enroute to Pakistan where she plans to nurse in the Karachi Hospital.

- A cable just received from Cleveland states that the officers of the General Conference and the officers of the Southern Asia Division have been re-elected.