

# Christ's Ideal of Service

# Baccalaureate Address at Newbold Missionary College, May 8, 1937

Many months ago the door of this College swung inward, and you young men and women walked through. You came here because, at some mother's knee or upon some sacred ground, you had already made a great surrender. You came here that, by patient study, you might better understand God, His great purposes and His plans, and that you might develop here, to their fullest possibilities, those powers that you had consecrated.

Now the time has come when the door of this great institution swings outward for you. But before you pass through into the unknown future that awaits, I would ask you to pause and ponder with me some mighty truths which, I pray, shall qualify your whole future life and ministry.

Once upon a time, in the long ago, the Greatest of all the great came on His way to Jerusalem. A vast multitude went forth to meet Him and cried, "Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord." The Pharisees snarled, "Behold, the world is gone after Him." Then Jesus, knowing the meaning of their jealous hate, said, "The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified. Verily, verily,

By C. A. REEVES

I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit."

How meaning ful the words! He sought the glorification which could come to Him only through death. And He Himself went before. He went through death to glory, and cried, "If any man serve Me, let him follow Me!"

### THROUGH DEATH TO GLORY

George Müller was one of those noble souls who heard the call, "Follow Me," and he followed on until death! Someone asked George Müller the secret of his service. He answered, "There was a day when I died-utterly died!" Then, bending lower and lower, until his head almost touched the floor, he continued, "died to George Müller, his opinions, his preferences, tastes, and will-died to the world, its approval or censure—died to the approval or blame of my brethren and friends; and since then I have studied only to show myself approved unto God." He had died to himself!

Young men and women, if you did not die a death like that before you walked through these doors, we hope you will utterly so die, even yet to-day before you pass through. The cause of God in this country needs nothing more than it needs young men and women who will die to make possible a mighty harvest of precious souls!

#### THE WORKER GOD USES

As I have tried to think of the qualifications of a successful worker for God in these last days it seems to me that there are six basic and necessary qualities which we must have if we are to be equipped for the mighty task of soul-winning. The worker God uses and blesses is the man who has but one great purpose in life. He places himself absolutely at God's disposal. He has learned how to prevail in prayer. He is a deep student of the Word. He has a vital, living message for a lost world. And lastly, he works by the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Possess these six qualifications and God will use you to the fullest possible extent, and your ministry will be glorious indeed. Without them the money, the time, and the labour spent upon you has been wasted, no matter how brilliant you may be, no matter how good a record you may have made in your

studies, no matter how much praise your future work may bring.

Some time ago, while I was standing in the city of Rome gazing at those magnificent paintings of Italy's famous artist, Michael Angelo, in the dome of St. Peter's, a friend brought to my remembrance a story about the great painter. One day he entered his studio to examine the work of a group of his pupils. He stood for a while thoughtfully contemplating the painting of a favourite pupil, then, to the amazement of the bystanders, he seized a brush, strode forward and marred that painting by writing something across it. What could it mean? Was it to condemn the work of that pupil? No! he wrote over it the Latin word "amplius," which means, "larger."

In one sense Michael Angelo was pleased with the product of his pupil. It showed fine skill of execution so far as it went. Only one thing was lacking—it did not go far enough. The picture was cramped, the design too limited. It needed more ample scope and broader lines.

I wonder if God is not wanting to write that same word "amplius" or "larger" across the page of our lives. We may have done well in a sense, so far as we have gone, but we have not gone far enough. Wider vision, deeper consecration, stronger faith, are needed.

#### ENTHUSIASM FOR SOULS

A minister was asked to write the biography of a man who held the world's record for life-saving. He had rescued nearly one hundred men and women from drowning. He had served up to the full measure of his opportunity. But yet he longed for more. His biographer says that one of the most pathetic things, one of the most notable things he heard him say was this: that when he lived on the south coast of England where shipwrecks were frequent, stormy nights he could not sleep. For hours he would walk backward and forward by the side of the dark, tempest-tossed waters, every nerve strung to its utmost tension, every faculty alert for the faintest sound that might tell of human need-ready to plunge in at the risk of his own life so that he might save some. Other men might sleep on oblivious of storm and shipwreck, but he must tramp amid rain and tempest and darkness, a self-ordained watchman over the lives of others.

Brethren, that picture haunts me, for we, too, are sent as watchmen to save the perishing, and too often ease and indolence have overcome us when we should have been out looking for those who have need of a saving message!

#### THE REAL NEED OF THE HOUR

Graduates of Newbold College, a world grown almost destitute of faith needs you—needs you more to-day than it ever has since Luther thundered his anathemas against the iniquities of papal Rome. A famished, sin-sick world extends an appealing hand. Footsore travellers are crying out for

rest. Wounded hearts are crying out for a balm that heals. Spirits in prison are frantic for release. May God give you eyes to see and hearts to feel the clamorous call of the world's need.

You march in the train of a noble host which has gone out before you. They are out there at grips with the malignant forces of the enemy, engaged in the greatest business God ever gave man to do, saving men and women from the agonies of death and of hell, warning of a soon-coming Saviour.

They need you out there to help, and, if need be, to die! They are calling for reinforcements—reinforcements which seem, oh, so long in coming!

Will you answer their call?

Then in the name of the living God, for the love of His Christ, and for the sake of humanity—FORWARD MARCH!

# Notes from the Union President

EVANGELISM

When the plan of using a small box for evangelistic gifts was started, it brought in surprisingly welcome results. Extra funds for evangelism became available, and these boxes rightly earned the name, Blessing Boxes. In the course of time, however, some of us must have neglected these little brown boxes, for the income from this source has diminished.

One conference finds itself short of its evangelistic needs by £300. This same field, with all its force of workers, spends only about £1,000 a year on evangelism in all its branches.

Perhaps we have, in our zeal for some other need, forgotten temporarily the Evangelistic Box Fund. Let us not lose sight of the great evangelistic need in our midst. Nothing is in hand for this purpose beyond September 30th of this year.

A prayerful remembrance of lost souls will assuredly lead to the filling of these little boxes on behalf of men and women now searching for light.

Good results are becoming apparent in certain places where

evangelistic efforts have been held. In Ipswich a new church of believers meets every Sabbath. In Torquay a goodly fruitage appears; in Swindon and Middlesbrough the same. And good word is in about some thirty new people meeting on Sabbaths in Belfast. Cardiff, Edinburgh, and other cities should also be included in our prayer lists. May God give us large harvests for His kingdom.

#### NEWBOLD

Many of our students are doing well in their efforts to scatter the printed message and to earn their fees for another year's work. The instructors from Newbold are now visiting the various parts of the Union and are ready to counsel young people desiring to go to Newbold. All young men and women should carefully consider the question of getting further education or of preparation for service in God's cause.

### CALENDAR REFORM

THE League of Nations Council has referred this question for further discussion at a meeting at Geneva in September next. Meantime the Secretary-General hopes

to receive the replies of governments on the matter of the reformed calendar by August 1st.

The British Union Committee

will probably send a further expression of its attitude to the British Government at a very early date.

H. W. LOWE.

# "Of Cæsar's Household"

By C. F. Enoch

In the early church greetings from those who were "of Cæsar's household" were greatly appreciated. Even so to-day the providence of God places men in positions where this message may reach the highest of the land. For almost a quarter of a century Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Menkel have been located in Simla, India, the summer headquarters of the Government of India during the hot season, and in Delhi, the capital of India, in winter. They have faithfully carried forward their work during the years, and have met socially the highest in the land.

Dr. Menkel reports: "In the year 1913 after Pastors Votaw and Wellman had been working along evangelistic lines for two seasons, I entered the medical work there, and specialized on reaching the higher classes. My work has been particularly that of speaking words of truth and giving this message to people while I have been treating them. While electricity has been poured into their bodies, I would speak of salvation for their souls. The work has gone slowly. I believe that the influence of the truth has been greatly advanced. We have baptized only eight people in the past four years. Our church in Simla has varied in membership from twenty-five to forty.

"My work has been among a class of people who have 'arrived' in life and are quite well satisfied. They do not respond readily to religious influence. However, there are a number of notable exceptions. The second lady of India invited me to lunch, placing me at her left when we sat down at the table. Then she requested me to tell her about our belief in

the second coming of Christ, and intermittently, as she ate and conversed with her other guests, I gave her the truth. For half an hour after I continued to tell her of the truth, at her own urging. The wife of one of the prominent governors invited me to meet with a company of her friends and tell them of our faith. My best work, however, is in talking to my patients while they are being given treatments."

The writer remembers many years ago when in Kashmir meeting a British colonel and his wife who had been high in government service and who were loyal Seventh-Day Adventists, won by Dr. and Mrs. Menkel in Simla. They had lost much of their savings in the Alliance Bank of Simla failure, but they were rejoicing in the more sure investment in the "world to come." They certainly appreciated this message.

Thus this work moves steadily on. Some workers are very near to Cæsar's household, some are out among the simple villagers, and others are working for the classes between. It is to the "highways and to the hedges" that we are sent to labour. The work among the higher classes goes very slowly, but the influence of workers cannot be measured in terms of human valuation. Our message is well known at the political headquarters in India. Questions often come up which might greatly hamper our work if decided against us. Dr. Menkel is preacher as well as

Some years ago several brethren working in the Government Secretariat had trouble over the observance of the Sabbath. When Queen

Victoria took over India at the close of the Indian Mutiny in 1857, she pledged that no one in India should ever suffer because of religious belief. Their immediate superior refused to give these brethren any concession. It was carried to the Vicerov who wrote on the margin of the papers, "This matter must be settled to the satisfaction of everybody concerned." Our brethren have kept their work and the Sabbath in the service of the Government of India for many years.

The Government of India is establishing a network of broadcasting stations in India, planning to reach the 750,000 villages. Dr. Menkel has been invited to speak of our health message over this network. These opportunities will come with greater frequency.

Just about the time of the depression we bought a fine property, centrally located, where a building has been erected for the first unit of the Simla Sanitarium. It is little more at present than first-class treatment rooms and a church building. The second unit ought to be built right away.

# Irish Missions

The annual meetings in connection with the Irish Missions will convene from July 9th to 11th in our own church, Florenceville Avenue, Ormeau Road, Belfast, with the exception of the Sunday evening service, which will be held in the West Belfast Orange Hall, Shankhill Road. The first meeting is called for 6.45 on the Friday evening.

We sincerely hope that many of our people will avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing Pastor C. L. Bond from the U.S.A., Pastor T. T. Babienco from the Northern European Division, and Pastors H. W. Lowe and W. L. Emmerson from the British Union.

We are hoping to see YOU. E. E. CRAVEN.

Remember the "Jubilee" Thirteenth Sabbath Offering on June 26th

# NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

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### Middlesbrough and Darlington

A GRAND total of fifty-four has been added to the church by baptism and vote since Pastor S. G. Joyce began to baptize his converts at the close of 1935-just over a year ago. Since the last report from Middlesbrough appeared in the Messenger baptisms were held on July 1, 1936, January 3 and April 4, 1937. Others have been preparing, two were unable to go forward last time owing to sickness, and another young man has begun to keep the Sabbath. He comes each week to the meeting in Darlington.

The tithes and offerings are on the increase in Middlesbrough. The Harvest Ingathering goal of £2 per member was well exceeded and the Sabbath-school holds the honour for the highest number of awards for daily study and attendance in the conference. Three of the new young men have gone to college within the past year. Others are planning to go. One brother and sister are selling up their home and entering the colporteur work.

Darlington has but one-third the population of Middlesbrough, and is probably the smallest town in which an effort is being held in the north of England.

No cinema or theatre could be had at a figure within the budget allowed, so we had to take the Co-operative Hall. Two flights of stairs had to be climbed to reach this hall, and another religious body were also holding their meeting in the same building every Sunday. No large poster sites could be had in the town, and no local printer could handle our work! Every Sunday but one it either snowed or rained, but the average attendance was around 500.

The Sunday services are now held in the Repertory Theatre. and each Sunday the hall has been nicely filled. It seats about 300. We have been told that there is

not another church in Darlington with so many attending. The audiences have always been of goodclass people with a marked absence of children. It has always been a large, inspiring, and deeply-interested congregation.

Darlington is a noted Quaker town. We had heard much of its conservatism, but went forward in faith, believing that God had in it many earnest seekers after truth. Only thirty-six sent in their names after the first meeting. Since then we have received some hundreds of names, the great majority of keenly-interested adults. Many have been the expressions of gratitude to God and the speaker. Every Sunday these written messages of thanks are sent in-after one Sunday service over forty expressed themselves in this way. People are coming a distance of three, five, nine, and even twenty-five miles to the meeting every Sunday.

It has been impossible adequately to attend to the great interest. This has been the sad part of the work. To see interest waning, perhaps never to be revived, because we just could not get round to them all. This has been so for a good many weeks now, and the peak of the work is well past! The writer is the only other worker with Pastor Joyce. When we called on one lady, who had been too shy to hand in her name, we found her most grateful for the visit, for she is very concerned about the Sabbath. One young man was so concerned that he went without his dinner rather than disturb the discussion, remarking, "This is of more concern to me than my dinner." Both husband and wife are deeply interested. People are saying, "We have never heard anything like it before. Our home life is changed, and we have now something to live for."

Opposition? Oh, yes. The dragon is wroth! It is but a sign that we are preaching the truth, and we expect it. The Spiritualists, the

British Israelites, and the Plymouth Brethren, just to mention a few, did all they could to stop or spoil the work. So many from one church came along to our meetings that one Sunday their minister came to the meeting himself to find where his flock was. He was greatly disturbed, told untruths about us, and urged his members not to come to our meetings. Pastor Joyce called on him and the poor man apologized, but he still went on distributing the pamphlet, Truth and Error. However, truth will triumph, and such untruths and such an unchristian attitude only turned people our way. We cannot sing at the Wednesday meeting, as a theatre adjoins the hall, yet to our joy the numbers have increased and we now have a nicely-filled hall, the first mid-week meeting being well attended. We call it the "Bible Circle," and it seems to be well appreciated. The Sabbath meeting is also well attended and many more tell us they intend to come.

We owe a debt of gratitude to those members in Middlesbrough who came so loyally to our aid each week in the distribution of the handbills. and to the men who acted as stewards each Sunday evening, coming from Stockton and Middlesbrough. The few members here have also been a splendid help!

We shall appreciate the prayers of all our members as we carry on our God-appointed task.

HILDA M. FORD.

## Middlesbrough's Lamp Trimmed

We were thankful to God for the summery weather of the first few days of June, and with glad hearts we assembled, with many friends on Friday evening, June 4th, for worship. It was the opening meeting of a blessed week-end of services during which the Middlesbrough church was to be organized. Pastors H. W. Lowe and O. M. Dorland had come to minister and to arrange the formal part of the programme.

Promptly at ten o'clock on Sabbath morning our Sabbath-school began. Some of the preliminary items were eliminated and Pastor

S. G. Toyce taught the lesson from the desk. Thereafter fifty-six baptized members "in good and regular standing" were organized as the Middlesbrough Church of Seventh-Day Adventists. Officers were elected, an elder and two deacons ordained, and all necessary arrangements made to enable the church to function as a unit.

In the afternoon and again in the evening, we appreciated the ministry of the visiting brethren. Deep truths were revealed from the Scriptures and our interest was thoroughly roused as we were told of the onward march of the message in other parts of the world.

We were happy to have with us during this good week-end the members from Stockton and West Hartlepool. Our only regret was that several Middlesbrough members were kept away by sickness.

Thus one more church has been added to those who are diligently working for the extension of God's kingdom on earth, and who earnestly watch for His appearing.

The Middlesbrough church has already proved its willingness to work for God. The members take a keen interest and an active part in all the various departmental activities; not the least of which is an intensive literature ministry. The seed is being sown and nourished; let us pray and work for a bounteous harvest.

D. J. CLARKE.

[Will visitors to Middlesbrough please note that the address of the church is as follows:

Advent Church, Norton Street,

Middlesbrough.
Hours of Worship:
Sabbath, Sabbath-school, 10 a.m.; Preaching, 11 a.m.; Preaching, 3 p.m.; Sunday, Preaching, 7.30 p.m.; Thursday, Prayer Meeting, 7.30 p.m.; M.V. Senior, Friday, 7.30 p.m.; (Saturday during summer); Junior, Sabbath, 3 p.m.—v.J.C.]

# Progress at Derby

It was a happy day for us when on Sabbath, June 12th, six precious souls were added to the Derby church, five by baptism, and one by vote.

After the ordinances in the morning, a good number of members and friends gathered in the Junction Baptist church, Derby, kindly lent to us for the occasion,

and participated in a beautiful baptismal service.

Brother O. M. Dorland immersed fourteen dear souls in all, a good number of whom were young people. We are pleased to state that there are others meeting with us who expect to be baptized and join the Derby church in the near future.

We desire the prayers of the MESSENGER circle that we, and especially these new members, shall be kept faithful by the Lord, and quickly gather in the harvest.

F. W. COPPOCK.

## **SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE**

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### Annual Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the thirty-fourth annual session of the South England Conference will be held in the Holloway Hall, Holloway Road, London, N.7, from Thursday evening at 7.30, July 29, to Monday evening at 9 o'clock, August 2, 1937.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers for the ensuing year, to receive reports, and to conduct such other business as may properly be brought before the delegates.

Delegates should be appointed from each church and the list sent to the conference secretary, 506 Holloway Road, London, N.7, on or before July 19th.

"Each church shall be entitled to one delegate for the organization without regard to number, and one additional delegate for each ten members."—Article 4, Section 5.

"Isolated members and companies of believers, other than organized churches, shall be represented by the delegates at large, and such of their own number as may be appointed by the Executive Committee."—Article 4, Section 6.

"The standing committees of the conference shall be nominated by Recommendations Committee composed of one delegate from each church up to fifty members, and one for each additional fifty members, the members of this committee being chosen by the respective churches."-Article 8, Section

For apartments apply: Apartment Secretary, Midland Bank Chambers, 506 Holloway Road, London, N.7. Everything possible

will be done to locate applicants comfortably.

President: R. S. JOYCE. Secretary: J. H. PARKIN.

## Southampton

Southampton is a seaport of which its cosmopolitan inhabitants are justly proud. Ships call here from many parts of the world. In this town on Sunday, November 15, 1936, an evangelistic campaign was begun by Pastor A. K. Armstrong. It met with great opposition from the surrounding churches. On the third Sunday the board which announced that evening's meeting was turned upside down by someone who opposed the Advent message. Yet despite the existing opposition there were a number of good souls eager for the message which we bear.

On Sunday, June 6th, we held our first baptism, when three young sisters, who were baptized by Pastor A. K. Armstrong, acknowledged before a well-filled church their determination to follow in the footsteps of the Master. The service was conducted by our president, Pastor R. S. Joyce, who encouraged all to greater loyalty to Christ by his stirring message.

Pastor A. K. Armstrong, by special request, rendered a very beautiful solo, entitled, "We'll talk it o'er together by and by." The sweetness of this solo added to the solemnity of the occasion and was much appreciated.

We solicit your prayers for these young people and also for others who are preparing for our main baptism which will take place in July. M. CLEMENTS.

## **WELSH MISSION**

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### Notes from the Superintendent

By the time these notes reach you, we shall have begun Sabbath services for our new congregation in Cardiff. These services are held in the Salem Chapel where we already have an encouraging midweek service.

Just now is a critical time for our campaign, work in Cardiff. Decisions are being made, and the people who have been listening to the preaching of the message during the past three months are facing the inevitable test. We earnestly invite you to join us in special prayer on behalf of these dear people, that a large number of them will, like Jacob of old, become eligible for the exalted title, "Israel," an overcoming prince.

MAY we draw special attention to the Missions Programme in the July Leader. This programme is based on the Week of Sacrifice which is fixed for July 4th to 10th. Money which finds its way into the special envelopes for this purpose may well represent "things" which during this week we have denied ourselves. The practice of self-denial is going out of fashion. But it never will in the experiences of God's true people.

And why a week of self-denial? Because the needs, the calls, and the opportunities were never so great as to-day.

In the *Leader* you will find a good programme for Sabbath, July 3rd. You will enjoy the Bible study, "As the Heart Inclines," by Pastor H. W. Lowe, and be sure to read the special articles by Pastor O. M. Dorland, R. S. Joyce, and the writer.

Another little service of dedication was conducted in the Newport church on a lovely June Sabbath. This time it was the pretty little daughter of Brother and Sister Harold Baker. May the Lord give

His gracious help to these young parents that Baby Avril shall be nurtured in the fear and wisdom of God.

WE were delighted to be greeted by such a large gathering in the Rhyl church on a recent Sabbath. Things are moving up there in those northern parts. In the Shotton area, too, there is movement, and it was a joy to accompany Miss Cooper to Buckley and meet the members of her cottage meeting there. In that company of faithful believers in Rhos also we were glad to find "strangers" present. If we all would be busy in prayerfully seeking to win others, what new joy and life there would be in all our communities.

DID you notice that we have three student colporteurs in Wales this summer? They are all sons of conference workers, the two sons of Pastor J. B. West and the son of Brother J. H. Parkin, the treasurer of the South England Conference. They are having good success as we would expect, for Wales can offer as good prospects in the book work as anywhere. I know you will remember these three young men in your prayers.

Brother Cooke has left for other territory. We tried to hold him in Wales but he felt the urge to go. We pray that the Lord will bless his work in his new location as it has been blessed in Wales. And who will take his place? We have plenty of "golden" territory in Wales. Don't think that all Wales is a depressed area. It is not. There are towns where steel works, furnaces, and factories are working at top pressure. And when Welsh men are working and have the money, they will buy religious books. The first four men to come to Wales to canvass will have the privilege of some of the most fruitful territory in the Union.

Pastor H. K. Munson has now settled in his new home in Newport. We welcome him to our slender force of workers and pray that he will have the most successful period of his ministerial career here in Wales.

S. GEORGE HYDE.

# **SCOTTISH MISSION**

Superintendent: Pastor L. Murdoch
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## Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting will be held in the Advent Church, 202 Renfrew Street, Glasgow, from July 2nd to 4th.

We are looking forward to having a record attendance this year, and we feel that the Lord will bless our gathering together in a special way if we all put forth every effort to be present, so that we can unitedly seek His face.

Excellent help will be given us this year in the representatives from the General Conference, Northern European Division, and the British Union. We cannot afford to miss these meetings. In the words of the Psalmist let us say individually, "I was glad when they [the leaders] said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord."

May the Lord bless you all as you make your plans. We look forward to seeing you there.

L. Murdoch.

## Pastor Keough's Visit

During the past ten days we have been privileged to have Pastor G. Keough from the College with us. His visit was greatly appreciated by all our members. The Scot-

tish people have always been keenly interested in education and our own members have kept up this tradition so far as our school is concerned.

Many have made sacrifices through the years to enable worthy young people from this mission to have the opportunity of a college education, such as our school alone can give. But as we consider the number who are now actively engaged in our work in one phase or another, we feel abundantly repaid and determine to leave no stone unturned whereby the young people in our midst to-day should have an equal chance.

I feel sure that we shall all take upon ourselves the responsibility of making it possible for those who should be at the College to get there, so that our faithful young people may join hands with those already in service, and thus a mighty work for God will be accomplished in these closing days. L. Murdoch.

### Wedding Bells

Cowen-Urquhart.—On Sunday May 23, 1937, a goodly number of churchmembers and friends gathered to witness the marriage of Sister Jessie Mary Urquhart and Brother Cecil Hubert Cowen. The ceremony was conducted in our own church, Stanley Hall, Wimbledon, where both of these young people are members.

We wish them the blessing of heaven in their united labours for the Master, and pray that the sunshine of His love may always be theirs.

C. A. Reeves.

- On Whit PALMER-BARRADINE. Monday, May 17, 1937, at Zion Baptist Church, Swansea, Sister W. V. Palmer and Brother R. Barradine of Cardiff were united in holy matrimony. A beautiful service was conducted by our local elder, Brother F. E. Powell, after which the happy couple repaired to the home of the bride, who entertained a large company of relatives and friends at the wedding breakfast. We extend to them our hearty congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness. Mrs. Lear, Church Clerk.

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## At Rest

WHEATCROFT.—With much sorrow we report the death of Sister Elizabeth Wheatwhere we was a made and the very content of the death of Sister Elizabeth Wheatcroft, which occurred on May 20, 1937. She was one of our oldest members in Lincoln, and came into the truth through Sister Short (then Miss Marfleet), who was canvassing Lincoln at that time with Present Truth. A memorial service was held on Sabbath morning, May 22nd, by Pastor O. M. Dorland, who also conducted the burial service in the afternoon, when our dear sister was laid to rest. A favourite hymn of hers was sung, "When peace, like a river, attendeth my way." She rests until the glorious resurrection, when we are sure our dear sister will respond to the call of the Life-giver. T. PAIN, Church Clerk.

McLeon.—In the quietude of Gorton Cemetery we laid to rest Sister J. McLeod on Wednesday, May 26, 1937. The previous Sabbath she had taken her usual Sabbath-school class apparently in good health. She collapsed, however, during the closing hours of the Sabbath and passed away at 3 a.m. on Sunday. Sister McLeod accepted the truth under the labours of Pastor Johnston, and since that time has given wholehearted service to the cause of truth. She had a kind word for all and all had a kind word for her. As a church we lose a faithful deaconess, treasurer, and Sabbath-school teacher. We extend to Mr. McLeod and the three sons our heartfelt sympathy, but the loss is made easier to bear by the sure knowledge that we shall soon see her again when Jesus comes to claim His own.

HARDY.—Sister Hardy fell asleep in Jesus on March 3, 1937, at the age of ninety-three. She was a charter member of the Watford Town church, having accepted the message under the labours of Pastor J. D. Gillatt. Although among those who lived farthest from the church she was faithful and early in her attendance until a short time before her death. On Sabbath, March 6th, she was laid to rest in the Vicarage Road Cemetery, Watford, by Pastor W. H. Meredith and the writer, and awaits the call of the Life-giver.

E. ASHTON.

ELLIS.—Brother Walter Ellis, aged sixty-eight, fell asleep May 13, 1937, after an illness of more than three months. He accepted the truth in 1903 through the labours of Pastor E. E. Andross, wno baptized him. Brother Ellis remained faithful until his death, and was quite ready to rest. Pastor G. Keough, from Newbold College, officiated at the funeral, speaking words of comfort to all, especially to Sister Ellis who is now left alone. Our brother rests in Kettering Cemetery until the Giver of life shall come.

M. L. Pellowes.

Johnson.—Brother Johnson, of the Hull church, passed to his rest on April 26, 1937, at the age of ninety years. He was a true and faithful member, and for some years held the office of church elder. He was laid to rest in the Hessle Road Cemetery, there to await the call of Jesus, which he said before he passed away would not be long. Pastor Lennox officiated.

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Dye.—Sister Joanna Dye went to her rest on Monday, June 14, 1937, after years of patient suffering. For over forty years she was a Sunday-school teacher in the Church of England. She was just recovering from an operation for cancer when she heard through her sisters of Pastor R. S. Joyce's meetings in Lowestoft. As soon as she could, she attended the meetings, and in a very short time accepted the message for this time. During her association with the Lowestoft church she did splendid work as a Sabbath-school teacher and deaconess. But we could not wish her back, for her last few months were a time of great suffering. She now waits for her Lord's call. Many in her family were bitterly opposed to her taking her stand for this truth, but when she was laid to rest on June 17th in the Lowestoft Churchyard, they were all there, and with deep sorrow acknowledged that she lived for her Lord. Pastor L. A. Watson conducted the funeral service in the Lowestoft Church and at the grayeside where many members and friends had congregated. We shall miss her but she will ever live in our memories.

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#### The Housewife's Part

Throughout the churches there must be many of our married sisters who long to help forward God's work, yet are wondering how they should best do this.

We can readily understand that consecrated women are peculiarly well fitted for home-to-home visitation as literature-evangelists. In some respects more so than men. Of course we are to recognize that a wife still having the care of young, or even older children, usually has her hands so full that there is very little time and energy left for taking on other and outside responsibilities.

But we feel sure that many an Adventist housewife who is not overburdened with domestic matters could, by careful planning and forethought, arrange to devote some time each week to taking the printed message beyond the narrow confines of her own household. Such would certainly receive personal benefit by so doing, and the cause of God would thereby be advanced.

Sister L. Jones of the South Birmingham church is very happily doing this, having a burden to bring others to the light, and this work is proving a real boon to her. "I was never so happy or healthy in my life," was her testimony to me recently.

But here is her own story:

"After accepting this wonderful Advent message three years ago, I felt the urge to do something to forward the work, but was afraid my age was against me. I had yet to learn that we are never too old to be channels through which God will work. It was arranged for me to start in the colporteur ministry and I feel deeply grateful for the many interesting experiences I have enjoyed.

"Just before Christmas I met a lady in the street who had previously bought a copy of Our Wonderful Bible. She said: 'Since reading that book I have lost all fear and it has made a great change in my life. Although my husband has been sent by his firm to Africa for twelve months and my boy and girl are in delicate health, yet I am not worrying. If you have another book I will take a copy—and call and see me whenever you can.' So she gladly purchased Bible Readings for the Home. Many similar stories could be told. Surely nothing is so interesting as the book work.



Mrs. L. Jones.

"When our children have married and left the old home, we mothers find the necessity of adjusting ourselves to a new life. That is the time to take up definite work for the Lord, and banish the feeling that our life's work is over.

"I arrange to be free for colporteur work in the mornings, planning the household duties and meals ahead of time and endeavouring regularly to keep to the plan. Entering into this new daily experience has brought a real thrill, improved health through the walk in the open air, and, in helping others with personal experiences and our truth-laden literature, a larger outlook on life generally."

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