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"His Biddings"

"The talents that Christ entrusted to His church represent especially the gifts and blessings imparted by the Holy Spirit. 'To one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another the discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues; but all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as He will.' . . .

"The special gifts of the Spirit are not the only talents represented in the parable (of the talents). It includes all gifts and endowments, whether original or acquired, natural or spiritual. All are to be employed in Christ's service. . . .

"None need lament that they have not received larger gifts; for He who has apportioned to every man, is equally honoured by the improvement of each trust, whether it be great or small. . . .

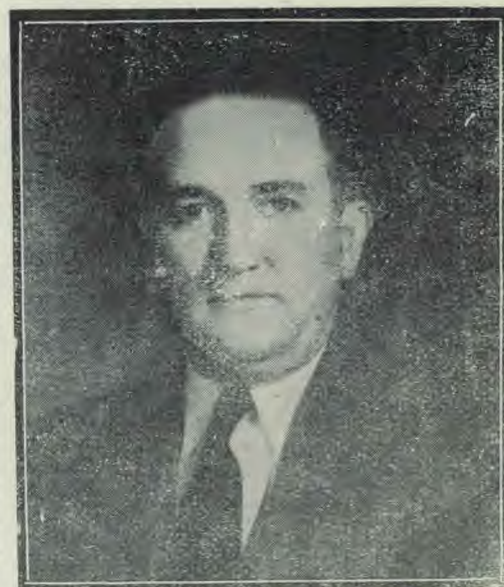
"The talents, however few, are to be put to use. The question that most con-

cerns us is not, How much have I received? but, What am I doing with that which I have? The development of all our powers is the first duty we owe to God and to our fellow men. . . .

"Many whom God has qualified to do excellent work accomplish very little, because they attempt little. Thousands pass through life as if they had no definite object for which to live, no standard to reach. Such will obtain a reward proportionate to their works.

"Remember that you will never reach a higher standard than you yourself set. Then set your mark high, and step by step, even though it be by painful effort, by self-denial and sacrifice, ascend the whole length of the ladder of progress. Let nothing hinder. . . . Press with determination in the right direction, and circumstances will be your helpers, not your hindrances. . . .

"As the will of man co-operates with the will of God, it becomes omnipotent. Whatever is to be done at His command, may be accomplished in His strength. All His biddings are enablings." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 327-333.



J. C. CULPEPPER

As Long as Probation Lasts

"As long as probation continues, there will be opportunity for the colporteur to work."—*Colporteur Ministry*, p. 11.

"Behold, now is the accepted time; . . . —2 Cor. 6:2.

Already persecution is making it difficult for our consecrated workers in some places, yet our colporteurs may rest assured they can continue when all other lines of work have to stop. Should we not redouble our efforts in a time of peace, prosperity, and full liberty to warn all we can before it becomes too difficult? "Millions are living within the shadow of impending doom."—*Evangelism*, p. 25. We as Seventh-day Adventists must carry the message clearly and quickly. "NOW is the accepted time."

"Seventh-day Adventists for more than 100 years have consistently believed and taught that the world would eventually become involved in the very situation that now exists . . . We believe that the only lasting and permanent remedy for the present condition is to be found in the personal and literal coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." WE MUST BE READY.

Greetings From the Publishing Department



B. E. HURST

The Publishing Department sends greetings to the more than 20,000 Advent believers around the British West Indies Union. Here in this office mention is often made of our brethren and of their faithfulness to the mighty cause of God. Prayers

often ascend that each one of this great Advent family will continue to find green pastures and living waters in the Scriptures and on their knees.

The colporteur work of the past has made Jamaica renowned in the Advent world. From a small beginning, as related elsewhere in this number of the *Visitor*,

the work has grown to great dimensions. How thankful we need to be, and yet how careful! Great light brings great responsibilities, and all around the island of Jamaica the people are watching the lives of Seventh-day Adventists. Sometimes simple, thoughtless actions cause people to become indifferent. For that reason there must be among our people a spirit of full surrender. Each Adventist may become a mighty power in the hand of God, lifting up the standard of truth in the hearts and minds of men and women, thereby building a mighty fortress of the Advent Movement.

It is cheering to be in this group. God could have finished the work already by using angels instead of men to do the preaching and the teaching. Sometimes the outlook is dark; then hope must be at its best. In Isaiah 26:3 the servant

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WE MUST HELP OTHERS BECOME READY FOR OUR LORD'S RETURN.

"The Lord wants His people in these days to believe that He will do as great things for them as He did for the children of Israel in their journey from Egypt to Canaan. We are to have an educated faith that will not hesitate to follow His instructions in the most difficult experiences. 'GO FORWARD' is the command of God to His people."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 9, p. 271.

Colporteurs, one percent of the people will buy in spite of our not knowing how to present the book, but ninety-nine percent will not buy unless we present the book properly. Let us work on the plan that people buy, not in spite of our preparation, but because of it.

It has been a privilege to accompany different colporteurs in different islands during the months of August and September. I have been very pleased to see how graciously, kindly, and courteously the people received the colporteurs. Not one day did we sell less than \$18.00 worth of publications, and some days five times that amount. Clients respond favourably when one speaks with "authority," "conviction," and "earnestness."

I am determined, with God's help, to be better prepared, and present the printed gospel message to as many of the "millions who are living within the shadow of impending doom," BEFORE PROBATION CLOSES.

—J. C. CULPEPPER, *Publishing Secy., Inter-American Division.*

The Beginning of the Work in Jamaica

"In the miracle of feeding the multitude with a few loaves and fishes, the food was increased as it passed from Christ to those who accepted it. Thus it will be in the distribution of our publications. God's truth, as it is passed out, will multiply greatly."—Mrs. E. G. White in *Review & Herald*, August 27, 1903.

Colporteur Arnold sold a copy of the book *Bible Readings for the Home Circle* to one Mr. Palmer, in Antigua, who sent the book after he had read it to his son John Palmer, in Kingston, Jamaica.

John Palmer, upon reading the book, accepted the Advent message and got in touch with the Tract Society in Battle Creek, Michigan, and they began sending him literature. Every Sunday he would take this literature to the Kingston Public Hospital and distribute them, always leaving some in the office of the Medical Director.

Mrs. Harrison, a member of the Kingston Parish Church, also visited the hospital each week doing missionary work. The Medical Director passed on the literature received to her, and the truths she read found fertile soil in her heart. Not knowing that there were others of like faith in Jamaica, she also wrote to Battle Creek and was directed to John Palmer.

By this time John Palmer and his family had been joined by White and Pit-

kin and their families in their weekly worship at home. Mrs. Harrison joined the group.

The following year Elder Cradwick of the Tract Society visited Jamaica, and upon his return to Battle Creek, the General Conference sent a colporteur by the name of Patterson, who was followed a little later by Elder Haysmer, the first ordained Seventh-day Adventist minister to work in the island.

Colporteur Patterson also sold *Bible Readings for the Home Circle*, and I would like to take you on the trail of the fourth copy he sold in Jamaica. This sale was made to a man in St. Ann, who after reading the book decided he did not want a Seventh-day Adventist book in his home, so he took it over to his friend and offered to sell it to him. His friend was not in a financial position to buy the book just then, but so anxious was the owner to get rid of it that he decided to take a chair in exchange.

The book was placed on a shelf where it lay unread for a couple of years, then trouble visited the home, and in the woods a mile away from the house, prayer was made for light as to the way of life by its owner. Suddenly the man was awakened to the memory of the book lying on the shelf, and was impressed to return home immediately and read it. His eyes were opened to the facts of the change of the Sabbath and kindred truths, and in astonishment he visited his minister for help. But, his spiritual leader only endeavoured to quiet his fear by telling him that Christians keep Sunday in memory of the resurrection of Christ. He returned and discussed these matters with the friend from whom he had purchased the book, and both men accepted the Advent Message.

Not being able to keep the good news to themselves, they soon won others to join with them. One of these went down to Ocho Rios and studied with an old lady who accepted the truth and thus the work was started in that place.

As a result of that one copy of *Bible Readings* 140 people were brought into the truth; three churches raised up; six have joined the colporteur army and four are ministers today.

Brother Arnold and Brother Patterson are dead, but the influence of the books they sold still lives.

"We should treat as a sacred treasure every line of printed matter containing present truth. Even the fragments of a pamphlet or of a periodical should be regarded as of value. Who can estimate the influence that a torn page containing the truths of the third angel's message may have upon the heart of some seeker after truth?"—*Ibid.*

—B. E. HURST.

of eternity will the true value of their work be seen.

—S. A. Grant, *Publishing Secy., West Jamaica Conference.*

Our Student Colporteurs



S. A. GRANT

containing the truth for this time."—*Colporteur Ministry*, p. 31.

As the first semester of 1954 drew to its close, thus ushering in the months of vacation, thirty-two students of the West Indian Training College decided to heed the above counsel from the pen of inspiration and went out into the towns and villages of West Jamaica with truth-filled literature. They were not afraid to climb the hills and descend the slopes into the valleys, seeking for homes that would buy their books, and hearts that would receive the message. As they travelled muddy roads and rugged terrains, they were cheered with the thought that they were taking the light of the gospel truth to some who might not otherwise receive it. With the help of the Lord, these students have delivered over £1,300 worth of books.

We appreciate very much the accomplishments of the students, and we also consider the fact that only a very small percentage of them had any previous knowledge of canvassing. The majority stood with shaking knees and trembling voices as they made their first presentations, but the Lord miraculously intervened and they got the orders. Eighteen are entitled to scholarship benefits.

Today they have all returned to school with rich experiences which they treasure highly. Experiences that could be gained only in the canvassing field. Many have been closer drawn to the Master as they saw His guiding hand and His leading in their experiences.

We are truly thankful for the good work that has been accomplished, and more so we are particularly happy that every one has returned with his garments unspotted. There was no moral problem with anyone and at no time we had any occasion to doubt the integrity of any.

With open hands and hearts we welcome them into our field next summer. Those who did not make a scholarship this year, we are still optimistic of them and have the utmost confidence that if they continue in the path of the literature ministry, they will gain many scholarships. We cannot evaluate their work, and we do not believe that anyone on earth can truly do this. Pounds, shillings and pence are poor measurements for the work of the canvasser. Only in the light

'Tis Only True



£6,855-3-6 in 44,883 hours for 35,570 sermons.

If each member of the S.D.A. church—the saints in Zion—throughout Jamaica were doing his conscientious best to win, warn and witness for Christ, ere this the work would be finished on this little spot of

the globe. I know of many people who are working hard. I know of dozens who are fasting and praying for the ministers, Bible Instructors, doctors, colporteurs, etc. Yet the fire is not blazing. The need of showers of blessing depends upon how the people's hearts are stirred to thirst for the the Word of God.

Like myself, many of us may never cause Pentecostal blessings to be heard of, but we all can help prepare the fields for such an outpouring that will marvel the world. The servant of God is definite in stating one of the best methods of preaching. Here it is: *Southern Watchman*, Jan. 5, 1904, "Let every Seventh-day Adventist ask himself, 'what can I do to proclaim the third angel's message?' Christ came to this world to give this message to His churches. It is to be proclaimed to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. Question: *How are we to give it?* Answer: *The distribution of our literature is one means by which the message is to be proclaimed.* LET EVERY BELIEVER SCATTER BROADCAST TRACTS AND LEAFLETS AND BOOKS CONTAINING THE MESSAGE FOR THIS TIME. Colporteurs are needed who will go forth to circulate our publications everywhere." *Christian Service*, page 145.

The canvassing work must not, cannot and shall not languish. God is recruiting heads of families and men of responsibilities to contribute to the work a phenomenal climax. The sale of £6,855-3-6 worth of our truth-filled literature, £300 gain over 1953, is only a window through which we see into the treasure of God's providence. The city of Kingston must be warned for Christ through the Lord's means, Seventh-day Adventist books—Seventh-day Adventist jobs provided by God Himself. And he who refuses to obey the voice of God's call to the task is selling out the chance of a passport to heaven. This is the work to fit him for true ministry. This is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time.

The eighty-four colporteurs, full-time and part-time, of East Jamaica are calling you to engage in helping them gather and enjoy the treasure of the land wealth

of soul-saving experiences as enjoyed by T. M. Pitter, V. C. Hutchinson and others, also a successful sales technique to persuade men to buy for their eternal good. *This may be your last chance to save a soul.*

—A. A. MORGAN, *Publishing Secretary, East Jamaica Conference.*

Finishing the Work

"For He will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth." Rom. 9:28.

"By thousands of voices, all over the earth, the warning will be given. Miracles will be wrought, the sick will be healed, and signs and wonders will follow the believers. Satan also works with lying wonders, even bringing down fire from heaven in the sight of men. Thus the inhabitants of the earth will be brought to take their stand.

"The message will be carried not so much by arguments as by the deep conviction of the Spirit of God. The arguments have been presented. The seed has been sown, and now it will spring up and bear fruit. The publications distributed by missionary workers have exerted their influence, yet many whose minds were impressed have been prevented from fully comprehending the truth or from yielding obedience. Now the rays of light penetrate everywhere, the truth is seen in its clearness. . . . A large number take their stand upon the Lord's side." *The Great Controversy*, p. 612.

"We need to realize the importance of the canvassing work as one great means of finding out those who are in peril and bringing them to Christ." *Testimonies*, vol. 6, p. 324.

A certain colporteur tells how in canvassing one day he was ordered to leave the premises with the words, "Seventh-day Adventists are not wanted here."

He enquired the name of the next neighbour and was refused, with the threat that if he went, the neighbour would be telephoned to meet him with a club.

The colporteur started up the hill with a prayer in his heart, in spite of the threat, and soon he saw his prospect as he stepped angrily out of the house, club in hand, coming toward him as if anxious to meet his enemy. As the two met under the shade of a tree, the colporteur noticed that the club was left behind, and the customer looking up the path and down; up the tree and behind it, enquired, "Where is the man that came with you?"

"I came alone," was his reply.

"No," said he, "I saw a man with you in shining apparel."

"Oh," said the colporteur, "that is the angel of God who associates with me as I visit from door to door. My work is important; it is that of warning men of impending doom and the need of prepara-

tion to meet the day of God's vengeance. That is my purpose for calling on you today."

The colporteur then attempted to show his book.

"No," said the customer, "you needn't show me the book. I desire a copy. A man who is working with an angel of light must be doing a good work."

He persuaded the colporteur to return with him to visit the man who had just driven him away.

"This man is a man of God, and his book will help you to live a better life," he told his friend.

Both men are today rejoicing in the third angel's message.

God is fulfilling His word. He is finishing His work, but He has given men the high privilege of being co-labourers with Him.

In speaking with the late Dr. Virtue just two weeks before he died in that fatal airplane crash at the Palisades some months ago, he asked, "What are you people doing about the awful conditions that exist in the world at the present time? Men are afraid of the future; it is dark and uncertain, and the church is the only hope for a doomed world. As I see it, the Seventh-day Adventist church is the only one that can save the situation. I wish that you men would awake to your responsibility and finish your task on time."

A short while ago I visited with a wealthy gentleman in St. Mary. He expressed his good will toward Adventists and of his desire to eventually become one of us, stating that he has learned to love our people and work because of a very faithful Seventh-day Adventist maid who brings him the *Signs of the Times* and lives what she preaches. He said further that he could leave all his belongings and home for any length of time in her care, and he believes that is the way that Christians should conduct themselves. "I have learned to love God, because of her attitude toward life," he said.

So every one of us, whatever may be our station in life, can be co-labourers with God in finishing His work; and remember:

"As long as probation continues, there will be opportunity for the canvasser to work." —*Testimonies*, vol. 6, p. 478.

—B. E. HURST.

Bookmen of West Jamaica

With hearts aglow with love for God and man, the sixty-three men and women who form the corps of West Jamaica's colporteur-evangelists started the year's programme with much vigour and enthusiasm. Because of illness a goodly number found it necessary to discontinue the canvassing work. With very deep regrets we released some of our brilliant colporteurs. We are hoping, however, that in the near future good health will again attend these

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CAYMAN ISLAND MISSION

Pres. WALTER COMM
Sec.-Treas. R. S. BLACKBURN

A Visit to the Cayman Islands Mission

It was the writer's privilege to spend twelve days on the island of Cayman in the interest of the work in that mission, during the month of September, and I am very happy to say that although there is only one regularly employed worker there at the present time, Brother Cyril Newman, yet with the help of Brethren George Merren and C. R. Wood, the work is moving along in a very marked way.

I was just in time to assist Brother Newman in putting on the finishing touches to the West Bay church building, which was only begun near the end of April of this year. High tribute should be paid to Brother Newman, who has worked very hard to bring about this accomplishment, and also to Brother George Merren, who has sacrificed a lot, along with the members of that church. The building is a neat and attractive one.

On September 5 we conducted a stone-laying service, although the building was then nearly completed, and the attendance was very encouraging. Now the brethren are looking forward to the dedicatory service in the very near future.

Our members in Cayman are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their president, Elder Walter Comm, but they are of good courage and doing all they can to further the work of God in that field. Let us remember them in our prayers.

—E. E. PARCHMENT.

EAST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

Pres. R. E. DELAFIELD
Secy.-Treas. MISS E. W. PARCHMENT

Around the East

God has told us, "Strength to resist evil is best gained by aggressive service." All around the East Conference God's people are busy. From the office family here in Kingston, to the Kingsway school and the North Street church school, to the Andrew's Memorial Hospital and in all our churches God's people are aggressively moving forward in service for God and man.

Sabbath School Child Evangelism

Every church and company in the conference has been represented in a Sabbath School Child Evangelism programme led out in the conference by Pastor W. U. Campbell and eleven others in the team. A new conception of God's plan to save our children and youth is gripping the hearts of Sabbath school children's division

leaders, superintendents, and teachers through East Jamaica. "If the children and youth are not brought to Christ, the Sabbath school is a failure," God has told us. The Lord has also informed us that "If properly instructed, very young children may understand their condition as sinners and their need to repent and to learn the way of salvation." May God give us wisdom as ministers, Sabbath school superintendents and teachers to win our children and young people to Christ in true and full conversion.

In the Districts

Elder Laing, assisted by Brethren Thomas, Reid and Miss Waldrow have been holding a strong effort at Bull Bay. A building has been erected on our splendid location in that place. Tuesday night, September 14, in the open air adjoining the North Street church, a lovely concert in aid of church repairs was enjoyed by many.

Elder Edwards in West Kingston is busy and on Sunday, September 12, an organ unveiling service was held in Greenwich Town church. Elder Edwards, assisted by Mrs. Richardson, Bible Instructor, will be holding a strong effort there immediately.

Andrew's Memorial church had a baptism of seven souls recently. Mrs. Hoshn, particularly, had worked hard in instructing the candidates.

Brother Gordon has just launched a strong campaign between now and the end of the year for a further forward step toward the completion of the Gretna Green church building. He and Elder Haig are busy on a three-week Youth Crusade programme in several churches in the East.

At Kencot Elder W. U. Campbell is pressing forward with an aggressive campaign toward the completion of that beautiful new church. With all his other duties, including boosting Mission Extension and Sabbath School Child Evangelism, his hands are more than full.

Brother Percy has used all his available funds to the Shortwood church for a new building, which is actually only the annex of the building they hope to obtain shortly. Together with his programme of leadership in the building of the new Kingsway High School, Brother Percy is very busy.

In the out of town districts Pastor Woodburn is pressing forward and will have, we believe, his Burnside Valley and Woodford churches completed this year. The members have worked devotedly towards the completion of these two churches.

Elder Walton's church at Old Harbour will be completed soon, and together with assisting Brethren Shaw and Carter on church building projects, with his great burden to do something toward a new church building at Spanish Town, Elder Walton is extremely busy. Brother Carter is holding a strong effort at Watermount and he expects to have the Duxes church

dedicated in December. Brother Shaw is very busy counting on strong baptisms in his district and the dedication of the Williamsfield church in November.

Elder Williams, our veteran pastor, is leading the brethren at Comfort Valley toward church completion, and the Clermont church is burdened toward enlarging their church building.

Brother Herbert Fletcher has worked devotedly toward the completion of the Annotto Bay church and this lovely building will finally be completed this year.

Carron Hall church has been dedicated in Elder Holgate's district and Hunt's Town will be dedicated on October 3. The gathering in of scores of souls in his district during the last quarter, is Elder Holgate's plan.

Elder McCalla is planning on a large Dorcas Rally for all his churches and the Acting Governor's wife will be invited to participate. The Yallas church is nearing completion.

Brother Kenneth Lewis is holding forth in some strong meetings at Belle View in the Portland district.

Brother Kenneth Samuels will be associated with Elder Williams in Eastern St. Mary, and will be conducting a revival at the Highgate church.

Brother Morgan, our colporteur leader, is on a few days rest. He with Brother Wilson are pressing the battle leading our colporteurs to victory for God.

We are anxiously awaiting the arrival of Pastor Hilbert Nembhard to lead out as district pastor for the Portland area.

Kingsway

The construction of the new Kingsway High School building, 109' long by 20', will be under way by the time this article appears in the *Visitor*. We are launching out by faith in God and we will need the assistance of our brethren and friends. The burden of our hearts is that when Christmas comes we may have a precious gift to present to our Lord Jesus Christ in the form of this new building, to the glory of God and the salvation of the young people of East Jamaica. Remember, brothers and sisters, "In East Jamaica, the goal of all goals is to live for Christ and to save precious souls."

—R. E. DELAFIELD.

WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

Pres. H. S. WALTERS
Sec.-Treas. L. A. MORRISON

West Jamaica News

Week of Prayer: The Annual Week of Prayer convenes November 13-20. Throughout West Jamaica our pastors and church leaders are making preparation for this to be a most outstanding period of intercession. All are urged to start from now to contact members who have grown cold backsliders and friends to these meetings.

Camp Meeting: The camp meeting of the West Jamaica Conference will convene in conjunction with the biennial conference session. The date will be December 21-26. Plans are being made for this occasion to be one of great spiritual benefit to our people. We urge that every church endeavour to see that some from that church attend this camp meeting. Special attention will be given to the youth and children during this time.

Back-Tithe: The month of October has been set aside as back-tithe month. During this time all the members of our conference are urged to take an inventory of their relationship with God and find out whether they have failed to return to Him a faithful tithe in the past, and endeavour to settle this by the end of October. Our conference workers join with the church leaders in making this month a very successful one. This will indeed be a good preparation for our week of prayer in November.

Efforts: Elder Holness baptized 21 as a result of an effort conducted at Palmyra. There is a large number awaiting the second baptism. A new church will be organized in the middle of November. The Lord certainly blessed the ministry of Elder Holness, Sister Haughton, our Bible Instructor, and the believers of Salt Spring.

Word from Westmoreland reveals that Elder Richards has successfully invaded the Friendship Mountain area. His tabernacle has proved too small and he has been forced to rebuild. Already there are indications that a large harvest of souls will be garnered and a church established to the glory of God in that area. The leader of a prominent church has taken his stand and a large number of candidates who were awaiting baptism in his church have postponed their baptism and are now attending this evangelistic meeting. Elder Richards is ably assisted by Brother Leslie and the members of the Coote Savannah church.

A large baptism was conducted at Scarborough, St. Ann. An effort was started there some months ago by Elder S. G. Lindo. Sister Robinson, the Bible Instructor, has been doing a very good work in preparing the candidates for baptism. In a letter from Sister Robinson she says the time is ripe for another effort in the same area. There is a stir and the people are coming out every week and taking their stand with God's commandment-keeping people.

Youth's Decision Day: Sabbath, October 2, will be Youth's Decision Day. This day concludes our month-long endeavour for the children and youth of our churches. We are expecting a large number to take their stand for the Master. Let us remember our youth in our prayers.

Education Offering: The members of the West Jamaica Conference are to be com-

mended for the sacrifice they are making in the interest of Christian education. Each month they are contributing toward the support of our educational programme. Every church member of the conference is urged to remember the Christian education offering. A farthing out of each shilling earned will save hundreds of our boys and girls from the corruption and evil of this life for the purity and righteousness of the life to come.

Baptism: On the 29th of August a large crowd witnessed a baptism at Moneague, St. Ann. Eleven candidates were baptized by Elder Walters. Nine of these were the direct result of the efforts of Lay-Precacher Nunes and the other faithful members of the Moneague church. The Lord is blessing the efforts of Brother Boyd and the laymen in that section of the vineyard.

Evangelistic Invasion: Brother Basil Henry opened an evangelistic invasion at Slipe. He reports that the strongholds of sin are being broken down and a large number will soon surrender to the King of kings. During the month of September Elder Walters conducted four baptisms in one day in Brother Henry's district, central St. Elizabeth. The work is moving by leaps and bounds under his leadership and the blessing of the Lord.

"Blessed Hope" Week-end: Over the "Blessed Hope" week-end conducted by the West Jamaica Conference, 700 individuals took their stand and joined up in the Bible and baptismal classes throughout the conference. Our believers made thousands of visits and gave thousands of Bible studies over this weekend. The Moneague church was most outstanding in its accomplishment during this weekend.

Successful Concert: Brother Colville Jones, our church school teacher at Vaughansfield, organized and conducted a very successful programme at Vaughansfield. Over £20 was realized. He was assisted by a musical company from the College under the direction of Brother Llewellyn Mullings, our energetic Book and Bible House secretary.

Vacation Time: During the month of September three of the secretaries in the office took their annual vacation, Misses Sudeall, Sybil Moncrieffe and Ona Jackson. They all returned refreshed and with the same smiling and courageous spirit to carry on the good fight. Miss Hazel Plummer of the Harrison's Memorial High School assisted us during the month of September while these secretaries were on their vacation. The office expresses thanks for the good work she did and the sunshine she brought.

Stone-laying: A large gathering of believers and friends of the community turned out on August 29 to the stone-laying ceremony of the Duncans church. Elder Reid, Brother Davis and the faith-

ful members of our church at Duncans did a very fine job in preparing for this occasion. Elder Stockhausen, our Union president, was on hand to deliver the address of the evening. The conference was represented by Elders Walters and Fletcher and Mrs. Walters.

Harvest Festival: Over 1,000 people from practically every section of West Jamaica assembled at Lucea for a grand harvest festival in aid of the Lucea church building. This programme was under the capable leadership of the energetic pastor of Hanover, Elder C. S. Greene, ably assisted by his lieutenants Mrs. Greene and Brethren McLean and Allen. The believers of Lucea church are to be commended for their sacrificial efforts in making this evening such a successful one.

The Union was represented by Elder Stockhausen, Elder Schneider and Elder Haig. Elder Schneider presented a most impressive harvest festival sermon. A large quantity of fruits and ground provisions were on sale. A variety programme was presented by the various churches present and proved to be most enjoyable. At sunset an evangelistic sermon was presented by Elder Walters, at the close of which around 30 individuals came forward signifying their intention to unite with the Advent people.

To crown the day's activities, a programme was presented by students of the West Indian Training College under the direction of Brother L. Mullings. It was well received. At the close of the day everyone went away feeling satisfied that he had spent a most enjoyable time.

Among the the workers from the conference present were Elder and Mrs. Holness, Elder and Mrs. Richards and Winston and Miss Rita Richards, our church school teacher at March Town. It has been revealed that over £100 was raised. It is the plan to start laying the foundation for the new building immediately. Pastor Greene plans to have the stone-laying ceremony in December.

Royal Flat Church: Under the leadership of our hard-working, courageous Home Missionary Secretary, Elder Harold Fletcher, the Royal Flat Church has distinguished itself as the most energetic church. Twenty-six souls were baptized in the month of September. This church leads the entire conference in having tripled its goal for souls for the year and reached its tithe goal up to the end of September. Their next objective is to reach their educational goal.

—VALERIE RYAN

A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.

By long forbearing is a prince persuaded and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.

Prov. 25:11, 15.

Andrews Memorial Hospital News

One of the nurses of the first graduating class of Andrews Memorial Hospital paid us a visit recently while on a few weeks vacation in the island. She is Nurse Doris Philpotts, who is now employed as a nurse anesthetist in a hospital in New Jersey, U.S.A. She was warmly welcomed by her former acquaintances.

Convalescing from a recent appendectomy is Miss Marion Brodie, treasurer of the Hospital. Filling the vacancy in the business office until Miss Brodie returns on September 22, is Miss Erna Chambers.

A welcome function was held on the night of September 9, to introduce Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Rittenhouse and Dr. and Mrs. Shankel to the members of the Hospital. Elder H. S. Walters acted as chairman for the evening and he was introduced by Elder E. H. Schneider. Prayer was offered by Elder Delafield. Welcome speeches were given by Elder A. C. Stockhausen, as President of the Union, and Dr. M. R. Hoehn, as Director of the Hospital.

The nurses sang a group song, "Hail to Jamaica," followed by a reading illustrating the dialect of Jamaica, which was given by Nurse Linda Johnson. Dr. Parchment provided entertainment with the rendition of the reading, "One Lone Hair." Trevor and Marjorie Delafield played a clarinet and violin duet accompanied at the piano by their mother.

The feted family by way of response shared their talents with us. The items were: a quartette—the song being one from Africa; a violin solo by Mrs. Rittenhouse, who is a concert violinist; and a vocal solo by Dr. Harvey Rittenhouse.

Dr. Johnston gave a few remarks about the medical situation here in Jamaica before asking the blessing on the refreshments.

A basket of roses with a personal message of welcome was presented by Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Hewitt. Mrs. Rittenhouse and Mrs. Shankel were sent Vanda Saunderiana orchid corsages by Dr. Machado, President of the Orchid Society of Jamaica.

On September 5, Nurse Lillian McGregor left the island by plane for Skidmore College, New York, where she will take

Greetings From the Publishing Dep.

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of God says, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee."

Like a day's work well done, let us endeavour to close life satisfied, having done our utmost. Then on Heaven's shore we shall receive His out-stretched hand with greetings.

—B. E. HURST.

a post graduate course in surgical nursing, and operating room procedure. We wish her success as she continues her studies in her chosen profession.

—MRS. E. HOEHN.

NOTICE

The West Indian Training College Church desires to know the whereabouts of the following members. Anyone able to give the needed information, please communicate with the clerk, Miss Verna Barclay, Box 22, Mandeville:

Evadne Adamson	Amy Nembhard
Roy Cornwall	Herbert Payne
Malcolm Gayle	Olive Thomas
Ethelbert Grant	Evelyn Russell
Abideel James	Sylvester Walker
Eugenny Lawrence	

W. I. T. College News

Dr. and Mrs. G. E. Shankel from Atlantic Union College, who are now on the staff of the West Indian Training College, were warmly welcomed during the chapel period on Friday, September 3.

On Sabbath, September 4, Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Rittenhouse, who have recently come from the United States to join the staff of the Andrews Memorial Hospital, attended services here. Dr. Rittenhouse sang for Sabbath school, "The Lord is My Shepherd" and for the divine service Mrs. Rittenhouse played the violin for us, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Shankel.

Elder P. W. Manuel, president of the Caribbean Training College, paid a two-day visit to the school. He spoke to the students at joint worship on September 14.

—VERONICA GREENE.

Master Fisherman they were all going to bring into the fold of God 171 souls. Many have passed their goals already, many are in sight of their goals, and before the year closes it is our firm belief that everyone will have reached his goal.

A few hundred pounds of orders were lost as a result of difficulties encountered in receiving our books from the press. For two months our colporteurs were forced to let their orders for "Stories of Jesus," one of our best sellers, go undelivered. Every colporteur felt the effects of this disappointment quite keenly.

Despite the severe handicaps encountered, our sales for the eight months of this year show a gain of more than £700 over last year the same period. We give God thanks for what He has accomplished through this small working force, and we look forward to the day when greater things will be accomplished through His humble, self-sacrificing colporteurs. As colporteur-evangelists, we are anxious for that time to come when "more than a thousand will be converted in a day, most of whom will trace their first convictions to the reading of our publications."

The Lord is still looking for conscientious persons to work in this important field, for we read in *Colporteur Ministry*, page 37: "My brethren and sisters, remember that one day you will stand before the Lord of all the earth . . . Then your work will appear as it really is. The vineyard is large, and the Lord is calling for labourers. Do not allow anything to keep you from the work of soul-saving. The canvassing work is a most successful way of saving souls. Will you not try it?"

—S. A. GRANT.

NOTE: Those in the West Jamaica Conference who are interested in canvassing, please cut out the following and send it to the Publishing Department, West Jamaica Conference, Mandeville P.O.

I would like to be a colporteur

NAME

AGE

ADDRESS

Bookmen of West Jamaica

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and they will pick up where they have left off. A small number have left our shores and are now settled in England and in other lands. We believe some day these will return home.

We are particularly happy to state that five full-time colporteurs were able to enter the West Indian Training College this year. These came out into the field this summer and did marvellously well with the help of the Lord. Another four or five hope to be accepted for next year, hence it is necessary that new canvassers be recruited from time to time. At the present time our colporteur army stands at forty-four.

Much emphasis has been placed on the soul-winning side of the colporteur work. At our mid-year rallies the book-men had all decided that with the help of the

Union News Notes

Elders L. L. Reile and J. C. Culpepper of the Division office, accompanied by Elder Frank Baer, of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, spent about ten days in Jamaica during August and September, in the interest of the Sabbath School, Radio and Publishing Departments. Their visit has given a real boost to these departments, and their presence at the Union office brought a great blessing.

Student Colporteur Experiences

History Helped

At the appointed time, I rapped on the door and was cordially received by Mr. — a public school teacher. He did not let me wait long before telling me that he had heard about the book I had introduced to his wife that morning; however, he was not interested in such things just then. I directed my reply so as to discover where his interest lay, and found it was in the field of politics. Thereupon I promptly switched to politics in history.

I prayed as I talked, and all my studies in world history came back to my mind. Swept from his moorings by his intense interest, Mr. — was soon listening to a discourse on prophecy. One hour and ten minutes had ticked by, and he, unable to contain himself any longer, raised his hand and exclaimed, "Stick a pin." I paused to await the wanted question, "Where do you get all that from?" I quickly produced a copy of *The Great Controversy*. Taking it from me, he continued, "Do all Seventh-day Adventists believe the same thing?" I replied in the affirmative, and then heard a query I shall not soon forget, "How is it," he asked, "that you know these things and keep so still about them?"

He ordered the book and invited me to visit him again. In fact, he said, "Please do not leave this place without coming back to see me."

This man is now reading that book diligently. Pray with me, that the Lord will direct him.

—H. H. HOLMES.

Soul Saving Work

The canvassing work has been ordained of God, and is to be the means of reaching souls who otherwise might not have the opportunity of hearing this glorious message. Consecrated colporteurs will find the way opened to lead souls to a fuller knowledge of the gospel in the light of Calvary. The following experience will prove my statement:

Brother Holness and I visited a lady, during our summer vacation, who told us her husband had paid three years subscription to *Life and Health*, but had not received the magazines; they had therefore decided not to subscribe again. She had lost the receipt, so I could not help her. But before long her confidence was built up in our being honest men. She renewed her subscription and ordered along with it, *The Bible Speaks*, which was later delivered.

After conversing with her a little she told us that her father in his old age became a Seventh-day Adventist and died one. She also stated that she knew that the Sabbath is the right day of worship, but she wanted to know the necessity of its observance. We were able to give her

light on the subject, enroll her in the Voice of Prophecy Bible Course, and prayed with her that the Lord might give her wisdom to grasp the deeper lessons in His Word. She has received the first lessons in this course and has enrolled her son also. Her request was that we should call again to see her at any time when we are around. Before long I believe this lady will be one of our number.

—Had it not been for the canvassing work, this lady might not have received such light as she needed then. I find great joy in doing this soul-saving work, and to those interested in being initiated into gospel work, I invite you to join the colporteur rank and if possible make it your life work. The Lord will bless you and the victor's crown you shall wear.

—N. H. Thorpe.



IN the quiet of early morning as the stars were growing dim,

I knelt at the feet of my Father and opened my heart to Him.

I begged for the Presence of Jesus to accompany me thru' the day,

That others might see His beauty as I canvassed along the way.

As I waited in sweet meditation, the Spirit said softly to me,

"Search the Word, Child, and His beauty will be revealed to thee."

Then I opened His beautiful letter that was written so long ago

For a guide to the humble colporteurs as they labour here below.

As I prayerfully turned the pages, this message to me He did send

Through Matthew, His loving disciple, "I am with you, Child, to the end."

I claimed His precious promise. With Great Controversy in my case,

I entered into blessed experiences that time can never erase.

Angels of God went beside me as I walked in the sun's bright rays;

And the birds from the loftiest tree tops cheered me with songs of praise.

I saw His life in the lilacs, in the lilies-of-the-valley, too;

I seemed to hear Him whisper, "Blessed are they that do."

I lifted my glad heart in prayer, and the tear-drops Iain would start

As my mind reverted to Calvary and I gazed on the bleeding heart.

When I entered a humble cottage, filthy with dirt and disease

And was tempted to shorten my canvass, He whispered, "The least of these."

Sometimes when my knock was answered unkindly and rudely, too,

Then He spoke to me ever so gently, "They know not what they do."

I rapped on the door of a mansion and my soul was filled with fright.

Then He spoke this to me, "The ruler who came by night."

When my courage seemed to falter, He would say, "Dear Child of Mine,

Think of your lowly Shepherd, remember the ninety and nine."

Once my aching feet were dragging, and the pain was faint and deep;

Then words came to give me comfort, "In due season you will reap."

So the words of His beautiful letter were my guide throughout the day,

And kept me in communion with Heaven as I travelled earth's pathway.

Then at last when day was ending, and my footsteps homeward turned,

Like the ones who walked to Emmaus, my heart within me burned.

'Twas purged by His beautiful letter through which He spoke to my soul,

God gave me blessed victory, and brought me a step nearer the goal.

In the hush of the falling twilight, when at last the day was done,

In the secret of His Presence, where was listening only One,

I knelt in humble reverence and in prayer thanked Him again

That He called me to be a colporteur, and made me a "fisher of men."

—AUTHOR UNKNOWN.

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No Greater Work

The canvassing work is indeed a divinely appointed plan for the purpose of bringing to all categories of men the gospel of Christ. It should therefore be carried out with a deep sense of Christian interest in the welfare of humanity, both spiritually and physically. Without this, the progress of the work may be hindered rather than helped.

In the summer of 1954 I should have delivered to one of my many prospects a health volume entitled *The New Modern Medical Counselor*. Owing to my busy programme for that day, I delivered all but hers. On the same evening I had to return to college, so I wrote and gave her a new date for the delivery, explaining my reason for having to do this.

When I took the volume to her she said with much regret that she was unable to take it then, having lost her job the previous day. I told her that I was very sorry, but assured her that God in His love for us, at times allows us to lose one job to find a better.

Just as I handed her a tract and was about to say good-bye, she asked me to pause. A few minutes after, she came out with the money and paid for the volume. I was tremendously amazed and went away rejoicing, because the influence of the Holy Spirit was clearly manifested.

Truly, there is no greater work in the world than the canvassing work.

—C. E. Salmon.

Field Yet Virgin

During my canvassing last summer I was privileged to speak with a member of an estate staff, the time keeper. After explaining my work, I got his order. He was so interested in the work that I was doing that he introduced me to one of his workmen, telling him that I had something he very much needed. I spoke to that workman and took his order.

Another workman was passing the time-keeper's office and was called in. I was again introduced and made another successful demonstration. On my return for delivery I found the same spirit manifested in taking the books.

Surely, there are still virgin fields yet to be explored, while the Spirit of God is always ready to impress the hearts of men.

—L. S. Scott.

Strength for Trial Gained in Family Worship

"The father who is the 'house-band' of the family will bind his children to the throne of God by living faith. Distrusting his own strength, he hangs his helpless soul on Jesus and takes hold of the strength of the Most High. Brethren, pray at home, in your family, night and morning pray earnestly in your closet; and while engaged in your daily labour, lift up the soul to God in prayer. It was thus that Enoch walked with God. The silent, fervent prayer of the soul will rise like holy incense to the throne of grace and will be as acceptable to God as if offered in the sanctuary. To all who thus seek Him, Christ becomes a present help in time of need. They will be strong in the day of trial."

Testimonies for the Church,
volume 4, p. 616.

Vitamins — the Sparkle of Youth — V

Vitamin E. — The exact functions of Vitamin E in human nutrition is not known and in any case, deficiency is not likely to result since it is found widely distributed in grains and green leafy vegetables.

Vitamin K. — Is found in very small quantities in the foods that are high in Vitamin C, but most of the Vitamin K is manufactured by bacteria in the small intestines. It is essential for proper clotting of the blood and its deficiencies may affect any age group, from hemorrhagic diseases of the new born to excessive bleeding in adults.

Other Vitamins. — There are many other vitamins that have not been listed in this series of articles and new ones are constantly being found. Since the value of some of these, however, is not yet determined, we have mentioned only the more important ones. If an adequate variety of foods is eaten so that these important vitamins are all obtained, then it is most likely that any unknown or less important Vitamin will also be obtained.

For Better Health, get all your Vitamins every day.

—M. R. HOEHN, M.D.

Until The Day-Break

IRELAND.—Our late Brother M. E. Ireland passed to his rest on July 31 and was buried at Amity on August 1; Elders Walters and Holness performing the funeral rites.

Brother Ireland accepted the Advent message over 30 years ago and was instrumental in raising up the Amity church of which he was leader for many years. He lived a consistent Christian life in the community. He leaves to mourn their loss, his wife, 10 children, 40 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. He sleeps, awaiting the call of the Life-giver.

McKENZIE.—The late Sister Jane McKenzie, of the Mount Providence church, embraced the Advent message in 1906 and was faithful to the end, being laid to rest at the age of 79. For over six years she lost the ability to recognize even her own loved ones, yet she could hold her own in a discussion of the prophecies of the Bible and other religious themes for hours. We look forward to meeting our sister on the resurrection morning.

WALKER. — The late Brother Lansbert Walker lost his life as a result of an accident. At the time of his death he was Young People's leader and one of the deacons of the Bourbon church. He leaves to mourn their loss, his wife, mother, four brothers, two sisters and many friends and relatives.

The Colporteur's Reward

When the redeemed stand before God, precious souls will respond to their names who are there because of the faithful, patient efforts put forth in their behalf, the entreaties and earnest persuasions to flee to the Stronghold. Thus those who in this world have been labourers together with God will receive their reward. *1

What will be the gratitude of souls that will meet us in the heavenly courts as they understand the sympathetic, loving interest which has been taken in their salvation! All praise, honour, and glory will be given to God and to the Lamb for our redemption; but it will not detract from the glory of God to express gratitude to the instrumentality He has employed in the salvation of souls ready to perish.

The redeemed will meet and recognize those whose attention they have directed to the uplifted Saviour. What blessed converse they have with these souls! "I was a sinner," it will be said, "without God and without hope in the world, and you came to me, and drew my attention to the precious Saviour as my only hope." . . .

What rejoicing there will be as these redeemed ones meet and greet those who have had a burden in their behalf! *2

*1 "Testimonies for the Church," vol. 8, pp. 196, 197.

*2 "Ibid," vol. 6, pp. 310-312.