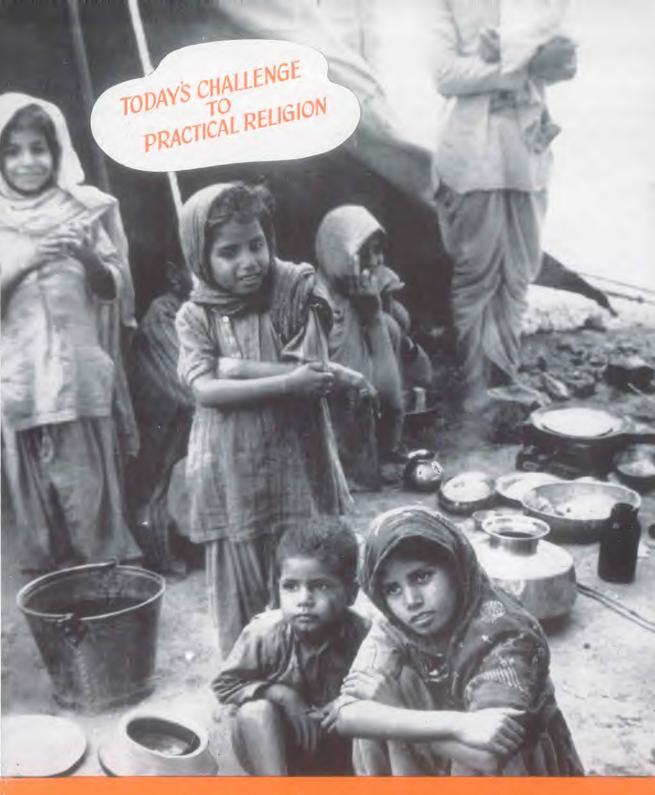


## Our TIMES

INGATHERING ISSUE



The distress of these displaced persons of India is tragically symbolic of a world-wide multitude with sickened bodies, tortured minds, and broken hearts. Will they face the future alone, or with God?

# WORLD-WIDE WORLD-WIDE By J. L. McElhany, President, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

SEVENTH-DAY Adventists as a Christian body accept heartily and enthusiastically the Saviour's divine command to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Our purpose as individuals and as a body of believers is to make our chief object in life the carrying out of this great commission. We hold ourselves, our time, our talents, our money as a sacred trust to be used in accomplishing this object.

Along with the preaching of the Word of God, we spend large sums in providing food and clothing for famine-stricken people in various parts of the world. Our churches are organized as relief agencies to provide food, clothes, and money for this type of Christian help work. We train physicians and nurses, and send them out to the needy places of earth to provide medical care for thousands of suffering human beings.

Our work is established in practically every country on earth. From Hammerfest, the most northerly city in the world, to Punta Arenas, the most southerly city, and in every continent and in all the principal islands of the world, we carry on this work.

In these post-war days the calls for help and the opportunities for carrying on this work are multiplying. Never before have the particular needs been so insistent nor the calls for help so urgent. Perhaps not in this generation have conditions so favorable for the spread of the gospel message been seen as now.

In the great interior regions of New Guinea vast numbers of primitive people have been discovered in recent years. These tribes are becoming more and more responsive to the preaching of the gospel. They are asking for teachers and missionaries to establish mission stations among them. Recently we have increased our staff of missionaries in that field by appointing eight new couples and also

seventy native teachers. But these are not enough. We need hundreds more of consecrated workers to send to these multitudes.

It has been said that not since the day of Pentecost has there been such a soul-winning opportunity as now exists in Japan. As never before in the history of this nation, the Japanese people are eager to hear the gospel. We have missionaries in the field, and many national workers are already trained. We have medical, educational, and publishing institutions at work there. But in the face of such unprecedented opportunities we must find the men and means to greatly increase our efforts in the land of the Rising Sun.

From the multitudes of India arises an urgent call for help in carrying forward the gospel message. A new day is dawning there and many men are forsaking their former ways and superstitions and turning to Christ the Lord. From China comes the same appeal.

The whole continent of Africa presents a similar situation. More workers and more facilities with which to extend and strengthen the work and care for the ever-increasing body of believers is the urgent plea from our African leaders.

From North and South America, Indonesia, the Philippines, Indo-China, Siam, Burma, and all of Europe, and scores of island fields in the Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian oceans, arises a great chorus of appeals for help in extending the triumphs of the gospel.

To meet the opportunities of this great hour, Seventh-day Adventists consecrate themselves and all they have to God for the purpose of gathering souls into the soon-coming kingdom of our Lord and Saviour. We also take this opportunity of expressing our gratitude to that large and increasing body of friends and well-wishers who share with us in providing the money to carry on this great world-wide mission program.

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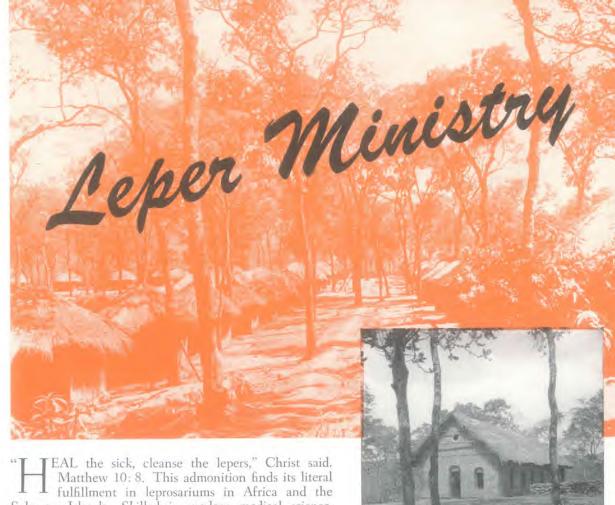
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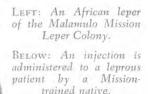
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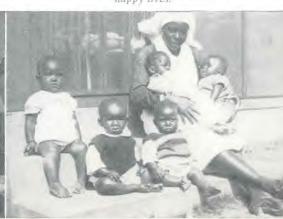


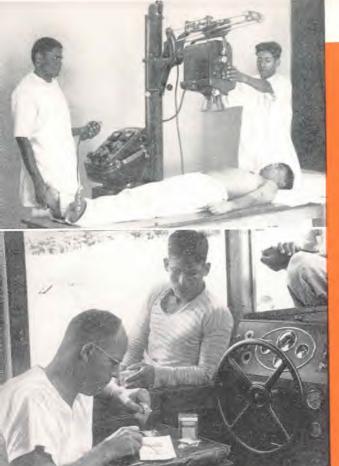
Solomon Islands. Skilled in modern medical science, Christian physicians bring healing to the body, and a knowledge of the healing love of Christ to the souls of thousands of lepers each year.



Mind and heart receive attention, too. In this building the lepers meet each day to study, sing, and pray.

At the Mission Home for untainted children of leprous parents, these youngsters lead healthy, happy lives.







Left Above. A patient is X-rayed in the Giffard Mission Hospital, South India.

LEFT MIDDLE: From a Mission launch on the Amazon, Medical Missionary Halliwell dispenses Atabrine for a malaria victim.

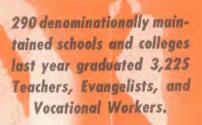
LEFT BELOW: In the Shanghai Sanitatium Clinic, Doctor Liu examines an emergency patient. RIGHT BELOW: To serve North America, the denomination maintains thirty well-equipped, efficiently staffed hospitals.







Seventh-day Adventist colleges give missionary-minded youth sound scientific and intellectual training.



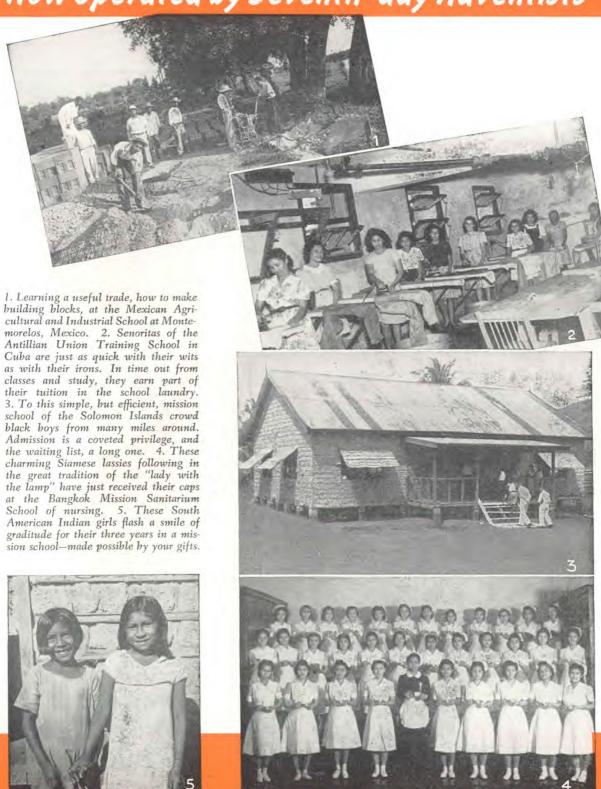


Many students learn trades such as printing, bookbinding, and farming. Here college boys make brooms.

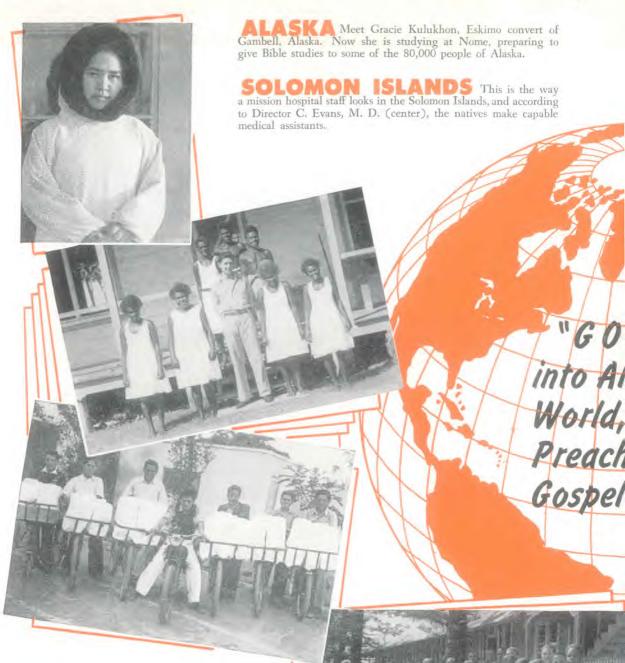


Boys and girls are trained, tool Every summer Junior camps give practice in good citizenship to hundreds.

## More than 2,500 Mission Schools Are Now Operated by Seventh-day Adventists



### Christian Missions Build Go



PERU Homemade bread is delivered to the door in Lima, Peru, by smiling lads who thus earn their way through our Industrial School. The girls? They bake the bread in the school bakery.

JAMAICA Only a sound picture could do justice to this group—the choir of the West Indian Training College at Mandeville, Jamaica.

### ! Citizens Around the World







LEFT ABOVE: This is the distress that Adventist relief organizations are attempting to remedy. RIGHT ABOVE: Clothing and other supplies being loaded into chartered plane at Shanghai for transportation 1100 miles into China's interior, where they are desperately needed. RIGHT: Denominational relief workers in Poland delivering food by jeep.

Through their own gifts and the freewill offerings of others, Seventh-day Adventists have been able to send more than 3,000,000 pounds of clothing to warstricken countries. Their relief shipments of food and clothing are conservatively evaluated at \$10,000,000.

## Helping the World's



These children believe God answered their prayer, "Give us this day our daily bread."



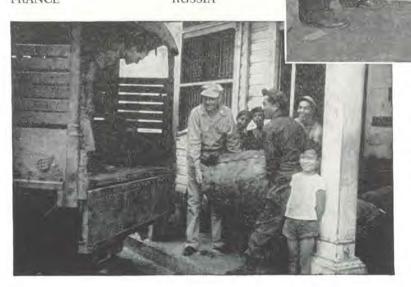
LEFT: Several tons of clothing leave the San Francisco warehouse, which is the denomination's center for processing, baling, and shipping relief goods to the Far East.

BELOW: At the Eastern warehouse in New York a bale is checked and the end firmly sewed to protect the contents from damage and to assure its safe arrival in Europe.

Some of the forty countries to which Seventhday Adventist relief shipments have gone:

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AUSTRIA CHINA CZECHOSLOVAKIA DENMARK ENGLAND ETHIOPIA FRANCE GERMANY
GREECE
HOLLAND
HUNGARY
INDIA
ITALY
JAPAN
JUGOSLAVIA
NORWAY
POLAND
RUSSIA



LEFT: Bales of clothing reaching the Philippines are loaded on truck to be transported to denominational headquarters. From there, relief workers will carefully allocate garments to the neediest cases.



"And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us: . . . we will be glad and rejoice." Isaiah 25: 9.

## THOP!

every hand are without avail. Frustration-bitter and crushing-meets the endeavors of rulers and lawmakers to improve the conditions of their distressed peoples. Everywhere there is economic instability, and men and women are faced with the impossibility of providing themselves with a constant supply of life's necessities. Stocks, bonds, and securities were never more insecure. Even the possession of farms, with their food-producing potentialities, cannot alleviate the intense concern that everywhere prevails because of international political tension and strife.

In the extremely difficult situation in which man finds himself today, he questions whether God still exercises supervision over human tide and time. Does He still

think of us? Does He care? Does He take an interest in man's happiness? Does He appreciate our anxiety about the future? Does

God have His own way out?

Indeed, He does. In the Scriptures He reveals Himself as the Deliverer—the "Governor among the nations." Psalm 22:28. He rules in the kingdoms of men (Daniel 4:17, 25), and directs the affairs of the nations, though unseen by mortal eyes. The world is His property by right of creation and redemption. First, He made us. Then, by His wonderful grace, He sent His Son to redeem us from the rebellion and ruin we had chosen. Through the plan of redemption His providence is at work in every land.

THERE is abundant hope for the world. The future is not entirely dark. Neither is the present state of international affairs as hopeless as it may seem. But man's expectations of relief from the prospects of total atomic war and resulting world disaster must center in the person of God. This is our only certain hope. To look to ourselves in this crisis is to court disaster, To approach the issue of human destiny with Divine counsel and direction is to insure deliverance. We must look to God.

From a merely human viewpoint the future looks desperately foreboding and hopeless. The earnest efforts of the world's best men to bring order out of the chaos that exists on

While we live in this distressed world, we must do our utmost to provide relief from human ignorance and suffering by erecting Christian schools, medical institutions, orphan

itants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that

### OF THE WORLD

By D. A. DELAFIELD

asylums, homes for the aged, city rescue missions, and similar charitable enterprises. But the purpose of God through His church is to go beyond the physical welfare of man to the accomplishment of his salvation from self-ishness and sin. Fundamentally man's troubles are with his perverse heart and not with living standards, bad weather, crop failures, and social inequalities. Change the heart of any man by acquainting him with Jesus Christ, his Saviour. Duplicate this spiritual phenomenon millions of times, and observe how quickly human differences and conflicts disappear.

We point our readers to Jesus as "the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." John 1:29. Our hope is all wrapped up in Him. "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12. His very name denotes "Saviour." (Matthew 1:21.) "God so loved the world, that He gave His onlybegotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting

life." John 3:16.

The world has forgotten this. Moral standards have been lowered to match the will and desire of the majority. God's eternal Ten Commandments have been forgotten in man's feverish pursuit of ease and pleasure. But this moral code is unchangeable by nature, and by it all men will be judged. In God's ten immortal words is a code of life appropriate to our moral need, and in Christ there is power to keep His law. (Romans 8:1-4.) We cannot blame God for our troubles. God has done all He can. What can we expect but crime and war and universal sorrow when we forget the Almighty and despise His Son?

We had better awake to a new consciousness of our moral obligations for already, "the earth . . . is defiled under the inhab-

dwell therein are desolate." Isaiah 24:5, 6.

We may escape this doom if we forsake our sins. The way out of our troubles is the way up to God and peace. A warning message is sounding today on a universal scale (Rev. 14:6-14), similar to the call of Jonah to the sinful inhabitants of Nineveh (Jonah 3:4).

There is a divine climax planned for this world. According to the scriptures Christ will come the second time as "King of kings" (Revelation 19:16) to judge the earth (2 Timothy 4:1), to punish the wicked (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9), and to reward the righteous (John 14:1-3). His coming will abruptly terminate the affairs of mankind. Too late will the nations awaken to discover that they have been fighting against God when warring against each other. But there will be thousands upon thousands of people from every land and race who will be prepared in earth's last hour to hear God's emancipation proclamation. The righteous dead will be raised from their tombs (1 Corinthians 15:50-55), and with the righteous living will be "caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air." 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18. They are free at last. To them the coming of Jesus is the dawn of a new day. His return is the consummation of their hopes. They have at last achieved a settled and permanent peace and happiness as a result of an individual faith in a personal Saviour,

To this bright prospect for the future we point every reader. Thinking men everywhere recognize that time is swiftly running out, and something spectacular, dramatic, and of world-wide proportions is soon to take place. The coming of the Lord is near. This glorious event has been the hope of the world in

all ages.

We can think of no more worth-while ambition in life for anyone than to be ready to meet the Lord at His coming.

Veteran missionaries, Pastor and Mrs. W. H. Anderson, are beloved throughout the Dark Continent.





## Enlears of MISSIONS

Believing that this gospel must be preached in all the world, young missionary appointees, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams, prepare for the take-off. Destination: India.



In A college chapel a young man listened to an address by a veteran missionary who had a thirty-six-year service record. He bowed his head and prayed, "O, Lord, if Thou wilt call me to a foreign field, I, too, will give Thee thirty-six years of unbroken service."

On April 10, 1895, W. H. Anderson, with his bride, began the fulfillment of that pledge. They sailed from New York, sent out by the Seventh-day Adventist Mission Board, to open the first Adventist mission station among heathen people. When they reached the rail head at Mafeking, British Bechuanaland, they traveled by ox wagon across 620 miles of desert country, infested with wild animals and uncivilized peoples. That was the beginning of Pastor Anderson's fifty years of mission service.

Today, many young missionaries are taking up the torch that Pastor Anderson and our 6,000 missionaries who have followed him into lands afar have carried. Typical of those who today are carrying the gospel to "every nation, kindred, tongue, and people" are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams. They left a few weeks ago for tragically needy India, glowing with the belief that so long as there are people hungering for a knowledge of God, there must be Christians who will say,

"HERE AM I, SEND ME."



### What about HOME MISSIONS?

HRIST said, "Love thy neighbor as thyself." In addition to local clinics, welfare centers, and general relief for the poor, Seventh-day Adventists conduct educational and uplift work among the Navahos, where more than one hundred Indians now wait to enter the Mission School.

"I solicit the prayers of all Christians," writes an Indian chief, "for a more extensive



During its first six months, the Baltimore Mission has distributed more than 500 garments, and more than 140 food baskets.

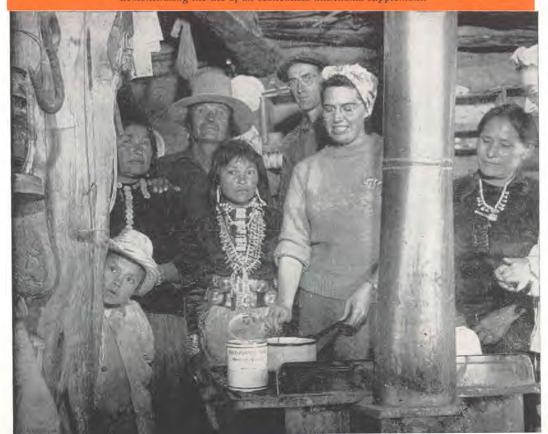


A floating missionary hospital, "Messenger," plies Alaskan coasts with healing for body and soul.

church program to bring the gospel to all the tribes of the North American Indian."

Similar calls come from Alaska, where our mission program is educating in ways of cleanliness and health. Your generous support enables us to answer the many pleas from those within our very borders whose needs are as great, whose souls as precious, as those in distant lands.

College of Medical Evangelist dietitians prepare a nourishing meal in a Navaho hogan, demonstrating the use of an economical nutritional supplement.





"Charge them that are rich in this world,
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tain riches, ... that they do distribute,"
I Timothy 6:17, 18.
Tich in good works, ready to distribute, in good works, ready to distribute.

#### What Your Money Will Do Today

\$5,000 Will equip the surgery department of the Sanitarium in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

\$2,500 Will supply medicine for the Amazon Motor Medical Fleet to bring relief to thousands of fever-stricken people.

\$1,000 Will give medical assistance to 100 lepers in the Central African Leper Colony.

\$500 Will educate two students in the Training School in Beirut, Syria.

\$100 Will supply textbooks and educational equipment for a Mission School in Mexico.

\$50 Will provide shoes for 10 gospel colporteurs in Eastern Europe.

\$18.80 Will sustain the world-wide Adventist program of humanitarian uplift and rehabilitation for ONE MINUTE.

"Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts." Hebrews 4: 7.

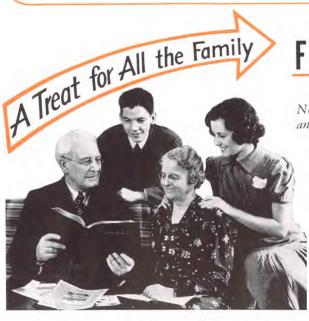
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The help which our many friends give in support of this ever-expanding world program that extends hope and healing to multitudes is greatly appreciated. If after reading the messages contained in this

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