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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Every issue of the West Indies Union "Visitor" is intended to bring news of progress, advancement in Evangelism and information of vital importance to our constituency. In this issue you will find a message from Pastor C. L. Powers, the President of the Inter-American Division. The report on our evangelistic results up to the end of the third quarter will be of great interest to all. We sincerely trust that these statements from the servant of the Lord will be pondered by each of us.

"The Lord desires His servants today to preach the old gospel doctrine, sorrow for sin, repentance, and confession. We want old-fashioned customs, old-fashioned fathers and mothers in Israel. The sinner must be laboured for, perseveringly, earnestly, wisely, until he shall see that he is a transgressor of God's law, and shall exercise repentance toward God and faith toward the Lord Jesus Christ." *Evangelism*, pp. 179, 180.

"More people than we think are longing to find the way to Christ. Those who preach the last message of mercy should bear in mind that Christ is to be exalted as the sinner's refuge. Some ministers think that it is not necessary to preach repentance and faith; they take it for granted that their hearers are acquainted with the gospel, and that matters of a different nature must be presented in order to hold their attention. But many people are sadly ignorant in regard to the plan of salvation; they need more instruction upon this all-important subject than upon any other." *Ibid.*, pp. 185, 186.

The Themes for Our Discourses.— "These are our themes—Christ crucified for our sins, Christ risen from the dead Christ our intercessor before God; and closely connected with these is the office work of the Holy Spirit, the representative of Christ, sent forth with divine power and gifts for men. *Ibid.*, p. 187

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Pastor C. L. Powers

SPEEDING THE MESSAGE

In the heart of the Seventh-day Adventist church must be found a living spirit of aggressive evangelism, evidenced by every activity of the church. The growth of each department depends upon the emphasis given to soul winning. Sabbath school, Dorcas, medical welfare, educational work are all parts of the gospel plan as presented by Jesus Himself.

Our church is not just another church. It carries the tremendous responsibility of preaching the gospel so fully that a people will be made ready for the Lord's return. It is the great objective of the Adventist church to prepare the world for Christ's second coming.

The true spirit of evangelism found in our faithful workers and zealous church members can never be destroyed by opposition and hardship. Their dedication to the task is so great that obstacles and hindrances, such as lack of funds, personal interests, and even persecution,

only serve to spur them on to greater soul-winning activity for the Master. No other church has undertaken such an all-inclusive and humanly impossible task. We claim that when our work is done there will be no more need for the preaching of the gospel. The Lord will not return a second time until the Seventh-day Adventist church has completed its mission.

When we fully recognize this responsibility we will joyfully exclaim: "What a challenge has been given to me! What an hour in which to live! With God's help I will faithfully do my part."

— C. L. Powers, President
Inter-American Division

**EVANGELIZE! EVANGELIZE!!
EVANGELIZE!!**

Evangelism is the life-blood of this movement. To the Advent Church has been committed the solemn responsibility to proclaim the judgment hour message to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. We have only a limited time in which to accomplish this enormous task. The servant of the Lord states: "We as a people have not accomplished the work which the Lord has committed to us . . . It is our duty, as we see the signs of approaching peril to arouse to action." *Test. Vol. V*, pp. 713, 714.

Again we are reminded: "The work is fast closing up, and on every side wickedness is increasing. We have but a short time in which to work. Let us awake from spiritual slumber, and consecrate all that we have and are to the Lord." *Ch. S.* p. 80.

During the first nine months of 1964, the ministers of East Jamaica Conference with the consecrated help of the laity baptized 1005 souls. This fine record is largely the result of thirty evangelistic efforts conducted by our District Pastors and Laymen around the Conference. In fact the entire constituency is rallying to

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EVANGELIZE !!

the bugle call to Evangelize East Jamaica for Christ.

We thank God for the power of His Holy Spirit which is at work, but we are not satisfied. Greater power is needed to match this closing hour, a deeper consecration and a more spirit-filled ministry. We need an anointed vision, a spirit of selflessness and full surrender. Our Heavenly Father is waiting almost impatiently to do wonders through His Church. He is waiting on us to clear the King's Highway for the outpouring of the latter rain and for the finishing of the work in a blaze of glory and power. I call upon every believer of the Advent Message, every pastor, every teacher every student, every doctor, every nurse, every tradesman, every businessman to arise and join us in an all-out, unprecedented, evangelistic drive in the days ahead.

"Rise up, O men of God!

Have done with lesser things;
Give heart and soul and mind and strength

To serve the King of Kings.

Rise up, O men of God!

The church for you doth wait;
Her strength unequal to her task,
Rise up and make her great!"

—H. Edison Nembhard, President
EAST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

GOD BLESSES HINDU FARMER

Secretary-Treasurer, North Tamil Section
By Y. R. Samraj

Some time ago a Hindu farmer attended an effort conducted in the Indian village of Vilupuram. One day he heard a sermon on tithing and the blessings those receive who pay a faithful tithe. This man owned ricelands that at that particular time were almost ready for the harvest. However, there had been no rain and the sun was scorching the rice plants. It appeared that the crop would be lost. Also the insects had attacked the crop.

After the sermon this gentleman went home and told his son what he had heard. He remarked to him, "We have been giving offerings and paying vows to many of our Hindu gods, expecting them to help us in our present crisis, but nothing has come to answer our petitions. Why don't we give something to this God they are preaching about, and also pay the tithe? We ought to give it a trial." The son agreed and they both went to the meeting the next day and paid a thank offering and tithe and made a vow to pay an honest tithe on the crops.

The men returned home and very soon they had an abundant downpour of rain that saved the paddy plants. The man's heart was touched and his faith was strengthened in the God he had heard about at our meeting.

After the paddy was harvested, this man brought in his tithe according to his vow and testified to our workers that God had wrought a great miracle. He had not only given rain but had destroyed the insects that were threatening his crop. He had a surprisingly large yield of rice.

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THREE MILLION SABBATH SCHOOL MEMBERS

G. R. Nash, Secretary,
GC Sabbath School Department

Yes, that is correct! We are now working on our third million in Sabbath school membership mark during the first quarter of 1964. The actual figure as of March 31, 1964, was 2,029,578.

It took us 98 years (1853 to 1951) to reach our first million in Sabbath school members. However, it only took us 12 years (1952 to 1964) to reach our second million.

Now the question is, "How long will it take us to reach our third million?" The answer is up to us. "The time has come when, as never before, Seventh-day Adventists are to arise and shine, because their light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon them." **EVANGELISM**, p. 36. "The time is coming when there will be as many converted in a day as there were on the day of Pentecost after the disciples had received the Holy Spirit." **Ibid.**, p. 692. God is ready to do great things for us, if we only have enough faith to accept the challenge and to cooperate fully with Him. "Time is short, and our forces must be organized to do a larger work." — **CHRISTIAN SERVICE**, p. 72.

The following suggestions will help us speedily to increase our membership and thus reach the three-million milestone perhaps by 1970.

First, we should search out every backslider—each one who once worshipped with us. We should by kindly interest and actions endeavour to awaken within them once again the "Hope of Christ's Return." We should sympathize with them where possible and pray with them and for them. In every conceivable manner we should woo them back to Christ, and to the Sabbath school and other services of the church.

Second, we should seek out the relatives of Adventists—those who are already acquainted with our main teachings.

There are many thousands of husbands who are sympathetic with the truth because of long intimate association with a faithful Adventist wife. Many of these men have not made a decision to obey God. We should unite our prayers and efforts with those of the wives and do all we can to draw these men to the Sabbath school and church.

Third, there are, perhaps, in North America, nearly a million sons and daughters of Seventh-day Adventists that are out of the Sabbath school and church. Let us search these out and coax them back into the fellowship of the Sabbath school.

Fourth, and this is very important, we should visit our neighbours and gently urge them toward the Sabbath school. "Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs,

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Bulletin No. 1

Responsibility of Conference Presidents, Pastors, Elders, Deacons, the People as a Body

"Many presidents of State conferences do not attend to that which is their work,—to see that the elders and deacons of the churches do their work in the churches, by seeing that a faithful tithe is brought into the treasury . . . Presidents of our conferences, do your duty; speak not your words, but a plain, 'Thus saith the Lord.' Elders of churches, do your duty. Labour from home to home, that the flock of God shall not be remiss in this great matter, which involves such a blessing or such a curse. . . . Every man who bears the message of truth to our churches, must do his duty by warning, educating, rebuking. Any neglect of duty which is a robbery toward God, means a curse upon the delinquent." **TM 305-307.**

"Let the church appoint pastors and elders who are devoted to the Lord Jesus, and let those men see that officers are chosen who will attend faithfully to the work of gathering in the tithe. If the pastors show that they are not fitted for their charge, if they fail to set before the church the importance of returning to God His own, if they do not see to it that the officers under them are faithful, and that the tithes are brought in, they are in peril. They are neglecting a matter which involves a blessing or a curse to the church. They should be relieved of the responsibility, and other men should be tested and tried. The Lord's messengers should see that His requirements are faithfully discharged by members of the church." —**Supplement to REVIEW AND HERALD, Dec. 1, 1886.**

"The Lord will not hold guiltless those who are deficient in doing the work that He requires at their hands, — in seeing that the church is kept wholesome and healthy spiritually, and doing all their duty in allowing no neglect which will bring the threatened curse upon His people. A curse is pronounced upon all who withhold their tithe from God." **TM 307.**

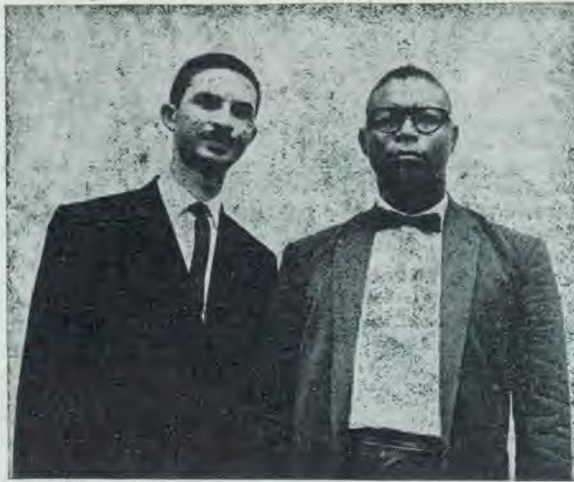
"The plain, straight testimony must live in the church, or the curse of God will rest upon His people as surely as it did upon ancient Israel because of their sins. God holds His people, as a body, responsible for the sins existing in individuals among them. If the leaders of the church neglect to diligently search out the sins which bring the displeasure of God upon the body, they become responsible for these sins . . . Should a case like Achan's be among us, there are many who would accuse those who might act the part of Joshua in searching out the wrong, of having a wicked, fault-finding spirit. God is not to be trifled with, and His warnings disregarded with impunity by a perverse people." **3T 269, 270.**

MINISTERS HAVE RESPONSIBILITY

"Those who go forth as ministers have a solemn responsibility devolving upon them which is strangely neglected . . . There is great need of instruction concerning the obligations and duties to God, especially in regard to paying an honest tithe." **9T p. 250.**

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WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE



Pastors J. Thompson and A. Parchment

ORDINATION SERVICE

On Sabbath, July 25, brethren Trevor Thompson and Aston Parchment were ordained to the gospel ministry at the Montego Bay Seventh-day Adventist Temple.

It was the time of the biennial session of West Jamaica Conference and Elders C. L. Powers and David Baasch, president and secretary respectively of the Inter-American Division, joined with twenty other ministers in the rite of ordination.

Pastors Thompson and Parchment have each given six years of ministerial work in Eastern St. James and Northern Westmoreland respectively.

In his ordination sermon, Elder C. L. Powers emphasized the necessity of the pastor's acquaintanceship with the word of God, and the need for dedicated

and sacrificial work.

As the congregation of about twelve hundred knelt, twenty-two ministers of God on their knees circled the candidates and laying holy hands on their heads joined in heart with Elder Baasch as he lifted up his voice to God in the dedicatory prayer.

Elder W. U. Campbell, president of West Indies Union gave the charge, and Elder S. G. Lindo, president of West Jamaica Conference welcomed the pastors into the ministry. Pastor Thompson prayed to close.

We thank God for two more men added to the service of the gospel ministry, and pray for their success in abundance.

—Silburn M. Reid, Secretary
WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

WESTCON—YOUCA '64

An epidemic of camp fever broke out in West Jamaica especially in the last few weeks before Wescon-Youca '64 was to begin. One hundred and thirty-six applications poured in from all over the Conference. The MV secretary had anticipated a big camp, but not quite as big.

Everything went smoothly for Junior camp as there were only thirty-six juniors; but it was interesting to see Pastor H. L. Douce hurrying back to head-quarters for more supplies to cope with the one hundred seniors who poured on to the camp grounds from cars, buses, trucks and a bicycle, on which one MV, Claude Malcolm, cycled about forty miles to come to camp.

Elder E. J. Parchment, MV and Educational Secretary of the West Indies Union Mission, was right on time to help us get settled, while Nurse Dwyer and the camp secretary, Miss L. Dawkins, ran a feverish registration programme, checking in the campers.

With nine units of girls and four of boys, the seniors launched into a full week of camp activities. Some getting honours in Bird and Star studies, and nearly everyone, a Leader Craft Certificate.

The six new tents secured by the Conference were a real joy to the young people, even though three of them flopped in the heavy rain and wind. The campers all agreed it was the best camp ever and they are already looking forward to next year's camp. The prediction is that there will be one hundred and thirty seniors to cope with next year.

Camp has taken on new life in this Conference as the young people discovered more and more the intricate values. They all have to learn more about nature and their Creator and how to use their hands in profitable activities such as hobbies and crafts. More than that, our young people learn to live with each other as they have the privilege to meet other young people from other churches.

When camp came to an end it was with heavy hearts that the young people packed their suit cases and boarded their buses. As they drove away, the director gave two whistle blasts, indicating a change of duty.

Goodbye to Wescon-Youca '64 Youth Camp and soon it will be Wescon-Youca '65. Let all the churches in West Jamaica plan to send delegates to the next camp.

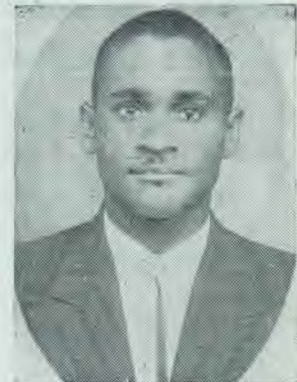
—H. L. Douce
MV & Educational Secretary

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Heed how thou livest; do not act by day
Which from the night shall drive thy
peace away
In months of sun, so live that months of
rain

Shall still be happy—evermore restrain
Evil an cherish good, so shall there be
Another and a happier life for thee.

—J. G. Whittier



Brother A. R. Greene

* Brother A. R. Greene has accepted a call to the Bahamas to serve as secretary-treasurer. He will be able to give valuable service to that field as he has had wide experience in treasury work. He has served in the business office of West Indies College as well as the treasury department of East Jamaica Conference where he gave invaluable service. Three years ago he was elected secretary-treasurer of the newly organized West Jamaica Conference. Largely as a result of his efficient methodical work, West Jamaica Conference was able to report wonderful gains in Tithes and offerings. We want to wish for him and family a very fruitful ministry as they leave for the Bahamas Mission field.

PATHFINDERS ON THE MARCH

The weekend of September 18-21 will be long remembered by the Pathfinders and young people of the Bahamas Mission. This was Pathfinder Weekend. On Friday the 18th, Elder D. J. von Pohle, MV Secretary of the Inter-American Division arrived for the activities. The Pathfinders and Missionary Volunteers were drawn nearer to the Lord Jesus, and were inspired by the experiences given by Elder von Pohle on Friday night at the Grants Town Church.

Then on Sabbath, the 19th at 5:00 p.m., all roads led to the Centreville Church where a very impressive Investiture Service took place. Ten Master

Guides, eleven Companions, nineteen Friends, five Builders, eight Busy Bee, two Sunbeams and four Helping Hands received certificates and were invested in the classes named. Certainly it was a thrilling sight to see so many young people receiving their insignias. By all means, this Investiture will be one that will always be remembered. Elder von Pohle gave the address on the MV work and Classes; Pastor L. V. McMillan gave the Charge; and the Consecration Prayer was offered by Pastor H. A. Roach. Also taking part in the service was Elder S. N. McKinney, the Acting President, and



Pastor L. V. McMillan welcomes the Governor & Lady Grey



Our Pathfinders on the March!

Elder N. E. Scavella, Home Missionary Secretary.

The next big event was the Third Annual Pathfinder Exhibition and Fair, which was held under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor Sir Ralph Grey. For weeks and months the members of the Pathfinder Clubs were planning for the honourable event. For many days the Guard of Honour was in rigid practice and all day on Sunday, and part of Monday final preparations were made, as booths were readied and last minute touches were placed on exhibits.

Then the hour finally arrived, and at 7:50 p.m., the Guard of Honour under the command of Brother Richard Ranning, took its place on the court, and at 8:00 p.m. His Excellency and Lady Grey arrived. They were met by Elder L. V. McMillan, Director of the Pathfinders, and Elder S. N. McKinney, Acting President of the Bahamas Mission.

In respect to our Queen and Governor, all stood at attention as the National Anthem was played.

Immediately after, the Governor inspected the Guard of Honour made up of Pathfinders all looking exceptionally sharp for the occasion. After the inspecting of the Guard of Honour, the Governor and party took their seats on the platform, and addresses were made. Elder L. V. McMillan welcomed the guests, who included the Leader of the Red Cross of the Bahamas, Captain S. C. Penn, captain of the Boys Brigade, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Adderly. Elder S. N. McKinney spoke concerning the Pathfinder work in the Bahamas, and Elder D. J. von Pohle told about our work in the Inter-American Division.

The Governor then addressed the Pathfinders, and in declaring the Exhibition officially opened he said, "All of you are engaged in the same great work, helping others and thereby finishing the work of the gospel in all the world. That must give you a sense of satisfaction and I wish that your group here will have much success, that you will have lots of fun out of it and that many others will follow in the Path that you have found." The Exhibition being opened, the Governor and other guests were taken to see the exhibits and demonstration booths. What a pleasant sight met our eyes as we entered the auditorium of the Bahamas Junior Academy! The four clubs with the MV Department and the Book and Bible House had their exhibits nicely arranged for display.

There were exhibits in arts and crafts, needlework, collections in coins, stamps, agriculture and nature. The Grants Town Club had the most attractive exhibits. From the exhibits, the Governor proceeded to the demonstration booths where some of the features of the Pathfinder Club were demonstrated. Johnson Park demonstrated a "Typical Group Studying the Stars"; Englerston; "Pathfinders Caring for Orphan Children"; Centreville; "First Aid"; and Grants Town, "Care for My Body".

The Outdoor competitions were next, but one of the highlights of the evening took place just before the competitions began.

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CONVENTION IN THE BAHAMAS

August 9, 1964 is a day that will long live in the minds of hundreds of the members of our churches of New Providence. On that day the first Convention in the history of the Bahamas Mission was conducted.

Because of the fact that the Dundas Civic Centre was booked right up to the Saturday night before the Convention, the morning of the 9th started very early for us. We were not certain that the hall could be made ready for our opening time on Sunday, but with the help of most of our local elders, deacons, members and workers we were able to sing the opening hymn at 9:30 A.M.

As the meeting opened that morning, there were approximately three hundred people in attendance. Many of these brethren came with their very young children from the very beginning and stayed right through the day.

The first special item of music came to us from the choir of the Johnson Park Church, which is the most recently organized church of the Bahamas Mission. Our hearts were truly thrilled as we watched Brother E. E. Ferment lead this group in a song of praise as that great convocation of Christian fellowship got underway.

Our first speaker for the day was Elder W. U. Campbell, who inspired us all as he powerfully delivered his message on "The might of Mercy". This was followed by a brief survey of the work in the Mission at this time. Then came some very helpful suggestions from the Sabbath School and Home Missionary Departments under the leadership of Pastor N. E. Scavella. Immediately after this, our Acting Treasurer, Brother A. B. Marshalleck, graphically portrayed for us the financial picture of our Mission.

Among the very interesting things his statistical report revealed are the following: For the first time the Centreville Church no longer has the highest per capita tithe. This achievement is now the accomplishment of the Englerston Church.

Secondly, that the Englerston Church also has the greatest gain in tithe for the

first six months of the year. Thirdly, that the Centreville Church is now the largest church in the Mission with a membership of 238 as compared to 231 for Grants Town.

After lunch, which was served on grounds by our Welfare sisters, the Temperance and Educational activities were highlighted by our Temperance and Educational Secretary, Elder H. A. Roach.

Then came the Missionary Volunteer hour for which our young people hoped all through the day. There is no doubt in our minds that the young people were inspired as they were told of the coming Youth Camp by their leader, Elder L. V. McMillan.

Let us hasten to assure you that the Voice of Prophecy and Publishing Departments under the leadership of Mrs H. A. Roach and Elder N. E. Scavella, respectively, received very favourable responses from the many individuals who listened.

The day was brought to a close by a big Evangelistic Rally at which time about five hundred assembled to hear the Word of God. During this meeting an appeal was made for an offering to assist in the purchasing of a new tent for evangelistic purposes and One Hundred and Fifty Pounds was taken up. Elder Campbell led out in this service and when he made his altar call hundreds with their leaves in their hands came forward and gave their hearts anew to God.

We want to register our deep appreciation for the help we received from our many visitors at the Convention. Among those visiting were Elder W. U. Campbell, mentioned above; Mrs. H. S. Walters, who gave us a very profitable talk on Christian Education; Mrs. Jean Stoodly, who spoke to us on the right use of food; and Mrs. A. B. Marshalleck, the wife of our Acting Treasurer.

We are already planning for next year's Convention and we solicit your prayers for the finishing of the work in the Bahamas.

**S. N. McKinney, Acting President
Bahamas Mission of S.D.A.**

LOVE WINS

There is no success where love is lacking. Love, the foundation of salvation must be given to humanity. Love for God leads to love for man. It was love for man that caused God to give His only Son to die on the cross. Then we think of Brother Paul, that great missionary—his whole life was built up of love—love for God and his fellowmen. It is this same love that links the territories of the West Indies Union of Seventh-day Adventists together.

Elder B. L. Archbold of the Inter-American Division made his first visit to one of his relatives on Cayman Brac. This opened the way for a valuable friendship. This family is known to be of society and no lover of Adventism.

Sister Allen, wife of Pastor S. Allen, quietly walked into their home and made friends with the family. She continued to visit without saying one word about her religion, until finally she won their confidence. Shortly after, the children were allowed to accompany her to Sabbath School. On one occasion the mother of the children took her little girl, aged three years, to town. While passing a store the child said, "Stop, there is Jesus!" The mother turning around saw a beautiful picture of Jesus. Upon questioning her, she said, "I learned about Him in Sabbath School." They are deeply in love with the Sabbath school, the members, and even their minister's car. They continue to say, "That's my Pastor's car," and nothing can distract their attention. Now she moves among them, not as friends but as a member of the family.

One Sabbath evening, she sat by the dining table with them and with these words she opened her quarterley. "I want you, my friends, to get some of what I am enjoying from my Sabbath school lesson." They sat quietly and she studied the lesson with them. This began in May and interest has been shown. Although this field is such a challenging one, Sister Allen believes that great things can be done through the children.

The Servant of the Lord has said, "The heart of the children that believe in Christ is as precious in His sight as the Angel around His Throne." Every Sabbath evening, this family looks forward to the study of the Sabbath school lesson. Pray with us that love will continue to win in Cayman Brac.

**S. Allen
Cayman Brac**

NEWS FROM ABROAD

A number of new teachers will be joining the staff at Canadian Union College this fall. Elder Walter O. Comm, who has recently received the B.D. degree from Andrews University, will be acting head of the theology department in the absence of Elder Campbell, who is on leave of absence for advanced study. Mrs. Comm taught in the English department at Canadian Union College several years ago.

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Pastor & Mrs. M. E. Weir

Brother Weir was ordained to the Gospel Ministry on April 18, 1964.

EAST JAMAICA CONDUCTS YOUTH CAMPS

The Senior Youth of East Jamaica attended the annual camp at Camp Don, Robin's Bay, St. Mary, July 20-27 and the Junior Youth followed on and attended their camp Session July 27 to August 3.

The Camp was directed by Pastor L. H. Fletcher, Missionary Volunteer Leader of the Conference and was ably assisted by a corps of workers from various parts of the field. Pastor E. J. Parchment, Union Youth Leader, gave valuable assistance in camp councils, crafts, camp fires and various activities of camp life.

Pastor H. E. Nembhard acted as chaplain for the Senior Camp and Pastor C. S. Greene acted as Chaplain for the Juniors. Pastor K. O. Boyd of the Andrews Church was deputy director during the Junior camp.

This year there were 126 campers at Senior camp and 137 at the Junior camp.

The young people had such an interesting time at both camps, that when the time came to break camp only a few wanted to return home.

There was quite a marked improvement to our camp site this year. The roads to the camp site were repaired and fixed after getting a good scouring from the flood waters of hurricane Flora. A covered dining room area is now a reality and is an added comfort for the campers. Mrs. Muriel Morgan and Miss Gladys Brodie served as camp matrons.

There is still a great need, however, for additional seating in the main Pavilion and the MV Secretary of the Conference will be very grateful to anyone who can find it possible to contribute towards benches and chairs for this very fine programme of investment for our boys and girls.

Three prominent visitors to our Senior Camp this year included Pastor C. L. Powers and Pastor D. H. Baasch, President and Secretary of the Inter-American Division of Seventh-day Adventists and Pastor W. U. Campbell, President of the West Indies Union.

—C. S. Greene

EAST NEWS NOTES

ON STUDY LEAVE

Three families from our worker group have requested and received permission for study leave as of September, 1964.

Pastor and Mrs. J. G. Bennett will further their studies at the West Indies College in Mandeville. Pastor Bennett was Pastor of three large churches in the city, namely—Hagley Park, Greenwich Town and Penwood. Mrs. Bennett is a trained nurse.

Pastor and Mrs. A. Hunter will also further their studies at the West Indies College. Pastor Hunter did pastoral work in West Portland. His wife taught at the church school in Buff Bay.

Brother S. G. Campbell will further his studies at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, U.S.A. Brother Campbell was headmaster of the Portland High School.

We wish for these five workers God's continued blessings and every success in their undertakings, and sincerely hope they will hurry back to us.

Brother Winston Falconer returned from the United States of America on August 27, after the completion of his work for the Master of Arts degree in Public Health. Brother Falconer studied at the Oklahoma University and while there was very active in helping the local Seventh-day Adventist churches. He was instrumental in leading a Moslem, a fellow student to accept Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour. WELCOME back Brother Falconer, Rollington Town will be more than grateful to have you back.

Dr. Erland Smith of California with relatives and friends also Nurse Bernice Buchanan of Washington D.C. paid a visit to East Jamaica.

* Mrs. Andita White, wife of the Pastor for North Street Temple, returned from the United States of America on August 31, 1964, after a well earned holiday. Word has reached us that Miss Polly Thorpe, a former worker of the East Jamaica Conference office staff, was recently married in Canada.

- * Pastor A. G. Lawrence returned safely from a short holiday in the United States. Pastor Lawrence reported that he had a profitable time. He has since resumed his duties in East St. Thomas.
- * Pastors V. G. Newman and C. S. Greene are currently holding a series of Evangelistic meetings in Bull Bay, St. Thomas. Your prayers are solicited.
- * Pastor H. E. Nembhard and his daughter, Joy, left the island on Monday, August 24 for U.S.A. Pastor Nembhard accompanied Joy to school at Andrews University where she will further her studies in medical technology. Pastor Nembhard was away for approximately one month.
- * Miss Claudette Laing left the island for Kingsway College (formerly Osnawa Missionary College) in Canada on September 7, 1964. She was accompanied by her Aunt—Nurse Madge Davis. Claudette will major in Romance Languages. Nurse Davis will be taking up nursing in Canada. Claudette is the daughter of Pastor and Mrs. A. D. Laing.
- * Mr. Norman Mitchell a former teacher of Kingsway High School left the island on August 30, 1964, for Canada. He travelled by way of the United States. He is attending the University of Western Ontario. Brother Mitchell, a graduate of West Indies College and the University College of the West Indies will continue his studies in teaching.
- The Fruitful Vale Church in Portland was dedicated to the honour and glory of God at a ceremony attended by a large group of friends and members from various parts of the parish. Elder Hunter and the members of the church worked hard to bring this service to a reality. Our heartiest congratulations.

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A RIGHTEOUS REQUIREMENT

"At stated periods, in order to preserve the integrity of the law, the people were interviewed as to whether they had faithfully performed their vows or not. A conscientious few made returns to God of about one-third of all their income for the benefit of religious interests and for the poor. These exactions were not from a particular class of people, but from all, the requirement being proportioned according to the amount possessed. Besides all these systematic and regular donations, there were special objects calling for free-will offerings, such as the tabernacle built in the wilderness, and the temple erected at Jerusalem. These draughts were made by God upon the people for their own good, as well as to sustain His service." 4T pp. 467, 468.

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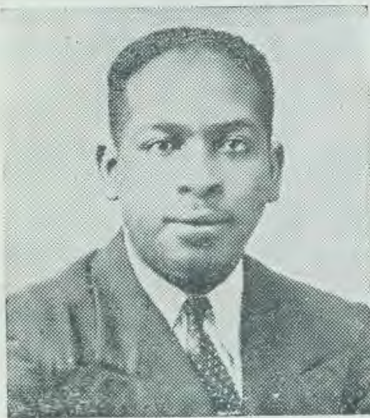
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NEW PRESIDENT FOR WEST INDIES COLLEGE



Pastor K. G. Vaz

At a meeting of West Indies College board which convened in the month of July, Pastor K. G. Vaz was elected president of West Indies College. He has had many years of service in the Seventh-day Adventist organization. For many years he was a district pastor in the old West Jamaica Conference after which he went to Andrews University where he obtained his master's degree. He has been head of the Theological department since 1958 and he has served as acting president on many occasions. We wish for him abundant success as he takes up his heavy responsibilities.



Pastor Hilbert E. Nembhard

* At a meeting of West Indies College board which convened during the month of August, Pastor Hilbert E. Nembhard was appointed to head the Theological department of West Indies College. Before taking up his new responsibilities he will attend Andrews University for the purpose of obtaining

his master's degree. He has had wide experience as a pastor-evangelist, having served as pastor of a number of districts in the corporate area, including the North Street Temple Church. He has also had experience as a Pastor-evangelist in the large metropolitan city of Port of Spain where he conducted a number of large evangelistic efforts. He has also taught at Caribbean Union College in the Theological department. Most recently he was pastor-evangelist in Bridgetown, Barbados in the East Caribbean Conference. We are sure that his wealth of experience will be a great asset to West Indies College.

* There were two important changes made in the administrative branch of West Indies College. Pastor O. E. Gordon has been appointed Business manager and Mr. Aston Barnes, Treasurer. These brethren have already taken up their new appointments.

WEST INDIES UNION NEWS BRIEFS

* Miss Maxine Banks has been in the West Indies Union office for the purpose of getting orientated in the keeping of the Mission Treasury books of the Cayman Islands Mission. She left Jamaica early in the month of October to take up her new responsibilities.

* Miss M. Elphage who has served as Matron of the Davis Memorial Hospital in Georgetown, British Guiana has accepted a call to be Dean of Women at the West Indies College. She begins her new duties this month.

* Pastor J. G. Bennett of East Jamaica Conference has now enrolled as a bursary student at West Indies College. He has also been asked to serve as Assistant Dean of Men. His wife will be college nurse. This has been a very great need at West Indies College.

* During the last semester of the 1963-64 school year, Mr. Maxwell Smith taught at the Primary school of West Indies College. He has accepted a call to the Bahamas Mission to serve as a teacher in the Bahamas Junior Academy.

* Pastor E. J. Parchment, MV and Educational Secretary of the West Indies Union attended the Youth Camp of the Bahamas Mission and he also conducted an MV Investiture service in Georgetown, Grand Cayman.

* Mr. and Mrs. Logan Bowen recently returned from the United States to connect with West Indies College. Mr. Bowen is a graduate from the Theological course of West Indies College as well as a graduate of Andrews University where he obtained his Master's degree. He has already begun working toward his Ph.D.

* Mrs. Simon Johnson returned from the United States of America to begin teaching in the secondary department of West Indies College.

* West Indies Union has been the host to a Survey Commission comprising representatives from the General Conference as well as the Inter-American Division. They were in Jamaica from September 24 - 29. Most of them are not strangers to Jamaica as they have been here previously.

Pastor W. E. Murray, vice-president of the General Conference, was the Chairman of the commission. Also arriving from the General Conference was Pastor W. L. Pascoe, Assistant treasurer of the General Conference. Pastor C. L. Powers, president of the Inter-American Division; Pastor D. H. Baasch, secretary; Pastor C. O. Franz, treasurer; Pastor B. L. Archbold, Home Missionary secretary; Pastor Fernon Retzer, Sabbath school secretary.

* On Thursday, October 1, Pastor V. T. Boyce, treasurer of the West Indies Union, left for the Bahamas to audit the Mission books. He also paid a short visit to the Cayman Islands after auditing the Bahamas Mission Books.

* Pastor M. G. Nembhard left on Wednesday, September 30, for Georgetown, Grand Cayman. He also visited Cayman Brac where he conducted some revival meetings.

THREE MILLION S. S. MEMBERS

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and won their confidence. Then He bade them, "Follow Me." —*The Ministry of Healing*, p. 143.

As we visit our neighbours in a friendly way to become acquainted with them, we should by sympathy and kindness seek to reach their hearts and souls. We should remove prejudice rather than create it. It takes time to prepare the soil of the heart, but it is of vital importance in this type of soul winning. Through diligent effort and God's blessings many will be persuaded to turn toward the Sabbath school and the house of God. Conviction will fasten upon some of their minds, and thus souls will be won. If you fail at times, do not become discouraged. Keep on keeping on. Persevere until success crowns your efforts.

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

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Our ministers should seek to come near to the ministers of other denominations. Pray for and with these men, for whom Christ is interceding.

A solemn responsibility is theirs. As Christ's messengers, we should manifest a deep, earnest interest in these shepherds of the flock." *Ibid.*, p. 562.

Our ministers are to make it their special work to labour for ministers. They are not to get into controversy with them, but, with their Bible in their hand, urge them to study the Word. If this is done, there are many ministers now preaching error, who will preach the truth for this time." *Ibid.*, p. 562.

CENTURION EVANGELISTIC REPORT

For Three Quarters, Ending
September 30, 1964.

CENTRAL JAMAICA CONFERENCE

Z. Reid	—	126
B. A. Woodburn	—	123
E. C. Walton	—	111
H. R. Bennett	—	111
L. Simons	—	83
E. Henry	—	82
J. Allen	—	80
B. Henry	—	57
S. Cole	—	80
U. Morgan	—	42
C. H. Parchment	—	40
K. G. Vaz	—	34
H. H. Fletcher	—	36
J. Wesley	—	32
A. Davis	—	31
J. N. Williams	—	11
C. Newman	—	26
C. Grey	—	30

Total 1,135

EAST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

R. R. Henry	—	146
F. E. White	—	144
A. D. Laing	—	94
J. G. Bennett	—	71
V. O. Brown	—	51
R. U. Daughma	—	48
V. G. Newman	—	43
C. F. Edwards	—	41
A. Hunter	—	40
O. S. Rugless	—	32
M. E. Weir	—	28
H. H. Holmes	—	25
L. H. Davidson	—	22
N. H. Thorpe	—	24
G. J. Wilson	—	18
O. P. Reid	—	17
K. O. Boyd	—	3
Office—Penwood	—	115

Total 1,010

WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

J. C. Palmer	—	128
W. A. Kirlew	—	109
E. R. Wright	—	105
F. Broomfield	—	93
L. Williams	—	86
E. C. H. Reid	—	70
H. E. Richards	—	38
A. E. Gordon	—	70
D. O. Spence	—	61
C. Mair	—	52
A. Parchment	—	32
C. R. Perry	—	32
N. Frazer	—	28
T. W. Thompson	—	8

Total 912



CHURCH DEDICATION

The new Faithful Vale Church was dedicated in the presence of a large representative gathering from the community and visitors from distant sections of Jamaica.



Pastor J. C. Palmer



Pastor E. C. Walton

PATHFINDERS ON THE MARCH Contd. from page 4

A gymnastic demonstration was put on by the "Cadosas" a Pathfinder group, under the direction of Samuel Rolle, better known as "Scoopy" in the building of pyramids and acrobatics.

There were also events in Speed Knot Tying, Drilling and Trick Bicycle Riding. After the judging of the competition in the several events, Lady Grey presented the floating trophy to Mr. Cyril McMillan, Director of the Grants Town Club which took first honours of the evening.

The finishing of the events made it possible for everyone to relax and enjoy the rest of the evening partaking of the delicious suppers, ice cream and drinks that were prepared by the parents and friends of the Pathfinders. We can surely say that the Exhibition was a great success.

**L. V. McMillan, MV Secretary
Bahamas Mission.**

God has a berry for every bird, but He does not throw it in the nest.

NOTICE

WEST INDIES UNION SESSION

The quadrennial session of West Indies Union will convene from December 8-12, 1964, at the Mandeville Temple in Mandeville. Members will be elected to the various boards, departmental secretaries will be elected as well as mission officers. Reports will be received for the last quadrennial period.

President, W. U. Campbell
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