

BRITISH ADVENT
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FELLOWSHIP IN WALES

By M. M. HOWARD

WE have just closed our Welsh annual meetings which convened from July 6th to 8th, in our beautiful new Cardiff church building. There is no place on earth where God draws nearer than in Wales. It is a country of deep piety and much true devotion, a port of refreshing call for the Advent traveller, and of prayerful sending forth of her sons, sons both by nature and by having been born again upon her soil.

The week-end just closed was a time of service freely given, of secret prayers richly answered, of sins and faults confessed and forgiven and wiped out, of seeing Jesus as The-One-Who-Stands-By.

Pastor E. E. Roenfelt, associate secretary of the General Conference, Pastor A. F. Tarr, president of the Northern European Division, Pastor E. B. Rudge, secretary of the Northern European Division, Pastor W. W. Armstrong, president of our British Union Conference, Pastor W. R. A. Madgwick, our educational secretary, Brother J. H. Craven, general manager of the Stanborough Press, and Brother J. A. Clement came to us from outside the Mission and their ministry was greatly blessed, as was that of those other visitors who were not so obviously used.

We cannot, for lack of space, report in detail all the services of the week-end, but can only mention in passing that Brother Rudge brought us a message of God's goodness and His care, of selfless example, and Heaven's protecting hand.

Brother Armstrong, speaking in a devotional

meeting, desired us to ask for the power and the desire to seek the lost that we might become, before it is too late, a church expecting, waiting, and working for the coming of Jesus.

Brother Tarr told how kindly Christian courtesy and a willingness to speak of our religious beliefs, the presentation of our health books, and the heaven-like atmosphere in our sanitariums, has won its way into the hearts of the people of India, as in other countries of the world. He spoke also of the customs of that vast land and of the kindly nature of its people and left us with the recollection that God's hand is over His work in every continent, and in every heart.

Brother Roenfelt, representing us as standing as condemned prisoners before the Judge, but giving us the assurance of grace through an Advocate, of justification when seen through the Saviour, and sanctification through permitting Jesus to daily hand us the victory which He so dearly bought for us, left us with a willingness to deny our selfish selves, take up the cross of sacrificial service which was Christ's own, and follow Him to our own personal Gethsemane, judgment hall, and Golgotha—the place of daily dying. Brother Madgwick, our educational secretary, coming to us on Education Day, made good use of the Sabbath-school lesson to bring before us both the need of trained workers and of the indwelling and abiding presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Many were blessed by his public and private ministry, as were those who were privi-

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"HUNGRY FOR GOD"

leged to hear Brother Lacey's review upon the finishing of the work.

Pastor Howard, in a sermon which touched hearts, warned us to keep our first love, to cherish the Word, without which we cannot become Christians. He urged us also to remember the experience when we first believed, that travelling toward the kingdom we may continue to look to Jesus and by beholding, become changed. He spoke, too, of the healing of mind and heart which Jesus gives, and by kindly appeal dispelled the lethargy which attacks all.

Some of the highlights of the week-end, apart from those already mentioned, were the inspiring singing both of the congregation and of those who gave more individual service in song. As we listened to our kindly near neighbours, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Evans of the B.B.C., and to our own folk, Sister D. J. Handsides and Sister Amos Cooper, who blessed us by their ministry, we could not help wondering,

What will it be, when in the courts of glory
Our Saviour stands and leads His ransomed's song!
What will it be, when we, with answering echoes
Join with His throng?
See there the choir of quick angelic servers!
Watch how white wings form cross with cross
entwined!

Bend low and list while Christ, our only Saviour
Stands with His saved in light, by love outlined!

Tune now thine ear to catch the first sweet cadence
Of Voice long distant from us here below.
Hear how the power, the joy, the pure devotion
Gold-crowns His wounds and cools His wounded
brow.

Earth holds no compare with those billowing echoes,
Winds lack the power to tune Love's harp aright,
But Jesus, only Saviour, faith-encircled,
Can cure earth's night.

Evangelize, the powerful watchword of the Welsh Mission, came into prominence both on Sunday evening, when, in a large and inspiring public service in our own church, Pastor D. J. Handsides presented the subject of "Baptism," and in the Sabbath afternoon and evening services.

On Sabbath afternoon three of our younger workers accepted the responsibility of being set aside for the exclusive use of Jesus, their Lord. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Pastor Armstrong. These men, Brethren H. Humphries, J. Freeman, and G. Emm, were charged from the Word by Pastor Roenfelt to be long-suffering, patient, kindly, faithful, cleanhearted, soul-accountable watchmen of God's flock. They were welcomed into the fellowship of the Seventh-Day Adventist ministry by Pastor Rudge. In responding, mentioning the solemnity of the charge, Pastor Humphries asked for the prayers of the people that he might have a guided tongue, preaching the Gospel. Brother Freeman, thankful to have been accounted faithful, asked us to pray that he might always be accounted so and might ever cherish in his heart the knowledge that God had accounted him worthy in Jesus to have a part in His work. Brother Emm, realizing his own insufficiency and the height of the

ministerial calling, was glad that God had chosen him to declare His Gospel and prepare others to meet God. It was indeed a happy day for the Welsh Mission, for the College board, for self-sacrificing parents, and for the one in this field who, under God, has set these men the example of being, as every true minister becomes,

The humblest man we ever knew;
He took the blame from end of every pew
And laid it on himself for Jesus' sake.
Then, taking faithful, kindly aim, worked on
Till from each heart all cowardice was gone,
And each stood guilty by God's guiltless One.
He gathered gossip's darts and threw them back,
Or hid them in Christ's hand till hearts awoke,
Then, leading gently home, met near the cross
With all who wish to come.

During the Evangelistic Symposium we heard from Brethren Handsides, Freeman, and Emm of souls won and believers in the work to-day as fruitage of their ministry, of sickness healed to the glory of God, of the aged turning to Jesus and accepting the third angel's message, of those in responsible positions asking for, and in answer to the prayers of God's people receiving, Sabbath privileges, of persecution of the young who were wishing to take their stand on God's side, of older folk opening the Word of God after many years of neglect. The symposium closed with a talk on the subject of evangelism, by Brother H. Logan.

So, under God's leadership, in membership, finance, and soul-saving endeavour, this Mission has been blessed. Please pray with us that the blessings of this past week-end may continue, until every member in our Mission is over the line between his besetting sin and victorious living, that no criticism of others may soil the blessing of the present, and that the future may be onward and upward in His service.

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A New Church in Bristol

A LARGE congregation gathered at the Arley Hill church, Bristol, on Sabbath, June 9th, to officially organize another body of believers within the city.

Pastors C. R. Bonney and R. H. Bainbridge had laid much of the ground work for this occasion. On October 7, 1950, the anticipated new church began to meet in rented quarters in the district of Fishponds. Following the division, plans were laid for the erection of a building with provision for a church school to serve the membership of the city. Search had been made for suitable existing property to no avail. Due to difficulty in obtaining building permission, construction of the "new church home" has had to wait.

Pastors McMillan and Bonney were present to lead the congregation in worship and to effect the organization. After a short address in which Pastor McMillan fittingly applied lessons from Exodus 6: 6-8, the charter members one by one signed the clerk's record book.

Pastor McMillan then challenged the charter members to uphold the standards of God's remnant church and Pastor Bonney offered the prayer of dedication. A nominating committee was chosen and after a short period of deliberation was able to bring in a report of officers who were unanimously accepted.

The spirit of remaining members at Arley Hill is most commendable. Not only has that church lost about a quarter of its membership by this division, but its members are working hard and giving liberally to aid in raising funds for the new building at Lodge Causeway, Fishponds.

Much credit is due to Pastor Bainbridge for his work in guiding the new body of believers through the first few months of the separation. His efforts and labour will long be remembered by the charter members of Lodge Causeway.

Since the organization, Pastor Bainbridge has moved to Dundee, Scotland. Pastor G. T. Hewlett succeeds him in caring for the interests of another light in the West of England. CHURCH CLERK.

Baptism at Exeter

ON Sabbath, June 30th, a baptismal service was held in the Exeter church, when three souls went through the waters of baptism. Two sisters will unite with the Exeter church and one brother from Bideford, North Devon, will become a member of the conference church. As Pastor P. O. Cumings baptized the candidates, he spoke of the ways that God had used to bring these dear people to the knowledge of the truth we hold so dear. Our brother was interested in the Voice of Prophecy programme, and one sister was impressed by the faithful witness of a cousin who has been a churchmember for many years. The other sister has worshipped with us for some time and we were happy to have her unite with us in full church membership.

Pastor J. A. McMillan was with us for the morning service and he addressed the candidates. He reminded them that they had become the property and responsibility of their heavenly Father as they would be baptized in His name and would be brought into fellowship with Jesus and His body, the church. They would become members of one big family, yet though the doctrines we hold are perfect because they are inspired, perfection may not always be found within the church fellowship as we do not always attain to the standard set by God for His children.

The church was filled to capacity and among those present to witness the baptism were four people who have begun to keep the Sabbath as a result of the evangelistic services Pastor Cumings

has been holding in the church since the beginning of the year. We are looking forward to their baptism in the not too distant future. F. A. POPE.

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President's Notes

RECENTLY a baptism has been held in Manchester where Pastor K. A. Elias and his team of workers have baptized and added by vote eighteen new members.

At Skegness four have been added by Brother L. Shaw. Then at Nottingham, under the ministry of Pastor T. L. Gillett, four were joined to the church, making eleven so far this year. Thirteen were baptized in the Birmingham area as the result of the labours of Pastors West and Clifford. Thirteen were also baptized in Liverpool, where the late Pastor E. E. Craven, assisted by Brother Smart and Miss Cleary, was working.

In Hull eleven were added as the result of the labours of Brother A. H. Cowley and Sister H. M. Ford. With this group five were baptized from York. These were prepared by Pastor H. W. McCrow and Brother and Sister W. S. Barker, leaders of the York church.

Four were baptized at Coventry by Pastor F. Edwards and eight were united with the Newcastle church as a result of Pastor S. H. Parkin's work, assisted by Brother D. Mustow and Miss L. Mason.

A NEW church was organized in Bramley, between Leeds and Bradford, on Sabbath, July 21st. Sixteen have been baptized from this district where Pastor B. F. Kinman and his fellow-workers have been labouring. New churches have also been organized in West Bromwich and Bolton.

By the time these notes appear in the MESSENGER the responsibility for the North England Conference will have passed into other hands. We certainly wish the workers and churches every blessing of Heaven and would crave an interest in the prayers of the MESSENGER family as we move to Belfast to take up the responsibility of leading the Irish Missions. O. M. DORLAND.

Good News from Skegness

IN the late summer and the autumn of 1950 we conducted a "Good News" campaign in Skegness and the surrounding villages. This was a "softening-up" process preparatory for the launching of an evangelistic campaign in the late autumn. The response was good, over 700 enrolling for the Voice of Prophecy studies.

By November 12th, we were ready to launch out in the Embassy Ballroom, and duly began with the trusted and tried subject of the prophecy of Daniel two. But this time we had not only a large chart to make clear the significance of the prophecy, but also the sound film, "The Birth of a New World," to catch the audience's imagination.

The response to the advertising was disappointingly small, only about 130 non-members attending. But as we continued the services through some of the worst weather imaginable for evangelism, we were greatly encouraged by the maintenance of interest. Thus we were able to build up a good interest in the meetings themselves, and also by personal visitation in the homes of the people. By and by a very large Bible study programme was developed.

Another interesting feature of the campaign was the close relationship with the local press. We did most of our advertising through the medium of the press, and by their request gave a weekly report of our subjects. In this way many who did not attend the meetings were fully acquainted with our truth.

July 7th saw preparations for our first baptism completed. The Beresford Avenue Baptist church was placed at our disposal, and we were able to obtain sufficient floral decorations to beautify the church for the occasion through the kindness of one of our members. Pastor Dorland was present with us, and conducted the baptism. Many other friends and interested persons were present to witness the joyous service, as well as our own members from Lincoln, Boston, and Skegness. Mrs. Shaw's sympathetic rendering of "Consecration," the baptismal favourite, was much appreciated.

Altogether four followed their Lord through the waters of baptism. Two others who were to have been candidates were, through sickness, unable to attend.

At the time of writing seven or eight others are keeping the Sabbath, while many others are deeply interested in the truths we have to present. We invite the prayers of the MESSENGER family on behalf of these interested ones to the end that these first-fruits may be followed by a still larger harvest in due time.

LESLIE SHAW.

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President's Notes

WE have just concluded a most inspiring week-end of fellowship in Cardiff. It was a well-attended series of meetings and it has been reported as fully as space will permit elsewhere in this issue of the MESSENGER.

ON Sabbath, July 7th, it was the writer's privilege to visit Swansea and baptize seven precious souls into the message. Among this number were two

young men, brothers and dentists. Years ago their father, Dr. Rees, heard this truth and believed it. Now, after many days, the seed sown then has eventually borne fruit. Brother Emm has been having studies with both families and the first-fruits have already been harvested. We understand that in a few months' time our brother expects a further baptism of six or seven. Incidentally, our Swansea Sabbath-school has made another financial record for the quarter ending June 30th. They reached over £90!

ON Sabbath, July 14th, at Newport, eleven souls were baptized. These are the results of the first-fruits of the campaigns of Brethren H. Logan and J. Freeman. Later we anticipate a good baptism in Cardiff.

MAY we thank all our members for their liberality and faithfulness during the first six months of this year. Our tithe is over £180 in excess of the budgeted figure. We thank God for this evidence of His blessing.

J. M. HOWARD.

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President's Notes

THE annual meeting held in Edinburgh has just closed. In ideal weather about 280 persons attended the convention from all parts of Scotland. The Spirit of the Lord was with us in power and His people were greatly blessed. Everywhere one could hear expressions such as: "The best ever," "marvellous," "grand." Happy faces with hearts satisfied by divine grace returned to their homes with the determination to enjoy a closer walk with God in fellowship and service. A fuller report of the gathering will appear in a subsequent issue.

THE Advisory Committee convened during one of the recesses of the convention to discuss the work of the Mission. Among its actions, the disposition of associate workers was considered. Miss J. M. M. Cowan has been appointed to engage in evangelistic work with Brethren C. D. Baildam and J. Mahon in Dunfermline and Edinburgh from September 17th. Mr. I. W. Abbott and Miss A. Laming will be associated with Pastor T. S. Brash in the Ayr-Kilmarnock district. We are happy to state that all our evangelists have the prospect of being settled in good time for the start of the autumn campaigns. The committee further unanimously elected Mr. W. W. Livingston and Miss Cowan to occupy vacancies on the Advisory Board, due to the retirement of two of its members.

WE extend hearty congratulations to Dr. R. Grant, who recently acquired the coveted medical degree of F.R.C.S. (Edinburgh). Dr. Grant and

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his family will shortly sail for their mission field in Africa, with our sincere good wishes.

JOHN H. BAYLISS.

Dedication Day in Dundee

JUNE 16, 1951. This day was the Dundee Seventh-Day Adventist church building set apart for the worship of God and its members were organized into a church body. A day long-expected and prayed for, much sacrificed and worked for. Thanks be to God.

We welcomed among us Pastor R. A. Anderson, secretary of the Ministerial Association, who had arrived from the United States the previous day, Pastor W. W. Armstrong, president of the British Union Conference, Pastor O. M. Dorland, president of the North England Conference, Pastor J. H. Bayliss, president of the Scottish Mission, and Pastor R. H. Bainbridge, minister-elect to the Dundee church.

It was eminently fitting that Pastor Anderson should be present to give the morning dedicatory address. Pastor K. Lacey, who had pursued the building project to its quick conclusion while engaged with his team in a city-wide campaign said of him: "He inspired me to be an evangelist. He is also my spiritual father." So it was a family gathering as our visiting speaker addressed a congregation, so many of whom were his "grandsons" and "granddaughters."

"I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ," he began, "for it is the power [the 'dynamite'] of God." Rom. 1:16. This power exploded racial, cultural, and social barriers, and broke us loose from the bonds of the old life. The believers at Rome were called to be saints (Rom. 1:6), and we were included in that call, whether we were in Rome, in Africa, in Dundee, or in Peru. As ancient Rome extended her influence by transplanting Roman families into conquered territory, charging them to live like Romans, so God was planting churches, establishing "colonies of heaven," calling us to live like saints.

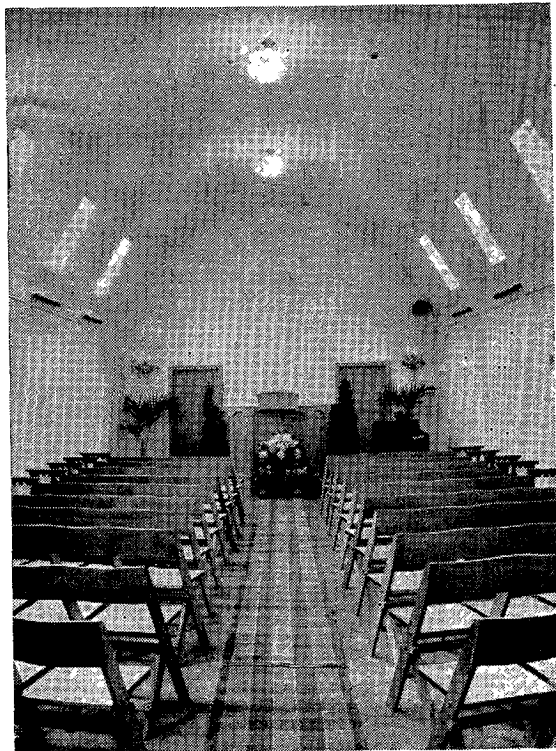
Our minds were directed to the particular purpose of the hour in Solomon's words: "Behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain Thee; how much less this house that I have builded?" This church could be filled with the presence of God. It could be a place where the members became newly-charged with the power of God, and from which they were sent out to carry to others what they had received. The world had a right to expect a lot from Seventh-Day Adventists. Would we dedicate our lives to God anew? Then it would be fitting to give Him the material things of the church, too. An orphan boy-prince was asked the reason for his noble life in his land of exile. He had held within his heart the challenging last words which his father spoke to him before being led away to the firing squad: "You are a prince, the son of a prince. Always behave like a prince." Our

Father challenged us to-day to behave as it became saints.

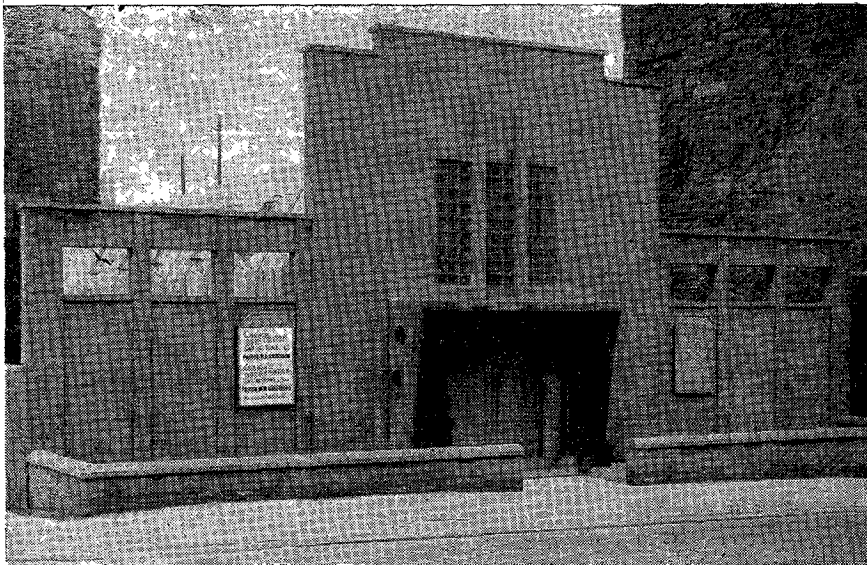
The congregation rose in an attitude of personal consecration while Pastor Dorland voiced a prayer of surrender. Pastor Armstrong followed with a prayer committing the church building and its services into the care of God and earnestly invoking His abundant blessing. It was a solemn and joyful moment. God had accepted our offering.

The records show that a company of eight members was established in Dundee in the year 1917. A faithful few had maintained the faith through the years, the membership reaching a peak of thirty-one in 1933. God's blessing on the campaign begun in April, 1950, had added thirty-two souls to the group, bringing the total membership to forty-six.

It was before this group in the afternoon that Pastor Bayliss reviewed the principles of our faith. On the basis of these principles the members covenanted together to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. Pastor Lacey then named Mr. G. Robertson, Miss Fleming, and Miss N. Braniff, members of long standing, to be the nucleus of the Dundee church. They in turn voted to receive six more members into fellowship, both groups bearing mutual witness to their eagerness to be united thus. The nine in their turn agreed with a further six members to worship and work in harmony. So by sixes the covenanting group grew until it embraced every member in one body. Pastor Dorland offered a prayer for the Holy Spirit to make this covenant a real experience in the hearts of all.



Interior of the new Dundee church building.



Exterior view of the newly erected Dundee church.

Smoothly and quickly the organization proceeded. The nominating committee of five was elected and appointed to their work of electing church officers; and one by one the members of this new church added their signatures to the covenant book.

Pastor Armstrong said that as the groups of members had been questioned as to their readiness to love their brethren and sisters he had been reminded of the wedding service. As love was the basis of harmonious marriage, so the body of the church was compacted together by love, the members being "sincere in love." Eph. 4:15, margin.

The highest duty of man was worship. Jesus instructed us in worship through a woman, the Samaritan at Jacob's well. True worship must be "in spirit and in truth." John 4:24. It was possible for good feelings and intentions concerning spiritual things to arise from the flesh. But if we would truly worship we must allow the Holy Spirit to come into our lives. Angels said little in their worship. "Amen" was their response to the presence of God and to the satisfaction He gave. The Holy Spirit touched the chords of memory and brought forth the melodies of true heart worship. Worship was waiting before God. Moses did not talk at the burning bush. Isaiah's words were few in his vision of God's glory. Peter was the only disciple who saw divinity flashing through the Saviour's humanity on the occasion of the miraculous draught of fishes—and he worshipped. Our message (Rev. 14:8) was a call to worship. Might God teach us its real meaning that we might serve Him with power.

Once again the churchmembers exercised their rights as they accepted the nominating committee's report and unanimously appointed their church officers for the following half year. On behalf of the church, Pastor Lacey requested admittance to the sisterhood of churches in the Scottish Mission.

This climactic day was complete.

Soon, too soon, the evangelistic team would be

dispersed, each worker to a new sphere of labour. Their heart-felt wish is that the spirit of this day may dominate and inspire the Dundee Seventh-Day Adventist church in days to come, and that Pastor Bainbridge may receive power in his leadership and much fruit for his labour.

"Make this, O Lord, thine own abode;
Thy presence in these courts be given;
Be this indeed 'the house of God,'
And this in truth 'the gate of heaven.'"

VICTOR H. HALL.

Irish Missions

Baptism in Dublin

SABBATH, June 16th, was the day for another baptism in Dublin. The church was tastefully decorated with seasonal flowers, and was filled with members and their friends. It was also a sunny afternoon, which added to the joy of the occasion.

Three precious souls were baptized and came forth from the watery grave to walk in newness of life with their Saviour. We thank God for this precious fruit.

EDITH N. STEPHENS.

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Good-bye to Ireland

ON Sabbath, June 23rd, Pastor Mustard preached his farewell sermon to members of the Dublin church. His subject was the second coming of our Lord. He told us he could not leave us with a more timely, beautiful thought than that of our soon-coming Saviour.

Pastor and Mrs. Mustard will be greatly missed in our church. Pastor Mustard prepared and intro-

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duced the Christian Culture Correspondence School and we are already seeing fruit for his labour, for which we thank our heavenly Father. We have especially enjoyed the lovely music rendered by Mrs. Mustard during the past years both in song and at the organ. We shall not forget the smiling faces of Duncan and Andrew, who have grown so dear to us. We pray that God will richly bless them as they leave us to take up their duties in West Africa, and that they may see a rich harvest of souls for the kingdom as a result of their labour.

The members of the Dublin church presented Pastor and Mrs. Mustard with a lovely parting gift as a souvenir of the Emerald Isle.

EDITH N. STEPHENS.

Ministry of Literature

No One Else Has It

THE world is coming to realize that Seventh-Day Adventists have truth that no one else has. It is recognized that Seventh-Day Adventists publish the finest religious literature in the world, especially when it comes to the explanation of Bible prophecy. I believe we ought to be very proud to be connected with the work of distributing literature like that.

I was very much impressed when the brethren told us out at the General Conference session that during the past four years they had published \$44 million worth of literature. What a far cry this is from those early days when James and Ellen White and Joseph Bates began to print this message! Now over \$11 million worth a year is going out all over this world. It enters the homes of professed Christians in America and Europe. It finds readers in the Catholic lands of South America. The Buddhist, the Hindu, the Mohammedan reach for it and ponder its teaching. Many are still waiting for the books to come. And so the call today is for more labourers, more hands to gather in the wasting sheaves, more colporteurs to speed from place to place in their divinely-appointed ministry.

If we want to hasten the coming of the Lord, one of the finest ways to do it is to multiply our work in the distribution of literature. Scatter it like the leaves of autumn, leaf upon leaf. The more books we can get into the libraries of the people from our publishing houses, the more likelihood there is of their picking out one of them at least and getting interested in the truth, and then taking down the others and reading those, too. If we can build up Seventh-Day Adventist libraries in the homes of the people, they are almost certain to be influenced by this message.

We are living in the day of God's power. He is preparing the people of this world to receive this truth. By the outpouring of His Spirit He will stir up their hearts to seek for a knowledge of His Word. Let us take renewed courage, lay hold of the promised blessing and then go out with faith to carry

the third angel's message to the waiting thousands in this day of God's opportunity.

W. H. BRANSON.

Sabbath-School Department

A Faithful Sabbath-School Teacher

THERE were five or six of us between the ages of eight and ten years, in the local church, and the rumour had reached our ears that we were to have a new Sabbath-school teacher. And the rumour also suggested who it was to be! Could there possibly be any likelihood that that quiet, reserved lady who always sat in the third row from the front during church service, was going to be our new Sabbath-school teacher? She never seemed to speak to anyone; how could she interest and control a group of mischievous, full-of-life girls? Such were my thoughts, but I must wait until next Sabbath to see if it was really true.

A special effort was made the following Sabbath to be at Sabbath-school in plenty of time—for the church was a few miles from home, and bus fares in those days were not too plentiful. Yes! there she sat in the place allotted to our Sabbath-school class, that quiet and apparently rather uninteresting lady. But from the very first her unusual quietness and reserve began to do its work. In her presence I felt I must be quiet and reverent in the house of God. She was always in her place some minutes before the service was due to commence and if one of her scholars happened to be late, there seemed to be a look of sadness and disappointment on her face that spoke with much more conviction than many an open rebuke. And even after the passing of a few decades, I still hate to be late for the services of the house of God.

When it came to the actual study of the Sabbath-school lesson, how interesting it all was. It took the form of questions around the class and no one must answer out of her turn. And the questions were not those we had seen during the week, while studying the lesson at home. No, they were freshly-thought-out questions, questions with a new approach, questions which made you think.

At the end of the quarter a beautiful thirteen-page scrapbook was handed to each of us. Each page represented one Sabbath, and Bible pictures pasted in gave credit for attendance, punctuality, daily study, and good conduct.

Our class also had its goal in mission offerings, and here the joy of sacrificial giving was first tasted in the foregoing of a few of the things that children's mouths so often appreciate.

Then there was that never-to-be-forgotten homework. It consisted of doctrinal studies, and all the well-known prophecies that we as Adventists delight to look into. It was from these studies that as a child I was first convicted of the sureness of the

Word of God. And what a blessing this knowledge has proved to be in the years that have passed! The studies took the form of questions and answers. The question was written out and the book and chapter given where the answer was found; and it was our task to read the chapter mentioned and find the verse (or verses) that answered the question, and to write the same out fully. What a blessing such work and searching proved to be on a wet Sabbath afternoon, keeping the young mind along suitable channels for the Sabbath.

And now the Lord has called her to rest. One of those quiet souls whose work has passed comparatively unnoticed. Three at least of her scholars went to College and trained for the Lord's work. What will be her reward in the kingdom of heaven?

So you who are giving of your time and talent—even though it be very limited—in the teaching of the young in the Sabbath-school, take courage and know that if done in the fear of the Lord, you are doing a work the results of which will reach into eternity.

R. E. GOWLETT.

Wedding Bells

MAGERISON-SAVAGE.—St. Paul's Seventh-Day Adventist church, Cardiff, was the scene of a very picturesque and joyous occasion, when on July 1, 1951, Brother Ivor Magerison and Sister Barbara Savage were present to make their marriage vows before a large assembly of relatives, friends, members, and well-wishers. The church was tastefully decorated with flowers, and the service, though very simple, plainly directed the thoughts of all to the solemn yet joyous fact that God was present also to witness. Led by the great organ, all joined in seeking the blessing of God upon the happy pair, and when finally the bridal group left the church, it was quite evident that God's blessing had been granted.

Following the service, which was conducted by the writer, a delightful reception was prepared where all the guests enjoyed the wonderful bounties of a wedding feast. The plan of life now for Brother and Sister Magerison is to prepare for greater service in God's work, and we wish them every blessing as they return to College for such preparation. D. J. HANDYSIDES.

Until the Day Break

ENGLISH.—With much regret we announce the passing of our dear Sister Sarah English of Ballykelly, on April 24, 1951. She was seventy-two years of age. For years Mrs. English had been an isolated member of the church in Northern Ireland. Constantly, in word and deed, she bore witness to her faith—a faith which remained bright and steadfast to the end. Her closing days revealed that Jesus was her personal Friend, and that she was ready to meet Him in peace. Sister English was laid to rest in Sea Patrick Cemetery near Banbridge, Co. Down, the interment being attended by many friends who esteemed her very highly. The service in the home was conducted by Pastor W. G. Nicholson, and at the graveside by Pastor J. Handysides. Left to mourn

the loss of a beloved wife and mother are Brother English and his son, Norman. To them we extend our sincere Christian sympathy and commit them to the enfolding care of Him who is the "resurrection and the life."

L. C. HANDYSIDES.

PETERS.—Sister Peters, of the Clapham church passed peacefully away on June 25, 1951, at the age of seventy-seven years. For many weeks previous, during her stay in various hospitals, Sister Peters was an outstanding example of Christian sweetness and fortitude during a particularly distressing illness. She will be greatly missed from her usual place in church. We laid her to rest in the family grave in the Wandsworth Cemetery to await that glorious day when "the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised."

E. Cox.

DOUGHERTY.—We are very sorry to record the death on July 4, 1951, of one of the older generation of Adventists, Brother Daniel Dougherty of Kilmoyle, Co. Antrim. Over forty years ago Pastors Mussen and Whiteside came to Ballybogie and began to preach the Advent truth. Conditions were far from favourable, but they preached on and one Sabbath Brother Dougherty came to the Sabbath meeting. He was followed the next Sabbath by Brother McAfee and others. What he endured for the Sabbath can hardly be realized, except by those who have passed through it, but it was not easy. Although the way was hard he held on and God blessed him. He was very happily married, and of this union there were six sons, one of whom, Brother R. W. Dougherty, is a minister in the Advent cause. The dearest wish of our brother's heart was that the family would be unbroken in God's kingdom. He was a very industrious man, but very quiet, with a deep-rooted and abiding love for his Saviour and for the truth. It has been a joy to have known him for the past twenty-five years. The funeral, which was conducted by the writer in the home, and by Pastor J. Lewis at the graveside, was attended by many, testifying to the love and esteem in which our brother was held by his neighbours. We laid him to rest in the Ballyroughshane burying ground to await the call of his Lord whom he had served so well. To his wife and sons we extend our deepest sympathy and Christian love. With them we look forward to a glad reunion, and pray that God will answer our brother's prayers that the family circle will be unbroken in that great day.

W. G. NICHOLSON.

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