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LAY PREACHERS INSTRUCTORS' SCHOOL

Bahamas Mission

"By the grace of God, I am going to go back to Devil's Point and set Devil's Point on Fire for God."

Devil's Point is the southernmost tip of Cat Island in the Bahamas. The delegate who attended the Bahamas Lay Preachers' Instructors' School testified that he would be used of God according to the opening statement in this article. This was one of the testimonies given Friday night at the conclusion of the Instructors' School.

Elder Val Schoen, Lay Activities Secretary of the Inter-American Division, together with Elder R. M. Mote, president of the Bahamas Mission and Elder E. H. Schneider, Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretary of the West Indies Union, conducted an inspirational and highly profitable school for our lay brethren of the Bahamas. The school was held at the Grants Town church in Nassau April 27 — May 6. There were forty-two Lay Preachers in attendance. These

delegates had gathered from thirteen different islands of the Bahamas.

During the periods of instruction which were given each day during the school from eight o'clock in the morning until nine o'clock at night, every phase of our Lay Preachers activities was covered. Elder Schoen inspired the school with his lectures on methods to be used by Lay Preachers. Our Lay Preachers in attendance will long remember the moments of spiritual instruction when the Spirit of God could be felt by everyone in attendance. Elder Mote was the instructor in Bible Doctrines. This proved to be a most profitable class. The class in **Denominational History and Techniques in Getting Decisions** was presented by the writer during the Lay School.

In the class of **Denominational History** the students were inspired to again realize the sureness of God leading His people. Revelation 14:6,7 tells us of the First Angel's Message—a message which carries with it not only the everlasting gospel, but also the sound announcement that God's judgment is come. And then too, is called to the attention of God's remnant people that they are to worship the Creator that made heaven and earth, the sea and the fountains of water—which is the same language used in the Fourth Commandment. This message can only be given by Seventh-day Adventists. This message must go to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. As the students traced the leadings of God in calling the Remnant Church into being, they were inspired to rededicate their lives for the promulgation of the Third Angel's Message. Surely, God has led His people all the way and every phase of the work of the Remnant Church has the stamp of approval of Jesus our Lord and Saviour. Not only did he call forth His church in 1844 at the end of the 1260 years, but he established the Spirit of Prophecy as a definite proof that he was calling His church for the second time.

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ONE CHURCH ORGANIZATION EACH MONTH

Since the commencement of the Central Jamaica Conference in January, 1962 there has been a church organization on an average of one for each month of this year. This is a very challenging record for a new Conference, but this reveals the wonderful blessings of Heaven and the progress in their soul winning endeavours.

It was the privilege of the writer to accompany Pastor H. S. Walters to Longsville, Clarendon, when this Company was organized into a church with 32 members. A large number of these members are East Indians and they are very zealous for the Truth they have now embraced. This church is located in Pastor H. Bennett's district, a few miles out of May Pen.

Those participating in this service on Sabbath afternoon, May 5, were Pastor H. S. Walters, president of Central Jamaica Conference, Pastor H. Bennett, district pastor, Pastor J. Allen, ministerial student of West Indies College, Laymen from the May Pen and Bird's Hill churches, who gave spiritual help to the young Company, and the writer representing the West Indies Union.

On Sabbath, May 12, two churches were organized in the parish of St. Mary in Pastor C. H. Parchment's district. The first was Russel Hall church where a very successful evangelistic effort was conducted by Pastors C. H. Parchment and H. P. Lawson. There were 42 members accepted into this new church and the prospects are bright for a number to be added. Pastor M. G. Nembhard preached the sermon and Pastor H. S. Walters led out in the organization ceremony. Pastor Parchment, the district Pastor conducted the election of officers.

In the afternoon there was another church organization in this parish. There were members present from the Guy's Hill church as they had given much

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Revelation 12:17 tells us that one of the marks of the Remnant Church is the gift of the Spirit of Prophecy. Gradually our Lord and Saviour unfolded to His church the need of a special army of colportuers to publish the Third Angel's Message and the testimony of Jesus. Jesus gave the remnant church definite plans for organizing the church into its many departments—the Home Missionary Department, the Sabbath School Department, the MV Department and the Educational Department. All these came as a result of the direction of God through the Spirit of Prophecy. How wonderful it is to study the rise of the Remnant church in the light of Denominational History and to know that surely this is the final movement of God upon the face of the earth. Our people and especially our Lay Preachers were greatly inspired to again study Denominational History to review the way the Lord has led us. We are told that we have no need to fear for the future unless we forget the way the Lord has led us and His blessed teachings.

Our brethren were inspired to go back to their respective islands to lead their churches into personal work which the Spirit of Prophecy tells us will bring about the out-pouring of the "latter rain."

During our school Pastor W. W. Nairn, Secretary-treasurer of the Mission and Pastor Hugh Roach, headmaster of the Bahamas Junior Academy and pastor of the Grants Town church, presented the devotional topics which greatly added to the spirituality of the school.

This was the largest Lay Preachers Instructors' School conducted in the West Indies Union. On Sabbath, May 5, when the forty-two graduates received their diplomas, the Academy church was crowded. Great enthusiasm was felt throughout the services and all the delegates voiced their determination to lead their churches to the finishing of the work of God in the Bahamas. Elder Schoen preached the graduation sermon, Elder Mote presented the diplomas to the forty-two recipients. The graduates were congratulated by the entire congregation at the conclusion of the service.

We are expecting great things for God in the Bahamas Mission as a result of this Lay Preachers Instructors' School.

—E. H. Schneider, Secretary
Home Missionary Department
West Indies Union

NOTICE

Anyone knowing the present addresses of Sisters Alice Armstrong and Lucille Foster who formerly lived in the Cayman Islands, kindly communicate with Mrs. Carmella McLean, The Creek, Cayman Brac.



Baptismal group at the North Street Temple. 90 Candidates were Baptized

SUCCESSFUL CITY CAMPAIGN

by H. E. Nembhard

Sunday, April 29, marked the culmination of a major evangelistic Crusade held at the North Street Seventh-day Adventist Temple, in Kingston, Jamaica.

Elder Melvin Nembhard, Secretary of the West Indies Union, preached the sermon and Elder A. D. Laing, pastor of the Kencot district, assisted the writer in performing the rite of baptism.

Ninety candidates went forward in the sacred rite of baptism. This number represented the first fruits of this effort. Within another three weeks, another group will go forward and will bring our total baptisms to over one hundred from this Crusade.

This group of candidates represented a fine cross-section of the city. One of the candidates is an accountant at the Jamaica Broadcasting Station; several civil servants holding good positions were in the number; some of these candidates are fine students of great promise. The oldest candidate is 87 years of age. He travelled extensively in his earlier years and confessed that for years he knew that the seventh day is the Sabbath, but he ignored it until he could resist the Spirit's call no longer.

We do believe that there are hundreds on the verge of accepting the Advent Truth. We are approaching the hour of the "Loud Cry" when thousands will be baptized in a day.

An appeal was made at the close of the baptism, and it was encouraging to see scores respond by coming to the altar.

The other members of the evangelistic team, Miss I. Waldrow, and Mr. Noel Thorpe recently from Andrews University in Michigan, and the writer are working steadily to prepare many to join the church through baptism.

The Temple Church now has a membership of 2,550. It is impossible to seat the tremendous congregation on Sabbaths; however, we are looking forward to the day when there will be a new site on which another church will be erected to relieve the congestion. We solicit the prayers of the believers around the field.

How true are the words of the Psalmist David: "He that goeth forth and weepeth bearing precious seeds shall doubtless come again rejoicing bringing his sheaves with him."

KINDNESS

Write your name in kindness, love, and mercy on the hearts of thousands you come in contact with year by year, and you will never be forgotten. Your name and your good deeds will shine as the stars of heaven.—Chalmers.



VOICE OF PROPHECY GRADUATION ASIA CHURCH

TWO HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE GRADUATES!!

Imagine the grandeur of a graduation in which two hundred and sixty-five young people, between the ages of ten and seventeen years were graduated.

Mrs. Zadock Reid, a theological student of West Indies College, and a worker of the Voice of Prophecy Bible School, Mandeville, decided that she wanted to have the young people who had taken the Junior Voice of Prophecy Course, graduated. Up until this time, only seniors were graduated. Mrs. Reid put her idea before Pastor Nation, the head of the Bible School in Jamaica, and he readily agreed with Mrs. Reid's plan. Where, how, and when could this be done was the problem which faced them.

One night, as Elder Nation lay in bed, the solution to the problem came vividly before him. This was the solution. He would request the Voice of Prophecy Secretaries of the General Conference, and the Inter-American Division to be the guest speakers of the graduation. Realizing that these gentlemen had plans to spend a week in Jamaica to boost the Radio Bible School in the three Conferences, they decided that the graduation would be held at Asia Seventh-day Adventist Church in Southern Manchester, on April 1, 1962.

Mrs Reid started to prepare an interesting programme for this great day. All the churches in Southern Manchester were invited to the graduation. The children who were to be graduated were all anxious, and wishing for this great time of their lives, when they would receive a diploma signed by these two great men.

The day finally arrived. Buses and cars made many trips to the designated place, bringing hundreds of people who had come to see their children graduated.

At 4:00 p.m., the College orchestra started to play the song, "They come

from the East and West", while the two hundred and sixty-five boys and girls marched in to the rhythm of the song. When everyone was in, the orchestra stopped and the graduates seated themselves. What a thrill it was to see the faces of all those children eagerly awaiting their diplomas. After prayer had been offered, four men from the West Indies Union gave the graduates their diplomas, signed by Elders Walde, Retzer and Nation. Elder Walde told the young people of all the good they could do, to the under privileged boys and girls by telling them about Jesus and His second coming.

Mrs. Reid was given much praise for the wonderful programme she had brought to reality. When all was over, a picture was taken of the graduates, two hundred and sixty-five in all!!

—Wilfred Nation, Jr.

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spiritual help to this new company.

The Mosely Hall church was started by Brother C. Ricketts, a retired colporteur. The members of this new church organization are proceeding in the erection of a permanent church structure. There are 29 members in this new church and a large number have already indicated their desire to join in the very near future.

Central Jamaica Conference now has 141 organised churches and companies. It is interesting to note that since January, six new churches have been organized and this is an average of one church every four weeks.

God is really blessing the work and our Evangelists are experiencing wonderful decisions for Christ. We hope that 1962 will be a banner year in our soul winning endeavours.

—M. G. Nembhard, Secty.
West Indies Union

WEST INDIES UNION VISITOR

The giant jet swooped down like a gliding bird and landed on the smooth wind-swept air field. With a prayer of thanks, we dismounted to walk out into a new, modern airport. This was only the beginning of the improved changes that had taken place in the sunny isle of Jamaica during our absence of some years.

Within hours in the island, we saw that Jamaica was on the move politically and socially, and even more important, Seventh-day Adventists in Jamaica were on fire for God. Thirty-three thousand members, three conferences, union office and college, not to mention the high schools and elementary schools, are a tremendous gain over the years we were away. But are the efforts slackened? No, indeed, there are conventions taking place every week in all three conferences, churches being organized, baptisms being performed, laymen conventions, youth rallies, Bible school graduations, harvest ingathering, activity and enthusiasm electrifies the air.

Having just left one of the largest cities in the world, where it is so difficult for Adventism to even crack the surface and where there is a loss of membership in some conferences, rather than a gain, one wonders if there is much more that can be done in Jamaica. However, a tour through some of the parishes reveals churches to be completed and built, evangelistic campaigns to be started, the youth to be educated, educational facilities and equipment either in disrepair or needed and the ever prevailing reality of so little funds.

As Jamaica is about to take her place with the independent nations of the world, large and complex problems will be inherited, and the social problems of a country have an inescapable influence on its religious life. Nevertheless, I see men of character who are able to lead Adventism in Jamaica, and who have devoted time and energy to serving the people. With these in command, workers and laymen will be able to carry on the formidable task of bringing Christ to independent Jamaica.

—Mrs Z. Davis

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Word has reached us that Pastor Ernie Wright has baptized 87 souls for this quarter. May God continue to bless him.

TITHE AND MISSION OFFERING CORRECTION

We regret the transposition of the names of Conferences in the Tithe and Mission Offering report. The East Jamaica Conference should have been in place of the West Jamaica Conference.

KENNEDY'S RESCUE

On a starless night in August, 1943, PT Boat 109, skippered by Lieutenant John F. Kennedy, was patrolling Blackett Sound in the Solomon Islands. Suddenly, out of the darkness loomed a Japanese destroyer, which cut it in half. When the severed portions of the boat finally sank, the crew swam three miles to an island, Lieutenant Kennedy gallantly towing one of his injured men by a strip held in his teeth.

It took five hours of hard swimming to reach the island, which proved to be only a hundred yards wide. Leaving his men there to rest, Lieutenant Kennedy set out to find help, swimming and drifting all night in the chilly water, but all in vain. By morning he was back where he started. Four days later, Kennedy and one of his men swam to another island called Nauru, where they found some food and a one man canoe. Next morning they set off in this canoe which capsized in a rough sea. With difficulty they made their way back to Nauru. Suddenly some natives appeared "from nowhere" in a canoe with food and other supplies. Kennedy and his crew were picked up shortly after and taken to safety.

This story has been told and retold many times since Kennedy's election as President of the United States. Only one part has until now remained obscure. Who were the natives who so providentially came "from nowhere" when Kennedy's canoe capsized and all seemed lost?

Some months ago we wrote to J. P. Holmes, president of the Western Solomon Islands Mission of Seventh-day Adventists, requesting him to track down these unknown rescuers, obtain their names and other information about them. In his article, "The Men Who Saved Kennedy," Mr. Holmes reports the thrilling results of his investigation.

— Editor

How Seventh-day Adventists and Methodists Rescued the Catholic President-to-be When His PT Boat Was Sunk in the Solomon Islands.

Two native scouts, Biuku and Aaron, both Methodists, were returning after a visit to the island of Wana Wana in the Western Solomon Islands. Across Ferguson Passage they saw a Japanese ship on a reef, and decided to go and investigate. Seeing no one around, they went aboard.

Looking across to the small uninhabited island of Nauru nearby, they saw two men. Assuming that they were Japanese, Biuku and Aaron paddled away in their canoe to another small island named Olasana.

On going ashore they saw two other men on the beach. Frightened, they started to run, but these men called out that they were Americans. So the two natives went back to them. Nearby, a little way

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Pastor & Mrs. F. Broomfield



Pastor & Mrs. T. McCleary

SPANISH TOWN ORDINATION SERVICE

Sabbath, March 31, 1962 will be long remembered in the minds of those who were privileged to attend the Ordination Service at Spanish Town, the headquarters of the Central Jamaica Conference. There were representatives from every section of the island. The two candidates, Brother T. McCleary and F. Broomfield, came from Central Jamaica Conference and West Jamaica Conference respectively.

It was the privilege of the West Indies Union to have Pastor Raymond Walde, Radio and Television Secretary of the General Conference present and Pastor Fernon Retzer, Radio and Sabbath School Secretary of the Inter-American Division. Pastor Walde delivered a stirring Ordination sermon exalting the high calling

to the Gospel Ministry. He emphasized that the minister is God's mouth piece. Dr. Wm. A. Osborne, president of West Indies College, offered the Ordination prayer. Pastor A. C. Stockhausen, president of West Indies Union, presented the charge, and Pastor S. G. Lindo, president of West Jamaica Conference, welcomed Pastor F. Broomfield on behalf of West Jamaica Conference, followed by a welcome to Pastor McCleary by Pastor H. S. Walters on behalf of Central Jamaica Conference.

There were 32 ministers present to greet these newly ordained ministers and among them was a Presbyterian minister, a friend of one of the candidates. We wish these two ministers who have now entered into a broader field of service abundant success.

—M. G. Nembhard

"... THEIR WORKS DO FOLLOW THEM"

Elder Glenn Calkins, a former president of the Pacific Union Conference, passed away suddenly on Wednesday morning, April 11, 1962, after serving the church faithfully for over forty years.

His was a full life and an active one. The many lives touched by his ministry were blessed and enriched. His approach to his responsibilities was at all times tempered with love and understanding, yet with conviction.

Elder Calkins joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church as a result of the influence of Christian nurses, medical students, and physicians, while Mrs. Calkins was a patient at the Loma Linda Sanitarium in 1919.

During the few years of Elder Calkins' retirement, he continued to manifest

more than usual interest in the work of the Pacific Union Conference by attending as many of the meetings of the Union Executive Committee as time would permit. He was vitally interested in the work of Loma Linda University, also the activities of the Loma Linda Food Company.

Such a loss as this causes us to mourn. Such a life as this causes us to press forward with courage. Such hope as was continually expressed by Elder Glenn Calkins increases our faith in the soon return of the Life-giver.

— R. R. Bietz

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Elder Calkins was predecessor to Elder A. H. Roth of the Inter-American Division and visited Jamaica many times.

—M. G. Nembhard

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Baptismal group—Cayman Islands

NEWS OF PROGRESS FROM THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

The Cayman Islands seem to have got a spiritual injection since 1962 and it is most encouraging to hear the news of progress. To date this Mission has reported £301 6 10 in Ingathering. £10 6 0 more than in 1961. This is truly a good report from this Mission field.

This progress is being reflected in many other lines. Pastor G. I. Gantz, president of the Mission, has reported 20 baptised since January. He has just closed a three week series of meetings in Georgetown where 28 took their stand.

He made an appeal to others who decided to join the baptismal class, and 12 more responded. He now has a total of 40 who are receiving instructions in preparation for baptism.

Quoting from a recent letter from him, "Since the first of the year we have baptized 20 in Georgetown, and now to turn around and find 40 more souls is nothing short of a miracle in the hand of God. This is a hard place to labour I grant, but nothing is too hard for the Lord."

Let us remember the Cayman Islands in our prayers.

—M. G. Nembhard

WEST INDIES UNION NEWS FLASHES

* Central Jamaica Conference is happy to welcome Pastor and Mrs. Aston Davis to take over the district of Central Manchester. They formerly worked in East Jamaica Conference before leaving the island about 14 years ago to the United States where they furthered their studies at Atlantic Union College.

* Pastor E. J. Parchment, president of the British Guiana Mission, has accepted the call from the West Indies Union to take over the Home Missionary and Sabbath School departments, made vacant by Pastor E. H. Schneider. He should be arriving in Jamaica with his family early July.

* During the month of May Pastor Glen Maxson, M. V. Secretary of the Inter-American Division, spent a few days in Jamaica. Short Rallies were conducted in the three Conferences.

* Pastor H. A. Mills conducted the Week of Prayer in the Bahamas Junior Academy during the month of April. He also visited the Cayman Islands on his return trip to Jamaica.

* A pleasant day of recreation was enjoyed by the staff of West Indies Union at Puerto Seco on April 25.

* The Evangelistic reports are very encouraging for the first quarter of 1962. Pastor Roy Ashmeade of Central Jamaica Conference led the field in Baptisms for the first quarter with 61 souls.

* On Sunday evening, April 29, the North Street Temple Church had its largest single baptism in its history. Pastor H. E. Nembhard, Pastor-Evangelist, was assisted by Pastor A. D. Laing, Pastor of the Kencot Church, in baptising 90 candidates.

* News has reached us that West Indies College has 100% passes in the recent music examination for the Royal School of Music. These were all pupils of Miss Lillian Trench, music instructor. We offer our sincere congratulations to Miss Trench and West Indies College.

* Mr. Leslie Morrison left the island on Sunday, May 20, for Oakwood College via Miami. He will supervise the packing of the laundry equipment that has been donated to the College through the instrumentality of Dr. W. A. Osborne.

* The following former students of West Indies College visited Jamaica and their Alma Mater during the month of May: Pastor A. McLean, Dr. Lennox Westney, and Mr. & Mrs. Eardly Philp.

KENNEDY'S RESCUE

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inland, they saw a group of Americans, and learned that they were survivors of a PT boat which had been sunk by the Japanese. As the Americans had no matches, Biuku and Aaron made a fire by rubbing two pieces of wood together. Then all slept on the island that night.

In the morning they saw a man swimming toward the island with a drum of water in a small canoe. It was Lieutenant Kennedy, who asked these two natives to take him back to the island of Nauru where his fellow marine, Ross had been with him.

On reaching Nauru, Kennedy asked them to take a message to the island of Rendova. He wrote it on a coconut and asked them to take it to the American base. It read: "ELEVEN ALIVE NATIVE KNOWS POSIT AND REEFS NAURU ISLAND. KENNEDY."

These two natives then paddled off across Ferguson Passage to a small island where Lieutenant Evans, an Australian, was a coast-watcher. They told him about the Americans and he wrote a letter to the American base at Rendova and had these men take it in their canoe. They also delivered the inscribed coconut which President Kennedy now has in the White House.

In the morning, Lieutenant Evans sent for some native scouts and eight responded. This group was made up of three Seventh-day Adventists, Moses, Joseph, and Koete; and five Methodists, Stephen, Benkavu, John Bia, Kindoe, and Silas.

These men went in their canoe across to Nauru Island, taking with them some supplies. At about 10:00 a.m. they landed and divided into two groups to find Kennedy and Ross. They saw boot marks in the sand but were wary because they might be Japanese.

Just off the beach they saw a small leaf shelter which the native scouts had previously made to sleep in on patrol. They crept up to the opening and peered inside, and saw two men lying down. They knew immediately that they were Americans "because they were so big." The natives called out, "Are you Americans?" whereupon one man stood up and said he was Lieutenant Kennedy, captain of the PT boat. Then they told him that they had come to help and they shook hands all round.

Lieutenant Kennedy then told them how he and Ross had taken a small canoe which they had found hidden in the bush and had gone out the night before to try and find a passing PT boat. However, the canoe had capsized so they returned. The natives saw now their arms had been cut on the sharp reefs.

Kennedy then asked the natives to take the two of them across to the other Americans on the nearby island. When these men saw that help had come, they came down to the canoe and greeted the natives. The crew of the lost PT boat then had their first meal since leaving their base.

Some of the natives then went off to search another island for two members of the crew who were missing, but they could not find any trace of them.

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About 4:00 p.m. the natives left in their canoe, taking Kennedy with them. They had made a bed of leaves in the canoe, but he sat up. Shortly after leaving, they heard the sound of a plane. Kennedy knew by the sound of the engine that it was a Japanese plane. He lay down in the bottom of the canoe and the natives covered him with leaves. The plane dived so close that the natives thought that it would crash into them. The plane left and they paddled off singing hymns, with Kennedy joining in.

It was dark when they arrived at the coast-watcher's hide-out. Lieutenant Evans came down to the beach as the canoe grounded on the sand. He took Kennedy to his small house and told him that he had arranged a rendezvous with a PT boat about midnight. After having something to eat and getting a gun from Evans Kennedy again left with the natives in their canoe. They paddled through the dark and waited off the small reef island of Patuparan. He told the natives not to be afraid when the PT boat came by, as it would fire four signal shots. He would then fire four shots in reply.

After waiting some time, they heard a boat approaching. When the signals had been exchanged, the canoe was brought alongside the PT boat. (The natives told me that the men in the boat teased Kennedy about losing his ship.) Kennedy again called out his thanks to the natives and the PT boat roared off into the night.

Biuku and Aaron, who had taken the message to the American base and guided the PT boat to the rendezvous, then piloted it through the reefs to where the rest of the weary men were waiting for rescue. It was just breaking day when Lieutenant Kennedy and his crew arrived back at their base on Rendova Island.

—By J. P. Holmes, President
Western Solomon Islands Mission
of Seventh-day Adventists

THE BIBLE STORY IN THE WHITE HOUSE

By Arthur S. Maxwell, Editor
Signs of the Times

Some months ago I sent President Kennedy a copy of the **Signs of the Times** containing the story of his rescue in the Solomon Islands by three Seventh-day Adventists and five Methodists. He replied most graciously, in his own handwriting, expressing his deep appreciation of the work of our missionaries in the South Sea Islands.

A few days later I sent the President a copy of **Courage for the Crisis**, which brought another warm acknowledgment from him. Following this, I sent him volume 1 of **The Bible Story**, suggesting that I would be very happy to bring the whole set to the White House for his

children, Caroline and John, Jr., if this would meet with his approval. On March 2, I received a letter from the President's aide, John J. McNally, Jr., saying, "I will be most happy to accept the ten-volume set of **The Bible Story** for the President's children." The time was set for 9:30 a.m., April 3, 1962.

This visit proved to be a very happy one, despite the fact that Mrs. Kennedy and her children had left for Florida the day before. Mr. McNally assured me that the books—beautifully wrapped in cellophane by the Review and Herald Publishing Association—would be flown to the children that very afternoon in the Presidential plane.

A few days later the President's personal secretary wrote as follows: "This is to express the President's sincere thanks for the set of books entitled **The Bible Story**, which you presented to Mr. McNally a few days ago as a gift for Caroline and John, Jr. He very much appreciated your kindness in remembering the children in this particular way."

Let us all pray that not only the children but also the President and Mrs. Kennedy may be greatly blessed by the message in these books.

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NEWS NOTES FROM EAST JAMAICA

* Recent visitors to the East Jamaica Conference office were Dr. Lennox Westney and the Garbutt family. Dr. Westney, graduate of Howard University, plans on his return to the States to specialize in obstetrics and gynaecology. Brother Garbutt, retired accountant of the Caribbean Union Conference, is on his way to California where with his family he plans to reside.

* Mrs. Dora M. Garrett (nee Goodwin) gave birth to a lusty 9 lbs. ½ oz. baby boy, Dean Albert, on April 10, 1962. Congratulations to the young couple. We wish them every success for the future.

* Elder W. U. Campbell, president of the East Jamaica Conference, left for the Turks & Caicos Islands on Monday, May 14, and plans to return on the 27th. During his visit he will hold a Convention and Spear-head effort in Grand Turk. We are sure the brethren there will be greatly blessed as a result of his presence.

* The Spring Week of Prayer at West Indies College convened April 27 to May 5. Elder W. U. Campbell was the guest speaker. At the end of the week of spiritual refreshing many testified of their determination to walk closer to Christ.

* The Stone-laying Ceremony of the Content Gap church took place on Sunday, May 6, 1962. Nearly £100 was collected.

* An evangelistic Crusade held by Elder H. E. Nembhard, assisted by Brother Noel Thorpe and Sister I. Waldrow, yielded a harvest of ninety souls, fifty-three of which are stalwart MV's. The first quarter's baptisms in the East Jamaica Conference number 252. Truly we can say, 'To God be the glory!'

* New churches in East Jamaica: Since the division of the Jamaica Conference into three fields, the East Jamaica Conference has had two new churches added to her list of churches. These are the Priestman's River church organized by Pastor C. S. Greene November 12, 1961 with 31 members now shepherded by Pastor Samuel Campbell, and the Padmore church in the hills of St. Andrew under the Pastoral care of Pastor V. O. Brown organized on March 17, 1962 with a membership of 36. Our prayers reach out to these two new lighthouses.

* Elder A. Hugh McLean called in at the office for a few brief minutes on May 17. He plans to be here for three days. He is at present doing a course at City College, New York. In September he plans to attend Atlantic Union College for further studies.

* Portland High School—Educating for Life. In January of this year the East Jamaica Conference gave birth to a new educational baby—Portland High School.

"After operating for one term, we are greatly encouraged at the response from the territory and the progress the school is making. With the blessing of God we hope to enlarge our offerings to the end that the 'whole person' be trained for service. At the moment our enrolment stands at 65 pupils with a staff of five teachers. As we seek to train youth for the joy of service here and in the hereafter, we solicit your prayers."

—L. Herbert Fletcher, M.A.
Acting Headmaster

WEST JAMAICA NEWS NOTES

Sunday morning, May 6, was victory day in Central Hanover when Pastor L. Williams assisted by Pastors E. Wright, W. A. Kirlaw and H. L. Douce baptized twenty-seven candidates. These were the first-fruits of the effort that Pastor Williams conducted in Chambers Pen during the first quarter of the year.

Night after night Pastor Williams climbed the hills from Lucea to Chambers Pen to stir that whole community with the tidings of the Gospel. Without the aid of a Bible worker, Pastor Williams had to do all the preaching and visiting and everything else connected with a major effort; but he saw part of the reward

when these twenty-seven souls were baptized. Between 400 and 500 people stood on the banks and witnessed this solemn rite. Elder Lindo, the president of the Conference, preached the baptismal sermon, pointing out the necessity for the step; and challenging those hundreds of people who listened, to yield their lives to God and follow Him all the way.

After the last candidate was baptized, Pastor Williams made an appeal. It was heart-warming to see several people coming out of the crowd; some taking their shoes off to cross the river in response to the appeal. When we counted, there were forty people who crossed the river and took their stand beside the Pastor signifying their intention to follow their Lord in baptism. Pastor Williams looks forward to another baptism before too long because the entire community has "never seen it like this before in this place" as one lady said. Let us continue to pray for Elder Williams as he labours in that section of the field.

It was quite a full day on Sunday, May 6, for no sooner had we finished the baptism in Chamber's Pen then we sped on to John's Hall in St. James to be with Pastor Trevor Thompson in the first Officers' Institute to be conducted in that district.

It was now the President's turn to say that he had "never seen it like this before." It was a conference session in miniature. Elder Silburn M. Reid, Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretary of the Conference, gave the devotional message in which he touched every department of the church and challenged each officer to do his best in God's service because nothing is counted small in God's sight that is done for the advancement of the work; and the congregation said, "Amen".

The Treasurer, Pastor A. R. Greene, gave a short address on Faithfulness in Stewardship and following this Elder H. L. Douce, MV and Educational Secretary, spoke in the interest of the youth. The most practical part of the day's programme was the workshops. The group was broken down according to departments and the officers became so engrossed in discussions and techniques that it was 1:30 before we took a lunch break. The afternoon was just as profitable as the morning for instruction and fellowship, and everyone returned home greatly refreshed, and requesting that this Institute be held bi-annually. From the success of this Institute, we feel free to recommend it to other Pastors who want their districts to move forward integrally, purposefully and victoriously to warn, woo, and win men for God. Pastor Thompson visited every member of his district in the month of April and is moving forward successfully in his ministry.

On Sunday, May 13, Pastor E. Wright of Western Hanover baptized fifty candidates in March Town. Over the past twelve weeks, Pastor Wright had been conducting an effort in March Town where about 500 people came out each night to hear God's message for these times. For the last three weeks, our veteran, Pastor H. P. Lawson had been assisting Pastor Wright who was going on alone for nine weeks.

In a recent effort in Delveland, Moreland Hill, Pastor Wright had a mammoth baptism and virtually 'burst the church at its seams.' The building is only half-way through but they now have to think of knocking out one wall for extension purposes. When Elders Maxson of the Inter-American Division, Mills of the West Indies Union, and Douce of the West Jamaica Conference visited there on Thursday, May 3, for a special Missionary Volunteer promotion meeting, a number of people had to stand on the outside as there was no room on the inside. Pastor Williams is doing a great work in Hanover. Let us remember him in our prayers.

FOUND — SOME PATHFINDERS

It was an excited group of youngsters and a curious group of "oldsters" who came out to the Montego Bay S.D.A. Temple on Wednesday night, May 2. They had heard that the Division MV Secretary, Elder Maxson, the Union MV Secretary, Elder Mills and the Conference MV Secretary, Elder Douce, were going to be there that evening to launch a Pathfinder Club. Elder Maxson brought the message for the evening when he told experiences of young people in other parts of the Inter-American Division who know what it means to be real Missionary Volunteers.

He told of a Missionary Volunteer down in Columbia who was holding a meeting in one of the mountain villages in the face of severe persecution. When the police arrived to arrest him with the other Missionary Volunteers, he said he was willing to go, and as soon as he got through conducting the Sabbath School lesson, he would. He invited the Policemen to sit down and listen, which they did. Then when he got through, he and the other boys climbed into the police van and were taken to the station. They were locked up without any trial; but like Paul and Silas they sang the songs of Zion, much to the discomfort of the guards. Eventually a very influential man visited the police station and when he saw the young men whom he knew to be Christian boys, he advised the police to release them; and having really found no fault with them, they readily did so. But instead of going home, the young men headed straight to the village and continued their Branch Sabbath School. This is the real spirit of Missionary Volunteers.

When the meeting was over, thirty two young people indicated their desire to join the Pathfinder Club. On Sunday evening when the first meeting was called, thirty-six young people signed up in the Club. We are off to a good start and have great confidence that the first Pathfinder Club in West Jamaica will be a source of mental, physical, social and spiritual blessing to our Pathfinders of Montego Bay.

Obituary

The late Azariah Dawkins was born at Sherwood content, Trelawny, November 15, 1882, and died in Spaldings Hospital at 4:00 p.m., Sabbath, May 19, 1962. On the 29th of March, 1907, he was united in marriage with Miss Ida Clementina Armstrong of Richmond, St. Mary. From this marriage there are five children.

About fifty years ago he and his wife embraced the Advent Message which he greatly loved and to which he unsparingly devoted his time and efforts.

For forty years he was a literature evangelist, and only the records in the heavenly courts will actually reveal to the extent his work has been successful in winning many precious souls for the Master. He was amiable and of a calm disposition, and was well beloved by all. His confidence in the Blessed Hope was often spoken of, especially in recent weeks.

He leaves to mourn their loss, his wife, three daughters—Mrs. Olive Walters and Mrs. Ruth Anderson, of New York, Miss. Edna Dawkins of Cambridge, Jamaica; and two sons—Mr. Ralph Dawkins of New Jersey, U.S.A., and Mr. Harold Dawkins of Hope Bay, Portland; sixteen grand children, among whom is Miss Fay Dawkins of West Indies College, and nine great grand children.

—Pastor U. E. Morgan

MRS. MARY HALL (nee Blake) was born in the district of Mahogany Grove, Manchester, 89 years ago. She accepted this Advent Message when a youth.

In the year 1903 she was joined in holy matrimony to Samuel Montague Hall, and of this union five girls and four boys were born.

She leaves to mourn their loss, besides her children, 13 grand children, 8 great grand children and numerous relatives and friends.

During her life's span she ministered to the needs of humanity and remained faithful to the Truth until death. She awaits the call of the Life-giver at the last trump.

Funeral service was conducted by Pastor C. Newman.

—B. V. Bent

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THE MAGIC KEY

By Virginia Hansen

"Bill," said father as he placed an affectionate arm around his 14-year-old son, "times are hard. The \$55 a month I make is not enough for our family. Eleven of us! How we love each one, but perhaps we should accept one of the offers we have for a home for some of the children." The eyes of the two met in a long, searching gaze. Quick as a flash Bill answered, "Never, Father. I am the oldest. I should find a job and we shall all stay together!"

"I knew I could count on you, son," his father said, looking relieved. "But before you go, I have here a little secret. Remember it, son. It will bring you success." He handed Bill a small package. Unwrapping it, Bill found a key. Written on the back of the key were these words engraved, "Do more than is expected of you."

Bill puzzled over the words as he started out in search of a job. "Do more than is expected of you." The words rang in his ears. They became a part of him.

He went to the shops of the Union Pacific Railroad, where the foreman looked him over and liked what he saw. His first job was to sweep the buildings, from seven o'clock in the evening until seven in the morning. His salary was \$15 a month.

He put his father's secret into action. After sleeping a little, he went back and helped the telegraph agent, for which the agent taught him telegraphy. The agent said he was a "right promising boy." No other boy was willing to do more than he was paid for.

Two years passed. Then came the day when a new clerk was needed in the maintenance department. The boy followed the same principle here, doing a little more than he was paid for. He took on some of the work for the timekeeper. Time passed. The keeper retired, and Bill became the timekeeper.

In his new job he had the same secret working for him, the same willingness to do a little more than he was paid for. He was moved up to the train dispatcher's job, then to chief dispatcher. Now his salary was \$120 a month—some improvement over the broom days!

He continued to use his magic secret. They needed a trainmaster, so they looked around for someone to fill the job. They found the young man who did more than he was paid to do!

It was not long until they needed a trainmaster in a large city. Bill was hired at higher pay. He got out and walked every mile of the main line and many of its branches. This was considered odd, for his predecessors had studied the roadbed from the rear platform of their private cars.

Up and up went this man with the magic formula. And now everybody has heard of him, for he was the wartime rubber administrator in the United States, William M. Jeffers, who finally became president of the famous Union Pacific Railroad.

The magic key, "Do more than is expected of you," was his key to success. It is the key that makes almost any door spring open. Are you using it?

BE GOD'S HELPING HAND

By Mrs. Jewell Sprague

In his Word Jesus admonishes us to be a blessing to others. What real joy is ours when we heed this admonition, for helping others brings happiness both to us and to the one receiving help. How refreshing it is to see a Christian going about helping others when it seems that the world is made up of those who seek only to please themselves! In *The Desire of Ages*, page 20, we read: "There is nothing, save the selfish heart of man, that lives into itself. No bird that cleaves the air, no animal that moves upon the ground, but ministers to some other life. There is no leaf of the forest, or lowly blade of grass, but has its ministry."

If you would like to get into a really inspiring programme, that of being a blessing to others, and you wonder how it is to be done, just look around you. Trouble and need are everywhere. How sad it is when we are so filled with love of self and of family and with the myriads of duties that seem so important to us that we have little time to look about us. Someday our next-door neighbor may accuse us of neglect because we failed to tell him of the truth for this time. Do you not think it would be a blessing to others to know the truth we love? We would never let anyone take the truth from us, but we think nothing of keeping it from others.

In the past two weeks I have had several opportunities to be of help to others in a small way. A friend to whom I had often spoken of God's love was taken to the hospital in a serious condition. I visited her twice and took a plant to cheer her. So often we give flowers when it is too late.

Then an elderly woman whose husband died a short time ago needed help to move her belongings to a cheaper apartment. Afflicted with arthritis, it was an impossibility for her to pack and clean up. I spent several hours helping her. She was so very happy; and my heart was made glad.

Later a friend asked me to take her to the doctor and to watch her little ones while she was in his office. And so it goes, until I exclaim, "Will there never be enough time to do everything I should or would like to do?" But in my mind's eye, as I see the grateful smiles of those who needed help, I know I would do it again for the joy it brought.

Sometimes just a smile means so much to a passer-by. We do not know of all the heartaches many in this world are called upon to bear. A kind word spoken at the right time can heal a sorrowing soul. Perhaps there is an old man down the street who has lost his wife, or a young woman whose husband has been killed in an accident, leaving her with several small children. This sort of thing is common, and we can do something to bring comfort to those in such circumstances.

A good way to show kindness is to take a homemade cake, pie, or casserole dish to a needy person who may not have had a treat or even enough to eat in a long time. If we plan our work we will have time to go about doing good without neglecting our little ones or the many duties that go to make up a well-ordered household. If we really want to be

a blessing, let us go to Christ in prayer, asking His help that our work will go smoothly so that we will have time to help others. We must also pray for opportunities to serve Him. Soon we will hear Him say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant . . . enter thou into the joy of thy Lord" (Matthew 25:21).

What shall I do for others, Lord?

For ev'rywhere I see great need.

What shall I do for others, Lord?

I know in good works we should lead, I will not say, "I have no time,

Do find someone else for the deed!"

I'll only do as Thou hast said,

That from sin's grasp some may be freed.

WILL YOU GO?

By Virginia Ray Hansen

"Aw, Mother, I'm too tired to take out Voice of Prophecy enrollment cards this Sabbath afternoon." Ten-year-old Jerry moaned, stretched his arms and legs, and yawned sleepily.

"Jerry, dear," mother said patiently, "I'm sleepy too, but do you know, since I heard that story last Sabbath I think I'll go anyway." She stifled a yawn behind her hand.

Now Jerry could always stay awake for a story, so he sat up and begged mother to tell him the story. Mother smiled. What a different boy all of a sudden!

"Jerry," mother suggested, "close your eyes and perhaps you can understand how the man in my story feels." Jerry did so, wondering. "You see, this Indian man was almost blind. If he had lived in America, perhaps he might have had an operation to save his eyesight, but since he lived in India where there is so much poverty and sickness, he had to go without help. I imagine he would think every day that that very day might be his last day to see. Perhaps tomorrow he would be completely blind. For that is the way that cataracts work, Jerry. First there is just a dimming of the vision, then little by little as the lenses of the eyes become more and more clouded, the sight is destroyed entirely. We are not sure whether the man knew what was happening to him, but we know that he tried to use every minute that he had left in the best possible way. What do you suppose he did, Jerry?"

Jerry was way ahead of mother's question.

"He gave away Voice of Prophecy enrollment cards. I know, Mother."

Mother laughed. "Yes, he did, Jerry, but I doubt that you can guess how many he gave away in a single year."

Jerry tried, but his guess was much too small.

"One thousand Voice of Prophecy enrollments, Jerry! Now, what do you think of that?" Mother playfully pinched the turned-up nose of the little freckled-faced boy at her side. Jerry grinned.

"You win, Mother. At last I have two good eyes. I'll go with you to give out Voice of Prophecy enrollment cards." And away they went.

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