INGATHERING TIME IS HERE!



Special Day of Prayer - Sabbath, May 14, 1949

After soudying the needs and dangers as well as the great opportunities and privileges facing the church of God in all the world, the General Conference Committee has asked our people everywhere to make (Sabbath, May 14, a day of special prayer.

It was in 1943 that the last general call to prayer was sent out. On October 30 of that year special intercession was made in behalf of our interned missionaries. Scores of our workers were being held as civilian prisoners of war in the Philippines, Japan, Java, India, China, the Middle East, Africa, and Europe. Our foreign mission programme was in great jeopardy; havoc and desolation were on every hand. Systematic starvation faced many of our interned workers. The enemy of righteousness threatened to triumph.

Then the Lord heard the earnest prayers of His people. A great deliverance was wrought, and the way again opened for His cause to go forward. Schools, sanitariums, publishing houses, churches, mission stations, and homes that lay in ruins have been restored. Mission vessels of the South Seas, destroyed by enemy action, have been replaced and are now in service. In lands recently ravaged by war, thousands now listen eagerly to the message for these last days. The most encouraging progress is seen. Since that October day in 1943 more than a thousand new missionaries have been sent out to the fields beyond, and a hundred thousand believers have been added to the church.

But the problems of the church continue to be beyond any human solution. Conditions are still critical, and the world is far from being at peace. The times are serious. The burden of an unfinished task, with greatly increased difficulties in many lands, call every Seventh-day Adventist to seek the Lord.

In fulfilling the Master's command to go and teach all nations, our problem is not

A Message from the General Conference Committee

one of transportation, for the advancement of science has made it possible to travel rapidly from place to place, and to compass the globe in a few hours. Neither is it a problem of communication, for the printing press, the radio, and now television are fast removing these difficulties. The day is almost here when it will be entirely practicable to broadcast one message and have it heard throughout the entire world. We are no longer seriously restricted by the vastness of the earth or the density of its population. Yet in spite of these modern inventions and discoveries, ordained by providence to help preach present truth, the perplexities and hindrances confronting our leadership have never been more numerous or more serious than they are today.

Political unrest hampers the movements of our workers and brings oppression and persecution upon our people. In one country more than half our membership is forcibly deprived of cummunication with the outside world, and in others it is positively perilous for anyone to receive a letter from abroad. Civil wars scatter our congregations and destroy our institu-Revolutions distract the orderly tions. conduct of our work. Storm and flood, strikes, boycotts, and lockouts upset business and embarrass the treasury. International finance is truly in a frenzy. The old standards of value have been discarded. and the new ones are uncertain and changeable. The transfer of funds is restricted, greatly complicating the problem of supporting our missionaries. The dominance of the state church in a score of lands means anything from a grudging toleration to a reign of violence and terror, so far as Seventh-day Adventists are concerned.

Worldly and pagan philotophies, strange ideologies, both social and political, by their subtle and satanic reasoning, beguile the minds of men and lure them into the maze of doubt and the quicksands of unbelief. Eyes are dazzled by the sight of worldly gain. The cares and follies of the day choke out the Word of God. The love of many has waxed cold.

At the same time the reports from every land indicate that the hearts of thousands are being opened to consider the message for these times. There is a hunger and a thirst for truth. Large harvests are being gathered in Catholic territories. " Moslem fields there are signs that the light is breaking. In Buddhist countries, where progress has been painfully slow for many years, there is an awakening. particularly in Japan, now the land of that great opportunity for the Christian missionary, the greatest since Pentecost, as General MacArthur calls it. India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Burma, Malaya, Indonesia. Africa, in spite of civil strife and disorder in some localities, present to us a door more widely open to the gospel than ever before.

All this is just what the prophets have long foretold. All this is what the church has been taught to expect. All this is strong evidence that the day of the Lord is near. All this is a mighty call to prayer. The sure word of prophecy which has lighted the way of the remnant people since the midnight cry of 1844 shines today upon events which are bringing the final fulfillment of all that the prophets have spoken.

The shortness of time and the greatness of the work form a challenge that no human plans can meet. Our human resources are utterly unable to measure up to the situation. Of ourselves we can

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Here and There Over the Union

Pastor Lee Gouldbourne, who has Taboured for several years in the Hanover District in West Jamaica, has recently accepted a call to transfer to the St. Catherine District in the East Jamaica Conference.

Pastor Frank Fletcher, who has served so faithfully in the St. James District in the West Jamaica Conference, has recently been transferred to the Manchester District in the same conference.

The St. James District welcomes Pastor and Mrs. Earl Parchment to their midst. Elder Parchment is already holding evangelistic services in addition to his heavy duties as pastor of the various churches.

Pastor Kenneth G. Vaz, who has until recently served in the St. Elizabeth District of the West Jamaica Conference, has now been transferred to the Hanover District at the extreme western end of the island of Jamaica.

The West Jamaica Conference welcomes Brother Owen Holness back to its working force. Brother Holness, who is pastor of the Westmoreland District, spent several months in the United States recently.

Dr. K. J. Reynolds of the General Conference Department of Education and Pastor Arthur Roth of the Educational Department of the Inter-American Division recently spent a week in Jamaica surveying the educational work at West Indian Training College and Kingsway High School. Board meetings were held at each of these institutions. Dr. Reynolds spoke at the worship service on Sabbath, April 23. at West Indian Training College. On the afternoon of the same day, Elder Roth led out in a Youths' Rolly at Kingston.

Over in Nassau, Bahamas, Brother Owen Jones has been holding an evangelistic effort in a suburb of that city. Pastor R. E. Gibson, president of the Bahamas Mission reports that the attendance at Brother Jones' meetings has been most gratifying.

During the past two years, Pastor E. E. Parchment has been doing a splendid work in promoting the church building programme in the British West Indies Union. He has now been granted a threemonths leave to promote the same type of programme in the Caribbean Union field. Mrs. Parchment has accompanied her husband on this trip, and will visit her home in British Guiana.

The Assistant Treasurer and Auditor of the Inter-American Division, Brother R. B. Caldwell, was a recent visitor in Jamaica where he audited the financial records of the Union for the year 1948.

The student enrolment at West Indian Training College is at an all-time high.

Meet Our Workers



at Mandeville, Jamaica, joined the working force of the British West Indies Union in 1945. He and Mrs. Butherus had previously been connected with our Educational work in India and the United States. Their leadership at "The College on the Hill" is

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Approximately two hundred and thirty students are now in attendance at that institution. The President of the College, Pastor H. G. Butherus, states that if dormitory rooms were available, there are at least forty or fifty prospective students who would be immediately enrolled at the College.

It was recently necessary for Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Anderson to return to the United States due to health reasons. Dr. A. W. N. Druitt has been appointed Medical Director of the Andrew's Memorial

Masons and carpenters are busy at work on the medical wing of the main hospital building at the Andrew's Memorial Hospital in Kingston. This work is made possible by the generosity of the Government of Jamaica which recently made an appropriation to the hospital for this purpose, and credit should also be given to our faithful church members in Jamaica who have recently assisted in the hospital building programme by their gifts through the Shilling-per-member Campaign. We urge those individuals and churches that have not contributed to the hospital campaign to do so as quickly as possible in order that the work on the medical unit may go forward to completion.

INGATHERING TIME IS HERE AGAIN!

God's Answers to Man's Excuses

EXCUSE: I was a faithful tithe payer for years, but have for some time keep me from continuing to be honest tothe Lord. I have not paid tithe for a long time and do not see how I can over make up all the back tithe I owe. I admit I have sinned in robbing the Lord and promise ' never again to be untrue in tithe paying. I really desire once more to honestly serve the Lord. Will He expect me to make up this back the or will He let me off, provided I promise to do right from now on?

ANSWER: The man who professes to be a Christian, recognises that he is not his own, but that he has been bought with a price, even the precious blood of Jesus. He admits that the tithe or touth, is God's own sacred money and he solemnly covenants with the Lord to faithfully return to Him an honest tithe the remainder of his life. Suppose such a brother for various excuses, fails to regularly pay the tithe, holds it back and uses it for himself. But the day comes when he repents of this sin and again promises God he will do the right thing. What about his tithe all this time that he has disobeyed the Lord? Surely the only basis upon which God promises to forgive him is that this brother make an honest effort to restore the tithe he failed to may. To advocate that we can puy tithes today. then stop paying it for weeks, months, or years, then come back to God and go on paving it, without making up that back tithe is an insult to the Lord, to say the least. God calls for and requires the back tithe we have kept from His treasury. He refers to those who have held back the tithe, as well as those who have openly departed from the principle of tithe-paying, in this call that He makes:

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye ; are cursed with a curse; for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3: 8-10.

If those who were not paying tithe would only stop to realize that not only are they holding back the work of God in the earth by their unfaithfulness, but that they are being written up in heaven's record book as robbers in the sight of a just God, it would seem that they would hesitate to pursue a course that will ultimately mean their eternal ruin unless they repent. It would be well for all such to listen to the Lord in the following words:

"All that is withheld of that which God claims, the tenth of the increase, is recorded in the books of heaven as robbery against Him."- Vol. III, p. 394.

WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

W. S. NATION, President, MERTIE RODRIQUES, Secy.-Treas. Mandeville, Jannaica.

The Cambridge Effort

On the 3rd of Cender 1948 it was my • privilege to put into effect a desire that had been chericled ever-since I took charge of the St. James district, the conducting of an evangelistic effort in the Town of • Cambridge. I had been promised the tabernacle, but due to the fact that it was in use at another place, I did not get it for the beginning of my effort.

I started the meetings in an old shop * occupied by the Sabbath school at Cambridge. From the first night the building was inadequate to accommodate the crowds. We asked for the market place which we succeeded in getting, and held our meetings there for fully four weeks. Night after night the market place was crowded · to its capacity, the attendance sometimes reaching the number of one thousand. People were so eager to hear the message that they began to come from 6:30 in the evenings. We conducted a Bible Class every evening from 7:00 until 7:30. This class was well attended. The enrollment remained at between 80 and 90, and about '120 persons signed the covenant to keep the Sabbath. A question box was conducted in which hundreds of questions on various phases of Bible truth were asked .and answered,

A baptismal class of about 50 was soon organized. The climax to this feast of good things came on the morning of the 27th February when the writer was privileged to bury in the watery grave with their Saviour the first group of twentyfour precious souls. There is another class of about 25 who are awaiting baptism at an early date.

Realizing the need of a Bible Worker to assist in visiting the interested ones, I appealed to the West Jamaica Conference. Brother Cyril Newman was sent and did excellent work in visiting and studying with those who were interested. In January he was joined by Brother Westney who helped to further prepare them for admission into the church.

A happy sequel to this effort was the distribution by the writer of 34 prizes to those who were most regular in their attendance at the Bible Class.

Let us pray that these dear brethren may continue to be valiant soldiers of Prince Immanuel. May God richly bless Pastor Earl Parchment as he takes charge of this Iruitful district.

- F. H. FLETCHER.

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Tidings from West Jamaica

Our West Jamaica Mission Session was a season of real spiritual refreshing as day by day our hearts were stirred anew by the messages from the good old Guide-Book. The devotional meetings each morning were very inspirational: Elders C. O. Franz, K. G. Vaz, and E. E. Parchment were the special apeakers. The eleven o'clock Elble study hour, when Elders R. H. Pierson, N. W. Dunn, and W. E. Murray opened the treasure house of the Word, shall long be remembered by the delegates in attendance, particularly Elder Donn's dody on "The Christian Home," The evening sermons by the same brethren, last mentioned, were none the less inspiring. We are only sorry it was not possible for all our beliavers throughout the Mission to have almored them all with us.

We are happy indeed for the spirit of cooperation shown by all the delegates, and their auxiety to see the word of God go forward with rapid strides. With such a spirit the business of the session could not but proceed with unity and dispatch.

It was unanimously voted to accept Conference status as offered to us by the Union and Division, and then the following officers were duly elected to lead out in the work of the West Jamaica Conference for the next two years: President, W. S. Nation; Sccretary-Treasurer, Mrs. M. L. Rodriques; Home Missionary, Missionary Volunteer and Educational Secretary, G. S. Greene, Sabbath School Secretary, Mrs. W. S. Nation; Publishing Department Secretary, B. E. Hurst; Assistant Publishing Secretary, Joe Fletcher, Executive Committee; W. S. Nation, M. L. Rodriques, E. C. H. Reid, K. G. Vaz, F. H. Fletcher, S. H. Brodie, C. S. Greene.

The following goals were set for 1949: Baptismal 1,000; Laypreacher recruits 100; Ingathering £1,850; Publishing £6,000.

Our Ingathering date was set for May 14 - June 25, and our Big Week, September 14-24.

We thank God for the 723 souls won during 1948, but 1949 presents a greater challenge to us as we think of the 660,000 souls within our territory yet to work for. Brethren, as we see this "little time of peace" both within our own borders and abroad, let us seek God carnestly for a complete consecration of our own hearts and lives, and for the full outpouring of His Holy Spirit. Remember, there will be no starless crowns; each one of us must enter heaven as soul-winners. Shall we not endeavour to "each one win one" this year?

"The great crisis is just before us. To meet its trials and temptations, and to perform its duties, will require persevering faith. But we may triumph gloriously." — Vol. 6, page 404.

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-W. S. NATION.

CAYMAN ISLANDS MISSION O. V. SCHNEIDER, President George Town, Grand Gaymap

A Visit to Grand Cayman

My wife and I were indeed happy for the privilege of visiting the Cayman Islands Mission recently. We left Kingston on the 31st of March and after a flight of two and a half hours landed at North Sound, Grand Cayman. Here we were delighted to find Pastor Schneider, President of the Cayman Mission, Brother George Merren, and Pastor Franz who had preceded us by about three days, waiting to welcome us.

That very afternoon while Pastor Franz was buried in figures, auditing the books of the mission, Pastor Schneider took us around Georgetown to different points of interest and introduced us to some of the helievers.

Friday night was our first meeting with the Advent believers when they met at the very neatly finished Georgetown church for Young People's meeting. Right away we could see that here was a very-much-alive group of Seventh-day Adventist young people with the very same aim as that of our young people back in West Jamaica — "The Advent message to all the world in this generation."

Sabbath, April 2, proved to be a high day in Grand Cayman, when the believers from all over the Island came together for their annual Rally Day programme, A big day it was, to say the least, occupying from 9:30 to sunset, and closing with a grand Investiture service on Saturday night. The good work of Brother Bush, the young people's leader, could be measured by the results of nine Comrades, five Companions, ten Friends, two Sunbeams, and one Builder, being invested that night.

Sunday morning we were delighted to be able to go with Elder Schneider to East End, about twenty-three miles away, to his first baptism on the island, when eleven precious souls followed their Lord through the watery grave. We later learned from the older members that this was a record number for none of them could remember a baptism of that many candidates by any denomination heretofore. This was the first fruits of Elder Schneider's evangelistic effort at East End, and he still has a baptismal class of a dozen or more. Here they have a very nice little church building nearing completion, which takes the place of the old church that was damaged by the storm some years ago.

We attended meetings at Georgetown and East End on Sunday night and Monday night respectively, and then on Tuesday evening the young people paraded in their regular Missionary Volunteer uniforms and had a cake sale, followed by a camp fire (Continued on page 6)

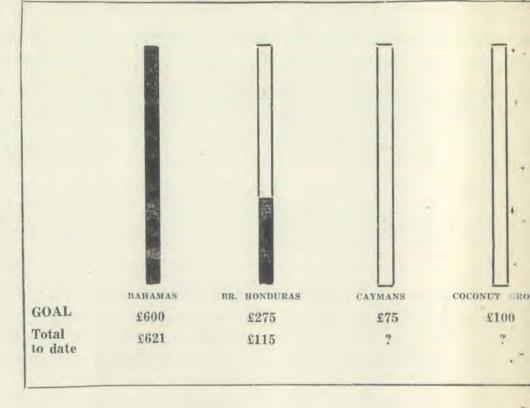
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| Bahamas Mission | Jan. 29 to | Feb. | 26 |
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| British Honduras | March 19 to | April | 16 |
| Cayman Islands | April 30 to | May | 28 |
| East Jamaica | May 14 to | June | 25 |
| Salt Cays | April 12 to | April | 16 |
| West Jamaica | May 14 to | June | 25 |
| Coconut Grove | Dec. 17 to | Dec. | 31 |



FORWARD!

More than forty years ago Ellen G. White wrote: "Unmistakable evidences point to the nearness of the end. The way must be prepared for the coming of the Prince of Peace!" All will agree that the "evidences" have multiplied a hundred-fold since then and every Seventh-day Adventist likewise knows that it is incumbent upon all who believe that "the coming of the Lord draweth nigh" to do his full part in helping to prepare the way for this greatest of all events!

There is no other way of hastening Christ's return than working for the conversion of souls, for only the lack of preparation of God's people is delaying the return of our Lord. Toward this objective, every effort of the Church should be directed. Probably in no way has the church contributed more in this direction than through the annual Ingathering Campaign. It is the greatest concerted effort of Seventh-day Adventists during the entire year in reaching those not of our faith and its results throughout the years attest to the fact that it was ordained of God! It was in 1904, just forty-five years ago that Jasper Wayne first went to his neighbours and invited them to have a part in our world-wide humanitarian programme by contributing a gift in its support. His success was instantaneous for not only did he receive needed funds from his friends, but these contacts did something for his own soul as well. In writing about his personal reaction from his interesting experiences, he put it this way: "God has greatly blessed me in the effort, and my heart burns with an indescribable desire for the salvation of souls!"

What our annual Ingathering efforts have meant in the winning of souls and in the warming of our own hearts, can hardly be overstated. All must agree that the plan has enjoyed the signal blessing of heaven and has played a most important part in preparing the way for the return of the Prince of Peace!

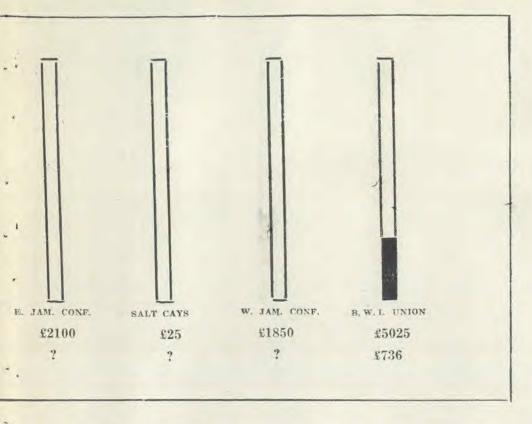
While the annual Campaign is being launched in the East and West Jamaica Conferences on May 14th, in other parts of the field the work has already gotten under way. Due to local economic reasons, it has been found advisable to conduct the campaigns at different times in order to realize the best results. In the Bahamas the goal is already in hand. We are happy to report through the columns of the VISITOR that that Mission, under the leadership of its president, Elder R. E. Gibson, has reached the highest figure ever gathered during a similar campaign. To date more than £620, 0, 0, has been turned⁴ in! To Pastor Gibson, his workers, and to the entire constituency in the Bahamas we extend our congratulations! Surely the Lord has blessed them abundantly this, year.

On April 2 the Ingathering Campaign was launched in the British Honduras Mission. Pastor J. N. Williams has led his forces to approximately the half-way mark during the first two weeks. Thus an excellent beginning has been made. A large number of the members are taking part in the Campaign. The young people too are working hard and can be counted on to do their full share. Under the continued blessing of God we are sure that British Honduras, under the leadership of its President, Elder J. N. Williams, will be the next field to reach its Ingathering objective.

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14 REASONS FOR GREATER **INGATHERING IN 1949**

Christ's coming's nearer! His Word is dearer! The needs are greater !! The hour is later! The signs are thicker! Our hearts beat quicker! Our feet are fleeter! The truth is sweeter! Our arms are longer! Our faith is stronger! The cross is lighter! Our hope is brighter! Our zeal is purer! Success is surer!

"The secret of our success in the work of God," says Sister White in Christian Service on page 75, "will be found in the harmonious working of our people. There must be concentrated action. Every member of the body of Christ must act his part in the cause of God, according to the ability that God has given him. We must press together against obstructions and difficulties, shoulder to shoulder, heart to heart!"

We are anxious that each member .' within the British West Indies Union territory do his full part during the 1949 Ingathering Campaign in order that this may be another important milepost in the finishing of the work. Here are ten "DOS" which, if taken, will assure success to every member of the church:

- 1. "Do PRAY earnestly before you go out each day. Pray for power, patience and perseverance.
- 2. "Do BELIEVE that it is God's work and that He wants you to do it.
- 3. "Do REMEMBER you are a representative of the great King and are soliciting for His cause.
- 4. "Do LEARN a short, interestcompelling canvass.

- 5. "Do CALL on every home in your territory. Faithfulness assures success.
- 6. "Do be BUSINESSLIKE. It gains confidence and attention. Be well prepared and speak briefly.
- 7. "Do SEARCH for souls. Secure names and addresses of interested people.
- 8. "Do be COURTEOUS, especially when unsuccessful. It wins respect and paves the way for next year,
- 9. "Do be CHEERFUL. A bright smile is a valuable passport.

10. "Do KEEP HOLD of God. 'Trust in the Lord; ..., and He shall bring it to pass'."

TEN "DON'TS"

- 1. "Don't DOUBT God's presence. Recall His promise, 'Lo, I am with you alway
- 2. "Don't PASS by a house. Be no respector of houses
- 3. "Don't be AFRAID of anyone. You are an ambassador for Christ.
- 4. "Don't DEPEND on canvasses learned years ago. Be up to date.
- 5. "Don't FEAR to suggest larger amounts. Most people do not know what they ought to give.

- 6. "Don't ARGUE with prospective donors.
- 7. "Don't be DISCOURAGED over a few refusals. Be friendly and keep smiling until your prospect smiles back; then victory is won. 8. "Don't JUDGE by appearances.
- 9. "Don't CONJECTURE as to the other solicitor's success, and begin depreciating yourself. With God and one the greatest things on earth are done.
- 10. "Don't QUIT if you don't reach your Minute Man goal in a short time. Keep going for Christ!"

- Potomac Promoter.

The Minute Man goal this year is £4. 14. 0. We are anticipating the largest participation of our members in the history of our Ingathering Campaigns this year, the largest number of people contacted and the largest amount of funds ever gathered in. Ths is as it should be! Surely the Lord is counting on each loyal Seventh-day Adventist to do his part. We must not fail Him for "Unmistakable evidences point to the nearness of the end. The way must be prepared for the coming of the Prince of Peace!" Vol. IX, p. 55.

- H. D. COLBURN.

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Day of Prayer

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neither enter the "great door and effectual" that has been opened before us, nor cope with the "many adversaries" that seek to compass our ruin.

Our hope is in God. He has always wrought for His people in their greatest extremity. "The designs of wicked men, the enemies of the church, are subject to His power and overruling providence. He can move upon the hearts of statesmen; the wrath of the turbulent and disaffected, the haters of God, His truth, and His people, can be turned aside, even as the rivers of water are turned, if He orders it thus. Prayer moves the arm of Omnipotence. He who marshalls the stars in order in the heavens, whose word controls the waves of the great deep,- the same infinite Creator will work in behalf of His neople if they call upon Him in faith. He will restrain the forces of darkness, until the warning is given to the world, and all who will heed it are prepared for the conflict."- Testimonics, Vol. V, pp. 452, 453.

"The people whom God has made the depositaries of His law are not to permit their light to be hidden. The truth must be proclaimed in the dark places of the earth. Obstacles must be met and .surmounted. A great work is to be done, and this work has been entrusted to those who know the truth. They should make nughty intercession with God for help now. The love of Christ must be diffused in their own hearts. The Spirit of Christ must be making ready to stand in the Judgement. While they are consecrating themselves to God, a convincing power will attend their efforts to present the truth to others, and its light will find access to many hourts, We must sleep no longer on Satan's enchanted ground, but call into requisition all our resources, and avail ourselves of every facility with which Providence has furnished us. The last warning is to be proclaimed 'before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings !' and the promise is given, 'Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."" Ibid., p. 454.

This is the hour of opportunity. Now, while Jesus lingers in the sanctuary above. while probation waits, and before the winds of strife are released to blow in all their fury, what a privilege it is to mingle our prayers with those of the remnant shurch of Christ in all the world. Let us ask God to renew His covenant in each one of our hearts as we humble ourselves before Him. Let us pray the Lord of the Harvest to send forth labourers, to pour upon His people the spirit of liberality and selfdenial, to stay the forces of destruction until the gospel fruitage of every nation and tongue may be gathered in, and then in that soon-coming day when the sower and reaper shall rejoice together, to present us faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.

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************ SALT CAYS MISSION

G. PRENIER, President Grand Turk, Turks & Calcor Islands ^{*}********************************

Sall Cays News Notes

The Salt Cays Mission Session was held if the month of March. This session was held in Grand Turk and each of the churches was represented. Pastors H. D. Colburn, and H. S. Walters from the British West Indies Union were in attendance at these important meetings, Brother G. M. Prenier, President of the Mission, led out in the work of the Mission Session.

The workers and members of the Sait Cays Mission were sorry indeed to say goodbye to Brother and Sister Clyde Nebblett, who have served so faithfully during the past three years. Brother Nebblett has accented a call as assistant Publishing Department Secretary of the East Jamaica

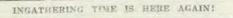
Brother and Sister Leonard Grey have arrived in the Mission, and are labouring at Elue Hills. We welcome Brother and Sister Grey to the working force of the Salt Cays Mission.



Pastor Farl Parchment, who recently held a series of Evangeliatic services in the blue Hills Church, with the converts who were baptized at the close of the effort,

"A great work is to be accomplished in setting before men the soving truths of the gospel. This is the means ordained by God to stem the tide of moral corruption. This is His means of restoring His moral image in man. It is His romedy for universal disorganization. It is the power that draws men together in unity. To present these truths is the work of the third angel's message. The Lord designs that the presentation of this message shall be the highest, greatest work carried on in the world at the mount

- Testimonies, Vol. VI, p. 11.





School Dept. H. D. Colhurn

Enthusiasm Wins

Only a few of the Senior members of , the Pusey Hill Sabhath School had part did very little.

The Superintendent thought of a plan whereby the could got the children to take an active part, so six of these out of the enthusiastic group were each given a

Reports came in sometime after saying 1 that all the pennies were invested. The children were always enquiring about the date for the Autumn Investment Programme. At last the programme came, . and it was a joyful day.

Two of the children sold candies and coconut cakes and brought in 12/2 for their 2d. Another sold corn cakes and brought 6/-, and two others 8/-each; and so on until the six pennies notted \$1. 5. 6. It was thrilling to hear the experiences of others about their investments.

We are still energetic and are soliciting the proyers of our dear brethren and sisters that God might clohly bless these little children and their purcents as they plan and make efforts in raising funds to send the gospel message throughout the

- N. R. WRIGHT.

Visit to Caymans

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programme which was very largely attended by folk from the outside. The government school grounds by the seaside made a beautiful setting for the bonfire, and the results could be seen the following evening when a number of non-Adventist young people applied for membership in the progressive classes.

Our last meeting was on Wednesday night. Due to an unexpected change in our plane schedule it was necessary for us to leave on Thursday, just about the time we had bound to be at Savannah for their standaying service. In this place the brethren have a very fine nalf-finished concrete church building and they looked forward to this service with the hope that it would bring in the needed cash to help in its completion.

Elder and Sister Schneider are certainly doing a very fine work over there in the Cayn an Mission, and their untiring service is being rewarded with souls for the kingdom of God. We shall not soon forget the warm welcome we were given in this sister mission. -W. S. NATION.

THE BRITISH WEST INDIES UNION VISITOR



Why Poverty and Disease?

There are four reasons for POVERTY AND DISEASE among God's people.

1. Ignorance, without thought or thinking. Very few really think. A great educator said, "Only about two to five persons in every hundred think."

2. Refusal to accept our Lord's plan for our spiritual and financial protectionthat in the chief or major cause.

3. Indolence and laziness.

4. God's Job-test rejected — refusing to wait on the Lord as Job did, until He removes the bitter cup of trial and testing and gives in its stead, the cup of His abundant blessings. Job 1:18-22, 42: 10-13, Ps. 105:37.

What are God's promises to Israel yea, verily to modern Israel? Will you kindly read them in Deut. 28:8-13? Hear the Lord again as He spoke through Moses, "My people shall be the HEAD and not the tail. They shall lend and not borrow." God forbid that we should tell the Lord 'that "His ways are not equal," right and Ezekiel 18:25. They shall be just. spiritual princes and virtuous maidens. I Peter 2:9, 10. Their children are never to beg bread. Ps. \$7:23-27. And mark you, loved ones, this problem of constant material need and embarrasment is a real and very serious matter, for, unfortunately, our present holy life and our eternal security are made secure or given up and lost through the avalanche-like crush and CRASH of penury. Behold the proof in the sincere prayer of the wisest of men. "Two things have I required of thee; deny ma them not before I die: Remove far from me vanity and lies; give me neither poverty nor riches: feed me with food convenient for me: Lest I befall and deny thee, and say, Who is the Lord? or lest I be poor and STEAL and take the name of My God in vain!" Prov. 30:7-9. How many have crucified our Lord afresh and openly shame Him in one way or another, because of the call of the back and feet for clothing and of the belly for bread, only eternity will reveal. And what a revelation that will be! Thousands and tens of thousands of our S. D. A. youth and their parents will •stand with the faithless MOB in that awful hour. Break, break, break, even now with the FAITHLESS MOB; their company is not worth a candle, much more your . blood-bought redemption. Instead trumpet with the patient Job and with the Saviour,

"Though He slay me yet will I trust Him." Job. 13:15.

Space forbids, save but to say a closing word on point number 2, namely, "accepting Cod's plan for our spiritual and financial protoction." I pity the bellever in the Lord who cannot bestify that, when he refused to be indelent or provid but instead, accepted whatever God placed in his reach to use as a means to procure the daily needs, God proved Himself a co-operator in his every under-taking and blessed it with success.

Today the greatest recruiting programme in the history of the world is on. And it is not to go on farm-labour drafts to America, nor on the "Windrush" to Britain or Europe, NoI It is God's call to HIGHER SERVICE via the highway, though rugged, of evangelism for HIM through the PRINTED PAGE. Here every child of God may have a ticket. No, not a ticket, but a God-approved credential.

Accept God's call TODAT to' the colporteur ministry and act before a world-hungry people with the convincing certainty that you are a minister of God and that you have the "Bread of Life" they need; and thousands will accept the message — believe it or not. Most of your poverty, sickness and embarrassments will take wings and proving the Lord Jesus as He who alone can call you to His vineyard and give you rich, full and abundant success, you will exclaim like thousands of us who have thus proved and are still proving Him, "What hath God wrought!" Num. 23:23.

As a friend, brother and one of the least of your Pastors, I write for the Spirit when I suggest that you get in touch with your publishing department secretary and after prayerful thought that you enter the battlefield for your Lord. Read Isa. 6:8, 9. — A. R. HAIG.

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Radio Bible School Department.

To the Radio Bible School Representatives and Church Leaders Throughout the Island of Jamaica

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Before leaving for the British and French West Indies, I wish to pass on, through this medium, a word of gratitude and thanks for the valuable help that you have given to this phase of God's great work. We have had very many enrollees for the past three months and they have expressed their deep satisfaction for the lessons that have been sent to them from the Bible School.

You will be glad to know that the School is making very good progress and that thousands of lessons are being sent out, and we have been receiving very encouraging reports from the various sections of the island. We do not know just what the final result will be, but we know that every effort that you have put forth has been recorded in heaven and you will be credited for the souls that have been won through this medium.

Miss Sangster, our Instructor, and her staff are always on the job and it affords them great pleasure to receive words of cheer from the battle fields. During my absence, Miss Sangster will attend to all correspondence and send out slips according to your needs. We sincerely hope that by God's help you will continue with the good work that you have been doing and that you will send for your supplies and get as many enrollees as you possibly can, also that you will try to continue your follow-up work with the students that are enrolled.

I again thank you in behalf of the Radio Bible School for your past and present help, and solicit your future assistance realizing that soon Jesus will come and our work will be rewarded.

- E. E. PARCHMENT.

An Appeal

Under the blessing of God the work of the 20th Century Bible School is progressing. There is a very wide scope to the advancement of the Bible School if we all put our hearts and minds together in promoting this very important work. The representatives who are appointed in the various places throughout Jamaica are the ones who perform a most important duty in making the personal contact with the students who have been enrolled in the Bible Course.

- L. A. MORRISON.

Interesting and encouraging word has come in from two of our representatives who are putting their hearts and energies into this work and are seeing results.

The first one is Brother Winston Fothergil of the North Street Church in Kingston who is doing a wonderful work in "Sharing His Faith." As a result of a Sabbath afternoon meeting held in a certain section of Kingston for 45 minutes, he was able to enroll a number of students. His experience in making personal contacts may be expressed in his own words as follows:

"I am happy to state that I visited Miss L and she is of good faith and courage. She is now on the 16th lesson and plans to attend church.

"Now Miss M. is in earnest and desires more study which I am planning to give her . Her experience is wonderful too. She is the eldest of nine children and is a Presbyterian. She now believes the Bible stories and prophecies as a result of the lessons sent, and she is now at the 24th lesson. I encouraged her to request the school to pray for her on behalf of her spiritual and material success."

We also wish to make mention of Brother Luther Mullings of Newell Church, St. Elizabeth, who is another of our faithful representatives. His reports from time to time show that he is doing a wonderful work in that section of the vineyard. He has made many contacts with interested individuals who are at present keeping the

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Sabbath and are preparing for baptism. Of . him it shall surely be said, "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

We want to earnestly appeal to our! representatives throughout Jamaica to arouse to action and diligently perform the important task that has been assigned you, realizing that God is counting on you todo your part, and if not now, in the hereafter you will see the abundant fruit of your labours. Representatives, shall we not make the remainder of 1949 a banner year in soul-winning through the medium of our 20th Century Bible School?

- A. W. SANGSTER.

"True sanctification means perfect love, perfect obedience, perfect conformity to. the will of God. We are to be sanctified to God through obedience to the truth. Our conscience must be purged from dead works to serve the living God. We are not yet perfect; but it is our privilege to cut away from the entanglements of self and sin, and advance to perfection. Great possibilities, high and holy attainments, are placed within the reach of all." - Acts of the Apostles, p. 565.

UNTIL THE DAY BREAKS

SULLIVANS—Sister Vidella Sullivans, a member of the Mullet Hall Church fell asleep in Jesus on March 9, 1949. Sister Sullivans accepted the Third Angel's Message four years ago, and remained a fuithful member to the time of her death. She leaves behind to mourn a mother, two sons, and many other relatives and friends. The large gather-ing at her funeral was ample testimony of the high esteem in which she was held in the community. Her hody was laid to rest by the writer. Albert E. Espeut. SULLIVANS-Sister Vidella Sullivans, a member

HUDSON-Brother Alpheus Hudson of the Flower HUDSUN-Brotner Appleus Hudson of the Flower Hill Church in Jamaica fell asleep in Jesus Novem-ser 24, 1948. He was baptized on the 2nd of May-of the same year; his Christian warfare, though short, was an example of complete surrender to Christ.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hudson,

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