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## MEDICAL PERSONNEL ASSIST IN EVANGELISM

The Penwood Evangelistic Campaign that began March 1, 1964, was very fortunate to have the services of "the right arm of the message" at the meetings. Medical personnel participating were Dr. H. M. Johnston, Dr. Noel Haye, Dr. Roy Jones, Dr. Grace Silvera-Thorpe, Dr. Yvonne Stockhausen and Mrs. E. J. Heisler.

Wednesday night of each week was named medical night and the inspirational lectures will be long remembered by all.

Dr. H. M. Johnston in his lectures emphasized the importance of keeping our surroundings clean and of destroying all the breeding places of mosquitoes. He said that the mosquito can be a great menace to health and if everyone would live out the good neighbour policy and see that all old cans, pools, old tyres, and all the breeding places of mosquitoes could be controlled around our homes it would be one of the means of preaching the message to our friends and our neighbours. Surrendering our all to the Master means as well the surrendering of healthy bodies for God's Spirit to dwell in. Doctor Johnston is of the opinion that a healthy person can praise God more than a sick individual.

Dr. Noel Haye spoke along the lines of what people termed the social diseases. Said Dr. Haye, "God knew what he was speaking about when he said, 'Thou shalt not commit adultery. The person who will keep himself pure and holy would have long life, and length of days. To disregard the Law of God especially in the matter of the seventh commandment could lead to all types of illness including insanity, blindness and deformity. Clean living would pay rich dividends. The passions of the lower nature must be controlled. We must allow noble ideals and patterns to rule our lives.'"

Dr. Roy Jones, D.D.S. gave a very stirring lecture on dental hygiene and reiterated his ideas with a film on the proper care of the teeth. Dr. Jones said,

that too many people were too willing to have their teeth extracted, when if they had the proper education on dental hygiene they would have these teeth treated or filled. Said he, "No one cuts off a toe or a finger if it hurts or is damaged. Why then do this with a tooth?"

"Proper oral hygiene," he emphasized, "could save one from cancer, since an ill-fitting denture or a slack decayed tooth could be the cause of the early symptoms of this dreaded disease. The dentist should be visited at least twice per year".

Dr. Grace Silvera-Thorpe gave lectures on the proper care of the body and mental health. "An insane person" said Dr. Thorpe, "is a sick person and should get the proper medical care." "There are many factors," she said, "that could cause insanity. Early treatment of any disorder

would be an asset to recovery. One should endeavour, however, to keep from undue strain and over fatigue."

Proper care of the body and a good choice of the foods we eat could build the body to withstand the strains placed upon humans of our day. Protecting the skin of the body too, keeps away disease germs from entering the body.

Dr. Yvonne Stockhausen spoke in the field of balanced diet. She demonstrated her lectures with illustrations in flannel graph and gave out mimeographed materials on the day by day meals for breakfast, dinner and supper for a period of a week. Her lectures proved so successful that her printed materials on the topics prepared proved inadequate for the demands by the audience.

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Baptismal Candidates — Penwood

## TITHEPAYER REAPS ABUNDANT HARVEST

By Kenneth H. Emmerson  
Assistant Treasurer, General Conference

Believing the invitation of the Lord to "prove me now", Brother and Sister Soriano, with a personal burden for missionary work and soul winning, began to operate a private Dorcas Society, which they financed by money received from selling eggs laid by their chickens on the Sabbath. They carefully tithed the amounts received from the sale of the eggs before applying the balance of these funds toward their Dorcas project.

When they moved to the town of Correa in Veracruz, Mexico, and applied for a piece of homestead land, they were given the poorest property in the area by those in charge of the common lands. But they were not discouraged. They had faith if they continued to return to the Lord that which was His, He would continue to bless them abundantly. With confidence Brother Soriano sowed part of his land to rice and part to corn. All of his neighbours on seeing what he was doing, only shook their heads, commenting that he was wasting his time, for that was worthless land.

To make matters worse, while some nearby property was being cleared for planting by burning the underbush, fire licked its way across the fields to the Sorianos' land and burned their young plants. This did not discourage them, however, for they continued to place their faith in the words of the Lord, "Prove me now". Had their past faithfulness not already convinced them of this? To everyone's surprise, new plants came up, and the worthless land produced a wonderful harvest of rice and corn; so much so that Brother Soriano had to borrow extra sacks from his neighbours to harvest all the rice and corn. Never had any land in that area yielded such an abundant crop.

These faithful tithepayers have been wonderfully blessed of the Lord. Brother Soriano is the owner not only of a productive farm but of a horse, sheep, chickens, and the best-looking ranch house in that area.

Truly the Lord blesses His faithful children when they pay their tithes and offerings.

## THE TITHING PLAN

Tithing, the system whereby each member of the church is expected to return to the Lord one-tenth of his income, is unparalleled in its simplicity and fairness, for not only are the poor not taxed beyond their capacity to give, but those who are more favoured return proportionately as the Lord has prospered them. The true child of God, therefore, does not give grudgingly nor fearfully.

Students of the Bible and history will agree that the prosperity of ancient Israel, spiritually and materially, was directly proportionate to their faithfulness in returning to the Lord that which rightly belongs to Him. In like manner, prosperity and spiritual enrichment will come to "Modern Israel" when through

love and gratitude she fulfills her responsibilities toward God.

The following are two of the reasons why tithing is important. Firstly, it places forcefully before us our position as stewards of God's property. All our material possessions, property and blessings come from God, and as we pay an honest tithe, we acknowledge Him as the Source of our every blessing and prove ourselves faithful stewards.

Secondly, it is God's means of supporting His world-wide Work in all its various phases. Indeed the financial stability of the ministry depends on this plan. Through it, the expansion of the work and its advancement into new fields are possible.

May God help us to recognize our God-given responsibility of faithfulness in stewardship bearing in mind the blessings that will accrue to us—blessings that we did not anticipate nor warrant, and the fact that only as we advance His work here on earth will His coming in the clouds of Heaven be advanced.

—Alton B. Marshalleck,  
Acting Secretary-Treasurer,  
Bahamas Mission



Pastor Lynford Williams

## EVANGELISTIC EFFORT IN BELIZE —BRITISH HONDURAS

On April 19, 1964, it was my happy privilege to begin a seven-week Evangelistic Crusade in the city of Belize, British Honduras. It was certainly a challenge for me because I was to conduct for the first time an effort in a Catholic stronghold—Belize is ninety-five per cent Catholic. It was, therefore, no surprise as the team and I faced many problems, some of which I will mention.

Firstly, the effort was conducted in the new Seventh-day Adventist Church, and although this is a very beautiful structure—the most modern in Belize—yet the Catholics devoutly hold to their teaching of non-attendance in a Protestant Church, especially the Adventist Church, and they just would not come. (Some are so fanatical on this point, that if invited to a wedding or funeral in a Protestant church the farthest they will come is to the church yard, and there await the conclusion of the service.

Two tent efforts held a few years ago attracted a fairly good attendance, but it was unfortunate that at this time the Mission was unable to obtain a tent for the Effort. I was informed, however, that many of these people gathered at nights in the homes of their friends that surrounded the church and listened.

Secondly, the church is not centrally located, but rather on one end of the city, and as there is no bus service here, those who live far away, could not attend.

Thirdly, in the Catholic denomination—Civil Service as well as in private enterprises—there are no Sabbath privileges or much tolerance for Sabbath Keepers. Those who accept this message are dismissed from their jobs. The present secretary in the Mission Office lost her job in the Civil Service when she accepted the message. One young man who worked with a construction company was told by his manager when he approached him for Sabbaths off:

"I heard you had been attending the Adventist meetings, and I was setting out for you a long time. You want Sabbaths off? Yes, you may have all of them because from Monday morning you need not report for work." He paid him off and discharged him.

Our young people after finishing high school have difficulty in getting employment, and unfortunately many are forced to sacrifice their faith. This knowledge causes many parents to persecute their children when they accept this truth, and many although allowed to attend church services are refused permission to be baptized.

We were, therefore, very grateful to the Lord when our first baptism yielded twenty-one souls, among them the wife of the wealthiest national in the city. She was one of those Anglo-Catholics who would not attend at first, but rather stayed home and listened each night; as her home is very near to the church. The truth found its way to her heart and through a series of home visits and a very strange experience she accepted. She told me that she was very much convinced that she should accept the truth, but when she thought of her influence in the city, and her years of association in the Anglo-Catholic Church she found it very difficult to accept. This conviction weighed so heavily upon her that one particular night she could not sleep, so she prayed earnestly to the Lord and told Him that she would open the Bible at random, and whatever text she found, she would accept it as coming from the Lord and would without questioning, follow its instruction. She said upon opening she found Exodus 23:20-22. "Behold I send an Angel before thee to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared. Beware of Him and obey His voice. Provoke Him not, for He will not pardon your transgressions, for my name is in him. But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice and do all that I speak then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary to thine adversaries."

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## HANDS REACHING OUT ON EVERY SIDE

Expressions of gratitude from millions around the world, including Her Majesty the Queen of England, Leaders in Canada, the United States, Europe, Central and South America, the Islands and even here in Jamaica, indicate that our literature is the best that can be obtained. Our sales for the world field amounted to \$28,000,000.00 in 1962 alone. In our Union the figure has grown from £22,000 in 1954 to £55,000 in 1962—more than double in eight years. Already this year we are 2½ per cent over last year. Truly, the souls of men are more hungry for the life-giving word than ever before. To many our literature reveal and satisfy the hunger of a lifetime and the more they get the more they want. This class is to be found everywhere, among the rich and powerful as well as the poor and humble.

No thinking person can deny the fact that our publications are sowing the gospel seed and bringing many souls to Christ. Whole churches have been raised up as a result of their circulation. "More than a thousand will soon be converted in one day, most of whom will trace their first convictions to the reading of our literature." C.M. p. 151. The glorious day of victory is too near to relax our efforts.

Since God has called us to service and to sacrifice, won't you find out if He intends you to help publish glad tidings through this medium? You may be one among the thousands who are to scatter tracts and papers like the leaves of Autumn—cover the earth with truth.

People must know in order to decide. The thing that is not thoroughly understood is not possessed and there is no reformation without information and no salvation without reformation. Therefore, dear brethren, take the old waste literature stored in your homes, buy what new books and papers you can afford, do part-time colporteur ministry and help lay the foundation for a great revival and the Loud Cry which is soon to begin.

Among the West Indies College student-colporteurs who have gone out in the field this summer, nine are in Canada, four in the Bahamas and one in Cayman. This is only a beginning. We hope to do greater things soon. We have far too few regular and student colporteurs. We would be glad to have two where we now have one. Let us know when you are ready to start as a student or regular colporteur. Our deliveries for the first six months of 1964 as compared with the same period of 1963 are as follows:

Bah.	£3635 13 0	£3397 11 6
Cent. Ja.	5917 18 11	7826 19 11
East Ja.	8386 6 5	7710 7 11
West Ja.	7249 0 2	5577 13 10
Un.	£25188 18 6	£24573 13 2

I do sincerely pray that the material prepared for our Literature Evangelist Rally Day Programme on September 5 will be carefully used and that many will be encouraged to join our ranks.

—B. E. Hurst

## FINISHING THE TASK

H. E. Nembhard

It is a pleasure to greet our faithful believers through the medium of our "Visitor". The East Jamaica Conference is experiencing a great revival in evangelism. The burden upon the hearts of our ministry and laity is to see the work completed in the earth. The hour is late and the task is great, but we need not despair. Let us be prepared for the outpouring of the latter rain. We need God's Holy Spirit to touch the hearts of hardened men and women.

In this critical hour, we must beware of fanaticism, so-called "new light" and false revivalism. Those who receive the Spirit will be calm, steadfast and loyal to the Message. Let us ever be on our guard against subtle and delusive doctrines.

The prophetic picture convinces us that just before our Lord appears, great issues will challenge both the church and the world. Every member of the church will be tested in regard to this faith. Let us not compromise with the enemy of souls. Let us throw our full weight into the work.

In *Gospel Workers*, page 274, Ellen G. White writes: "The Holy Spirit works with those who will be worked, moulds those who will be moulded, fashions those who will be fashioned." Only those who are willing to consecrate their lives fully to God can be recipients of this long looked for latter rain experience.

May our hearts be aflame for God. May it be that amid the confusion of delusive doctrines on the one hand, and Ecumenism on the other hand, God's people will be guided safely by the Holy Spirit into the Kingdom with our Saviour and king. "We have nothing to fear for the future except as we shall forget the path through which He has already led us."

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It is of interest to note here too, that Dr. Stockhausen also assisted with the music for the Campaign.

Mrs. Ethel Heisler who gave demonstrations in black-light earlier in the Campaign, gave a full demonstration in the process of bread-making at the Tabernacle. She told what should be placed in bread to make it both palatable and rich in vitamin content. She said that it was important for a girl, to know how to make bread, cook and keep house, as it was to play the piano or learn some of the finer arts of life. Continuing she said, "there is as much religion in a loaf of bread as in a sermon".

Samples of the bread she had made were distributed among the appreciative audience and from the look of satisfaction on the faces of the recipients, it must have been real good bread. Some of the bread for the demonstration was baked in an oven made from a kerosene tin.

The lessons and instructions given in these lectures were so clear, that even if a small percentage of the knowledge gained were put in practice much good would be accomplished.

—C. S. Greene

## Voice of Prophecy Highlights

A few months ago, a young lady enrolled in the Junior Correspondence course after listening to our Radio Broadcast one Sunday morning. She was greatly intrigued by the study of God's Word and her desire was to get others to take the lessons. Since there are no immediate neighbours or friends, she enrolled her mother.

This mother studied the lessons very carefully and when she came to the Sabbath truth, she discovered that the right day to keep is Saturday, and not Sunday. She felt that she must obey God and do what is right, so she wrote the Bible School for help on the matter.

On May 13, Sister Sangster—a Bible worker of wide experience—and the writer visited this lady. She was extremely happy for our visit and was delighted to meet the people who were sending such wonderful lessons to her. We found her to be a fine Christian lady with a good religious background. She desired to know more about the observance of the Sabbath, and after a Bible study on the subject, she expressed her determination to begin from the next Sabbath to follow Jesus in Sabbath keeping. In this area there are no Seventh-day Adventists or any Seventh-day Adventist church, so she decided to keep it at home along with her eight children. She said that her husband has no objection to her new found faith, and in the near future he may also join her.

We trust that the seeds of truth sown by the Radio Bible School will continue to yield a rich harvest of souls for the Kingdom of God.

—D. Rambharose



P. Maynard-Reid

## THE USES OF SPARE TIME

To the Young People

The majority of the Advent youth have fallen into a state of lethargy because of the way they spend their spare time.

Reading is one of the best things a person can engage in, in his or her spare time. But the type of books read makes the difference. Some of our young people say that they read good comics, and Christian novels, but don't go for stuff like TRUE STORIES and TRUE ROMANCES.

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They subscribe to one or two household magazines, and say they make good relaxing reading. But how pathetic. They have never thought of relaxing with the GREAT CONTROVERSY or any other uplifting book, which can give them a lift in their spiritual life. In view of the lateness of the hour, and the imminent return of Christ, and in view of the troublous times ahead of us, I think we ought to spend our spare time reading some beneficial books.

Sister White in *Testimonies Vol. 5, p. 518, 519*, says: "There are many of our youths . . . (who) have as much difficulty to control the appetite for such superficial reading, as the drunkard has to control his appetite for intoxicating drink . . . the imagination diseased. They live an unreal life. They are unfitted for the practical duties of life, and that which is the most sad and discouraging is that they have lost all relish for solid reading." In *EDUCATION, p. 223*, talking on fiction it says: "It is robbing thousands upon thousands of the time and energy and self-discipline demanded by the stern problems of life." Thus far we see that one of the reasons for the slackness among our young people is the type of literature they read.

We now turn to the amusements we engage in, in our spare time. Some of our young people attend questionable parties—birthday parties, showers or surprise parties and picnics—and when one has so many obligations he or she has to dress suitably, which in most cases is unbecoming.

The majority of our young people have never thought of visiting a sick or someone in need during their spare time. They say the Welfare Department looks about that, and how often we forget that we are part of the Welfare Society. Sometimes we even skip our spiritual obligations to attend these questionable places of amusement. The most horrible thing to note is what is done at the parties—the funny jokes given, the type of games played, and the dancing engaged in.

I quote again from the *Testimonies, Vol. 1, p. 269*, it says: "They profess to be looking for the coming of the Son of Man, yet some of them have been a miserable example to unbelievers. They have not been willing to give up the world, but have united with them, have attended picnics and other gatherings of pleasure, flattering themselves that they were engaging in innocent amusement." *Education p. 221*, says: "As ordinarily conducted, parties of pleasure also are a hindrance to real growth, either of mind or of character. Frivolous associations, habits of extravagance, of pleasure seeking, and too often of dissipation, are formed, that shape the whole life for evil."

There are also other amusements that we take part in, such as base ball, football, boxing, soccer, etc. Boxing and football I don't suppose we do, but I presume that we listen to these over the radio, and get into heated debates, taking sides of opposing teams, and becoming fans of

certain sport idols. And, the majority of times, we can debate so good on such aspects, but we cannot when we are asked to take part in debates at our churches. Sister White says in *Education p. 210*, "Some of the most popular amusements, such as football and boxing have become schools of brutality. They are developing the same characteristics as did the games of ancient Rome. The love of domination, the pride of mere brute force, the reckless disregard of life, are exerting upon us the power to demoralize that is appalling. Other athletic games, though not so brutalizing are scarcely objectionable because of the excess to which they are carried, fostering a distaste for useful labour, a disposition to shun practical duties and responsibilities. They tend to destroy a relish for life's sober realities and its tranquil enjoyments. Thus the door is opened to dissipation and lawlessness with their terrible results." In these serious days when the stage is being set for the enforcement of Sunday worship, with distress and perplexities and calamities all around, our youth should be on the alert and preparing for the new order of things. I turn to the second and last part of this article.

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She said she closed the Bible and thanked God for sending me to bring the truth to her. She said, however, that she slept for a while but when she awoke someone (the devil) told her that the text said, an Angel would lead her and the Evangelist was no Angel, and she began to doubt. She tried to sleep but she could not, and she was forced to pray to the Lord the same prayer as she did before, earnestly begging for His guidance, and that she would open the Bible as she did before for the last time, and that she was trusting Him to give her one last text. There-upon, opening the second time she found the same text—Exodus 23:20-22. As she meditated on the statement the Lord told her "The evangelist may not be an angel, but the angel of the Lord has guided him to you with the message of truth." She closed her Bible, thanked God for His revelation and finally settled it with Him.

Many others because of different circumstances could not have been baptized that night. Many bravely came to the baptismal service and at the call one hundred and seventy-one signed decision cards for baptism.

I want to express my appreciation to all those who assisted in the effort and also to the West Indies Union and West Jamaica Conference for making my visit to Belize possible.

Our brethren in British Honduras face many problems that are unheard of in Jamaica, but they are of good courage, and are with us, earnestly working and praying for the soon return of our Lord.

—Pastor Lynford Williams  
Centurion Evangelist  
West Jamaica Conference



Dr. T. J. Littlefield and Family

\* We regret to announce that Dr. T. J. Littlefield and family have found it necessary to leave West Indies Union where the Doctor served as an associate doctor on the staff of the Andrews Memorial Hospital. It is the intention of Dr. Littlefield to take a Residence course in California. We wish for the Doctor and his family the continued blessings of Heaven.

## NEWS NOTES—EAST JAMAICA

### Conventions:

A series of conventions were held around the East Jamaica Conference during the months of April and May.

Conventions were held at Port Antonio, Shortwood, Buff Bay, North Street and Morant Bay. At each place the members were cheered to receive the reports from the Conference officers and departmental secretaries.

Much emphasis was placed on the part each member should play in "helping to finish the work".

### Evangelism:

Eighty-six individuals were baptized as a direct result of the Penwood Evangelistic Campaign on Sunday night, May 24, 1964. The tabernacle was overcrowded and the audience spread over into the grounds and into the road. Elder H. E. Nembhard preached the sermon and Pastors J. G. Bennett and C. S. Greene performed the service of the rite of baptism.

Among those attending were Pastor and Mrs. A. C. Stockhausen, Dr. Yvonne Stockhausen, Dr. Noel Haye, Dr. H. M. Johnston, Dr. Roy Jones, and Pastor and Mrs. L. A. Morrison.

The candidates were received into the fellowship of the church the very next evening before a large and attentive audience.

Another thirty or more were baptized on June 21. The church was organized into the sisterhood of churches on June 20.

Brother L. G. Kelly has been rendering valuable help in this Campaign.

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As a direct result of the Evangelistic effort held at the Trench Town S.D.A. Church by Pastors R. R. Henry and K. O. Boyd, sixty-eight individuals have been baptized. The church is also organized for Branch Sabbath School Evangelism and has pledged the holding of 250 Branch Schools before the year ends.

### On Vacation:

Miss Ruby Rall, accountant in the Book and Bible House, left the Island May 31 to visit the United States of America. She plans to be away three months.

### Welfare Fair:

A Dorcas Federation and Welfare Fair was held in Annotto Bay June 10. The programme was under the direction of Pastor R. U. Daughma. The Welfare secretaries from the Conference and Union attended this function which was a great event for Eastern St. Mary.

### Sick Leave:

Elder Reuben Douglas is still on sick leave in the United States. Word has reached us that he is making some progress towards recovery.

### Elder Meremoth E. Weir Ordained:

Elder Meremoth E. Weir was set aside to the Gospel Ministry on Sabbath, April 18, at the North Street S. D. A. Church before a large and appreciative congregation.

The sermon was preached by Elder B. L. Archbold, Lay Activities Secretary of the Inter-American Division of Seventh-day Adventist.

Elder Weir was born in St. Catherine and is a graduate of West Indies College, Mandeville. His wife is the former Miss Beatrice Cox of British Honduras, and also a West Indies College graduate. She formerly taught school at Newell in West Jamaica.

The Weirs are now residing in Long Bay, Portland.

## WEST INDIES UNION NEWS BRIEFS

- \* On Thursday, June 25, Dr. S. O. Beaumont left Jamaica for the island of Trinidad where he attended the graduation exercises of the Caribbean Union College. He was their Commencement speaker on Sunday, June 28.
- \* Pastor Lynford Williams, a Centurion from the West Jamaica Conference, conducted a successful Evangelistic Crusade in Belize, British Honduras. Before leaving, he baptized twenty-one souls who took their stand and were ready for baptism. There were more than one hundred and seventy who indicated their desire to be numbered in a future baptism.
- \* The West Indies Union Executive Committee has appointed Pastor S. N. McKinney as acting president of the Bahamas Mission during the absence

of Pastor E. H. Schneider, who is at present on furlough in the United States.

- \* On Thursday, May 28, Brother Alton Marshalleck left for the Bahamas to serve the field as Secretary-Treasurer. He has been requested to serve in this capacity for a period of three months. He was joined by his wife in the month of June.
- \* On June 1, Pastor and Mrs. E. H. Schneider left Nassau for the United States to begin their long earned furlough. We wish for them a good rest and spiritual blessings.
- \* Two officers of the Inter-American Division, Pastors C. L. Powers and D. H. Baasch, President and Secretary of the Inter-American Division respectively, attended the two Conference Sessions here in Jamaica. They were also present at the Andrews Memorial Board meeting on Monday, July 20.
- \* Pastor K. G. Vaz is now the acting president of West Indies College. He has given faithful and efficient service as head of the Department of Religion.
- \* On Sunday, July 18, the Sandy Bay church in Hanover was dedicated in the presence of an overflowing congregation.

The dedicatory sermon was preached by Pastor C. L. Powers, the president of the Inter-American Division. Pastor S. G. Lindo, president of the West Jamaica Conference led in the act of dedication, and Pastor D. H. Baasch gave the dedicatory prayer. In addition to a number of ministers from the West Jamaica Conference, Pastors W. U. Campbell and M. G. Nembhard, president and secretary of West Indies Union respectively participated in the service.

- \* Since January of this year, West Jamaica Conference has dedicated eight new church buildings and there will be many more dedicated before the end of the year.
- \* Pastor M. G. Nembhard was absent from the island for several weeks. He visited the Bahamas and the Turks and Caicos Islands. In Grand Turk he conducted a week's revival. He also visited the United States where he preached at Buffalo, the church pastored by Pastor D. B. Reid, a former pastor of the North Street Temple. He also preached at San Diego in California, the city in which Dr. Herbert Holness of Jamaica is now practising. While in California he attended the graduation exercises at Pacific Union College where his son, Leslie, obtained his B.Sc. degree, majoring in Biology and minor-ing in Chemistry. In the last leg of his journey home he visited Oakwood College where the Southern Central Camp meeting was in progress.
- \* A number of former workers have sent their greetings to the constituency of West Indies Union: Pastor and Sister Durrant now retired and living in the Nursing Home at Paradise Valley Sanitarium; Pastor D. B. Reid Pastor of the Buffalo church in the Northeastern

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## A LAY EFFORT EXPERIENCE

When we started our effort in the month of March in the district of Brown's Town, Manchester, we had great opposition. Three churches got together and decided to get us out, but God was by our side. While the opposition was hot, the Lord wrought a miracle.

A notable man of the district got a stroke. Some of the members of the opposing churches visited and prayed for him, but it was in vain. Eventually he sent and called for us. We went, prayed and anointed him. This was done on a Sunday. The next Sunday afternoon when we went to the district, we were told that the sick man got up, walked two and one half miles to take a bus to Mandeville. On his return he again sent for us. He gave us a plot of land by the road on which to build a church.

We have put up a temporary building and at present are having Sabbath School there, also an Evangelistic Effort is being conducted there for over two months now with very good success. Many families are happily accepting the Truth. We also have six precious souls in the baptismal class.

—Henry Powell  
Lay Worker

## Evangelism in the Hunts Town Church

On Sunday night, April 25, 1964, a wonderful effort started at the Hunts Town Seventh-day Adventist Church with Pastor E. A. Henry conducting, assisted by the Local Elder, Brother Lorenzo Sterling; Brother Issac Russell and the members of the church.

During the meetings we had many responses, but as the devil saw men and women willing to cut loose from his kingdom, then he was astir. Many lives were threatened but the Lord kept His promise to stand by the side of His servants, and many gained the victory.

On Sunday evening, June 28, nineteen precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism as first fruits. After the baptism the candidates were received into church fellowship.

We thank God for the way He has led us thus far, and are looking forward to another rich harvest in our second baptism. The members of the Hunts Town Church seek an interest in your prayers as we move forward to finish the work in this part of the field.

—Isaac Russell, Clerk

## BUFFALO BAPTISM

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Sabbath, May 16, was Baptism Day in the Buffalo, New York Church. Pastor D. B. Reid baptized forty-two candidates at this service.

Elder Reid came to Northeastern less than a year ago from the Central States Conference where he was pastor of the

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## WELCOME TO PASTOR O. U. HOLNESS AND FAMILY



Pastor O. U. Holness and Family

\* We wish to use this medium of welcoming Pastor O. U. Holness and family back to the island of Jamaica. They left here in 1958 in answer to a call from the Panama Conference. The Lord has abundantly blessed Pastor Holness in his Evangelistic endeavours in that field. He has also conducted Evangelistic Efforts in the adjacent Costa Rica Mis-

sion in the Central American Union. He states that he has baptized over one thousand precious souls during the period he has been absent from the island. We hope that they will enjoy their well-earned furlough and bring an inspiration to our people throughout the West Indies Union.

### WEST INDIES UNION NEWS BRIEFS

Conference; Pastor R. H. Robertson who is pastoring a large church in Los Angeles in the Southern California Conference; Dr. Herbert Holness a medical practitioner in San Diego, California and Dr. Cedric Allen, a physician in the city of Lufkin, Texas.

\* The Central Jamaica Conference Session which convened in Spanish Town from July 15 — 18, brought very few changes in the field. Pastor H. S. Walters was re-elected president and Miss E. W. Parchment was re-elected treasurer. Pastor E. A. Hyatt was elected Secretary along with his duties as Sabbath School Secretary. Pastor H. R. Bennett was elected Home Missionary Secretary. Pastor LeRoy Carter was re-elected Missionary Volunteer, Educational and Public Relations Secretary. We are sure that our constituency will continue to pray that the Lord will bless the officers and departmental secretaries as they take up their duties for the next biennial period.

\* The West Jamaica Conference Session convened in Montego Bay from July 22 to 25. A good Christian atmosphere was evidenced throughout this Session. There were very few changes made in the Conference. Pastor S. G. Lindo was re-elected President; Brother A. R. Greene, Treasurer; and Pastor S. M. Reid was elected Secretary, Sabbath

School and Public Relations Secretary. Pastor J. C. Palmer was elected Home Missionary and Temperance Secretary; and Elder H. Douce, Missionary Volunteer and Educational Secretary. We pray that God will abundantly bless the officers and the departmental secretaries as they continue to unite their efforts there in the West Jamaica Conference constituency.

\* Central Jamaica Conference was host to a number of visitors from the United States during their Session which convened in Spanish Town from July 15 — 18. Pastor F. Detamore, Evangelist from the Florida Conference, gave very valuable instruction to the ministers of the field. Also visiting during that period was Pastor H. M. S. Richards, Jr., who is spending a vacation in the island, accompanied by his wife. He spoke at the Session on Sabbath afternoon, July 18. Also visiting from South Atlantic Conference were Pastors W. S. Banfield, L. S. Follette and S. Thomas.

\* A number of individuals have been vacationing in the island during the last few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rodgers, brother of Mrs. O. E. Gordon, spent a number of days visiting relatives and friends. Also Dr. J. M. Cox and family from Orlando, Florida.

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large St. Louis, Missouri Church. Immediately upon arriving he began making plans to pay off the mortgage on the church and to add rapidly to the church membership. A new heating plant has been installed and it seems possible that the mortgage will be completed by the end of 1964.

In spite of the heavy obligations of the church, Elder Reid and his loyal members found time to share their faith in an outstanding way. During the first quarter, fifteen persons were baptized and two were admitted to the church by profession of faith.

A very large class was formed after this to study the 20th Century Bible Course. Each Sabbath afternoon Elder Reid presents the lesson in a unique way and the members go out and teach the lesson they have just learned that day. As a result forty-two persons were baptized by the 16th of May. This makes a total of fifty-nine new persons added to the church membership this year. The Buffalo membership is now past 350.

After the baptism an appeal was made by Elder Reid to those persons who would like to be in the next baptism during the third quarter. Twenty persons came forward. Yes, big things are happening in Buffalo.

There has been a sharp increase in tithes from the Buffalo district—more than \$32.00 per capita.

The blessings of God are surely resting upon the Buffalo church. We give God the praise for His rich blessings.

—F. L. Jones, Press Secretary

### NORTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

(Reprint from *Atlantic Union Gleaner*)  
(Pastor D. B. Reid laboured in Jamaica for many years. He was once the pastor of the North Street Temple Church.)

### MIRACLES OF GRACE & FINANCE

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But we were not satisfied with our giving programme. As the offering plate was passed from Sabbath to Sabbath we would put in a dollar, or maybe two. Sometimes if the cause sounded very needy or if an extra strong appeal was made, we would put in two or three dollars. We depended more upon the stimulus of the moment than on the principle of systematic giving. After three years of this type of programme, we would see that a change was needed but we weren't sure what it was going to be.

We also wished that we could have more left in the family treasury at the close of the month so that the strain of "watching the pennies" could be relieved a little. We had learned that the Lord would take care of us, so we were not fearful of the future. We only wished that we had more to give to His cause.

During this period I accepted an invitation to be in charge of the Bible department at one of our academies. This

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move was going to mean a decrease in our monthly income. Perhaps, we reasoned, this was the time to take a step by faith and make a change in our giving habits.

Here is the plan we devised. We had been making payments of \$60 per month on a new car. We would trade our new car for an older model car. Thus not having to make monthly payments, we could give as much in offerings each month as we were paying in tithe.

We had learned in our studies that the children of Israel prospered the greatest under the Lord's care during the time they were paying 25 to 30 per cent of their income into the Lord's treasury—10 per cent tithe and 15 to 20 per cent in offerings. So, we reasoned that if we were not satisfied with our family finances and with our experience in giving in the past, we should follow the Bible formula—give more and then the Lord could return more. We began immediately.

In return for our new car and an escape from the payments, we received an older 1954 model car; not too dependable and not very fancy, but it was our first step toward a new experience with the Lord.

Now at the beginning of each month when the bills were being paid, two items came out first from the pay cheque—first the tithe, and then the same amount for offerings. We enjoyed asking the teller at the bank for so many one dollar bills, to be carried home in a bundle and set aside in the drawer until Sabbath morning. That money was for the Lord. Even more enjoyable was the thrill on Sabbath morning of putting in not one or two dollars as the missions envelope and the offering plate were passed, but to put in twice or three times that much. But this was only the spiritual blessing. Material prosperity also followed in the wake of this step.

According to our monthly estimate, we still were not going to have anything left over at the close of the month. But month by month the Lord worked His miracles, and in just one year, after beginning to systematically match our tithe with offerings, we added the following articles to our home; a new washer and dryer; a new (used but new to us) stove, refrigerator, and dishwasher (gifts of providential leading); a new highchair and stroller combination; a new sewing machine; a new juicer; and a new car. Remember, just nine months before we had, had to sell our car in order to be able to afford to give to the Lord as much in offerings as we did in tithe. Best of all, our family was blessed, after seven years of marriage, with a brand-new baby girl. With every item, there came with it the spiritual blessing of knowing that these gifts were provided by the Lord. He was rewarding our faith.

There still isn't much extra cash in the house, but all our material necessities have been provided. And today for the first time in our lives, after reading the counsels of Sister White, we have been able to begin a savings account—a little set aside in case of emergency or for a

special need in the Lord's cause.

The Lord offers the challenge—"Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." We have put the Lord to the test and have found Him to be faithful. Today we rejoice with hearts full of thanksgiving for the miracle laws which He exercises.

While the Lord promises to rebuke the devourer, and this is what adds the greatest blessing in systematic giving is the peace and comfort that come from financial prosperity to any home, by far knowing that our trust for the future is in God, and that as we seek the kingdom of heaven and His righteousness, all these things shall be added to us. We praise the Lord for His mercy and faithfulness.

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February 20, 1964)

## THE USES OF SPARE TIME

There are some young people who welcome their spare time. Some have Voice of Youth Efforts to conduct, or house to house meetings or even the holding of cottage meetings. There is one young man who works in a factory from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; he has only one hour for lunch, and during that time he must prepare what is necessary for his Voice of Youth Effort. He rises early in the morning sometimes, so as to put on the finishing touches to his sermon for the night. As it can be clearly seen, he has a very tight programme, but he does not feel it, for he says that all he is doing is a labour of love, for heaven is around the corner.

We are sometimes asked what type of recreation we take part in. If we would stop and think for a moment we would see the amount of recreational activities we can indulge in. For the young children there is the Pathfinder Club to attend. There, stories are told that help to build good characters. Then there are camps to attend, and hikes, swimming honours to do, and sometimes a good Saturday night social, well-chaperoned and properly conducted.

One of the most interesting recreational things one can do is to study the stars. When we study Astronomy, our minds stray into the future when the Master Astronomer shall take us on interesting trips through the Universe. There are also other interesting fields of nature into which we can delve. The study of trees, flowers, shells, animals and a host of other things.

In *Testimonies Vol. 5, p. 301*, we see, "The work of instruction begun here will be carried on to all eternity. The Lamb, as he leads the hosts of the redeemed to the fountain of living waters, will impart rich stories of knowledge. He will unravel mysteries in the works and providence of God that have never before been understood."

In other words, what we have begun here will not be lost to us but will be a foundation upon which to build.

In the *Great Controversy*, p. 677, I note "There, immortal minds will contemplate with never-failing delight, the wonders of creative power, the mysteries of redeeming love . . . The acquirement of knowledge will not weary the mind or exhaust the energies. There the grandest enterprises may be carried forward, the loftiest aspirations reached, the highest ambitions realized, and still there will arise new heights to surmount new wonders to admire, new truths to comprehend, fresh objects to call forth the powers of mind and soul and body."

Summing up now, it is clear that the afflictions from which the Advent youth suffer can be traced to squandering away spare time. The use of leisure moments can be a great blessing or a great curse to the modern youth.

Only those who have a purpose and an aim will refuse to fritter away these precious moments.

I pray that from now on we will use up our spare time profitably—reading good literature and taking part in good recreational activities and in the end have a home in God's Kingdom.

—Pedrito Maynard-Reid  
(Senior Student, Kingsway High School)

## PERSONAL

We are very happy to announce the improvement of Mrs. M. Henry, Matron of the Andrews Memorial Hospital, and wife of Pastor R. H. Henry.

The Henry family wishes to express thanks to Dr. Arellano, of the Andrews Memorial Hospital, Dr. John Hall of the Kingston Public Hospital, Dr. Robb and the nurses of the Andrews Memorial Hospital for their kind care and treatment during the illness.

For the many bouquets of flowers, prayers, and cards, the Henrys thank their friends and well wishers. Mrs. Henry has now returned to work.

## At Rest

BROTHER JAMES GARNISH, aged 59, Longsville Church fell asleep in Jesus May 12, leaving wife, Susan; daughter, Mrs. Vidoner Reid-England; stepsons, stepdaughters and several grandchildren. In 1940, Brother Garnish accepted the Advent Message, was baptized by Pastor J. N. Williams and received into the fellowship of the May Pen Church where he served as an officer.

The funeral services were conducted by Pastor H. R. Bennett.

—A. A. Campbell

BROTHER MORDECAI McPHERSON, fell asleep in Jesus on the 17th of June, 1964, at the age of 85 years. He was an ardent worker for the Lord after accepting the Third Angel's Message with his entire family of eight in 1938. During his active years he raised up three churches, namely: Belle View, Moore Town, Stanton and one company—Windsor. We are confident that he sleeps awaiting the call of the Life-giver.

# CENTURION EVANGELISTIC REPORT

For Quarters ending, June 30, 1964

## EAST JAMAICA CONFERENCE:

F. E. White	—	119
R. R. Henry	—	114
A. D. Laing	—	71
J. G. Bennett	—	59
C. F. Edwards	—	38
A. G. Lawrence	—	38
A. H. Hunter	—	37
R. U. Daughma	—	37
V. G. Newman	—	27
O. S. Rugless	—	26
V. O. Brown	—	24
N. H. Thorpe	—	19
M. E. Weir	—	17
H. H. Holmes	—	16
G. J. Wilson	—	18
L. H. Davidson	—	18
K. O. Boyd	—	3
Office	—	104
<b>Total</b>		<b>767</b>

## WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE:

E. Wright	—	86
F. Broomfield	—	70
A. Gordon	—	70
J. C. Palmer	—	66
L. Williams	—	62
W. Kirlew	—	59
E. C. Reid	—	59
D. O. Spence	—	55
C. Mair	—	31
H. E. Richards	—	28
A. Parchment	—	28
N. S. Fraser	—	27
C. Perry	—	17
T. Thompson	—	8
<b>Total</b>		<b>663</b>

## CENTRAL JAMAICA CONFERENCE

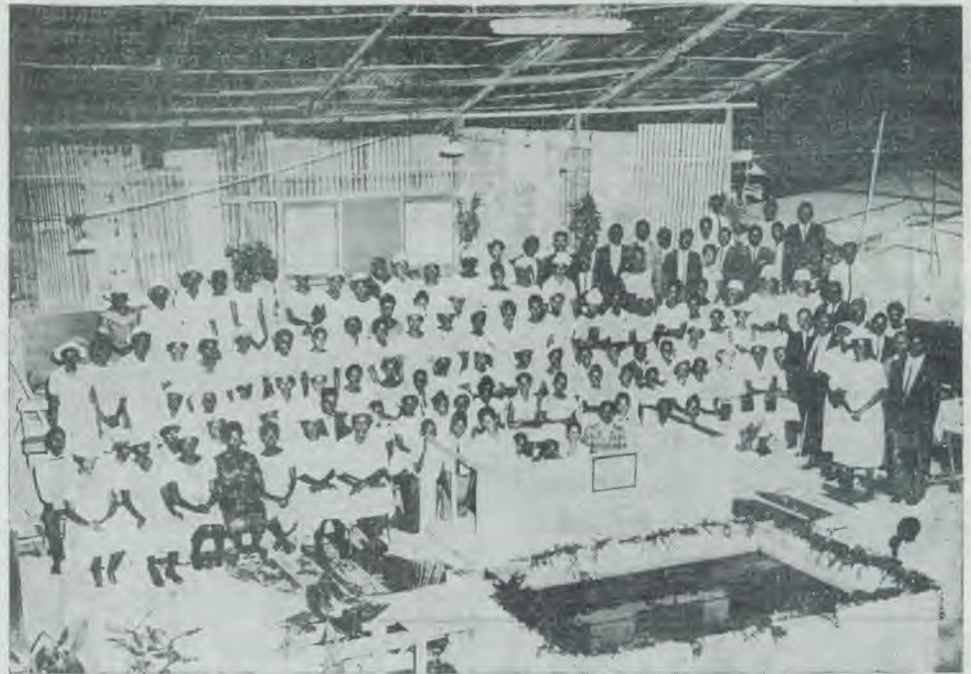
H. Bennett	—	113
J. A. Allen	—	86
S. G. Cole	—	50
H. Fletcher	—	28
A. Davis	—	32
S. A. Grant	—	9
E. A. Henry	—	52
B. Henry	—	59
C. Newman	—	29
C. Parchment	—	24
Z. Reid	—	113
S. Simon	—	54
E. C. Walton	—	65
J. Westley	—	20
B. Woodburn	—	100
K. G. Vaz	—	43
C. Gray	—	24
U. E. Morgan	—	15
<b>Total</b>		<b>914</b>



Z. Reid



R. R. Henry



68 Individuals were baptized by Pastor R. R. Henry from the Trench Town Effort.



H. R. Bennett



F. White



B. A. Woodburn

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