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## Ingathering

If this were a News Paper, this item would be worthy of front page and headlines notice. However, since it is of more than front page value, it calls for hearty praise to our Heavenly Father for what He has wrought through the Conferences and Missions of the West Indies Union. This big news is: all three of the Conferences and the Bahamas Mission are over the basic goals and are pressing on to the super-goals.

Over £16,000 has been raised in the West Indies Union thus far. The East Jamaica Conference with a basic goal of £4,300 has raised £4,500 and they are now pressing on to their super-goal of £5,500. Our hats off to Brother White for the wonderful work he has done in this his ascension year. We appreciate the support of the officers of the East Jamaica Conference and all the ministry in making this report possible.

The Central Jamaica Conference with a basic goal of £4,100 has raised £4,322. They likewise, are pressing on to their super-goal of £6,500. For this work, Brother Hyatt, we salute you, the officers of the Central Jamaica Conference and all the preachers who have made this a real victory campaign.

The West Jamaica Conference with a goal of £4,300 has raised £4,327 17 5. This is a wonderful achievement when you consider that all the officers are brand new to their jobs and to the task of Ingathering. Brother Reid has led out in a strong way and has the complete confidence and cooperation of all the pastors and workers, making his first campaign a tremendous success. How wonderful it is to know that our God has blessed us with this unusual victory.

This morning we received a letter from Pastor Mote, the president of the Bahamas Mission, in which he says that not only have they reached their goal but they hope to supersede last year's

achievements which were the highest in the records of the Bahamas Mission.

As yet we have not heard from the Cayman Islands Mission, but we are sure that their first report will be a good one.

What can we say more than to praise our God for what He has done and praise our brethren for the strong leadership that has attended this campaign. Again I say thanks to my brethren in all the conferences and missions for their hearty cooperation during this campaign. Next year a new leader will be in the Union. I trust and believe that the brethren will give him the same cooperation they have given me and that God's work will go forward to His praise, honour, and glory.

—E. H. Schneider, Sec'y  
H. M. Department

## Statistical Report

There is a tendency for human beings to compare themselves with each other. If there is a comparison to be made, we should compare ourselves with Christ. We should constantly think of the standard He has set for His children. "If thou could'st in vision see thyself the man God meant, thou never more would'st be the man thou art, content."

To many of us a comparison in baptisms with other Unions in the Inter-American Division would be a most interesting report, but I have chosen to compare our attainments with the three previous years. Let us ever keep before our minds that we have a growing constituency, as well as a growing corps of workers. We have never had as large a number of ministers in the field, and we have never had so many ministers supervising our churches. Let us remember that never in our history have we had so many trained ministers.

It is still quite fresh in our minds the days when our ministers had as many

as 27 churches. His responsibility of supervising church buildings, officiating at the Communion services, baptisms, funerals, election of officers, Harvest Thanksgiving services, had to be carried on with very limited travel. I wonder how many would welcome what some still call "the good old days."

We thank God for the added facilities we have secured through the years. We are able to contact our churches more easily and most of us at present have the help of motorized transportation. It would be a very interesting comparison to see how many Centurions there were when our ministers had much larger districts and far more responsibilities. Some of you already know that in those days there were many who were double Centurions.

In looking over our statistics I observed that in the year 1960, we baptized 2,519 souls in the West Indies Union compared to 2,873 in 1961, a gain of 354. This is rather encouraging. There was a time when the denomination had as a slogan, "Doubling the church membership." This was just prior to the 1958 General Conference. I would like to suggest that an appropriate slogan would be "Doubling our soul winning endeavours." So many doors that are now opened to us may soon be closed. We do not know how long the religious freedom we now enjoy will last. Let us spend more time studying Christ's methods in helping and saving the lost.

"Jesus set the example, not only in purity and life, not only in obedience, faith, and loyalty, but also in what to do and how to do it. He recognized that salvation is a strictly personal matter. He chose His disciples one by one. Though He came to save the whole of mankind He left no plan to save them in masses. His plan was to preach the gospel to every creature, not to nations or races."

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## COMPARATIVE EXHIBIT OF TITHES FOR THE YEARS 1960 AND 1961 TITHES

	BAHAMAS				CAYMAN		
	1960	1961	Gain	Gain %	1960	1961	Gain
Tithe	£ 16582 15 10	17527 8 0	944 12 2	5.69	4125 0 8	3032 16 0	(1092 4 8)
<b>MISSION</b>							
Missions	989 6 11	1117 19 0	128 12 1	13.04	342 5 8	319 19 11	(22 5 9)
13th Sabbath	328 2 9	465 11 0	137 8 3	41.76	137 3 8	122 0 5	(15 3 3)
Birthday	41 16 7	75 11 4	33 14 9	8.92	21 0 4	19 17 11	(1 2 5)
Investment	134 4 3	246 7 2	112 2 11	83.58	49 5 1	43 6 9	(5 18 4)
Big Week						4 17 2	4 17 2
Foreign Missions	14 16 3	39 17 11	25 1 8	166.66	39 16 5	22 11 5	(17 5 0)
Ingathering	2200 0 0	2360 4 1	160 4 1	7.27	326 8 5	291 0 10	(35 7 7)
Mid-Summer							
Week of Sacrifice	52 13 9	160 12 6	107 18 9	203.79	20 10 11	13 4 0	(7 6 11)
Thank Offering	11 8 0		(11 8 0)	(100.00)		0 19 6	0 19 6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£ 3772 8 6</b>	<b>4466 3 0</b>	<b>693 14 6</b>	<b>18.39</b>	<b>936 10 6</b>	<b>837 17 11</b>	<b>(98 12 7)</b>

### TITHE RECEIPTS

#### WEST INDIES UNION

	1960	1961	Gain	Gain %
Tithe	£ 135348 2 8	147279 3 0	11931 0 4	8.81

### MISSION OFFERINGS

Missions	11019 6 3	11815 9 6	796 3 3	7.22
13th Sabbath	3142 0 1	3381 9 2	239 9 1	7.60
Birthday	305 5 5	370 9 1	65 3 8	21.31
Investment	1501 0 2	1678 3 0	177 2 10	11.79
Big Week	301 19 2	298 5 2	(3 14 0)	(1.32)
Foreign Missions	359 6 5	385 9 9	26 3 4	7.24
Ingathering	17376 6 1	18404 4 10	1027 18 9	5.92
Mid-Summer	1 8 1	7 1 0	5 12 11	510.00
Week of Sacrifice	372 7 5	433 11 5	61 4 0	13.70
Thank Offering	11 8 0	0 19 6	(10 8 6)	(9.99)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£ 34390 7 1</b>	<b>36775 2 5</b>	<b>2384 15 4</b>	<b>6.93</b>

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to God that we release this exhibit of Tithes and Offerings for 1961 as compared with 1960.

The picture last year for our little Cayman Islands Mission was far from encouraging. We have confidence however, that there will be a great upsurge in every phase of our work this year under the new administration.

Seventh-day Adventists are dedicated to the proposition of living and giving this blessed Message. With the organization of a new conference here in Jamaica and a greater dedication to the unfinished task, we are confident that our people will be more faithful in tithe paying and with opened hands respond to appeals at home and abroad as never before.

—V. T. Boyce, Treasurer  
WEST INDIES UNION MISSION

## Faith For Today Receives Court Summons

"You're breaking the Sabbath law" were the words tersely spoken by one of New York City's uniformed officers in blue to Faith for Today's press manager, Howard Lund, on a recent Sunday morning.

Taken by surprise, Mr. Lund retorted, "Oh no! I kept the Sabbath yesterday."

"That doesn't make any difference, the law states that no work of this kind is to be done on Sunday. Besides, you people ought to take off one day a week," the officer countered.

"But we do. We keep the Bible Sabbath which is from Friday sunset to Saturday sunset," was Mr. Lund's explanation.

Apparently not understanding the significance of the explanation, the officer argued, "We have been watching this place and have noticed that you have been operating seven days a week."

Faith for Today's press manager tried to explain that they were careful not to begin work until well after Saturday sunset. He further explained that they were working at this time to meet some emergency printing deadlines and that this was an unusual situation.

The officer's answer to all this reasoning was to call out the patrol car parked nearby, "Bring in the book."

The official Summons to appear in the Magistrates' Court of the City of New York is a stark and solemn reminder that the last pieces of fulfilled prophecy were rapidly falling into place.

Although the Summons bore the name of the press manager it actually meant "Faith for Today" for he was working in their employ. Each staff member, aware that these things were forecast by God's Word, was prodded by the fact that nothing has quite the impact of reality like the words "Summons" and "for violation of Sabbath law."

Another thoughtful reflection was: "Should not this be taken as an urgent reminder that so little time remains to do God's bidding—to reach the hearts of multitudes with His message of love for these last days?"

Then as each worker left the office the impact of seeing thousands of homes along the way each with its precious lives for whom God yearns brought again the striking thought—"So many souls, so little time."

Isn't this your thought as you, too, share this experience? The answer should be "What can I do?" You can pray and give that "Faith for Today" will be able to expand into areas not yet receiving the telecast. This must be done with a renewed sense of the mission of God and the urgency of time. The capsheaf to this experience are the words of God's Son in the last chapter of His Word, "Behold, I come quickly!"

—Reprint —Pacific Union Recorder,  
Feb. 5, 1962.

## Andrews Memorial Hospital News

### YOUTH DISCUSS THE BIBLE

About the middle of 1961, the youth of the Andrews Memorial Church launched a programme of Bible discussion on Sabbath afternoons. The group meets at 3:00 p.m. every Sabbath and has found the programme very helpful. Speakers are appointed to lead out in various subjects, and then a programme of questions and discussion provides everyone an opportunity to contribute. A panel has discussed the topics of "Christian Education" and "Marriage." Elder L. H. Fletcher has had a series on "The Sanctuary and Its Services, and their Meaning to Us."

In these last days when our youth must bear the burden of finishing the work, the study of the Word of God cannot be too highly emphasized. "Thy word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against Thee."

—E. J. Heister

### PATHFINDER ACTIVITIES

The Nautilus Pathfinder Club of the Andrews Memorial Church is in its fifth year of existence with a full programme planned for 1962. At present the membership is 47, consisting of 1 director, 2 deputy-directors, 10 counsellors, and 34 members. A recent event was a kite-flying contest in which the Pathfinders were challenged to make the largest kite, the smallest kite and the most unique. Several small kites appeared measuring about two inches. The largest one was about three feet. Honours for the day, however, went to Beverly Boyd, whose kite flew up in the sky, and disregarding its owner's pleas, tugged at its cord until it was broken and the kite disappeared.

Instruction has begun in semaphore signalling, which is a system of sending messages with flag signals.

A recent craft was the making of Japanese lanterns. Balloons are used for molds, and tissue paper is glued to them and allowed to dry. When the balloon is removed, the lantern can be decorated and becomes a very interesting Japanese lantern.

Plans are being made to complete a nature honour this year, and also an honour in swimming.

### ACTING MATRON FOR ANDREWS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

We welcome to our staff and to the post of acting matron, Nurse Mildred Henry, who came to us from Savanna-lamar. She received her R.N. degree from Andrews Memorial Hospital and she was employed on the staff for some time. Recently she has completed postgraduate work at Atlantic Union College, and received practical experience in several large hospitals in the United States. She brings to our staff mature experience and a winning personality. Mrs. Henry needs your prayers as she leads out in this important work.

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Gladstone Horatio Thompson

In 1958 Gladstone Horatio Thompson, age 15, came to the May Pen Seventh-day Adventist school and was placed in standard 5. In 1960 he was tutored along with others for the first Year Jamaica Local examination. The following year, (1961) success further crowned him, her favoured son, when he not only passed Second Year in First Class—the only other Second Year student from the centre in May Pen to have passed in first class was from his school too—but went on to take first place among the hundreds in the island who took that examination.

His continued success is the prayer of his teachers and classmates.

### OBITUARY

On the 22nd of December, 1961, Sister Margaret Benjamin passed away and was buried on December 23. She accepted the Truth December 20, 1941, and remained a faithful member of the Bath Seventh-day Adventist church and a devout servant of the Lord until the time of her death. Sister Benjamin is greatly missed by all who know her and now awaits the second coming of the Life-giver.

—R. Jangalee, Church Clerk  
Bath Seventh-day Adventist Church



# SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

## MISSION OFFERING 1960 & 1961 E I P T S

Gain %	WEST JAMAICA				EAST JAMAICA			
	1960	1961	Gain	Gain %	1960	1961	Gain	Gain %
3.47)	56672 13 9	60900 6 2	4227 12 5	7.46	57967 12 5	65818 12 10	7851 0 5	13.54
<b>OFFERINGS</b>								
6.72)	4550 4 0	4810 17 1	260 13 1	5.73	5137 9 8	5566 13 6	429 3 10	8.15
1.94)	1307 3 3	1452 10 8	145 7 5	11.09	1320 15 5	1341 7 1	20 11 8	1.59
1.76)	108 14 3	128 15 0	20 0 9	15.50	133 14 3	146 4 10	12 10 7	9.70
2.24)	664 8 8	711 7 9	46 19 1	6.48	653 2 2	677 1 4	23 19 2	3.61
0.00	295 0 6	293 8 0	(1 12 6)	(.67)	6 18 8		(6 18 8)	(100.00)
2.50)	199 1 10	213 8 11	14 7 1	7.53	105 11 11	107 11 6	1 19 7	1.89
3.80)	5500 10 6	5750 0 0	249 9 6	4.33	9349 7 2	10002 19 11	653 12 9	6.99
	1 8 1	7 1 0	5 12 11	510.00				
3.33)	183 12 7	163 0 3	(20 12 4)	11.41	69 6 2	70 8 8	1 2 6	1.45
0.00								
0.56)	12810 3 8	13530 8 8	720 5 0	5.62	16776 5 5	17912 6 10	1136 1 5	6.77

## STATISTICAL REPORT

Fields	Church Membership	Baptisms	Apostacies	Ordained Ministers	No. of Churches
nas Mission	810	53	8	1	24
an Islands	191	16	1	1	4
Jamaica	12,821	1,170	250	16	116
Jamaica	14,253	1,441	249	25	171
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28,075</b>	<b>2,680</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>315</b>
nas Mission	836	133	17	3	25
an Islands	200	14	9	1	4
Jamaica	13,544	1,016	227	18	120
Jamaica	15,191	1,377	189	23	176
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29,771</b>	<b>2,540</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>325</b>
nas Mission	895	74	7	4	24
an Islands	208	8	2	1	4
Jamaica	14,259	1,126	319	23	121
Jamaica	16,060	1,311	417	30	176
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31,422</b>	<b>2,519</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>325</b>
nas Mission	1,074	144	8	5	24
an Islands	187	2	12	1	4
Jamaica	15,849	1,439	225	25	122
Jamaica	16,797	1,288	354	33	176
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33,907</b>	<b>2,873</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>326</b>

## MILLION DOLLAR OFFERING FOR WORLD EVANGELISM

Be sure to report your Million Dollar offering in May.

Put aside your contribution in the special envelope provided.

Keep reminding church members of the date —May 12.

A minimum offering of 2/6 per member a good objective.

Remember awards to Union, Conference, District and Pastor reporting on time in May.

## Andrews Memorial Hospital News

### NURSES' GRADUATION AT ANDREWS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

At an impressive service in the Andrews Memorial Chapel, eleven nurses were graduated from the school of Practical Nursing and dedicated to service in this phase of the Lord's work on March 25. This class of 1962 is the seventh class to graduate from the school and brings the total graduates to 52. Nurse D. Frame, Sister Tutor from the University College Hospital, gave the graduation address, congratulating the graduates on their achievements. She pointed out that plans are being consummated to provide government recognition for practical nurses in Jamaica. Dr. B. G. Arellano, medical director of the hospital, was chairman of the programme. A graduate from the class of 1961, Nurse Verna Richards, recited a poem which she had composed for the occasion. Mrs. Shirley Gallimore, who was matron when the present class was organized, presented the graduates to Matron Mildred Henry, recently appointed to the post of acting matron for the hospital. She presented certificates to those graduated as follows: Myrtle Birmingham—St. Catherine; Elaine Bradshaw—Portland; Barbara Brown—Kingston; Marjorie Fuller—Kingston; Clephane Hall—St. James; Carmen Jones—Kingston; Flora Kerr—St. Mary; Dulcie McKenzie—Hanover; Fay Newman—St. Mary; Grace Robinson—St. Elizabeth; Lenore Tulloch—Clarendon.

Nurse Lenore Tulloch was chosen as the best all-round nurse in the class and received first prize. Second prizes went to Nurse Robinson and Nurse Brown. This class entered training in January, 1961, under the tutorship of Mrs. Shirley Gallimore. Further training was given by Mrs. Edith Boyd-Henry, Mrs. Pauline Belle, Pastor O. P. Reid, Mrs. Elizabeth Hoehn, and Mrs. Joyce Arellano. Most of the class plan to continue their training to become graduate nurses.

Appropriate organ music throughout the programme was provided by Mrs. Virginia Gene Rittenhouse. The choir of Andrews Memorial Church rendered a selection—"This is my Task." After the dedicatory prayer by Chaplain K. O. Boyd, the nursing class responded by singing an appropriate song.

Recent visitors to Andrews Memorial Hospital were Dr. C. E. Randolph and Dr. Ernest Pohle. Dr. Randolph is connected with the Medical Department of the General Conference where one of his duties is to recruit doctors for overseas service. Dr. Pohle is in charge of a successful medical clinic in Tempe, Arizona, and he is acting as Medical Secretary in the Inter-American Division.

The doctors arrived in Jamaica on February 25 and left for Miami on the 27th. On February 26, they paid a visit

to the West Indies Union and West Indies College. During their stay, they made up a comprehensive report of facilities and operations of Andrews Memorial Hospital which of course, was one of their chief objectives in visiting Jamaica. This was the last stop in a division-wide itinerary which began in Mexico and brought them to all of our Medical institutions in the Division with the exception of British Guiana where they were not allowed to visit.

—E. J. Heisler

## West Indies News Flashes

\* On Sunday, February 25, Brother R. B. Caldwell, Inter-American Division Auditor, arrived in Jamaica to audit the Union books. He remained in the island for approximately one week.

\* Pastor E. H. Schneider, Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretary of the West Indies Union has accepted the presidency of the Bahamas Mission. He and his family will leave Jamaica sometime in the month of June.

\* Pastor and Sister Mote will not be returning to the Bahamas after the General Conference Session. They have made a very wonderful contribution to the work in that field, and at present the membership is over 1,000.

\* During the month of February Pastor B. E. Hurst spent some time visiting the Cayman Islands as well as the Bahamas Mission territory. He went in the interest of his Departmental work and to assist in Ingathering solicitations.

\* The Trench Town church in Western Kingston made history when they reached their Ingathering goal in 24 hours. They began working Saturday evening after sunset and by Sunday evening the goal of £147 0 0 was reached.

\* In order to give more emphasis to Evangelism, an Evangelistic Committee has been set up by the West Indies Union comprising the local presidents and one Evangelist from each Conference with the Ministerial Secretary of the Union as chairman.

\* On Tuesday, March 20, Elder E. E. Cossentine and Dr. W. Brown, Educational Secretaries of the General Conference and Inter-American Division respectively, arrived in the island to inspect the West Indies College. Mrs. Cossentine accompanied her husband on this trip. They left on Thursday, March 22.

\* We have received word that the Jamaica Broadcasting Corporation awarded the North Street church and its Pastor a contribution in cash for conducting the most outstanding religious broadcast for 1961. Pastor H. E. Nembhard has had the unique privilege of giving the Epilogue and also the short morning devotion at 6:05 for one week during the month of March on J.B.C.

\* Mrs. Gertrude Henry, the wife of Pastor Rupert Henry, is now acting Matron at the Andrews Memorial Hospital. She is making a very valuable contribution.

The poem in our previous issue of the "Visitor"—"The Asia Church History at a Glance" was written by Ruth Sparkes.

"Truly, what a person gives to others comes back to him several fold. Nothing bears so great a harvest as a kind deed or generous act."

—God's Gold in my Hand

## OBITUARY

Mrs. Georgiana Miller of Troy was born February 9, 1886. She accepted the Advent Message in 1914 and remained faithful to the Truth until the day of her death February 6, 1962.

She leaves to mourn their loss nine children, thirteen grand-children and nine great-grand-children.

—ASTON PARCHMENT

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