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"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

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Does It Pay?

"THE fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise." Prov. 11: 30.

Does it pay to work for Jesus,
Does it pay to win a soul,
Does it pay to bring an offering,
Does it pay to have a goal?

We can hear the heathen calling,
They the gospel now must hear,
They are starving for salvation,
They know not the Lord is near.

Hark! we hear some songs of Zion
Watting from those heathen lands,
Songs the workers we sent taught them
By our missionary bands.

Yes, some have found salvation,
They have heard the gospel tale;
There is joy among the angels,
They now sing the glad refrain.

Yes, it pays to work for Jesus,
Yes, it pays to win a soul,
Yes, it pays to bring an offering,
And it pays to have a goal.

I. B. BURTON.

Harvest Ingathering Honour Roll

South African Union Conference.—F. E. Thompson, £11-3-0.

Zambesi Union Mission.—Mrs. E. M. Howard, £134-11-3; Mrs. U. Bender, £86-19-9; F. R. Stockill, £31-11-0; J. E. Symons, £12-18-0; C. E. Wheeler and Mrs. Wheeler, £10-16-6; Mrs. S. Baldwin, £7-0-0; Mrs. J. T. Smith, £6-18-6; A. C. Le Butt, £5-5-0.

Natal-Transvaal Conference.—J. C. Rogers, £28-13-0; Mrs. Leverett, £10-0-0; Mrs. M. E. Smith, £10-0-0; Mrs. Holbrook, £10-0-0; Mrs. Morton, £5-5-0; A. N. Ingle, £5-0-0; H. Griffin, £10-12-3; Mrs. Mc Crow, £20-3-0; Mrs. Gluck, £11-16-9; Mrs. Marriott, £5-6-9; Mrs. Heydenrich, £13-0-0; Mrs. Mc Connachie, £10-5-9; Mrs. Kemp, £9-0-0; Mrs. Geere, £7-8-2; Miss C. Heydenrich, £10-7-6; Miss Ivy Lee, £6-0-6; H. C. Olmstead, £7-2-0; Miss C. A. Dixie, £27-0-0; Miss M. J. Dixie, £22-0-0; Mrs. v. d. Molen, £5-7-0; J. C. Baumann, £5-0-0; Mrs. F. S. Blackie, £6-10-0; Mrs. L. Kreuter, £5-0-0; J. D. Stickle, £22-0-0; V. R. Cooks, £12-12-0; Ernest Branson, £6-0-0; C. J. A. Birkenstock, £6-2-6; Mrs. Gass, £7-12-0.

Zulu Mission Field.—L. R. Sparrow, £5-0-0; F. Lutuli, £2-17-0; J. Moza, £1-1-6, J. M. Hlubi, £2-3-0; S. Ndzoyi, £2-0-0; G. Xabba, £1-0-6.

Transvaal Mission Field.—J. R. Campbell, £24-7-1; F. B. Armitage, £16-1-8; Edward Lekeoni, £1-15-9; W. Smith, £1-0-0.

Cape Conference.—Mrs. O. O. Fortner, £7-5-0; Miss K. Endley, £10-0-0; Mrs. Tapson, £5-1-0; Miss D. E. George, £6-10-0; R. Jackson, £10-7-6; Mrs. A. Schonken, £5-0-0; Mrs. Southgate, £5-0-0; Miss E. E. Phillips, £5-3-8; J. G. Slate, £6-0-6; H. Elffers, £38-1-6; A. Priest, £6-0-0.

Orange Free State Conference.—J. N. de Beer, £9-0-0.



With Elder and Mrs. Walston in America

POSSIBLY the OUTLOOK family may be wondering where and how the wandering members are. We are both well, and still in America attending campmeetings, and visiting our churches and scattered brethren. We had expected to sail for Africa this month (August), but now we find we must have permits to return, and are waiting for them. This we had not planned for, for when we secured our passports to come to America, the American Consul told us that permits would not be required; we had lived in Africa so long it was our home.

After the close of the General Conference, the experience of attending which we shall never forget, we visited friends in Mountain View, California, and also spent a few days at Los Angeles and other places near-by, where we met old friends whom we had not seen for many years. We visited Doctor Thomason and family, and Sister Ida Thomason who was staying with them. They would all like to return to Africa. We also visited Sister Willson and her husband at Montebello, a short distance from Los Angeles. They took us by "auto" to the Loma Linda Sanitarium for a day, a distance of sixty miles over a fine road which runs through the fruit belt, where are hundreds of acres of orange, prune, lemon, apricot and walnut groves, also vineyards. One vineyard contains four thousand acres. We were sorry not to meet Brethren Birkenstock and Royston, but they were away at the time.

We have been to the White Memorial Home and the Glendale Sanitarium. Near here we met Brother and Sister Bleary and their daughter Hazel, also

Brother Silsbee and family. They were all interested to hear about Africa.

Returning by way of Battle Creek, Michigan, we stopped over one Sabbath at the sanitarium. We had spent two weeks here on our way to the General Conference, visiting friends. At that time we had spent a week with Sister R. C. Porter. I gave a good many talks while there which the people seemed to enjoy very much.

We are now in the eastern part of America. We do not care to remain in this country, though we have been treated with kindness wherever we have been. Old and new friends are urging us to stay over here, and it will be hard to bid them good-bye; but we are quite sure we have many friends in Africa too, and duty seems to direct back there. Where the Lord wishes us to be, there we wish to be.

ELDER AND MRS. W. C. WALSTON.



Summer School, January 3 to January 31

FROM the very beginning of the educational work of the church, the summer school has been an important factor. It is to the teacher what the Bible and workers' institute is to the Bible worker and minister. No conference would live long without a workers' meeting, neither can church schools be successfully conducted without a teachers' annual normal institute.

The point of view from which this denomination approaches and examines its educational problems is quite the opposite to that of the world. Our perspective, our aim, our work differ so sharply from that of the world that there is little in common. We have a definite work to do; a specific task to perform; a task not assigned by man, but by man's Maker. It is the accepting of this task that makes us a distinct people.

The separation of our children from those of non-Christian homes is not the major object of church schools; neither is it simply to have a school under church control; nor is it an attempt to show disapproval or contempt of other systems of schools. No, these are far from the real reasons for church schools.

The church school is in answer to a definite call to the church through the spirit of prophecy. It has a specific work to do, a work that can only be left undone at the peril of both children and parents. Its sphere of responsibility is second only to that of the home. The church schools are the foundation stones of our whole educational system. They are designed of God to prepare the children for a definite work.

"When heavenly intelligences see that men are no longer permitted to present the truth, the Spirit of God will come on the children and they will do a work in the proclamation of the truth which older workers cannot do, because their way will be hedged up. Our church schools are ordained of God to prepare the children for this great work."—*Testimonies*, Vol. VI, pp. 202, 203.

A few special features of this year's summer normal are:

Bible Doctrines class adapted to the elementary work.

Bible Nature—very important. Every teacher should understand this. The educational world has

lost sight of God in its attempt to solve nature's secrets. To many, nature hides God. It should reveal Him for "rightly understood, nature speaks of her Creator."

Physiology and Hygiene—not only a study of the body, but of the laws governing it.

Afrikaans—the language and how to teach it. Strong normal work will be offered in this, and a teaching outline furnished.

English—the language and how to teach it to non-English speaking children. How to correct errors of speech in the youth.

Every Seventh-day Adventist teacher is welcome. You can do better work after having studied the instruction given by the Lord upon educational subjects. You will have a clearer, broader, more exalted view of school work; a more definite purpose in your school.

The expense is nominal. Inquire of your conference president or of the Union Educational Secretary, Rosmead Avenue, Kenilworth, Cape.

AFRICAN DIVISION CONFERENCE

W. H. BRANSON, *Chairman*. W. B. COMMINS, *Secy.-Treas.*

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Week of Prayer

THE time for the next Week of Prayer has been set by the General Conference as December 9-16, and we will follow the same date in this field. The readings will be in both the English and the Dutch. Will church elders please arrange early with their conference secretary for a supply of papers and Annual Offering envelopes, so that these supplies can be sent out in good time?

The South African Union Conference campmeeting to be held at Bloemfontein will close December 4, and as those who attend that meeting return to their churches, it will be an opportune time for all to get together for a week to seek the Lord as never before. It will be a special privilege for churches, isolated companies and families to pray for each other, for those who may be discouraged, and for those not yet interested in the truth.

Our Sabbath schools have recently been studying the experiences of the early Christian church, and the wonderful results attending the efforts of the workers at that time. But before they received the power necessary to convert three thousand souls in one day, there was a week of prayer. "And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together, and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spoke the Word of God with boldness." Acts 4:31.

We, as Seventh-day Adventists, have been called to finish the work, which the Master began, with all we have and are. Let us pray God to use us. Let prayers ascend for the many millions in heathen darkness who must yet hear the message. God has given it to us, and Jesus looks to us to send it to those whom He loves. Let us pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth labourers into His vineyard.

W. B. COMMINS.

New Recruits

WORD comes from the General Conference office at Washington that Brother and Sister E. S. Gump have been appointed to fill the call for a worker in South West Africa. Application for permit has now been made to the Government at Pretoria. At the time of the recent General Conference session, due to lack of funds, the committee was forced to turn down all requests for help to open up work in new territories. A brother and sister attending the conference from Chicago heard of the appeal for something to be done to make a start in South West Africa, and they pledged, in addition to their regular contributions to mission funds, for the support of Brother Gump. This is a sample of the burden resting upon some of our fellow-believers in the States for foreign mission work.

During the month of October, we are expecting six families to reach our shores. Brother and Sister Walston will probably come along with one of these parties if permits reach them in time. We believe these new recruits will do much to help in speedily advancing the work in this field.

W. B. COMMUN.

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B. E. BEDDOE, *President*, A. FLOYD TARR, *Secy.-Treas.*
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Bloemfontein Campmeeting

FOLLOWING the Workers' Institute, which is to be held in Bloemfontein, November 17 to 24, the campmeeting will begin the evening of the 24th. The commencing date of the campmeeting has been delayed one day from what was formerly announced. The present date of the meeting is November 24 to December 3. On account of the meeting being held so early in the season and rain being very likely, it was decided that it would be better if the meeting be held in a hall, rather than a tent. The Bloemfontein Town Hall has been secured for this purpose.

Since living-tents will not be pitched for the meetings, it will, therefore, be necessary for all attending from outside of Bloemfontein to live in rooms. Elders J. N. de Beer and W. L. Hyatt are taking charge of the work of securing information regarding rooms. No attempt will be made to arrange a uniform room rent, but rather those making application for rooms will be given priority claim to location and class of accommodation. All who will be requiring rooming accommodation for the institute or campmeeting should at once communicate with Pastor J. N. de Beer, 106 Kellner Street, Bloemfontein, O. F. S. Do not permit yourself to delay in this matter. There is now very little time intervening between this and the date of the meetings.

Catering will not be attempted by the conference. A number of very good eating places are right near the

Town Hall, and the committee is endeavouring to make some special arrangements with one or two eating places, so that our people can secure vegetarian meals at a nominal price.

Extraordinary developments in the world today are arousing us to a realisation that the end is hurrying on, and we must be giving ourselves more fully to our great task. Surely our people should gather in to this joint meeting of the three conferences, and allow no ordinary hindrance to keep them away. We probably have never held a more important meeting in South Africa than this will prove to be. We are very glad that we are to have with us Pastors G. B. Thompson, W. E. Howell, W. H. Branson, and others to assist in the spiritual work of the meeting. No business sessions will be held during the date of the meeting, but full time will be given to spiritual interests. There was never a time when we should be giving ourselves to this one thing as the present.

We do not forget that there is a financial depression in the land that is felt in every part. At the same time, we must remember that the seriousness of the times should arouse us to attend the meeting in spite of extraordinary hindering influences. Special workers will be in attendance to conduct meetings for the young people and the children, so do not leave these at home.

We pray that the Lord may stir our people in South Africa to the importance of attending this general meeting at Bloemfontein, November 24 to December 3.

B. E. BEDDOE.



Notice

THE South African Union Conference is conducting a special short normal course and teachers' institute at Bethel, December 14 to January 16, 1923. Every mission teacher should attend.



Transvaal Mission Field Notes

At Alexander township, where Brother Edward Leikoani has been labouring, two persons have been baptised.

ELDER F. B. ARMITAGE has started a series of meetings at Hammon's Kraal, about thirty miles north of Pretoria. A tent, 25 x 50 ft., has been rented for this purpose.



Zulu Mission Field Notes

On the 5th of August, Elder J. R. Campbell and Brother L. R. Sparrow met with the native church at Dundee, Natal. A good company attended the meeting, some having walked twenty-five miles in order to be present. Six persons were baptised.

Bloemfontein Campmeeting, November 24 to December 3.
Don't fail to be there. Plan for it now.

Bechuana Mission Field

We are glad to report that the work is making steady progress in this field. On arriving here a few weeks ago, I was surprised to find what a great interest had been aroused among the native people, and could we put a dozen workers in the field besides those already in it, we would have none too many to enable us to cope with the requests for meetings which are coming in from different parts.

In and around Mafeking, we have a strong hold. The interest is such that it is difficult, with our present staff of labourers, to do justice to the work. An evangelistic effort was started in the church about a month ago, and from the beginning it was evident that the people were hungry to hear the message. The attendance has increased from night to night till now we are not able to accommodate the crowd. Strong and decided opposition has been inaugurated to counteract our effort, but in spite of this, every night the people come in crowds to the meetings. A number are joining the baptismal class and the attendance at our Sabbath services is increasing. The Spirit of God has come into our meetings from the beginning. When a call is made to respond to the preaching of the Word, the people rise as one man. It is very encouraging to see the same people come every night. They do not seem to get weary. A very large number of the Cape coloured people are attending the meetings, and several are on the point of accepting the truth.

I do appreciate the privilege of being connected in the work with one of the oldest and most experienced men in the South African Field. Our native helpers are a great help to us. They are devoted and loyal, and we appreciate their services very much.

We ask that you remember us and the work here before the throne of grace.

B. P. DE BEER.

ZAMBESI UNION MISSION

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P. O. Box 573, Bulawayo, Rhodesia

Lusaka Outschools

(Continued from issue of Sept. 1)

It was a cloudy afternoon when I arrived at Mgule's, and as the people were waiting expectantly for me I decided to speak to them. The people sang very heartily and listened very attentively.

Just before sunset I heard someone blowing a horn, and knew that it was a call to gather together and welcome another Sabbath. Quite a number came together. We held our meeting in the school building, and after a few remarks, the meeting was opened for testimonies. I was greatly encouraged as I listened to these babes in Christ praising God for Jesus who cleanses them from sin, and asking God to help them. The opportunity of speaking for Jesus was one that they had not previously enjoyed, and it brought joy to their hearts. After a few prayers were offered we retired for the night, feeling that the Lord had met with us.

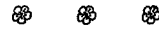
Sabbath morning it was cold, but as the school build-

ing was too small to hold the crowd, we gathered under a big tree. The Sabbath school was conducted in a very orderly manner, and some of the natives were able to answer the questions, since they had been taught to read the New Testament at our school.

When Sabbath school was over I held a preaching service, after which I asked all who wanted to follow Jesus, and give up drinking beer and smoking, to stand. Quite a number arose. Chief Shabwalaka, the brother to Chief Mgule, was the first to hand me his pipe. A few minutes later a youth came running with a pipe which Chief Chempele handed to me as belonging to him. I also received several later. I then asked those who wanted to join the baptismal class to enter the school building, and forty names were enrolled, including nine youths.

I had the pleasure of Elder Wilson's company at Chipongwe, and his presence was a great blessing. Here we met with similar success. The chief gave his life to God. His people were all very sincere and without exception the whole congregation came forward to have the brass and ivory bangles, which were wound and fastened tightly around the arms and ankles of the poor unfortunate people, removed. Many danced with joy as the bangles were being taken off, often counting them one by one, and smiling as it came to the last, for the removing process was often very painful. In all I gathered plates full of beads, hundreds of brass and ivory bangles, anklets, etc., eighteen pipes and five grain bags full of tobacco plants, besides many pledges to abstain from taking strong drink. If we can, let us endeavour to estimate such consecrations. The inhabitants of three whole villages, besides others, consecrated their lives to God in such a manner as described. Surely the Lord is doing great things for His people, and we should individually seek God as never before for a greater measure of the Holy Spirit.

M. J. HEGTER.



Evangelistic Effort

From August 7-14, it was the writer's privilege to assist Pastor H. M. Sparrow in a combined evangelistic effort, near Headlands, South Rhodesia. This was the first time anything of the kind had been done among the natives in that district, and the attendance was good, ranging from fifty to one hundred and fifty. Messengers had been sent out a week before to notify the people of what was about to take place. Some of them came in from places fifty to sixty miles distant. Many of them were members of other churches, others were some of the fruits of our native evangelists, and had been keeping the Sabbath for some time. Eight days were spent with them. Three meetings were conducted each day, besides a Bible study by Pastor Sparrow every morning.

There was one old man, of about eighty or ninety years of age, who attended all the meetings, and seemed very much impressed. Near the close of our effort he stated that he wanted to follow the true God, and that henceforth he would give up his tobacco, snuff, beer, and anything else that would keep him from becoming a Christian. He also desired baptism, but was told that he must first prove himself worthy.

Tears would roll down his cheeks as he listened to the gospel story. Another old man, about sixty years old, who had been baptised into the Methodist Church, but had been keeping the Sabbath for some time through the teaching of one of our native evangelists, also attended the meetings. This man got up in one of the meetings and testified of the power of God in saving from sin. At one meeting, while I was speaking about the signs of Christ's coming, and of the necessity to prepare for that great and dreadful day, we noticed that most of the people seemed restless, but it was not until after the meetings that we knew the reason. We then saw that all had taken their beads and ornaments from their arms, necks, legs and ears. In the evening Brother Sparrow made a stirring appeal to the people to repent, and asked them to take their stand on the Lord's side. It did our hearts good to see one hundred and twenty-seven people stand up and express their willingness to follow the Saviour. Next morning, little native boys, five and six years of age, were marching about the camp singing, "Come to Jesus."

It is indeed encouraging to see such things taking place in this part of the harvest field, and this is only a beginning. Hundreds are calling for us to go to them, and this we hope to do in the near future. The last day of our meeting nineteen souls were baptised.

Truly the coming of the Lord is near. May He find many in this corner of the field waiting and ready for Him when He comes. G. PEARSON.



The next issue of the Outlook will contain reports of the Zambesi Union Constituency Meeting and Bible Conference.

NATAL-TRANSVAAL CONFERENCE

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Visiting the Churches

SEVERAL pleasant days were spent at Standerton. The believers are of good courage, and the truth is becoming known all around that section. The attendance each evening was very encouraging. A small building for school and church purposes has been erected at Meyersville. This memorial commands a fine position, and can be seen from all directions. This will be a real help to the Meyersville people. They need a school for their children, who have to walk many miles to attend the public school in Standerton. The young people at Standerton are doing good work. A number of them are planning to attend college next year. They are desirous of being trained for God's service.

About ten days were spent on the Rand visiting the believers. It was a pleasure to meet some of our people who have lately accepted the truth. Some of the old members have dropped out by the way, but their places have quickly been filled with new believers. People are becoming better acquainted with the message on the Rand. The members are actively engaged

gathering money for the vast harvest fields. Pastor Carey has worked hard, and the church appreciates the help he has rendered. Pastor Olmstead, who has been labouring in the northern suburbs of Johannesburg, has created a good interest. Several persons have lately taken their stand for the truth.

The short visit to Pretoria was enjoyed immensely. The church had arranged my programme, and my time was fully occupied. I appreciate the hospitality shown me and the good work the members are doing. There is a marvellous interest in the capital of the Union. We should soon plan for a church building there. A little work will be productive of great results. The people are ready for the message. May God over-rule in our plans and grant us wisdom to do the right thing at this time. Thousands should hear the truth. Our lay-members should help to preach the truth as did the church in apostolic days. Pastor Tarr has cared for this little flock as well as selling hundreds of little books to men in government positions. J. J. BIRKENSTOCK.

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Boschberg

It was with happy hearts that the members of the Boschberg church gathered at our home at Groot Dam, September 8 and 9, for our quarterly meeting. We were glad to have Pastor and Sister de Beer and children with us. They were welcome guests.

Sabbath evening, we met in the dining room. Pastor de Beer spoke very earnestly to us from 2 Peter 1-12. Every one present felt that the Holy Spirit was searching his heart, and convicting of sin. After a season of prayer, we all re-consecrated our lives to the Master's service. At the early Sabbath morning meeting, we were again shown how we might be given, through God's divine power, all things that pertain unto life and godliness. Our Sabbath school was well attended. After Sabbath school we had another meeting, and in the afternoon we celebrated the Ordinances. Our business meeting was held in the evening. At this meeting some sisters, who had been out before, volunteered to go out again to solicit for the Harvest Ingathering Fund. We were very sorry to hear that Sister Snijman, from Zastron, had been called away on account of sickness, and was thus unable to meet with us. Sister Snijman and her daughter, Blanche, were to have been baptised.

Mention might be made in this report of our native work here. We have five baptised members on the farm, and a number of interested ones. We have a well-attended Sabbath school every week. Mrs. Snijman and I enjoy the work for the natives. They are very eager to learn and understand the lessons. The way they try to earn some pennies for the Sabbath school by doing extra work is encouraging. Pastor de Beer also administered the Ordinances to these people on Sabbath afternoon.

"Pray for us all, and for the work on the farm," is our request to the dear readers of the OUTLOOK.

F. J. SNIJMAN.

The Call of Spring

O, THE music, when I waken, of the twittering birds on high,
As they send their joyous spring-song sweetly up into the sky!
What is the song they're singing, what means this blithesome
ring?
"Earth is bright," they gently whisper—'tis the first sweet call
of spring.

O, the beauty of the landscape, as the trees burst forth in green,
Revealing tiny leaflets,—O, the brightness of the scene!
When the fruit trees shed forth blossoms,—how wondrously they
grow!
So sweet, and soft, and gentle, like tiny balls of snow.

O, the glory of the springtime, after winters' sullen reign,
When the trees burst out in blossom, decorating hill and plain!
Who would not then be happy, and with nature send his praise
To the Giver of such beauty, in glad and joyous lays?

STELLA M. MILNE.



CAPE CONFERENCE

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Joint Campmeeting

THAT our brethren throughout Africa may have the privilege of the counsel and ministry of Elder G. B. Thompson and Professor W. E. Howell, it has been decided for us to meet together in a joint campmeeting before they leave our shores. Preparations are proceeding for holding this joint campmeeting of our three local conferences in the South African Union at Bloemfontein, November 24 to December 3. It has been decided that no business matters will be introduced into this meeting, but that the whole time shall be devoted to a special seeking after God that He may so fill us with His Holy Spirit that we shall return to our homes and fields fitted to accomplish the work He has committed to us.

The annual business session of the Cape Conference has been set for the first week in April, the place to be decided later. In the regular way, the yearly conference session and campmeeting would have been held early in 1923 in place of the meetings now planned for November and April, and would have combined business meetings with the spiritual interests of our work. However, we feel sure that the above plan will prove a great and opportune blessing to us and our work, and will be readily endorsed by our believers in the Cape Conference. Remember the time and place—NOVEMBER 24 to DECEMBER 3, at BLOEMFONTEIN. Committees are now planning for your accommodation at the meeting and further particulars will be supplied at a later date.

There is no time to delay our preparations for the closing and trying scenes in the work of God on earth. You will need every help of grace that presents itself. Begin *now* to plan to attend this holy convocation of God's people. We shall be looking for *you* at Bloemfontein, November 24.

G. R. E. McNAY.

City Evangelistic Campaigns

IF one thing is more emphatically urged upon us than another in the latter messages through the spirit of prophecy, it is that we shall earnestly take hold of the great problems confronting us in our large cities, and, in a serious way, urge the truth on in these great seething centres of population.

So far as we have followed the instruction of God in these matters and made a decided effort to obey, He has more than verified His promises to be present and help make the work a success. And this is just as fully true with regard to the efforts that have been made right here in Africa as in the United States or any part of the earth. If we will go forth, intelligently and faithfully equipped, we have every reason to expect God to work for us. The task is great, and obstacles and opposition loom up mightily, but, with His help, we are well able to go up and possess the promised cities.

We have found it generally difficult to secure suitable halls for conducting nightly meetings. This has greatly hindered us, so, after carefully considering the whole question, it was decided to send to America for two large tents, 50 x 70 ft., in which to hold city evangelistic campaigns, and 750 folding chairs with which to seat those attending. It was generally agreed by those who had had experience in this line of city work that these were an essential equipment. The total cost of this outfit will be something in the neighbourhood of £750. The chairs are already here and in use, and a cablegram has been received saying the tents have been shipped, so we shall be called upon, within the next few months, to pay these accounts.

Now, brethren, there is not a penny in our conference Tent Equipment Fund, and I am sending broadcast this appeal to each of you personally to have a definite part in pushing forward this city evangelistic work by making a big and liberal donation towards this fund. We shall be glad for any amount you may donate, but you can readily see that big and unusual gifts are required at this time, so we shall be looking for several donations of £100 or more, as well as smaller amounts. We are sure that you will show your faithful stewardship to God at this time by making an offering that will mean real sacrifice. These opportunities to help equip city evangelistic companies do not come often, so let us do our best now with a royal good will. If for any reason you cannot right now make a donation, we shall be glad to have you write and let us know what sum you will give before the end of December, this year, so that we shall know what to count on. Already we have received a bill for over £350 which must be met right away. This is a big task, but by each doing as much as he possibly can, whether it be much or little, the goal will be reached. "When the load is hard to carry, lift, brother, lift."

Please send all donations or pledges to the Cape Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, 56 Roeland Street, Cape Town, C. P.

G. R. E. McNAY.

Week of Prayer, December 9 to 16

Bonnie Vale

IN the Rustica church on Sabbath afternoon, September 9, Professor Elffers gave a most interesting report of his recent trip to Bonnie Vale, C. P.

Brother van Eeden had preceded him by a couple of days to begin looking up the people, and the Professor reached Bonnie Vale, August 23. They found, on arrival, that our brethren at this place were greatly in need of help and encouragement. The following evening a business meeting was called, and the matter of re-organisation placed before those present. Nearly two weeks were spent with this company, meetings being held almost every evening, and all day Sabbaths. Sister Bertha Smith very kindly opened her spacious home for the meetings, and night after night the attendance increased, beginning with eighteen, until the second Sunday evening a crowd gathered numbering ninety. Marvelous indeed were the results of these gatherings. Wrongs were righted, and a spirit of love and unity prevailed. Believers came from distances up to thirty miles. The Dutch Reformed and Apostolic Churches sent representatives.

Not only did Professor Elffers speak to our own, or the Dutch, people, but he was invited to address the English Church people the first Sunday morning. As he spoke from the text found in Revelation 14: 6, 7, the people were much moved, telling him that they had never before heard anything like such a message. The meeting was called a complete success. The following Sunday morning Professor Elffers by request continued his subject, when the impression made seemed even more striking, the hearers plainly indicating that they wanted more of that kind of gospel.

Many are the interesting incidents which the Professor related of his stay at Bonnie Vale. It is to be much regretted that, owing to a serious attack of influenza, he was obliged to return home from Bonnie Vale, leaving Brother van Eden to go alone to Oudtshoorn and Aberdeen, at which latter place he was joined by Elder McNay. As an abiding result of the visit it should be mentioned, however, that the believers unanimously passed a resolution that they should build their own church in the near future, relying on the conference to send them adequate help from time to time, so as to sustain the unusual interest shown by all parties in the presentation of the message.

By request of the union president this report was repeated at the Claremont church the following Sabbath morning.



Kimberley

THE last Friday in July, I had a little experience in the Harvest Ingathering work which may be worth reciting. It gave me very great pleasure, and I hope may yet bring forth fruit which will be acceptable to God.

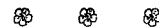
My very last visit in the afternoon was to the shop of a Chinaman. Year before last and last year I received a small donation from a boy in this same shop. On entering, I saw a remarkably big man behind the counter. Walking up to him I talked a little, and then spoke of the real reason for my visit.

In talking to him, I used the words "my church," and he asked in very good English, "To what church do you belong?" I replied, "Seventh-day Adventist." He at once said, "Seventh-day Adventist very good church. I know it well in China." I was so pleased that I at once held out my hand, saying, "Shake, old chap." He continued, "I am family man, and I want my children to go to Seventh-day Adventist school." This rather upset me, as we have a fine school-room connected with our church here which has not been used as such for many years, excepting for Sabbath school; so I said, "Our day school is not working just now." He asked, "But you have Sabbath school, have you not?" I said, "Oh, yes." "That is what I want," he said, "what time does school start on Sabbath?" I told him the time.

Just then several customers entered the shop, so I deemed it unwise to say more then, and left, saying, "I will return Monday." This I did, and we had a talk. He told me he wanted his wife also to go to Sabbath school, but she was not very well just then, so would have to wait a little while. "You need not be afraid," he added, "they will all come there alright later."

As I left, I most earnestly thanked the Lord in my heart for guiding me to that Chinaman's shop.

R. JACKSON.



Notice

A SPECIAL session of the Cape Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is called to convene in the Town Hall, Bloemfontein, O. F. S., Friday, November 24, for the transaction of such business as may properly come before this meeting.

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General News Notes

SISTER JOB is spending a time at the Cape.

THE Johannesburg Missionary Volunteers have raised £30-14-9 so far this year for Harvest Ingathering.

ONE hundred and twenty-two native believers were baptised at the Solusi campmeeting, which was held last month.

THE goal set by the Beaconsfield church for the Harvest Ingathering work is £75-0-0. The last report received stated that they had gathered in £35-14-0.

THE teachers and students at Spion Kop College have been busy Harvest Ingathering. We trust we shall soon have a good report of the work done by the school.

WORD from Elder E. M. Howard states that the contract for the Bulawayo church building has been signed. The building must be completed before January 31, 1923.

MRS. D. F. TARR and Mrs. G. W. Shone are expected to arrive by the "Armada Castle," Monday, October 2. Mrs. Tarr and Mrs. Shone have been delayed in America on account of illness.

EVANGELISTIC efforts are being conducted by Elder J. W. MacNeil in Bulawayo, Rhodesia, and Brother W. H. Hurlow in King William's Town, C. P. We trust that many souls will be won for the truth as the result of these efforts.

SEPTEMBER 9 was Missionary Volunteer day at the Claremont church. An enjoyable programme was rendered by the young people of the church. It was helpful to have Brother F. E. Thompson present. Among other items of missionary work reported by the secretary of the society for the first eight months of the year were the following: Missionary visits, 25; papers mailed or given away, 2014; tracts mailed or given away, 877; hours of Christian help work, 95½; Harvest Ingathering; £38-6-8; bouquets given away, 98.

Attention, Please!

TEACHERS' short normal course opens at Spion Kop, January 3, and closes January 31, 1923. All Seventh-day Adventist school teachers are invited. Make inquiries through your conference office.



"It is the privilege of every Christian, not only to look for, but to hasten the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 69.

Obituaries

ON Sabbath afternoon, the 16th of September, Miss Fanny C. Bourne was laid to rest in the Maitland cemetery. The large attendance of friends at the funeral service, both at the Ladies' Christian Home and at the grave-side, testified to the esteem in which our sister has been held.

Born in England, Sister Bourne came to this country some years back, and has since made South Africa her home. Long ago she decided for Christ, and received baptism. In later years she embraced with joy the message of Christ's return, and was re-baptised into the Seventh-day Adventist Church by Elder Porter in 1912. Her life has been that of a consistent Christian, testifying to the power of the faith she held so dear. While her body was always frail, her mind was unusually strong and clear, and remained so to the hour of her death.

Six years ago she became a member of the family of the Ladies' Christian Home, Cape Town, where she has received tender and devoted care. Sister Bourne felt that this institution was indeed a haven of rest in her declining years, and was unwilling to leave it for more than a few days at a time.

So delicate has been her health for many years, that even those nearest her were unwilling to believe that the end was approaching. But her desire was to be at rest. She felt that her work was finished and that her peace was made with God. Death seemed to her a friend rather than an enemy. She quietly fell asleep in Jesus on Thursday evening, September 14. A brother, Mr. F. J. Bourne, of Kroonstad, O. F. S., mourns the loss of a devoted sister. We who knew her feel that we have lost a friend indeed; one who often inspired us to higher planes of life and action; but we believe the separation will be brief.

O. K. BUTLER.

IT is with deep regret that we have to report the death of little Percy Fouché, eldest son of Brother and Sister Fouché of Bloemfontein.

Percy had just returned with his parents from a holiday during which time he had been down with influenza, and it was the after-effects of this that brought on his last illness. He was given the best attention that it was possible to give him, but complications arose, and he passed away on Sabbath, September 9, after a short but severe illness.

Little Percy will be greatly missed by us all. He was a shining light, and was loved and respected in the school he attended by both teachers and pupils. He was ever ready to help in the Bloemfontein Sabbath school, and we feel that his labours have not been in vain in the Lord. While extending our deepest sympathy with the bereaved parents and relatives, it is good to think that they have the blessed assurance that the parting is not for long, and that soon they will meet their little one again when "the former things will have passed."

Pastor Hyatt conducted the service at the grave-side, and spoke comforting words to the parents and to all present.

W. H. DALE.

DEXTER JONATHAN MZYOYANA, only child of teacher Evan and Mrs. Mzoyoyana, was born at East London, December 17, 1921, and died at Bethel Mission, August 6, 1922. The little one had a cold which developed into quick pneumonia. After a short funeral service, conducted by Pastor Smailes and the writer, we laid him to rest until the soon coming of our Saviour.

H. G. PATCHETT.