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"Into All the World"

By Robert H. Pierson

THE ADVENT MOVEMENT is a world-wide movement. Never should we forget this. God is making up His jewels from among every kindred, tongue and people. The work will not be finished in the islands of the British West Indies until it is finished in China, in India or some other remote corner of earth. It will not be finished in Jamaica until it has been finished in British Honduras, the Cayman Islands or the Turks and Caicos Islands!

There is a danger in small island fields such as compose our Union territory that we settle down in our own little corner and fail to see the needs of our sister fields. Sometimes our own needs for funds or workers keep us from discerning greater needs just over the line in some neighbouring mission. May God keep our vision clear so we may see the needs of the whole field clearly and keep our hearts large to be willing to give and sacrifice that the work in other fields may go forward with power.

The spirit of sacrifice is the spirit of the Advent Message. Because loved ones from other lands were willing to give of their men and means the truth of God came to our island field years ago. No selfishness led those early pioneers to desire to hold all for the work in their own little spheres. They gave the best they had in workers and in means that the work might be established and grow in other lands. Today we need to follow their lead.

There are times when we are

tempted to want to keep our offerings for local work rather than helping to swell the Sabbath School overflow. This is not the spirit of the Advent Movement. The spirit of the movement is to give our best for others.

Sometimes fields want to hold their best workers when some small or needy field appeals for help. This is not the spirit of the Advent Movement. That spirit gives and sacrifices for the good of others.

This is the spirit of Jesus.

When we give others God never leaves us to suffer. Our bread cast upon the waters comes back a hundred fold.

May God help us as members and workers to keep our eyes fixed upon the broad horizons of a world-wide task and our hearts tender to the appeals of those as needy as ourselves. God will prosper us for it!

This is the promise of our Master. If we unselfishly give of all that we have to help press forward the work of God in fields other than our own the Lord will see that men and means are available for our fields as well. The inspired writer said, "Where there is no vision the people perish." (Prov. 29:18) This is certainly true in the Advent Movement. As soon as we lose our vision of a world-wide task our own souls will wither and die. The vision the Lord desires us to maintain in these last days is the vision of our neighbour's needs as well as our own, working together to finish the work of God in this generation.

Meet Our Workers



It gives us great pleasure to introduce to the readers of our VISITOR this month none other than — Brother B. A. G. Woodburn. Brother Woodburn is a graduate of the West Indian Training College, Class of '46, and since that time he has been labouring in the British Honduras Mission where the Lord is richly blessing his efforts.

Here and There Over the Union

The roof is going on the new office building and it is expected that by the end of August the Union Office Staff will be at home in their new building.

A summer school will be conducted at the West Indian Training College providing a refresher course for the church school teachers of the East and West Jamaica Missions. This school opens July 14 and extends to September 15. This is the first summer school that will be held for teachers for quite a number of years.

The Ingathering reports are still coming in an encouraging manner. Figures at the end of June were as follows: Bahamas, £544.0.0, British Honduras, £247.15.10; Caymans, £35.0.0; Coconut Grove, £68.1.1; Salt Cays, £28.10.0; East Jamaica, £1,500.0.0; West Jamaica, £1,135.0.0. We understand that plans are on foot in both East and West Jamaica Missions to assure reaching their full goals.

Sunday, June 27, was a red-letter day for the Vaughansfield, West Jamaica Church. On this day the Vaughansfield Church set a unique precedence in having three baptismal services on the one day. The souls that were baptized on this occasion have been won to the message as a result of the work of the lay men of the church. Brethren Lyttle and D. Hines have been leading out in the lay work in Vaughansfield; Brethren T. A. Knott and Z. Haughton in Cold Spring; Brethren Waite and R. Hines in Silver Grove. Baptismal services were conducted in each of these three places on the 27th. In all 23 candidates followed their Lord into the watery grave.

From the Bahamas Mission comes the encouraging word that Doctor Turner and his family will arrive in Nassau, July 12th, to open up medical work in that place.

Pastor Colburn reports that at last a suitable church building has been purchased at Tarpum Bay on the Eleuthera Islands. Negotiations have been proceeding for some time in this connection, and we are happy to know that at last the deal has been consummated.

Brother Owen Jones has been appointed Pastor of the Grant's Town Church, Nassau, Bahamas Mission, and will be assuming his responsibility immediately following his return from vacation.

Her many friends will be happy to hear that Miss Dorothy Campbell, our faithful church school teacher in Belize, is showing considerable improvement healthwise recently. For some time there was a question whether Miss Campbell would be able to remain at her post

because of her physical condition. However, recent news from British Honduras indicates that God has heard the many prayers offered in her behalf and that she is progressing nicely.

Sabbath, June 19, the Royal Flat Company near Mandeville, West Jamaica Mission, was organized into a full-fledged church. For some years now Brother Aston Mullings and other workers from the West Indian Training College have faithfully laboured in Royal Flat holding efforts and doing Bible work in bringing the message to the people of that community. Their labour brought forth fruit and at the recent organization 20 baptized members were united in church fellowship. Brother Mullings was elected as Leader of the church. Pastor W. S. Nation had charge of the organization and the Union President preached the sermon at the morning worship hour.

Continued encouraging news keep coming from the various evangelistic efforts throughout the Union. Brother Owen Holness reports well over 70 coming out on Sabbath in Resource where he has recently held an effort. The prospects there are very bright and no doubt a good strong church will be built up in Resource during the months to come.

The news that keeps coming in from British Honduras is indeed inspiring. Recent issues of the *Home Missionary Department Lay Missionary* indicate that the laity of this little field is working zealously for the Master. Pastor Williams and the other workers have been contributing their portion to the evangelistic programme as well. We look for 1948 to be a banner year in the British Honduras field.

The week-end of June 25-27 registered a very important event in the history of the Andrew's Memorial Hospital in Kingston. Such an event was none other than the Nurses Graduation—the first to be held since the inception of the institution.

On Friday night the consecration service was held at the hospital chapel and Pastor W. L. Barclay of the British West Indies Union preached the consecration sermon.

By 3:30 p. m. on Sabbath afternoon the pews of the North Street temple were filled, then the faculty and staff of the hospital marched in followed by the student and graduate nurses. Pastor R. H. Pierson, President of the British West Indies Union, delivered the Baccalaureate sermon which embodied the class aim, TO FOLLOW IN HIS STEPS, and their motto, FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS. Two musical selections were rendered by the nurses.

On account of the copious showers which fell on Sunday afternoon, the commencement programme which was to have been held on the hospital grounds had to be conducted in the Bible Auditorium at Half Way Tree. In spite of the rain-soaked atmosphere, the big tent was filled to its utmost capacity and a goodly crowd stood around outside.

It was indeed inspirational to witness the procession which consisted of the faculty and staff which came first followed by the student nurses which formed a guard of honour for the six graduates who brought up the rear in full white uniforms. The congregation sang, "Crown Him With Many Crowns" as the opening hymn and Elder R. E. Gibson presented the Scripture reading followed with prayer by Pastor W. S. Nation.

Dr. Druitt, on behalf of the staff, welcomed the large number of friends and well-wishers, and Miss F. Wilson, accompanied by Mrs. Aston Davis, rendered two beautiful violin selections. Dr. C. R. Anderson, medical director, delivered the Commencement address. To the group of earnest-faced graduate nurses it was indeed the commencement of a life of untiring, unselfish service for God and for their fellow-men.

Matron Mitchell, whose diligent and untiring efforts aided them in attaining their goal, presented the class, then they went forward in turn to receive their pins and diplomas. At this juncture Miss Helen Hall, in behalf of the class, expressed appreciation to Dr. Anderson for his able supervision and untiring efforts in guiding them through their course.

After the charge was delivered by Dr. Anderson, the congregation sang with fervor, "Nearer My God to Thee," and Pastor A. C. Stockhausen pronounced the benediction. Then the first graduating class of the Andrew's Memorial Hospital turned their faces to a waiting world, ready to follow in the steps of the great Master Physician, and holding aloft their motto, "For Such a Time as This."

West Jamaica News Notes

The West Jamaica Mission appreciates greatly the good work that Pastor E. E. Parchment of the Union is doing in helping us to finish and dedicate so many of our churches. Since January of this year we have completed ten churches, and before the year ends we hope to have several more added to this list. The Newport church was dedicated on July 4, with Pusey Hill, Petersfield, and Claremont all to come off within the next month. Again we say, thanks to the British West Indies Union for the interest

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**A Personal Letter from
Your Book & Bible House Manager**
Dear Fellow Believers,

"The final movements will be rapid ones." This is an often repeated statement made from the Spirit of Prophecy in connection with the progress of our work in all its varied branches.

I am happy to tell you that the Book Work is by no means behind in its progress as the British West Indies Union Mission has made a gain in sales for the first quarter of 1948 over 1947 of almost \$10,000 or £2,500. All we can say is thanks to the noble army of book men, to their leaders, and to God who giveth us the victory.

Those men who are saying it cannot be done had better be doing, otherwise their share of the crown will be given to some one else.

I was fortunate enough to have made a good buy of *Patriarchs & Prophets* which I am able to sell to our church members for only 13/-. Pay a substantial deposit and own this good book. Dozens are taking hold of these good offers made by the Bible House. Let us serve you.

A limited number of quarterlies, especially Primary, Picture Rolls, Memory Verse Cards for the next quarter are still here. Order immediately and be sure of yours.

Large stocks of Bible and Motto Cards will be here before long. What about your Hymnals? How are you getting along? Is everyone taking part in singing the good old songs of Zion? Hymnals 3/3, 5/3, 10/5 postage free, or 3/-, 5/-, 10/- you pay postage. Hoping to hear right early from you, and wishing you God's blessings.

JAMAICA BOOK & BIBLE HOUSE
—B. R. HAMILTON.

The Blessing of Satan

An organization of business men in America has as its motto the challenging statement "He Profits Most Who Serves Best." These men, engaged in serving the public through their respective businesses, have learned by experience that to give the right kind of service means prosperity for them and their business.

What a wonderful thing it would be if every Seventh-day Adventist would put into practice the spirit of that motto. The work would go forward in a greater degree than it ever has before and thousands of souls would be won to Christ. Adventists are engaged in the greatest business in the world—God's business,—and when one engages in that business the profits derived surpass anything the world has to offer.

The profits that come from serving God are not to be estimated in cash value, but



Above is a picture of the workers and delegates to the Mission Session of the British Honduras Mission which was held the early part of this year.

can be estimated in a deeper personal experience, a closer walk with God, a happier home, a new outlook in life, peace of heart, a wider circle of true friends, a happier disposition, the respect of our fellow-men, confidence, a better understanding of God's word and God's plans for mankind, and, most important of all, souls for the Kingdom. These profits that come to those who serve God best can be summed up as **THE BLESSINGS OF GOD.**

God's Word has much to say about blessings. When Jacob cheated his brother out of the birthright and the blessing, the most important thing in Esau's mind was to receive a blessing from Isaac. The inheritance of his father's property meant nothing compared to the loss of his father's blessing and he pleaded with his father, "Hast thou but one blessing, my father? Bless me, even me also, O my father." Gen. 27:38. Speaking to the Children of Israel before they entered the Promised land, God said, "Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse; A blessing if ye obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you this day: And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the Lord your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods." Deut. 11:26-28. God likens this blessing and cursing of life and death in Deuteronomy 30:19.

The BLESSING OF GOD becomes ours as we are obedient to God's desires and become active in His service. His desire for man in this world can be summed up in that one word—SERVICE. Those who follow the counsel of our Heavenly Father will be engaged in various types of missionary work. Through the wisdom bestowed upon the church a very efficient programme of missionary activity has been developed that makes it possible for

every church member to have a part in God's business, no matter how many or how few talents they have. Carefully planned literature campaigns can be conducted that will awaken an interest in God's word and open the way for an evangelistic meeting. Cottage meetings, Branch Sabbath Schools, Sunday Schools, and Lay efforts in churches, booths, and out of doors can be held. These are media whereby souls will be won for God, and there is no greater reward (profit) for service than to lead souls to the Throne of Grace. God has promised that when we engage in His service, He "will cause the shower to come down in His season; there shall be showers of blessing." Ezek. 34:26. What a glorious promise.

Just as God has promised blessings to those who do His commandments, however, He has also pointed out that those who *do not* follow His counsel, but follow the way of the world, showing no interest in the spiritual welfare of their fellow-men, will receive a Curse. This Curse He calls death (Deut. 30:19). Another way of saying it would be that those who are not doing the will of God have the BLESSING OF SATAN, because the "blessing of Satan" leads to *Death*.

Fellow Adventists, in these last days, when the world is in despair and "men's hearts are failing them for fear," whose blessing do you have? Are you giving God a life of service and receiving His blessings, or are you "standing idle in the market place" doing nothing for God and receiving "THE BLESSING OF SATAN?"

—W. L. BARCLAY.

"We have only the Devil working against us: we have God working with us." "Counsels to Teachers"—White, p. 23.



Publishing Department

A. R. HAIG — B. W. I. UNION SECRETARY

LOCAL MISSION SECRETARIES

East Jamaica Mission — W. U. Campbell West Jamaica Mission — B. E. Hurst



Report of the Publishing Department

Names	Hours	Orders	Deliveries
Bahamas Mission:			
McDonald, J. R.	124	£ 40 19 0	£13 19 0
Rickets, B. A.	121	160 16 0	46 11 0
East Jamaica Mission:			
Adams, Mrs. M.	109	17 14 6	8 1 0
Blake, W. E.	179	39 0 0	18 1 0
Cousins, C. S.	125	32 17 6	19 19 6
Cummings, S.	154	49 6 9	21 8 0
Davidson, L. H.	129	4 1 0	52 4 0
Davids, L.	129	47 12 0	27 15 9
Dillon, Leslie	128	70 14 6	41 4 6
Duncombe, Peter	236	34 14 6	20 17 0
Llewellyn, W. S.	132	18 0 0	28 13 0
Moore, H. N.	120	42 7 6	7 10 0
Scott, Elkanah	123	28 2 6	5 3 0
Wright, Rudolph	221	40 17 0	28 16 6
West Jamaica Mission:			
Bigby, D. A.	125	11 12 6	5 18 6
Brown, V. E.	142	20 3 0	10 12 6
Carnegie, R. K.	160	26 16 0	7 11 0
Holmes, Mrs. L.	107	42 2 6	20 12 9
Hudson, Mymis	109	44 6 0	18 11 0
Kent, Rudolph	136	26 9 0	12 16 0
Llewellyn, J.	290	24 0 0	6 6 0
Stewart, H.	140	4 1 6	6 8 6
Tharpe, C. H.	167	22 14 9	35 16 9

(In order to be a regular colporteur, men must put in regularly, at least 120 hours per month and women must put in at least 100 hours.)

Colporteurs' Report Summary for March, 1948 (LOCAL CURRENCY)

MISSION	HOURS	ORDERS	DELIVERIES
Bahamas	549	£ 404 7 0	£ 167 7 6
Br. Honduras	144	109 7 0	28 2 9
Caymans		NO REPORT	
Salt Cays		5 18 0	5 14 0
East Jamaica	5099	941 6 1	719 12 3
West Jamaica	4194	109 6 4	28 2 9
TOTAL	9986	£2263 15 11	£1495 15 2

of Rev. 18:1 must be greater because he has a shorter time to work and accomplish his grave and solemn mission.

And he is to perform his mighty work with "great authority". No one will be able to gainsay the truthfulness of the angel's solemn warning, and methods will be found and devised so that the whole earth will be thoroughly informed in a very short time. Thus the Lord of light and glory likens the spreading of that final warning of the world to the rising sun whose mighty life-giving and sustaining rays flood or cover the earth quickly in the soon morning hour.

Now what chief medium does our Master say is to actually do the work of this fourth angel of Rev. 18:1? "Sister E. G. White do you have a word from God for us?" "Yes, and here it is". "And in a large degree through our PUBLISHING HOUSES is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory." Vol. 7, p. 140. (Be sure to read prayerfully, ye ministers and people who desire to be saved — Vol. IX, pp. 71-75.)

A careful study of the above Testimonies with their correlated revelations in the Bible and Testimonies, will easily convince you of two vital facts that the Pen and Printed Page (books, magazines and tracts) are prophetically ordained of our Saviour to have first place in evangelizing the world and that this revelation is to be made more fully known today to all our believers by an awakened ministry and that the call is NOW to be sounded in all our churches to all our members to wrap all their soul-winning endeavours always with the printed page. When the heart is pricked, leave a book or a magazine.

Fellow Ministers and Publishing Secre-

taries, now is the hour to strike! Now is the moment to go to the Lord for His message on Revelation 18:1 and trumpet it in the ears and write it in the hearts of all our believers—thus only will we usher in the Loud Cry and the coming of the Lord. Let us prepare the people now by actual field training to be ready so that "when (as obtained in recent years in central Europe and Russia) through persecution the voice from the pulpit is stilled forever (by decree of world government)"

Arise ye Messengers of Rev. 18:1! So, ye men of God — colporteurs and brigade workers, know of a certainty that ye are the messengers of Rev. 18:1. Let us be humbly proud of our high calling and never stand still until by life and voice, we cooperate with the Spirit and bring to all the dear believers the fact that this is the Hour of Rev. 18:1 and they must heed the call to take our books and magazines and flood the Union with God's light until the powers of darkness are destroyed and the glory of the Lord and His message cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

— A. R. HAIG.

Hark the Angel of Revelation 18:1 Calling!

Heirs of the kingdom, have you met the angel of Revelation 18:1? This is a solemn and awful question. It is just another way of inviting you to get right with Jehovah and line up to blow mightily the trumpet of Revelation 18:1-4 with life and with voice which is our *only* witness of a personal and permanent SALVATION.

No one would have dreamed what the angel of Revelation 18:1 symbolized were it not for the Spirit of Prophecy. Let us read the verse: "After these things I saw another angel coming down out of heaven, having great authority; and the earth was lightened with his glory." Rev. 18:1 (Am. Revised Version).

Please notice the dynamic phrase "Great authority" and the light-beaming clause, "and the earth was *lightened* with his glory". Note also that according to Rev. 18:4 the work of the angel of Rev. 18:1 is to be carried on and completed just BEFORE the plagues begin to fall! The work then, of that angel is very vital and should be thoroughly understood by ALL the advent saints. Should it not? Experience has proven that as a people, we all have had to cooperate with the three angels of Rev. 14:6-12 whose message already belt the globe and move on in majesty and power. Therefore, our relationship and cooperation with the angel

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Twelve colporteur rallies have been conducted in the East and West Jamaica Missions. A total number of 100 regular colporteurs and 150 brigade members were in attendance. We await the future results with happy anticipation.

Brigade worker, Sister Gaynor, lays foundation of church at Cambridge, sells small books to four families boosting family membership of 52. Of that number 37 are now Seventh-day Adventists and 4 of that number are colporteurs and auxiliary workers. Sister Gaynor is a widow of many children. She is certainly

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As announced in last month's VISITOR Pastor and Mrs. D. V. Pond have had to return to the homeland because of Mrs. Pond's ill health. Shortly after Brother Pond had handed in his resignation the workers of the East Jamaica Mission met with the officers of the British West Indies Union to make their recommendation of a new president.

After considerable time had been spent in prayer and discussion of this problem, several names were recommended to the Union Committee. After some days Pastor K. S. Crofoot, President of the Cayman Islands Mission was called to assume this important office.

Pastor Crofoot is a man of considerable experience in America and for the past two years has been instrumental in the Lord's hands in building up the work in the Cayman Islands Mission in a strong way.

Pastor Crofoot was reached by cable and arrived in Kingston just a few days after his appointment. Already he has had an opportunity to get acquainted with most of the field having attended district conventions in many of the parishes, as well as helping with the Ingathering in a number of places.

We wish for Pastor Crofoot the abundant blessing of God as he assumes this new and heavy responsibility.

NOTICE

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Immediately for Information.

From Other Unions in the Division

It is well for us to take a keen interest in the work that is going on in the British West Indies Union. We should always work and pray for the programme in our own field most whole-heartedly, but the Advent Movement is a world-wide movement and we must never come to the place that our horizons are so limited that we do not know what is going on in other fields.

Over in the Central American Union Elder J. L. Brown reports that their halls are all too small for the large crowds that desire to attend the various evangelistic efforts that are being held in their different local missions.

One worker in Honduras opened his effort the same night that a circus was coming to town. Instead of going to the circus the crowd came to the evangelistic meeting, and the circus owner was obliged to close his show for the night. The next night he put on more advertising expecting to draw the crowd back to the circus, but again he met with disappointment. The next night the circus owner and his wife decided to close down the circus and attend the meetings also. Surely a new day has dawned in Honduras when an Adventist gospel service will draw a bigger crowd than a circus.

Recently the sad news was received from the Honduras Mission that one of their student colporteurs from the Honduras Academy was murdered in cold blood while delivering his books. The motive was evidently robbery, but full particulars have not been received.

In the Antillian Union the president states that it looks as if their 1948 Ingathering will go nearly £2,000, 0, 0 beyond last year's record of £5,250, 0, 0. This field has baptized 102 candidates during the first few months of the year. Their tithes and other offerings have gone well beyond previous records.

On June 4 the Puerto Rico Mission became a conference.

From the Mexican Union comes the interesting story of God's guidance and help to the brethren in Ingathering funds.

"During the Ingathering campaign in California, a Mexican gentleman by the name of Aranda, who owns several theatres, became very much interested in the work of the Liga and has offered to assist in raising funds for its work in Mexico. Through his assistance, contacts were made with two Spanish moving picture distributing firms. These firms have agreed to turn over all rental proceeds from a motion picture which is to be shown throughout the Spanish theaters in the United States. From a similar plan two years ago, upwards of \$200,000 was

raised for orphans and widows of war veterans in Mexico. Just what will come from all of this we do not know, but we are following the beam, and trusting God for His guidance."

We rejoice with the brethren in these other Unions as we see the blessing of God upon the work in these fields. The work must be finished in Central America, Colombia, Venezuela, Mexico, and Cuba at the same time it will be finished in our own island field. Let us never fail to pray for our brethren in the fields beyond.

God Answers Our Excuses

Many and varied are the excuses selfish man puts forth to excuse himself from returning to God that which belongs to Him in tithes and offerings. Among these are two common ones mentioned below together with God's answer.

EXCUSE:— There has been much sickness in the family this year. Doctor's bills, etc., have made it impossible for me to pay tithe. When these bills are paid I intend to once more pay an honest tithe.

EXCUSE:— Owing to business reverses, poor crops and other unfavourable circumstances, I find myself heavily in debt and my creditors are pressing me for settlement. These are obligations I owe and since the Scriptures say to owe no man anything, I believe it is my first duty to pay them. When I am all out of debt, I fully intend to pay my tithe, but cannot do it while these debts are staring me in the face.

Answer:— There are some of our people who have had much sickness and the doctor's bills have been heavy. Others have had business reverses and are in debt, while some have store bills. They have been inclined to excuse themselves for not paying tithe because these bills had to be met. But . . . brethren and sisters, is that any good reason for robbing God of what is already His? Does it appear to you an honourable thing to take the Lord's own money without His permission and then use it for your own purposes. Is it right that we pay men what we owe them, while we rob God in order to get the money with which to pay these men? Why do you continue to make men more important than God and His cause? Don't you really believe that if you pay God what you owe Him first, that then He will help you find a way to meet your doctor bills, store bills, etc? It is nothing less than the sin of presumption to use tithe money to pay bills with, then come to God expecting His blessing, when we have robbed Him. I do not see how any Seventh-day Adventist can feel clear to go to bed at nights knowing that he has

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shown in our building programme.

It is worthy of note that with all his heavy responsibilities as president of this large Union still Elder Pierson takes a great interest in personal evangelism. At Vaughansfield in St. James he held an effort and at the same time trained several laymen. This has resulted in the raising up of two other Sabbath Schools and 23 believers baptized. Also in a district adjacent to the Union Office he along with the other members of the Union staff held an effort and now they have a Sabbath school of 60 members. This effort was held in just an ordinary coconut booth, still it has brought good success. It is not the elaborate structure that draws the people, it is the Message that the preacher brings. We should not forget to mention the wives of these Union workers. There at this humble booth you will find Mrs. Franz as Superintendent of the Sabbath school, Mrs. Barclay in charge of the children, and Mrs. Pierson in charge of the youth. Now they are making plans for the erection of a proper place of worship.

Pastor Holness' effort at Resource is bringing forth fruit. For the past three Sabbaths they have been conducting Sabbath services with an attendance of 75, 96 and 80 respectively. Brother Holness has done all this work alone, using a borrowed meeting house. They are now seeking a bit of land to raise up their own church building. The present place of worship is near to a rum shop, but every Sabbath the owner closes it until the meetings are over out of respect for his wife who has accepted the truth. We are looking forward to a large baptism from Resource.

The Royal Flat Sabbath School has now been organized into a church of 22 members. We appreciate very much the good work of Sister Sangster and Brother Aston Mullings at this place. The believers have been meeting in Sister Baily's home for the past couple of years, but with an attendance of over 60, the church has now outgrown the fair-sized sitting room and dining room, so Sister Baily has very kindly donated a spot of land and they are bending every effort towards the erection of a church building in the very near future. Royal Flat makes the third church organized for the first six months of 1948, besides two new Sabbath schools.

Although the devil has been fighting hard to retard the progress of the work at Lincoln, Manchester, by stoning the building where our meetings are held,

and other foul means, still we have had three baptisms thus far this year making a total of 19 baptized. One of the sisters gave a spot of land and the members are anxious to start their building in order to have their own place of worship.

We thank God for the evidences of His guiding hand in the progress of the work. Our greatest problem today is to answer the calls for the many new places that are now opening up to the message. We need to pray as never before to the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth labourers into His harvest.

— W. S. NATION.

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an example to our noble Advent womanhood who, under the Spirit of God, can and will do the same.

We are glad to report that East Jamaica Mission now has an Assistant Publishing Secretary in the person of Mr. Ivan Benson, recent Senior Cambridge graduate of Kingsway High School. Besides helping generally with the colporteur work he is directly in charge of the Magazine Corps that is doing a splendid work as they lay the foundation for a large magazine disposition in the near future.

Because of the strikes in America in 1946, 18,000 assorted magazines piled up in our Bible House. Through the good leadership of Elder W. U. Campbell assisted by Elders E. C. H. Reid and B. E. Hurst there are only about 1,500 back numbers left in our Bible House, and again we have begun to increase our orders for current numbers of "Life & Health," "Message", and "Our Times".

We are glad to report that Brother B. R. Hamilton, Book & Bible House Manager, is doing splendidly. One month we had an actual total "over the counter sales" of over £1,000. 0. 0. In that same month Jamaica alone delivered £2,300. 0. 0 worth of books. Brother Hamilton is both a business man and a Christian and the colporteurs are being inspired to greater achievement through his brotherly approach and keen business counsel in a way that is worthy of our mutual appreciation.

From reports sent in by the missions of the Union there are over 250 souls now studying the truth as a result of books and magazines bought. Among these interested folks are some of the most prominent citizens of the Union.

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God Answers Our Excuses

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used tithe money for the paying of bills, house expenses, etc. Here is what the Lord says about it, (Vol. 6, p. 391):

"The man who has been unfortunate, and finds himself in debt should not take the Lord's portion to cancel his debts to his fellow men. He should consider that in these transactions he is being tested and that in reserving the Lord's portion for his own use, he is robbing the Giver. He is debtor to God for all that he has, but he becomes a double debtor when he uses the Lord's reserved fund in paying debts to human beings. 'Unfaithfulness to God' is written against his name in the books of heaven. He has an account to settle with God for appropriating the Lord's means for his own convenience."

The Lord definitely states that if we continue to rob Him in tithe and offerings, we are under a curse. We need not expect that we will be delivered from the devourer, whether sickness or other reverses, bills etc. ... unless we return to the Lord His own. One of the surest ways for a Seventh-day Adventist to constantly have sickness, trouble, debts, etc., is to continue using tithe money for his own needs. As long as he does this, he is surely cutting off any promise of God's help. The Lord never promises to relieve us of our troubles while we rob Him of His money, the tithe. One of the chief reasons why so many among us are having reverses, debts, etc., is because they are robbing God in tithes and offerings. They will have such troubles just as long as they are unfaithful. Begin to faithfully pay tithe and see how quickly these problems will disappear and heaven's smile of prosperity will rest upon you. God promises to rebuke every devourer for those who are faithful in tithe paying. (Mal. 3:8-11.)