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A WORD OF GREETING AND SYMPATHY

BY

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PRESIDENT,

INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION.

From time to time the General Conference and the Division have sent men to Jamaica to give help and counsel in special meetings. These visits, also, have been made without expense to the British West Indies Union. In addition, many hundreds of pounds worth of clothing and food have been sent and more is on the way to help in bringing relief to those in need.

The total gifts and appropriations during these eight years would total well over £300,000, or an average of better than £37,000 every year. During that same period, the total amount of all monies remitted to the Division or General Conference by our faithful believers in Jamaica in mission offerings, percentage of tithes and contributions towards the sustentation

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WHEN the radio brought news of the recent disaster that visited Jamaica, our hearts went out in a great prayer of sympathy for you, my dear brethren and sisters. As soon as air service from Miami to Kingston was resumed, Brother Bohner, treasurer of the Division, and I made a hurried emergency trip to Jamaica to study with the leaders the prevailing conditions. We were appalled by the destruction we found and made immediate provision for some funds to help meet pressing needs. We also recommended to the Division committee and to the General Conference in Washington that an appropriation of considerable size be voted to help in your time of need. We are happy to have been of some service, and while we know that your losses cannot all be satisfied, yet the very fact that this immediate interest was shown may be some source of encouragement to you.

While speaking of finances, it might not be out of place to briefly itemize a few of the appropriations and gifts that have been made available to Jamaica during the past eight years, since the British West Indies Union was organized in 1944. During those eight years, the Inter-American Division has made available in regular appropriations, special appropriations, and sustentation payments to Jamaican workers £256,057. This does not include the £14,736 voted by the General Conference upon our recommendation for hurricane relief and church rehabilitation. Neither does it include the special appropriations amounting to several thousands of pounds made by the Inter-American Division for this same purpose.

In addition, the Division has made available through the years, without cost to the British West Indies Union, the Inter-American Division *Messenger*, and the *Ministry* to the workers; the World Edition of the *Review and Herald* to the church members; and *Gazette* to the church officers.



BAHAMAS MISSION

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Evangelistic Effort In Nassau

The readers of the VISITOR will, no doubt, be interested to learn somewhat of the effort that it was the writer's privilege to conduct at Nassau, in the Bahamas.

A large tabernacle, 130 feet long by 65 feet wide, was secured for the meetings, and enough chairs and benches were loaned to us by three other denominations in the city to seat about one thousand people. Unfortunately, the tabernacle, which we called the "Gospel Auditorium", was located at one end of the city, and as there is no bus service, and taxi fares are high, many found it very difficult to attend regularly. Elder Gibson turned his car into a free taxi and brought as many as twenty-five persons to meeting on several nights. Some of the brethren who own cars also assisted in this way. Some Sunday nights we had every seat taken, and the attendance was as good as could be expected under the circumstances. Meetings were conducted for seven weeks, but for nearly one week the attendance was very poor, owing to heavy rains; and two nights the services were entirely washed out. In spite of these handicaps our offerings for the effort amounted to almost \$98. 0. 0. (The writer was impressed with the fact that each night the smallest of the children had an offering for God.) The accompanying picture will give an idea of what the Auditorium looked like.

On Sunday morning, October 28, a large crowd assembled at the Colonial Hotel Beach, opposite the Auditorium, to witness the baptism of seven precious souls, two of whom were formerly Roman Catholics—the first-fruits of the effort. Many others, who were not quite ready for the rite, had tears streaming down their faces, and we believe that before long a goodly number will unite with God's people.

Pastor Lee Gouldbourne, who had been working on the Island of Andross, came to Nassau to give assistance during the effort. He did a good work leading the choir at nights and visiting and giving Bible studies in the day time. He will remain in Nassau for a few months



"GOSPEL AUDITORIUM", Nassau, Bahamas

to follow up the interest.

Mrs. Gibson, who has charge of the Voice of Prophecy and Twentieth Century Bible Correspondence Schools, is doing a splendid work, and has the joy of seeing many take their stand for the Truth in all of the Islands. There is a group on one island, who are meeting every Sabbath, took part in the Ingathering, send in their Tithe and Offerings, and have been waiting for many months for a minister to come and baptize them. In spite of the fact that Mrs. Gibson is kept busy with the Bible Schools, she was always ready to go out and assist with the Bible work in the day time. This meant sitting up until 1:00 a.m. on some nights to complete the day's assignments.

If there is one field in the British West Indies Union where the Harvest is plenteous, but the labourers are few, it is the Bahamas Mission. The population is not large, but the people are so widely scattered in so many small islands that it is difficult to man the field as it ought to be. Pray to the Lord of the Harvest that He will send more labourers into this ripe vineyard, and that He will bless the Voice of Prophecy Bible School.

-ALLAN C. STOCKHAUSEN,
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BRITISH HONDURAS MISSION

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Dedication of Churches in the British Honduras Mission

The Church Building Campaign within the British West Indies Union has been making rapid progress. It is our fond hope that by the close of 1951 we will have completed no less than 20 new churches of various sizes.

It was my happy privilege to take part in the dedication of three of these new churches in the British Honduras Mission. On Sabbath, October 6, one of these new churches, situated at Rockstone Pond, approximately thirty miles north of the city of Belize, was dedicated. A very large congregation was present at this service. Among those who took part in the service were Pastor J. N. Williams, President of the British Honduras Mission; Pastor G. Newman, who is in charge of the work in the northern part of the country; a Church of God Minister, and the writer. It was a very enjoyable service, and all felt confident that the Holy Spirit of God was present. This little church was built at a great sacrifice to the believers, coupled with the valuable financial assistance that was given by the Union.

The next day, Sunday, October 7, we

had the dedication of the church at Santa Clara, about eighty-six miles north of Belize, in the northern district where Brother Newman is labouring. The membership of this church is comprised largely of Maya Indians who speak the Spanish language. Though warned by the priest a few days before not to attend the service, a number of these Indians were present. We thank God for the spirit that was manifested there, and the erection of such a building in the midst of these people is a source of great encouragement to them. There are only two denominations operating among these Indians — Catholics and Seventh-day Adventists.

On Friday, October 12, we took the steam launch and went in the opposite direction from Belize to Stann Creek. Here Pastor Woodburn is labouring hard among the Caribs and other nationalities. At the time appointed for the service the church was packed to overflowing. Surely, it was a glorious time for one and all, and those who attended the service expressed great satisfaction of the way in which it was conducted. A number of the visitors said that they had never attended a service like this before. We are sure that the Spirit of God was present, and everyone was refreshed.

Although the progress of the work is slow in the British Honduras Mission, yet our ministers are working extremely hard and under difficult circumstances. They are of good courage and looking forward to a greater harvest of souls in the future. Before many more weeks another church will be completed in the Mission.

Let us remember this hard and difficult field, which is practically dominated by Catholicism, and pray that God will continue to bless our work and workers as they labour for Him in the finishing of the work in that part of His vineyard.

E. E. PARCHMENT, *Field Secretary,*
British West Indies Union.

NOTICE

Brother Vincent Ferguson of No. 26 Paradise Row, Montego Bay, has a pair of spectacles that was handed to him at the Baptism on June 24 by one of the candidates. Will the individual concerned please get in touch with him!

Some miscellaneous items, including a few pieces of clothing, have been in the safekeeping of Mrs. E. C. H. Reid, Anchovy P. O. since the day of the mass Baptism in Montego Bay. Anyone who has still not recovered lost articles may write directly to Sister Reid.

EAST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

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Yet We Will Rejoice

Over and over again in recent weeks, as I have visited among our believers throughout the length and breadth of the East Jamaica Conference, I have been inspired by their courage and faith. In the face of appalling disaster, which surrounded so many of them, they were smiling. So many times there were demonstrations which positively convinced me our people as a whole have acquired an experience which will surely stand them in good stead when the final great storm blows upon the whole world.

As I have stood with our dear people amidst the debris of their ruined homes, they have told me repeatedly that in spite of the fact that they had lost all or nearly all they possessed in the way of material things, yet their trust in God still remained. They have told me in some instances they had lost everything except their lives and their faith in God and their love for the message.

On these occasions, and as others have written in telling that their crops have been laid low and there was little if anything to be marketed, I have thought of the picture which the prophet Habakkuk portrayed as recorded in the 3rd chapter, verses 17-19: "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flocks shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls; Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places."

I believe a great blessing has come from the storm. It has helped us to prepare for the greater storm to come. In the hurricane's roar many were privileged to hear the voice of God speaking to their souls.

A very elderly gentleman in St. Thomas, who is more than eighty years of age, recognized it and responded by giving his heart to God and pledging that if opportunity were ever afforded him he would go forward in baptism and unite with the church which he had believed in for so many years. Others have written that the experience served to wean them away from the material and transient things of earth to eternal things of the

spiritual realm. It served to sober all who were in the path of that Friday night storm of August 17.

This has been demonstrated repeatedly in that scores have spoken to me and written in expressing their earnest desire that their church, which has been completely destroyed or badly damaged, be quickly rebuilt. Often they have indicated they were far more concerned about the rebuilding of the church than they were about the rebuilding of their own homes which also had been demolished.

The servant of the Lord has indicated that God's voice is heard in the hurricane and that to those who have "settled upon their 'lees', enduring spiritual lethargy", such experiences serve to arouse, and thus create within them a desire to get right with God. She mentions over and over again in her writings that a storm is coming and that all of God's people must prepare or else be swept away eternally.

Brethren, now is the time to make ready for the coming storm, for after it strikes it will be too late. Many of us were found unprepared for the storm of August 17, but when the next storm threatened within a period of less than two weeks it found our windows and doors boarded up and every preparation made. These incidents serve to help us to prepare while we may in order that our spiritual houses will remain intact during the closing tempestuous scenes of our history in this world and for a welcome by our heavenly king as He returns for His people on that day. Shall we not, one and all, determine that we will "rejoice in the Lord"? He is our strength and, even when our homes are destroyed and our crops have been devastated, this can and will be the experience of all who put their trust in God continually.

Yes, the people of East Jamaica are a courageous people and have proved in this time of stress that they have been building well. In the crucible they have been tested and we have been led to rejoice in the outcome of the ordeal!

—H. D. COLBURN, *President,*
East Jamaica Conference.

Dorcas Ministry Essential To Church Prosperity

In his account of the Acts of the Apostles, Luke records a brief story of the deeds of a noble woman named Dorcas, who lived at the little Judean town of Joppa. Acts 9:36-42. The reason

for this record is probably all given in the 36th verse. "Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas; this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did."

There are three important facts here brought to view concerning Dorcas. Firstly, she was a *disciple* of Jesus. She was a follower of the Master. She was like Him for the record reads: "How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power; who went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him." Acts 10:38. We observe that Jesus "went about". Some disciples stay too much at home.

The true disciple will go about, not as a "busy body" but "doing good." "Doing good", this was His work. By it He gave evidence of His divine anointing. We are told that He healed all that were oppressed by Satan. There were whole villages where there was not a moan of sickness because He had passed their way and healed all their sick. His work gave evidence of His mission. His heart went out in tender sympathy to the children of men. The poorest and humblest were not afraid to approach Him. In all men He saw souls fallen whom it was His mission to save. Dorcas was a true disciple, for she went about doing good.

Secondly, we note that this woman was "full" of good works—no time, no room for evil works in her life. On one occasion the Master said: "The prince of this world cometh and findeth nothing in me," and in another instance He said, in speaking of His relationship to His Father, "I do always those things that please Him." So again this woman was like her Lord, "Full of good works."

Thirdly, the Scriptures here make it very emphatic that she was full of "works"—not wishful thinking; and to emphasize this fact, the text adds: "and almsdeeds" meaning something done as contrasted with mere plans—action. And for still further emphasis the verse closes with the statement: "which she did."

The church today needs more disciples like Dorcas. The following is a glowing tribute to this saint: "In Joppa there was a Dorcas, whose skillful fingers were more active than her tongue. She knew who needed comfortable clothing, and who needed sympathy, and she freely ministered to the wants of both classes. . . . Such patient, prayerful and persevering fidelity as was possessed by these saints of God is rare; yet the



Dignum Mountain Dorcas Society with visiting Pastors W. S. Nation and H. E. Nembhard in back row.

church cannot prosper without it." 5T, 304.

It is evident that Dorcas went about and became acquainted with the needs of the people around her. She ministered to rich and poor alike. True, then as now, so many who have all that heart can wish of material possessions are dying for the want of a little sympathy, an understanding smile or word. This aspect of her ministry probably did not touch her purse strings but was just as important as the former and she freely ministered to the wants of both classes. Dorcas knew who needed comfortable clothes. She was acquainted with the needs of the poor. As she moved among the people her eyes were open to their needs. She was not a self-centered disciple.

It seems apparent that the Dorcas ministry has not been receiving in our churches the emphasis it deserves. May this not be partly the cause why the spiritual vitality in many is so low? "Such patient, prayerful and persevering fidelity as was possessed by these saints of God is rare, yet the church cannot prosper without it."

In order to bring a revival to this phase of missionary endeavour we arranged a series of Dorcas Conventions throughout the Conference, one for each district. We began first with the Corporate Area, where Dorcas workers have been the most active. Then on successive Sundays we went to Spanish Town, Morant Bay, Highgate, Kencot and Port Antonio. Probably the most impressive convention was that held at Highgate on Sunday September 23. The large church was crowded to capacity and the day seemed all too short. At these conventions we had representatives from every church

and company with the exception of two or three in each district.

Until now the Dorcas Federation comprised only the nine churches in the Corporate Area, but our plan is to make this a Conference-wide Federation. At such a time as this we are fortunate to have as president of the Dorcas Federation Sister H. D. Colburn, who has had a wide experience in Dorcas work and has brought with her enthusiasm many valuable ideas. Her counsel in our conventions has contributed no small part to the success of the meetings.

The instructors have been Sisters H. D. Colburn, President, Dorcas Federation. Lelia Smith, Secretary-Treasurer; Ida McCalla, Dorcas Leader, Kencot; Nurse Beryl Mamby, Dorcas Leader, Trench Town, and the writer. Among the many interesting items at these Conventions was the presentation and discussion of the Dorcas Federation Constitution. Already a large number of societies have sent in their subscriptions and applications for membership in the Federation. As the last major item we made a distribution of used clothing to each Dorcas leader to be taken to the local society. As a direct result of these Conventions we have Dorcas Societies functioning in all but three of our organized churches, and practically all of these are applying for membership in the Federation. We expect in the near future to have organized societies in all our churches and all members of the Dorcas Federation.

Having now completed the cycle of the districts in this our first phase of promotion, the next and bigger event will
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NOTING EVENTS IN THE WEST, JAMAICA SECTION

Evangelism:

1. From MOORLAND HILL, WEST-MORELAND, comes the news of a Sabbath School newly started. This is as a result of an effort that was conducted by Elder Holness and Brother Hyatt. It is reported that there are over 70 in the baptismal class.

2. At MAIDSTONE, MANCHESTER, 25 have indicated their desire to walk with the Commandment-keeping people of God, as a result of an effort being conducted by Brother Rueben Douglas. In spite of great opposition and persecution, the work is moving forward. The Conference purchased a piece of land recently for the erection of a place of meeting.

3. Brother Adrian Westney started his evangelistic effort at WARSOP, TRE-LAWNY, on the 14th of October. He is having very outstanding attendance and a great harvest is expected.

4. Brother Silburn Reid has just closed his effort at PARK MOUNTAIN, ST. ELIZABETH. A number have taken their stand for the truth and are now being prepared for baptism.

5. Brother and Sister Leonard Grey started their effort at CARRISBROOKE, ST. ELIZABETH, on November 4. With the co-operation of the White Hill brethren, we are sure that, under God, the walls of sin will be broken down and the standard of righteousness uplifted.

Education:

1. The MONTEGO BAY Church School plans to have its annual program on the 13th of December. Recently the school had the privilege of having Dr. Morrison give a very helpful lecture to the school.

2. Congratulations to Brother HERBERT FLETCHER and Miss RITA RICHARDS of the Montego Bay and March Town Church Schools, respectively, for having had a high percentage of passes in the Jamaica Local Examinations.

3. The PETERSFIELD Church School said goodbye to Miss Dorcas Reid who is now happily married and residing at Clermont, St. Ann.

▼Mrs. Mildred Bernard, a graduate of the West Indian Training College—Class of '39, is now Headmistress of that school. She reports an enrollment of 72.

Church Building:

The Askenish Church was dedicated on the 23rd of September. We are hoping

to have 9 other churches dedicated before the end of the year.

Work was started for the construction of the Aeon Town and Savlamar churches. Plans are now being made for the starting of the work at Falmouth. Recently the Conference officers, along with Elder Parchment of the Union, purchased a piece of land on the main street in Falmouth for the erection of this church.

Church Leaders Council:

Church Leaders from all sections of the West Jamaica Conference will be attending a Council which will convene in Mandeville, December 18-20. The purpose of this council will be to discuss and lay plans for the furtherance of the work throughout the Conference. During the Council messages will be presented by Union and Conference workers. Instructions will be given and general discussion will take place each day, so that everyone will be able to contribute to the success of this gathering. We wish to urge that every church endeavour to make it possible for every church leader throughout our Conference to be present.

Student Evangelists:

During the Summer vacation, seven of the ministerial students at the West Indian Training College went out into active evangelistic work among our churches. They are as follows:

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| Alvin McLean | Slipe |
| Talbert Shaw | Pedro |
| Astley Forbes | Pondside |
| Fred White | James Hill |
| J. Gordon Bennett | Porter's Mountain |
| Basil Henry | Epworth |
| Rupert Henry | Salem |

Their presence brought great hope and cheer to our people, and as a result of their ministry a large number have taken their stand with God's Commandment-keeping people. When the baptisms of these efforts will have been completed, we hope with heaven's blessing, to see around 100 souls baptized. Already we have had over 40 baptized. We are indeed thankful to the Lord, and grateful to these young men for the spirit-filled ministry they brought to the churches that they ministered in.

—H. S. WALTERS, *President,*
West Jamaica Conference.

God's Mighty Hand at Work In Hanover

"The Lord hath made bare His holy arm in the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God."

In Hanover our eyes have seen; the days of miracles are not passed. From the fourth of March to the thirteenth of September, 170 precious souls have been baptized into the fold of Christ. To God be the praise, and glory, and honour, and to Christ our great Captain!

My first night in this parish was spent visiting the churches to join the brethren in an all-night prayer meeting. The fruits of this wonderful season has been abundant. We have kept on our knees and the blessing of God's Spirit has been showered upon us. We bow in humility and gratitude before the God of Heaven. God bless His appointed leaders whose eyes were open to the need of the church in this mighty, challenging hour.

In all the churches of this district the laymen, laywomen and church members rallied to the call for greater evangelism and soul-winning in 1951. In the Flower Hill church where there was no baptismal class in February, 17 have already been baptized, and the church will reach and pass its goal of 20 for the year.

The little church of Sandy Bay has added 24 to its membership thus far this year. This has been made possible by the blessing of God on my first effort at Hopewell, which might well be called the Gibraltar of Hanover. Soon a church will be organized here. At this place Brother Leonard Grant has been my faithful assistant and the brethren and sisters all gave valiant and faithful support.

A few nights of revival meetings have been held in many churches, while seven church buildings have been going up at once. We rejoice that Askenish was dedicated on the 23rd of September. The President and Secretary-Treasurer took charge of the service. The main door was opened by Mr. W. M. Dixon, M.H.R., and the crowd, which could not hold in the 'spick and span' little building packed in as best they could, while many had to remain in the yard. We were happy to have had as guest speaker, Pastor Grizzle of Panama, who gave a most touching and impressive sermon. The brethren

and sisters who worked hard with hammer, trowel and paint brush are happy and proud of their "Little brown church in the vale." We are planning to dedicate other churches before the end of the year.

There are calls in every direction for efforts. God only knows how these calls will be answered. The Harvest is ripe. As we yield ourselves to God for greater achievements, we feel confident that over 200 souls will be baptized by December 31. We have not yet conducted our major effort scheduled for Grange Hill; we hope to fire off by November 4. We solicit the prayers of all God's people on this effort and also on our district.

Pondside not yet completed, is already too small to hold the members. Here Brother Astley Forbes, one of the student evangelists, did a great job. God has blessed his faithful and ardent labour.

October 8 was a thrilling day for us as Pastor R. W. Numbers, our Union President, sped from border to border and preached in seven churches for the day. We look forward to another visit early from President Numbers.

God bless the dear brethren in all this district who are helping to make this one of the most wonderful years for Hanover. We pledge ourselves to labour till the Master comes. It is better to wear out than to rust out.

—HAROLD FLETCHER, *District Pastor, Hanover, West Jamaica Conference.*

Greetings to the Colporteurs of West Jamaica

To the noble colporteurs of West Jamaica, I offer CONGRATULATIONS. With the blessing of heaven, you have brought distinction to the cause of truth. Your reports reveal that records have been broken, and now landmarks have been established to the glory of God. May I assure you that we are greatly inspired in reading this modern book of Acts, made possible by the Colporteurs of West Jamaica Conference.

F A R E W E L L

It is with reluctance that we say GOOD-BYE to GENERAL HURST. For seven years he has led our forces to victory. We wish it were possible for us to have kept him until the end of time. However, in God's own programme, men will come and men will go. We will greatly miss Elder Hurst for his courageous spirit, his Christianlike actions, and

his sacrificial efforts for the literature ministry. We wish him heaven's blessings as he assumes the responsibility of President of the Cayman Islands Mission. Let us pray that the Lord will bless his efforts in that section of the vineyard.

W E L C O M E

Our Conference Committee has called GENERAL SILBURN REID to take command of the forces. We present him to you as a consecrated man of God. Before entering the West Indian Training College, he had the privilege of doing canvassing work for some time. He earned his way through school mainly by the selling of our literature.

At the end of his course of study, he was called to the East Jamaica Conference as Assistant Publishing Secretary. Since the beginning of the year he has been engaged in evangelistic work in the parish of St. Elizabeth. Brother Reid brings to this work a great love for it, the enthusiasm of youth and the flame of consecration. Upon the foundation laid by our beloved Elder Hurst, this young man of valour shall continue to blaze the trail until, in God's own way, he and the faithful colporteurs of West Jamaica receive the victor's crown.

—H. S. WALTERS, *President, West Jamaica Conference.*

SALT CAYS MISSION

W. H. WALLER, *President.*
Grand Turk, Turks & Caicos Islands.

Westward Ho to Grand Turk

The glistening island of Grand Turk lies to the north-west of Santo Domingo. She sits like a scintillating gem by the grand banks of the Bahamas. Yes, she actually glistens. The mounds of salt unite with sunshine and blue skies to lend enchantment to the view.

Her fifteen hundred islanders are intelligent and friendly, and they are religious. There are six Protestant churches and four friendly societies. One of the disgraces that may come to a Turks Islander is in not being the member of a church or society. Unfortunately, there is too much of a "form of godliness" and too little genuine piety and faith. For instance, the religious and business leaders on the island have known about the Advent faith for over forty years—many told me so—and, yet, up to 1950, we could only baptize six believers. Surely, Grand Turk is a veritable Gibraltar against unalloyed Christianity.

It was a great honour conferred on Mrs. Haig and me when we were asked to join Elder and Mrs. Waller and Elder E. C. Henriques recently, in order to attack this fortress. Before we arrived, Satan fortified the island with millions of mosquitoes. For three weeks of our five-week campaign, squadrons of mosquitoes raided and bombed us from three-thirty every evening until dawn, and we thought we would have been compelled to retreat. The other churches did—they held no night meetings for weeks because of the pests. But, as you know, the Advent Church never turns back, so we waited for the attackers right in the church building and, with our anti-aircraft guns of songs, prayer, and smoke, we drove the tyrants from the courts of God. The inhabitants were amazed. They filled the building from night to night and drank in the water of life.

Two weeks after the effort began, two of the prominent members of the Baptist and Wesleyan Churches boldly faced the mosquitoes and the boycotting by their friends, and went forth in baptism. They are Brother S. Johnson and Sister L. Tucker. These two believers, who are greatly respected, are already helping to win others. Four weeks after Brother Johnson was baptized, his daughter was also buried with her Lord. A large crowd gathered at both baptisms, filling the building to capacity.

The devil, seeing that mosquitoes could not deter us, changed his tactics. After using the mosquitoes to kill a number of animals—donkeys, cows, etc.—he caused the preachers to unite in dissuading the people. In his defence of Sunday, the leading preacher told the people the Bible does not say the Sabbath was changed; and during his opposition, we baptized four more precious souls. We rejoiced that the membership was increased 150%.

Scores are following up the interest. Elder and Mrs. Waller are indefatigable workers and they will soon baptize many more precious souls ere the Master says, "It is done."

Pray for the work, the believers and the workers in sunny Grand Turk.

A. R. HAIG, *Publishing Secretary, British West Indies Union.*

MV Programme Kit

The excellent new *M.V. Programme Kit* is already enjoying a high degree of popularity. Youth and youth leaders everywhere enthusiastically testify it is filling a long-felt need.

The *MV Programme Kit* contains 132 sparkling pages of material especially prepared for youth and youth leaders in both senior and junior societies. It is published quarterly to help give the advantage of wise advance programme planning. Its well-selected contents make it indispensable to leaders who would plify programme planning are presented. lead progressively and successfully.

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Union and local conference MV secretaries and pastors will appreciate its quarterly visits immensely.

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—I. H. IHRIG, *Manager,*
Periodical Department,
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GO

Go, the new journal for Adventist laymen, which was introduced with the July, 1951, issue, has already made a niche for itself in Seventh-day Adventist journalism. From coast to coast progressive laymen in substantially increasing numbers now consider *GO* indispensable as their soul-winning companion and helper.

GO contains thirty-six pages each month filled with pictures, stories, and interviews by and about soul winners.

There is one section devoted to church missionary service material—a necessity for church missionary leaders and secretaries.

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The Entering Wedge

It is not by accident that LIFE AND HEALTH came into being. Through the Spirit of Prophecy we are told: "The circulation of our health publications is a most important work. It is a work in which all who believe the special truths for this time should have a living interest."

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Again we are told by Sister White: "The people are in sad need of the light shining from the pages of our health and temperance journals. God desires to use these journals as mediums through which flashes of light shall arrest the attention of the people, and cause them to heed the warning of the message of the third angel." A further quotation from the same source: "Let none think that the circulation of the health journals is a minor matter. All should take hold of this work with more interest, and make greater efforts in this direction."

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Review & Herald Pub. Assn.

A Glimpse From A Vantage Point

Throughout the centuries printing and colportage have been very closely knit with the sacred work of giving the gospel to the world. With the invention of the printing press came a widespread thirst for knowledge especially in the field of religion. Martin Luther seized upon this new method of propagation and produced tracts, pamphlets in abundance. Then he called about him young men consecrated to the ministry of the word, and sent them from door to door with these pages of truth. In a very short time the Reformation had spread to many parts of the then known world. Others followed his lead in the use of literature.

Later in the establishment of modern missions religious leaders such as Morrison, Carey, Judson, Moffatt and others realized the value of the printed page and immediately translated the Scriptures in the language of the people for whom they were working. This gave solidity to their endeavours and paid substantial dividends in souls converted to Christianity. Modern missions prospered in every land.

Then in the eventful year of 1844 the Advent cause was born. From the earliest days of the Message, literature has played a leading role in giving the truth in every land. A publishing work was established even before there was a denominational church organization. Wherever our consecrated colporteurs have sowed the seeds of truth a generous crop of souls has

been reaped. Thus from the early years of the gospel to the close of God's work on earth printing and colportage has played and will continue to play an integral part in the spread of Christianity. The Spirit of Prophecy tells us in Volume 6, page 478, "As long as probation lasts there will be opportunity for the canvasser to work."

There is no more sacred work than that of bringing souls to Christ and to eternal salvation, and there is no better method of doing this than through the channels of evangelistic colporteur work. God is granting us a seeming time of peace in which to complete the task of warning the world of Christ's soon coming. If He is impressing your heart to enter this sacred ministry, please answer in full consecration, "Here am I Lord, send me."

—GEORGE A. HUSE, *Pub. Secretary, General Conference.*

A Word of Greeting

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funds total £81,250, or an average of a little over £10,000 each year. In other words, you, my dear people in Jamaica, have received during that eight years over half a million dollars (£175,000) from outside of Jamaica more than you have remitted.

During those eight years the British West Indies Union contributed £18,467 towards the sustentation fund for aged and retired Jamaican workers, while drawing from the same fund for their benefit £19,381. In other words, sister unions in the Inter-American Division have made contributions to make up the difference.

I mention these figures to you simply by way of information for I wanted you to know that your brethren and sisters in North America and in other parts of the Inter-American Division are all deeply interested in our dear believers in Jamaica. We all love the same truth, we all are looking forward to the time when Jesus will return. We are all planning for that home that He is preparing for the faithful. We are all anticipating that glorious day when we can be with our heavenly Father in the earth made new, where there will be no more suffering or want and where we, as brethren and sisters from all lands of the earth, will be living together throughout all eternity. Oh, joyous anticipation! I look forward

to being there with you, and, above all, to be with our Saviour, the One Who died for us. May the Lord richly bless you and may the hand of God be over each one of you, is my prayer.

GLENN CALKINS, *President, Inter-American Division.*

Until The Day-Break

Brother Realtor Williams of the Labyrinth S.D.A. church fell asleep in Jesus on the 8th of August 1951, at the age of sixty nine. The funeral service was conducted in the church by Brother A. J. Pottinger and Brother E. J. Hyatt in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends. Interment took place at the family's burial lot. Brother Williams awaits the call of the Life-giver.

—Mrs. M. L. Ford

Brother Vaulta Ayre of the Stanbury Grove Church was born on May 18, 1896. He accepted the Third Angel's Message over twenty years ago under the labours of the late Pastor Hubert Fletcher. Brother Ayre departed this life on August 18, 1951, in sure and certain hope of hearing the Voice of the Life-giver at the sound of the first trumpet.

—G. T. Cooper.

Brother John David McIntire, born March 23, 1870, died on June 24, 1951, at his home in Aberdeen. He came to the knowledge of the Truth by reading the book "Bible Foot Lights". After a while his eyes became extremely dark, but the light received from the Word of God shone out in his life. He was baptized by Pastor K. G. Vaz on August 24, 1947, and was received into the membership of the Siloah Church. On the 24th of June he was elated about the large baptism at Montego Bay. He had his morning meal; walked out into the yard, and sat down. He talked eagerly to those about him of the Advent Movement. He then fell ill and was taken into the house. He fell asleep in the arms of Jesus at 1:00 p.m. Left to mourn their loss are two sons, two daughters, and seven grand children. The funeral service was conducted by Brother David Blake and the writer on the morning of June 25, 1951.

—E. R. A. Anderson.

Brother Simon Taylor Dryden, a faithful member of the Bethel Town S.D.A. Church, fell asleep on the morning of May 10, 1951, at the age of 70. He accepted the Truth in Colon, where he was baptized. He later returned to Jamaica and was received into the fellowship of the Bethel Town Church on June 3, 1945, when the said church was organized. He leaves an aged mother, 95 years old, and other relatives, rejoicing in the truth. We trust that He will hear the voice of the blessed Saviour that will awaken him to the glorious resurrection. The funeral service was conducted by the writer.

—Astley Ambersley.

Sister Jemima Dennis was born in 1904 at Carrisbrook, St. Elizabeth. Under the influence of her brother, the writer, she accepted the Three Angels' Messages in 1938 and was baptized in 1939 by Pastor Frank Fletcher. In December, 1942, she was wedded by Brother George Dennis of Carrisbrook. In March, 1949, she received a stroke in one of her eyes and was treated at our Clinic in Kingston. Early in July of this year she was admitted to the Black River Hospital, where she stayed for two weeks and was a living missionary, until her death on July 18. We are told that her last hours were spent in prayer at the bedside of other patients, then she knelt by her own bed, and died shortly after. Sister Dennis is awaiting the call of the Life Giver and leaves to mourn her husband, five children, three brothers, four sisters, and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by the local elder of the White Hill Church of which Sister Dennis was a faithful member.

—S. Z. Dixon.

Sister H. V. Dunbar was born February 15, 1873, and died October 5, 1951. She gave her heart to God in her childhood days and was united with the Methodist Church along with her parents. In 1900 she accepted the Third Angel's Message under the preaching of Elder G. F. Enoch; was baptized by

by Pastor F. I. Richardson the same year, and became a member of the Swift River S.D.A. Church. In 1942 she was united in marriage with the writer and became a member of the Moor Park Church to which she remained faithful until the time of her death. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor A. D. Laing, assisted by Pastors Campbell and Hurst. She leaves to mourn their loss a loving husband, three daughters, and son, one grandson, and a host of relatives and friends.

"Sleep on beloved, sleep and take your rest; We loved thee well, but Jesus loves thee best."

—Henry A. Dunbar.

Brother David Bigby was born September, 1926. He embraced the Third Angel's Message four years ago at an effort conducted by Pastor Gouldbourne at Flower Hill, and was baptized six weeks later. Brother Bigby entered the publishing work a little after he was baptized and went to work in St. Elizabeth. Since January of this year he went to St. James, where he became ill. He returned home and was taken to the Say-lamar Hospital where he died on October 17, 1951. The funeral service was conducted by Pastors A. R. Haig, C. S. Greene, and brethren A. L. Dinham and S. M. Reid. Brother Bigby was a very enthusiastic worker. To his sorrowing relatives we tender our sincere sympathy. We are sure our brother will be awakened by the Life-giver at the first resurrection.

—Ephraim N. Brown, Ch. Clerk.

Sister Julia White, of the Asia Seventh-day Adventist church, was laid to rest on June 7, 1951. She accepted the Truth in the year 1934 and was baptized on April 13, 1935. She then became a member of the Campbell's Castle Church, where she served for a few months. She was afterwards transferred to the Asia church and was a faithful member for sixteen years, until the master called her home to suffer no more. The funeral service was conducted by Brethren E. Palmer and V. R. Kennedy.

Dorcas Ministry Essential

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be the first biannual assembly of the conference-wide Dorcas Federation to be held in Kingston on Sunday, December 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. At this meeting officers will be elected for the ensuing year according to the rules of the constitution.

Let us plan, pray, and work for a larger Dorcas ministry in all our churches.

—W. A. HOLGATE, *H.M. Secretary, East Jamaica Conference.*

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