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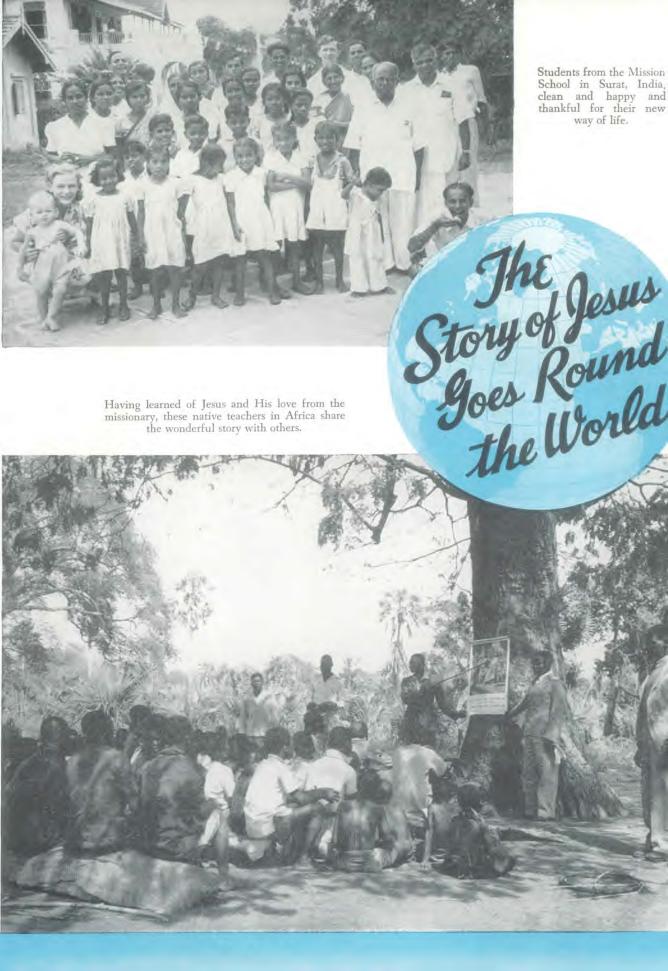
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Work than Comforted by a tiny piece of bread, this homeless Chinese boy is tragically symbolic of children and aged the world around. They look to Christians in favored lands for more than material help. They ask for the Bread of Life,

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS:

- World membership at the beginning of 1949, over 670,000. In the United States and Canada, 235,460.
- The church is established in 228 of the 282 countries listed in "The World Almanac" and the "Statesman's Yearbook."
- In addition to churches, the denomination maintains schools, hospitals, treatment rooms, publishing houses, and food companies. At present there are 551 such institutions.
- This work is supported largely through the tithes and offerings of the membership. Last year this amounted

- to \$136.84 per capita. In addition, freewill gifts received during the World-Wide Uplift Appeal in North America exceeded \$2,500,000.
- Welfare work is carried on around the world by a network of Dorcas Welfare Societies. Practically all the Adventist churches of North America and many of those overseas maintain such societies, whose principle function is care of the needy. In postwar years Adventists have sent clothing shipments amounting to more than 2,800,000 pounds overseas to more than forty countries.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST MISSION BOARD Here in picture and story is the work of Seventh-day Advent-1sts around the world. As you leaf through these pages you will realize that you are contributing to a world-wide work, a work in which the members of this church believe so strongly that last year tithes and offerings from North America alone amounted Dear Friend: to \$136.84 per capita. This report will show you why we feel that our gifts are not enough. The need is so great that once each year we ask our friends to help us with this world-wide Your gift, large or small, will be used along with the contributions from the members of the church to carry on the enterprises you see depicted here, as well as many others. report is not limited to projects supported by funds that come in during this World-Wide Mission Appeal. It is intended, rather, uplift program. to acquaint you with the work of Seventh-day Adventists in as The help which our many friends give in support of this ever-expanding world program that extends hope and healing to many of its phases as space permits. multitudes is greatly appreciated. If after reading the messages contained in this issue you care to contribute further, we invite you to send your offering to the address above. It will be gratefully received and officially acknowledged. We earnestly request your prayers that God will continue to bless the cause W. E. Welson, Treasurer in which you have invested.





As Jesus healed the sick when He was on earth, so ministry to men's physical ills is a vital part of practical Christianity today. At the Andrews Memorial Hospital, Kingston, Jamaica (shown at top of page) the finest modern medical facilities are available to all people, regardless of color, race, or creed. (Lower.) A Seventh-day Adventist congregation in New Hebrides in the South Seas at the dedication of their church, the work of their own hands.

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In a world littered with the wreckage of disillusionment, who dares to promise man something better? Christ has the answer. He foretold current conditions as certain "signs" of the "end." Furthermore He says, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me. . . . I go to prepare a place for you. . . . I will come again, and receive you unto Myself, that where I am, there ye may be also." John 14:1-3.

Turn to page 19 and fill out the coupon for the FREE Bible Correspondence Course. It will help you to understand the wonderful plans for the human race—SOMETHING BETTER AHEAD!

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SPEEDING THE GO

POSTWAR years have brought to Seventhday Adventists unprecedented challenges and unmeasured opportunities. Carrying on work in 228 countries and major island groups throughout the world, we experienced heavy war losses.

Institution after institution-medical, educational, and publishing-as well as mission stations and churches, were reduced to ruins. Our training colleges in China and Burma were completely demolished. Our publishing houses in Japan and China were extensively damaged. Our large, newly completed sanitarium near Manila was dynamited, rendering the institution useless. Hospitals and clinics in Japan, Korea, China, Malaya, and Burma were forced to close in spite of greatly increased needs. In the fury of war, mission homes, schools, hospitals, and clinics in the far-flung mission frontiers of the South Pacific islands were looted and burned by invaders. Interisland mission launches were sunk. Hundreds of churches in England, Norway, Finland, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Germany, and other lands were totally demolished. In the Orient and Europe thousands lost their lives, others were left homeless, destitute of shelter, clothing, and food.

These conditions have called for a tremendous program of relief and rehabilitation. Vast sums have been expended in relief work; tons of clothing and food have been gathered and distributed through church channels.

The blessings thus wrought cannot be measured in terms of physical relief. The effect of the sympathy, good will, and fellowship thus manifest is inestimable.

Outdoor clinic operated by an American doctor and native assistants on the grasslands of Tibet.



By E. D. DICK

Secretary, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

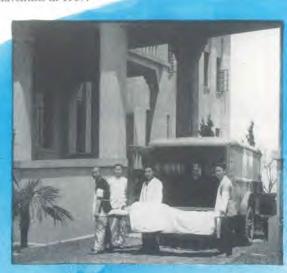
Rehabilitation has likewise gone forward. The fleet of mission launches has been restored; publishing houses and training schools rebuilt; niedical institutions reopened; and devoted institutional and field evangelistic workers have returned to take up the work again.

But the problems of relief and rehabilitation, though great, are exceeded by opportunities which, likewise, have come as a result of the war. An awakening is seen—a spirit of inquiry, an unparalleled outreaching for light and truth.

Japan, long enslayed by religious and military totalitarian leadership, now welcomes Christian teaching. Insistent pleas come for millions of copies of the Bible.

Africa, too, is awakening. Until very recently, ninety out of every one hundred of Africa's peoples were illiterate. With the expansion of mining and other industrial activities within the country and the broadening of horizons of the native soldier, through war service, travel, and other contacts, has come an insatiable demand for education. Mass movements of adult education reveal the thirst for knowledge. The smallest villages are crying out for schools. As education

Patient being brought to the modern Wuhan Sanitarium and Hospital (China), established by Seventh-day Adventists in 1937.



EL TO A NEEDY WORLD

breaks down tribal superstitions and restraints, spiritual guidance is important. The need for the Christian missionary, teacher, or

doctor was never greater.

India and Pakistan-with more than 400 million people have emerged from colonial status to independent empires. There, too, is a mighty awakening. Programs of adult education are being promoted, but they should be supplemented with the enlightening gospel of Christ. With approximately 90 per cent of their people illiterate and extreme poverty so prevalent, how great is their need for the guidance of the Christian missionary! Throughout India and Pakistan outstretched hands bid welcome to the missionary and plead for Christian schools and hospitals.

China, where approximately one fifth of the people of earth dwell, is already in the throes of a bloody contest of ideologies. One cannot but wonder if she might have been spared the present struggle had the witness of the Christian missionary in years gone by been stronger and

elearer.

Other populous areas of Southeast Asia, Indonesia, and the islands of the Pacific offer broad opportunities for Christian service. Millions in the newly discovered highlands of New Guinea urge the sending in of missionary teachers

> President of Liberia, William V. S. Tubman, smiles his appreciation for books on the gospel, gift of Adventist missionaries.

and doctors, not by tens, but by hundreds.

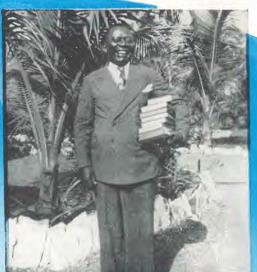
Germany, too, which trusted in military might, stands disillusioned. Staggering among the gaunt ruins of their former beautiful cities, their nation divided, their industries destroyed, their international trade vanished, their homes blasted to bits, shabbily dressed and underfed-many reach out for that hope and security found only in God. This is a day of spiritual opportunity in Europe.

The greatest answer to these unmeasured opportunities is the personal witness for Christ, living missionaries-ministers, teachers, doctors, and nurses. To send and support them costs much. In the postwar years 1946-1948 our Mission Board, from its home bases-America, Britain, Scandinavia, Australia, and other lands -sent out 996 missionaries. They have gone to well-nigh every populated land area of the world, bringing health, hope, and light to those in darkness and despair. To maintain these and others who have gone before, and the work which they are carrying forward, the church contributed \$10,380,416.27 in 1948.* This is provided largely by the regular church membership, and is supplemented by gifts from friends.

Present conditions and opportunities demand the maintenance and extension of this good work. Unto whom much has been given, of him much will be required. Let us do our part in helping to succor those in need in this day of unmeas-

ured opportunities.

*Latest figures available.



Their household effects and mission station supplies on two trailers, workers move to a new post in India.



JUNIOR CAMPS



... that fulfill the wise counsel, "Train up a child in the way he should go."

Lifesaving, crafts, nature studies, and lessons in good citizenship were taught by Seventh-day Adventist youth leaders at 400 camps during the past five years. Total enrollment of boys and girls-more than 34,000.

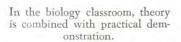




Mother, papoose, and neighbors look on as Navaho mission director renders medical aid to young patient.

Pission Work
Begins
at Home

Well-planned educational, health, and religious programs among the Indians and the Spanish-speaking people of North America, as well as the Eskimos of Alaska and other groups, make Christianity a practical reality to the strangers "within our gates."



Spanish-American Seminary

Señores display products of their skill—brooms from the Seminary Broom Factory.





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The disciples once asked Jesus a question that is in the minds of many of us today, "What shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world?" You can read the Master's own reply in Matthew 24.

If you would like to know more about the life beyond and the home in which you are to spend eternity, write for the free 20th Century Bible Course. Join the million students of this thrilling course with its popular question and answer lessons. The Bible is your only textbook. Clip the coupon on page 19.

PERSONS APPEARING ON NEXT TWO PAGES-

TOP ROW, left to right: Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Turner and son, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Christianson and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Johnson and family, Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Dunn and family, SECOND ROW: Mrs. Thelma Smith, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Fleenor and daughter, Mr. M. N. Hempel, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Krogstad, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Boehm, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Edwards, Edna Edeburn. Third Row: Mr. and Mrs. J. McCartney and family, Dr. and Mrs. John Schaffenberg and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Aerono Retzer and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Emmerson and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ray Norcliffe and family. FOURTH Row: Dr. and Mrs. Burton E. Ammundsen and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Robbins and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nix and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Baldwin and family.









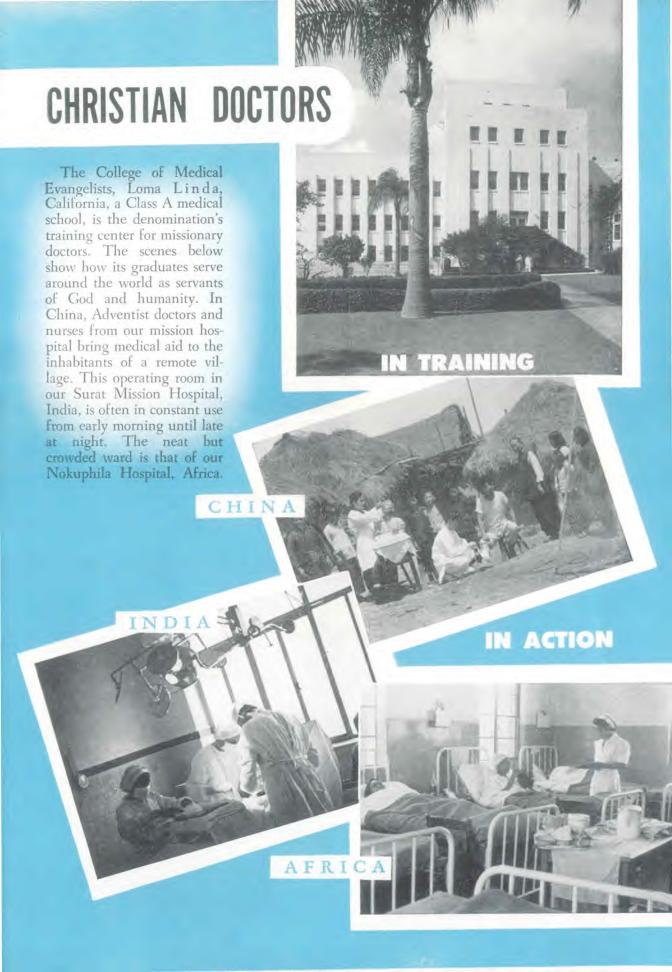


Here they are—doctors, nurses, teachers, evangelists—a few of the 267 men and women sent out by the Seventh-day Adventist Mission Board in 1948.* In the three postwar years, '46, '47, and '48, 996 new appointees were sent out, and 485 workers on furlough returned to mission service. In tropic heat and arctic cold, these men and women carry the story of God's love around the world. When you give, you share in their work,

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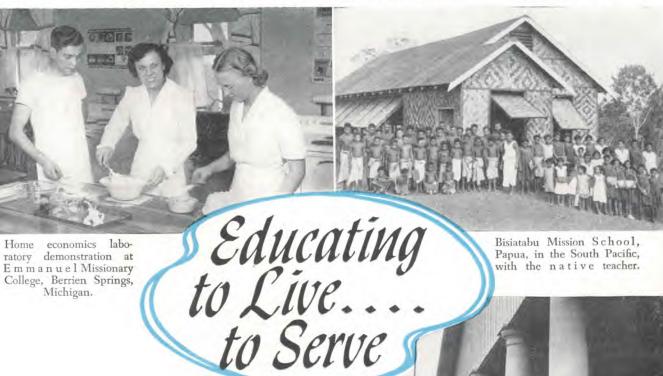




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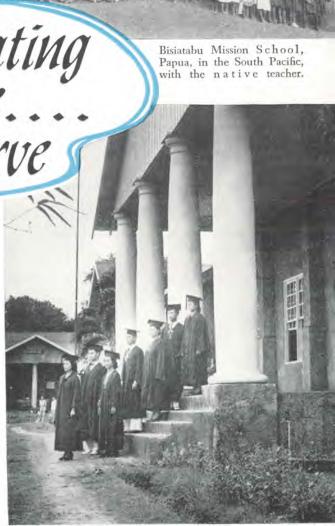
For years Justin Martyr devoted himself to the quest for truth, believing it to be the one essential of life. One memorable morning he met a happy Christian who freely told him the secret of his peace of mind. The course of Justin Martyr's life was changed. Taking the Christian's advice to study the prophecies for himself, he discovered that in contrast to philosophers who reasoned about truth, the prophets of the Bible experienced truth.

Are you, like Justin Martyr, thirsting for truth? Then you will appreciate the free Bible Correspondence Course described on page 19. Find for yourself, through systematic Bible study, priceless peace of mind, comfort of heart, and certainty for your faith. Mail the coupon today.



Following the example of Jesus who went about teaching as well as healing, Seventh-day Adventist missionaries establish schools wherever they work. In addition to a network of church schools and colleges within North America, the denomination maintains more than 2,500 mission schools overseas.

Graduation day at the Philippine Union College, where more than 700 young men and women are in training.





E HEAR a good deal today about the new world coming, the new world that men were to make after the devasta-

tion of war. Just what they may be able to accomplish, we cannot know; but one thing is certain: The old-fashioned teaching that there is a real "land of pure delight" to look forward to, is one of the most soul-steadying convictions ever held in the mind of man. Although some may have had childish notions about it, what of that? The hope of heaven, a wonderful future, a land where there is no pain or sorrow, where death cannot come, and where the good and the loved of all ages will meet again—that blessed hope means more than words can express to the one who holds it. And the Holy Bible teaches that just such a world will come.

Many years ago a Swiss explorer, on his way to Mecca, was attracted by a mountain range of

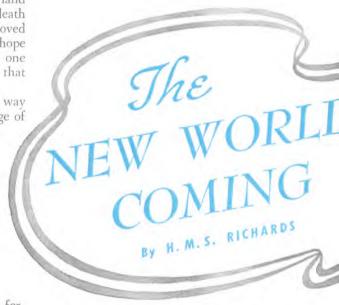
colored rocks in Arabia, and followed it for miles. Entering a narrow gorge, he came upon an amazing sight, a city carved out of solid rock. It was Petra, "the rose-red city half as old as time," a city that was already old when Moses led Israel out of Egypt, that was a flourishing center of trade when Jesus was upon earth. About 1,500 years ago Petra disappeared from history. No one knows why, but it just became "the city that the world forgot."

There is another city that the world has forgotten, a city more beautiful and mysteriously wonderful than Petra. It is that "city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God." Hebrews 11:10. This city of the saints, now in heaven, according to the vision of the apostle John, is to be at last the glorious capital of the new world coming. We read in Revelation 21:2: "And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband." It is to be here—real, actual—the dream city of the ages come down to men, the sky city of man's hopes at last on earth.

What is God's plan for this earth then? "For thus saith the Lord . . . that formed the earth; . . . He created it not in vain, He formed it to be inhabited." Isaiah 45:18. God created this earth to be inhabited. It will not roll on through millions of years a dead and lifeless ball. It will be inhabited, for God's plan will work out at

This dominion, given to our father Adam, was

claimed by the great adversary. On the occasion of Christ's temptation (Luke 4:5, 6), the evil one claimed to have the dominion of the earth. But this first dominion, lost by man through sin and death, is to be restored through Christ. "And Thou, O tower of the flock, . . . unto Thee shall it come, even the first dominion." Micah 4:8. The tower of the flock must be Christ. (See John 10:9.) On the cross He redeemed the lost dominion and paid the penalty for man's disobedience. It was there that "He by the grace



of God should taste death for every man." Hebrews 2:9,

Jesus said: "Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth." Matthew 5:5. The meek do not now possess the earth. The ungodly certainly possess a good portion of it. David said in Psalm 73:3, 7: "I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. . . . They have more than heart could wish." But there will be a difference someday. A great change is coming in which the redeemed will inherit the earth, as we read in Psalm 37:34: "Wait on the Lord, and keep His way, and He shall exalt thee to inherit the land."

Take the promise to Abraham, for example. According to Genesis 13:14, 15, Abraham was told by the Lord to look in the four directions, and then he was promised: "For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed forever." Notice, it was to him and his seed. But how much land did the promise include? Let the apostle Paul tell us in Romans



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4:13 where he says that the promise was that he should be "heir of the world." That is a big promise, isn't it? And since the whole earth is included in this promise to Abraham and his seed, we may well be interested.

How much of the world did Abraham get during his lifetime? Acts 7:5 tells us that he received none of it. And he did not expect it either, according to Hebrews 11:8-10, "for he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God." There is the secret -Abraham was looking for that city from the sky. He knew that the promise of the whole earth to his seed was to be fulfilled in a world

But notice-the promise of the new world to come and of the city built by God was made to Abraham and to his seed. Now who is this seed? In Galations 3:16 is the answer: "To Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ."

How wonderful it all is! Christ is to redeem the first dominion, which had been lost through sin, and bring it all back again to-to whom? Just to Abraham's earthly descendants? Notice this text: "If ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." Galatians 3:29. My friend, if you are Christ's, you are an heir to the world made new. We may be among the poor and lowly of this world, but if we are Christ's, we are royal heirs of the good new world that is coming. And all our inheritance in glory is from Him, by faith in Him. God's plan in the creation of the world, that it should be inhabited, will be fulfilled. In Christ, the promised heirship of the world is fulfilled, for His reign is world-wide. "He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth." Psalm 72:8.

Friend, traveling the hard, old road of life, have you applied for citizenship in the coming kingdom of Christ, the new world of the future? You know, before we can ever live there we must all be naturalized here-that is, we must have a new nature, we must be born again, born "by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever." 1 Peter 1:23. By this regeneration we become the children of God, "and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-

heirs with Christ." Romans 8:17. Give your heart to Him today, obey the gospel call here, and share with Him the new world. Shall we be there? That's the great question.

See these white-clad people marching home to "that city never built with hands, nor hoary with the years of time."

Who are they? "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." Revelation 7:14. Yes, they are coming home. And as they march up from the long slope of time to the portals jeweled with pearls, who is it that leads them on before? We see Him now-it is the lowly Carpenter of Nazareth who has come up from poverty, up from rejection, up from pain, up from the cross, death, and the grave. It is the One who is touched with all the feelings of our infirmities-it is our Saviour! Love has triumphed over hatred, over fear, over sin, over death.

Will you be there, friend? You will if you belong to Christ, for He is there.

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"People are filled with questions and also a deep yearning for some certainty, for a power, a person, greater than they"—thus wrote Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill, one of America's foremost church leaders in a recent article. He described the feelings of many.

"Search the scriptures," the Master said, "for they are they which testify of Me." In the Bible you'll find the answers to questions that puzzle, the basis for certainty and faith; the power to make life full and meaningful. Best of all, you'll find One greater than yourself, the Son of God, "who loved us and gave Himself for us."

The Free Bible Course described on page nineteen makes systematic Bible study easy. Mail the coupon and join the world's largest Bible class.

TREATING LEPROSY



Leper victim arrives for treatment by Seventh-day Adventist doctors at the Malamulo Leper Colony, Africa.



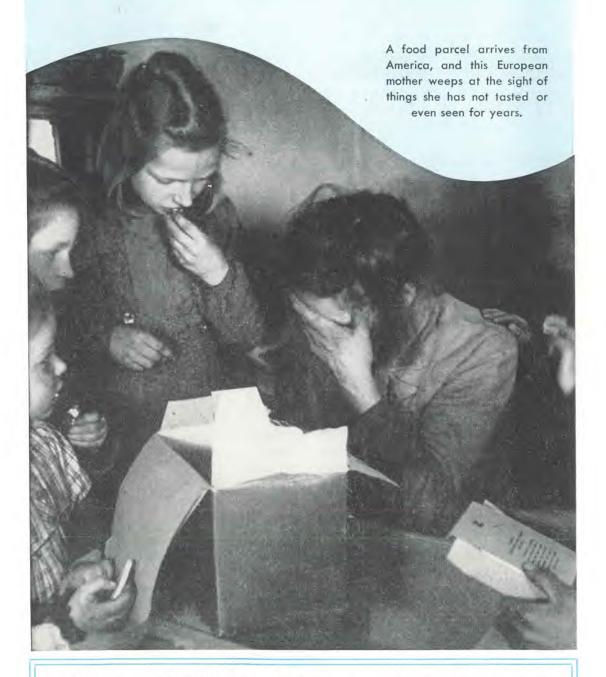
Leprosy associations of Great Britain and America cooperate with our missions in providing such leper colonies as this

Untainted children of stricken parents are cared for at the Emmanuel Mission, where they grow in a happy, wholesome environment until they can return to their parents. Standing with this leprous boy are three onetime victims of the disease. Now they are serving as trained native assistants helping others to recover.





Were You Ever Too Thankful to Eat?



Since the war, Seventh-day Adventists have sent more than two million pounds of clothing to more than 40 different countries. In addition, large amounts of food have been purchased overseas for distribution among the needy, and thousands of private parcels, of which there is no accurate record, have been sent by individual church members.

What Your Gift Can Do...



\$5,000 will partly equip a sanitarium in Puerto Rico.



\$1,500 will install a much-needed water system at the Ruia Mission, Mashonaland, Southern Rhodesia, Africa.



\$660 will pay the operating expenses of one of the launches in the South Sea Islands for one year.



\$450 will equip one of the wards of the Ile-Ife Hospital, Nigeria, West Africa.

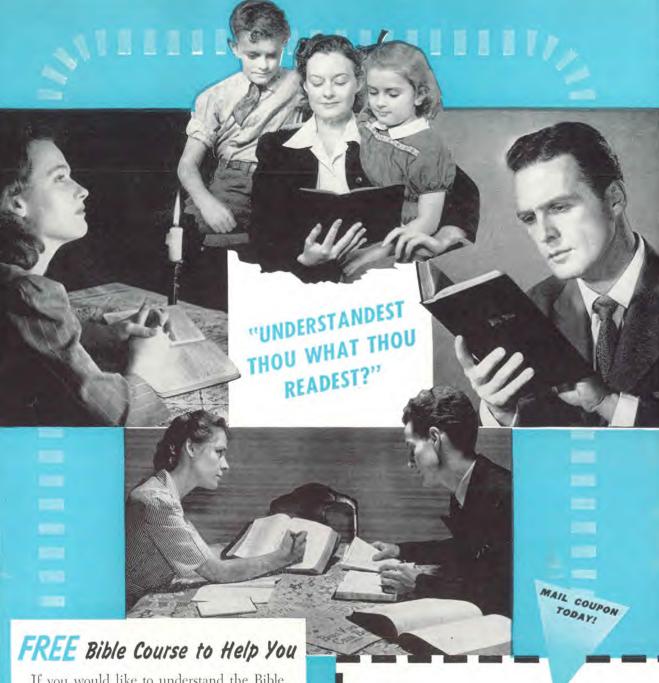


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