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Master Guides Invested



MASTER GUIDES INVESTED - KINGSTON - AUGUST 30, 1958

August 30, 1958, will long be remembered by the Missionary Volunteers of Kingston and St. Andrew in East Jamaica, when 16 uniformed Master Guides were presented for investiture by Brother and Sister E. J. Heisler of the Andrews Memorial Hospital Church. These young people were from various churches in the corporate area.

The service which was witnessed by a large audience of over a thousand individuals was conducted at the North Street

S. D. A. Temple. From the time Pastor Harold Nembhard, pastor of the church, gave the welcome remarks, to the time of the consecration prayer offered by President E. H. Schneider of the East Jamaica Conference, everything moved on a precision basis. Behind this well planned programme was Brother A. G. Carnegie, programme director, who had spent many hours with his committees in order that the programme would be a successful venture.

The interesting programme which last-

ed for close upon two hours saw all the Master Guides for investiture taking part, bringing before the large audience some interesting experience of the Master Guide work. M. V. Secretary and Youth Leader H. A. Mills gave a talk on the Master Guide work; and when Brother and Sister Heisler presented the class as fit for investiture, C. S. Greene of the British West Indies Union Mission M. V. Department gave the charge before a hushed audience, and a uniformed group of the Master Guides presented the insignias, scarves, badges and tokens.

At the end of the service, an exhibition of the work done by the Master Guides was declared open to the visitors in the Youth Hall of the church.

Among the visitors to the investiture, and taking part in the service were: Elders A. C. Stockhausen, R. S. Blackburn, W. A. Holgate and M. G. Nembhard of the British West Indies Union; Elders E. H. Schneider, V. T. Boyce, L. S. Binns, A. D. Laing, O. P. Reid, and Brother A. G. Lawrence of the East Jamaica Conference; Sister Elizabeth Hoehn and Sister Etta Hewitt of Andrews Memorial; Sister Eva Williams of Kingsway High School and Professor Oscar Harriott; Doctor and Mrs. A. R. Parchment of Mandeville; and Pastor and Mrs. W. O. Comm of the West Indian Training College.

At the service it was pointed out that these Master Guides had dedicated their lives for service, and that many of them were preparing other classes for investiture as well as leading boys and girls in the M. V. Pathfinder Club and other related M. V. activities.

It is our hope that hundreds more of our youth of the B.W.I. Union will join these Missionary Volunteers in the March for Service.

—C. S. Greene

To worry about tomorrow is to fail of devotion to the tasks of today, and so to spoil both days.—William Dewitt Hyde.

Camp Bamivoca Number Eight

Camp Bamivoca Number eight under the direction of W. W. Nairn, Missionary Volunteer Secretary of the Bahamas Mission, was held at Victoria Beach, Hog Island, a small island just off the eastern shore of Nassau.

The eight day camp began Tuesday morning, August 12. At 9:00 a.m. Tuesday morning, the STARDUST took its first load of campers and equipment to the beautiful camp site. At mid-day we were all settled and ready to enjoy the spiritual and physical feasts that a good camp provides.

With forty-two campers and eighteen camp officers and counsellors, the annual youth camp was off to a good start. Everyone was registered and placed, then the routine of camp life began. For the next eight days everyone enjoyed the companionship of fellow campers, counsellors and leaders; the varied programme of games, campcraft, campfire circles, nature hikes, swimming, camp counsel meetings, line calls, morning devotional periods, delicious meals inspection and all other activities which go with a well-planned camp programme.

We are privileged to have with us Elder C. S. Greene, Missionary Volunteer Secretary of the British West Indies Union, who assisted Brother W. W. Nairn, Camp Director. Elder Greene was also responsible for the wonderful camp counsels, nature walks and talks that we enjoyed.

Some of the others assisting during the eight-day camp were, Elder H. D. Colburn, campfire-director; Brother A. L. Lyle, who served as Camp Chaplain, having charge of the daily Morning Watch Devotion period; Nurse Rose Colebrook who took care of our medical needs; Brother N. E. Scavella, boys' superintendent; Eric Hepburn, commissary; and Mrs. D. A. Mc-Millan, camp matron.

Among our visitors on Sabbath, August 16, was Miss Eulease Rolle of deep Creek Andros, who was buried with our Lord in baptism by Elder H. D. Colburn immediately following the Missionary Volunteer Meeting. We were happy too, that among our campers, were three non-adventist youth who seemed much impressed with this ceremony and we feel confident that these young people will in the near future be candidates for Heaven.

All too soon it was time to pack our gear and start the trip back to Nassau. We could readily see that not many were anxious to leave this beautiful spot with its spreading palms and stately pine trees together with the balmy sea breeze to return home, some to work and some to prepare for another school year.

As the campers stepped ashore in Nassau, however, all agreed that it was "the best camp yet", and many were already laying plans to attend the next one which will be "Camp Bamivoca Number Nine" in 1959.

— Olga Rookwood
Girls' Superintendent
Camp Bamivoca Number Eight.

News Items—East Jamaica Conference

Elder V. T. Boyce on Furlough: On Sunday, August 31, Elder and Sister V.T. Boyce and their four children left Palisadoes airport on a three months furlough to Barbados, Trinidad, and British Guiana, the home of Sister Boyce. Elder Boyce has served faithfully as Secretary-treasurer of the East Jamaica Conference for three and a half years. The present furlough is his first furlough in 16 years of foreign service. He is deserving of this long delayed vacation. We trust that he will return to us with new vigour to pursue his duties as Secretary Treasurer in the East.

Miss Moy Rhoden leaves for Study: After almost four years of faithful service in the East Jamaica Conference, Miss Moy Rhoden, a secretary in our office, left, Tuesday, September 30, to pursue studies in Ottawa, Canada, with Radiology as her major. She has been an earnest, dependable worker here. We will miss her. However, we bid her God's speed in her endeavour to further her education.

Church Officers Councils: For the past six weeks Elders A. D. Laing and E. H. Schneider have been touring the field meeting with the church officers for the express purpose of promoting evangelism. We have had many interesting meetings which we believe will be profitable. May the Lord bless our church officers as they lead out in this important field of soul-winning.

Move to New Office: The Executive Committee of the East Jamaica Conference voted to move our office from its present site to the new office site at 74 Constant Spring Road, on October 20. During the past three months complete and extensive remodeling has been going on at our new office site under the direction of Brother L. H. Hall. Our constituency are invited to come into our new office after October 20, to inspect our commodious and centrally located new office home.

Week of Prayer: Already plans are being made for our fall Week of Prayer from November 15-22. We trust that all of our readers will make a special covenant with God to make this Week of Prayer the most spiritual one ever experienced in this Conference. In this serious hour we need to draw close to the Lord in prayer. Peter says in 1 Peter 4:7, "But the end of all things is at hand. Be ye therefore sober and watch unto prayer." May this be the experience of each one of us during the forthcoming Week of Prayer season.

Personnel Change: The East Conference workers staff were happy to welcome Brother A. G. Lawrence back to our field after spending six years pursuing his B.A. and M. A. degrees in the United States. Brother Lawrence received his Master's Degree from our Seminary in December, 1957. When Elder F. E. White left for study leave the committee invited Brother

With the Cayman Islands Mission

The brilliant summer sun sinks slowly in the west as the shadows of the spreading wild grapes lengthen on the beautiful stretches of white sand that mark the western coastline of Grand Cayman. Here and there little groups pleasantly lounge in the shadows as the children frolic in the sand. A feeling of peace and goodwill pervades the atmosphere, and nature herself seem to be co-operating with the divine plan. The afternoon is clear, the gentle waves caressingly embrace the golden sand. The appointed hour arrives, and at a given signal the groups so recently basking in the shadows reverently gather and in full appreciation of the glorious privilege, blend their voices with the voices of heavenly hosts as souls born anew are welcomed by baptism into the family of their Redeemer. Such were the beautiful circumstances under which the Church in West Bay, Grand Cayman, on Sunday, August 31, at 5:00 p.m. joyfully added to their number by baptism, Sisters Goldie Ebanks, and Naomi Dilbert, and Brothers Frank Dilbert and Albert Blake.

Indeed it was a joyful group who retired that evening from the beautiful beach, and each heart seemed filled with the Spirit of Love and Goodwill. The cares of earth seemed to have been all, already passed, and the only regret was caused by the fact that two candidates, because of unforeseen circumstances, were prevented from being able to go forward. We are hoping that in the very near future these with others, born again, may also be received by baptism into the fold.

Garfield Newman

Lawrence to return to Jamaica where he is now fulfilling the duties of the Pastor of the West Kingston District. We pray for God's rich blessing on our brother as he labours in God's vineyard.

New Babies Born: Two of our Workers in the East Conference had "blessed events" occasions in their family recently. Pastor and Mrs. A. A. Morgan were blessed with a sweet little boy and Pastor and Mrs. H. Edison Nembhard had an equally sweet little girl. May the Lord bless these two little "Advent" babies and may they take their place in God's Cause.

Wedding Bells: Elder O. P. Reid was joined in matrimony by his brother, Elder E. C. H. Reid at the Andrew's Memorial chapel in August to Sister Kavannah. Everyone in the East Conference sincerely hopes and prays that Elder Reid will enjoy connubial felicity such as he has never experienced. We also wish for brother George Wilson and his bride happiness in their matrimonial relations. Sister Wilson, who has just returned from Canada, is a nurse

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News Notes From West Jamaica

Evangelism Rally at Denbigh— January 1, 1959.

The West Jamaica Conference is now preparing for a big Evangelistic Rally at Denbigh on January 1, 1959. All the churches throughout the Conference are making plans for this important endeavour. The Dorcas Society will have their display in the forenoon, and the afternoon will be devoted to the Evangelistic features of the Conference. We are expecting that our Laymen will make plans to take part in the "Trophy Hour" which will be very inspiring. We are expecting Division and General Conference representatives, and we are sure that with heaven's blessings this occasion will be one of great inspiration to our Leaders throughout the Conference.

West Jamaica Welcomes the New Arrivals to its Circle.

A daughter to Elder & Mrs. S. M. Reid.
A son to Pastor & Mrs. Lynford Williams.
A son to Pastor & Mrs. Robert Williams.
A daughter to Elder & Mrs. J. Allen.
A daughter (by adoption) to Elder & Mrs. E. C. H. Reid.
A son to Elder & Mrs. H. R. Bennett

Church Schools on the Advance

Brother Donald Morgan, our energetic Educational Secretary, reports over 2,600 of our boys and girls enrolled in our twenty-four church schools throughout the Conference. This gives the West Jamaica Conference the largest church school enrolment of any local organization in the Inter-American Division. Our teachers are dedicated to the Cause of Christian Education. They are doing a very fine job in their respective schools. Through their untiring efforts and the Lord's blessing, the schools maintained the 72 per cent last year in the local examination.

The pastors and church leaders are standing 'by' and helping the schools to operate financially sound. We are happy to know that most of our schools have a reserve in the Conference, which is so important to the progress of any school. We are greatly encouraged by the response of our believers to the farthing in the shilling endeavour. There are some churches where we have one hundred per cent support on this plan. Notable among them are Newell, Bird's Hill and Dias, and now Montego Bay is taking up the response in a most encouraging way.

Harrison's Memorial High School

The Harrison's Memorial High School is surging forward by leaps and bounds. The Secondary School has now reached the one hundred and eleven mark in enrolment. We have a combined enrolment of two hundred and sixty-two including the Primary Department. We are indeed grateful to our Gracious Heavenly Father, for the fine work done by Mrs. Reid and her dedicated staff. They are making a tremendous contribution to the cause of Christian Education. At the present time

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Big Week Literature

Like the leaves of Autumn

In the calendar of special dates for 1958, the Mission Extension is one that deserves our attention. We may become so engrossed with our routine activities that we may fail to sense the importance of this soul-winning programme.

It was the writer's privilege to join Pastor Garfield Newman in a Convention in Georgetown, Grand Cayman on September 13. It certainly would have inspired your hearts to see the great possibilities before us in this particular line of missionary endeavour. We are too often inclined to follow the old beaten path instead of attempting and expecting great things from God. So often we are discouraged as field leaders or Home Missionary leaders and Officers because of the fact that Big-Week Campaigns lengthen into Big Months, Big Quarters, and perhaps even Big Half Years.

After presenting to the assembly the challenge of the great unfinished task and the solemn responsibility of every member to be a "Fisher of Men", our members were invited to purchase books on hand and distribute to their friends, acquaintances and business-men. It was really a thrilling moment to see the stock in the Book and Bible House depleted. Pastor Newman however, promised to order a fresh supply so that every member would be privileged to take part in the Mission Extension Campaign.

The Psalmist must have been looking down the stream of time during these closing days when he said "Thy people shall be willing in the day of Thy power." What was done in Grand Cayman can be done in every section of the British West Indies Union. In these more prosperous days we should encourage our members to buy books and distribute them in their communities. A certain sister was so impressed, that she promised to clear her book shelves of the many small books that were serving no purpose and give them to various persons in her community.

As we heed the command of Christ, "Give ye them to eat", may we ever remember that we may fulfill this command by scattering our Truth-filled literature among our neighbours and friends.

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 received it. Thus it will be in the distribution of our literature. God's truth, as it is passed out, will multiply greatly. And as the disciples, by Christ's direction, gathered up the fragments, that nothing might be lost, so we should treasure every fragment of literature containing the truth for this time. None can estimate the influence that even a torn page containing the truths of the third angel's message may have upon the heart of some seeker after truth.—Christian Service p. 153

—M. G. Nembhard

News Items From West Indian Training College



Miss LAUREL MARR

Advanced Study for Staff Members

Two years ago Miss Laurel Marr was granted a two-year leave of absence. Miss Marr already had her B. A. from E. M. C., but she was anxious to get her M. A. degree. This degree was awarded her last June by the University of Nebraska. Miss Marr has served her Alma Mater faithfully and efficiently for a number of years as dean of women, registrar and English teacher. We are happy to welcome her back to West Indian Training College as a member of the faculty. She has already taken up her work as registrar and English teacher.

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Mr. Norman Mitchell has been granted a three-year scholarship at the University College of the West Indies. This scholarship was granted after a keen competitive examination in which over a thousand contestants participated. In the first elimination the contestants were reduced to 250. Out of the second elimination 60 were chosen and Mr. Mitchell was among this latter group. Mr. Mitchell will be majoring in science. For the past two years, he has been teaching at Kingsway High School and West Indian Training College. He has been doing very successful work in the classroom. We are reluctant to lose his services, even temporarily but we look forward to his return to the College when he has completed his studies. There is a possibility that Mr. Mitchell, after getting his B. Sc. from the U. C. W. I., may be granted an additional year's scholarship to get his diploma in Education. We wish to congratulate him on winning this scholarship. As he leaves the college for advanced studies, the prayers of students and teachers will go with him.

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at Andrew's Memorial Hospital. We wish both these couples God's rich blessing.

Stone Laying: Since the last report to the *Visitor* we have had stone laying ceremonies at Hagley Gap, Woodburn, Dallas Castle, and Harker's Hall. Some of these buildings are well under way with plans of completion as soon as possible. May the Lord bless these churches in their endeavours to rear edifices to the honour and glory of God.

Church Dedications: The Lord willing, both the Grenna Green and the Richmond churches will be dedicated the latter part of November or the first part of December this year. We trust that building operations will continue until such time as both of these churches are ready to be presented to the Lord.

Sabbath School Workshop: At the present writing we are preparing for Elder L. L. Reile from the Inter-American Division to conduct Sabbath School workshops in several of our churches in the East Jamaica Conference. These workshops will be held from October 6th to the 11th and should inspire our Sabbath School workers to greater activities in soul-winning endeavours.

Evangelistic Reports: Several large efforts are scheduled for the fall season in the East Jamaica Conference. Elder H. E. Nembhard will hold a major effort at the Rollington Town church beginning Sunday night, 5th October. Brother A. G. Lawrence expects to hold an effort at Greenwich Town beginning Sunday night, October 12th. The effort being held by Elder C. H. Parchment at Palm has produced a very strong interest. After leaving Palm, Elder Parchment expects to hold a three-week revival at Bagbie. Elder S. Rugless has been holding an effort at Lluidas Vale which he reports is being faithfully attended. Elder L. S. Carter at the present moment is holding an effort at John's Town which is also well attended. Elder J. N. Williams has had good attendance at Albany. Brother Roy Ashmeade's interest at Rosend has been very good. In all probability a new church will be reared up in this locality. Elder Keith Boyd's meetings in Tranquility have been well attended. These meetings should result in the organisation of the Tranquility company. Brother A. W. Campbell has experienced outstanding success at Bath and also at Hampton Court during his revivals there. Several of our other ministers have been holding revivals in their districts and have met with good success. May the Lord bless our East forces as they endeavour to win souls for Christ.

— E. H. Schneider, President
East Jamaica Conference of S. D. A.

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plans are being made for the acquiring of another property for the housing of the Secondary department.

Montego Bay Revival

For eight days at Montego Bay, Elder H. S. Walters assisted by Elders Fletcher and Griffiths conducted an inspiring revival. Mrs. Doris Burton, director of the City Tabernacle Choir, New York City, led out in the music. Hundreds of individuals expressed their determination to follow the Lord all the way. Forty-eight of these expressed their desire to be baptized in the Advent Church.

Before the beginning of the revival, Elder Fletcher conducted a one week revival with the church members. This was indeed a very good preparation which was to a great extent responsible for the success of the revival. We give God the glory for His leading in that section of the vineyard.

Evangelism

At the present time there are a number of our ministers who are out on the evangelistic front. They are at the following places: Pastor Lynford Williams—Lincoln, Elder J. Allen—Wakefield, Pastor W. Kirlaw—Wait-a-bit, Elder E. C. H. Reid—Hopewell, Elder H. Bennett—Santa Cruz, Elder E. Hyatt—Dias, Elder S. M. Reid—Ocho Rios. We solicit the prayers of God's people around the field for these pastors who are out on the firing line.

Pastor K. Paddyfote has just concluded a very successful effort at Four Roads. The believers are now connected to the Chapelton church.

News Items From W.I.T.C

Miss Jean Lloyd, another Staff member, has been granted a tuition scholarship at Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska, effective January 1959. She has been granted a two-year study leave of absence by the college in which to earn her B. A. degree in Mathematics. Miss Lloyd came to W. I. T. C. in 1955. During her years as a student, she earned her school expenses as a student teacher. For the past two years, she has been a regular member of the staff. Her services have been much appreciated by students and teachers. Her absence from the campus will be keenly felt, but we shall look forward to Miss Lloyd's return two years hence.

We are happy to have our faculty members qualify for greater responsibilities by advanced studies both at home and abroad. In every way, the college will have a well-trained faculty with the required scholastic degrees. Miss Jean Lloyd will join two of our staff members who are already at Union College and who we hope will be back in a year or two. I refer to Messrs Joe Fletcher and LeRoy Lawrence.

— M. J. Sorenson.

News Notes From the Bahamas Mission

Mr. & Mrs. Neville Scavella left Tuesday morning August 26, for their new post of duty in Kemps Bay Andros. Brother Scavella will pastor the South Andros district and Mrs. Scavella will act as head teacher of the Kemps Bay School.

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Miss Ruth White has been invited to join the staff of the Bahamas Junior Academy. She has recently returned from Atlantic Union College where she has successfully completed special courses in Secretarial Science and Home Economics.

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Mr. & Mrs. Silas McKinney have been invited to join the staff at the Bahamas Mission office. Brother McKinney has taken over as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mission and Mrs. McKinney as office secretary. We wish them a pleasant term of service at our Mission's headquarters.

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Miss Olga Rockwood is spending her summer vacation with her parents in Nassau. For the next two weeks she will be helping with the duties in the Mission office before returning to Canadian Union College where she is a student.

Notices

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of George Reid, a member of the Bath S.D.A. church, is kindly asked to inform—Mrs. P. A. Langley, Mark Hill P.A.

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