

# BRITISH ADVENT MESSENGER

ORGAN OF THE BRITISH UNION CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

## THE CALL TO COLPORTEUR-EVANGELISM

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FOLLOWING the recommendations of the Publishing Council of the Northern European Division of the General Conference, Britain held its first Colporteur Quarterly Training School at Stanborough Park, Watford, from July 1st to 4th. The purpose of this school, which has come to stay, is to build up and strengthen our small but efficient force of literature workers. It will prepare new recruits to meet the challenge of the ministry of literature and give a new vision to those who may have become discouraged. As we describe the blessings of this short yet comprehensive council you are invited to share the blessings with us.

As we wended our various paths toward the B.U.C. offices at Stanborough Park, our eyes feasted upon the pleasant green lawns and Eden-like setting of our denominational headquarters. A very pleasant welcome awaited all seven recruits from our faithful Union leader, Pastor A. W. Cook. We found very comfortable and pleasant homes among our Adventist brethren, and they built up our "inner man" so that the spiritual feast to follow was all the more acceptable.

The scene of operations was centred mainly in the chapel of the B.U.C. offices. Pastor Cook presented the "Challenge of Colporteur Evangelism" on the Friday evening, and as the Sabbath hours descended upon us, our vision of the future was in correct focus.

What a joy it was to share fellowship with so many fellow-believers in Stanborough Park church on Sabbath morning. The air was filled with the melody of love and praise. In his address, Pastor G. D. King directed our thoughts to Paul's message to Corinth in 1 Corinthians 3:1-11, with particular emphasis on verse nine, as he talked to us about God's call to faithful service. The challenge of his message was that the world needs full-hearted Seventh-Day Adventists, not half-hearted ones today.

On the Sabbath afternoon we had an interesting

Colporteur Symposium at the Watford Town church, under the chairmanship of Pastor Cook. Our new recruits gave their witness to the hope within them, and we were refreshed by the inspiration of their testimonies.

Pastor Cook and I shared the Sabbath evening MV meeting in the Park church. After an interesting letter from Miss Lauderdale, a Stanborough Park missionary in East Africa, and prayer by Brother D. C. Swan, recently returned from South Africa, our Union leader reviewed the Scholarship exploits of 1955, and I was privileged to testify to the power of God's Holy Spirit in my personal literature ministry, and of His abundant blessing on my own humble contribution to His 'cause. Thus the Sabbath hours slipped away all too quickly.

Sunday was a day of great activity and purposeful training. We were led in the devotional hour by our editor, Pastor W. L. Emmerson, whose theme for our meditation was Isaiah 30:15: "In quietness and in confidence shall be our strength." This was approached from four avenues of power or strength. We want to be strong in the Lord and for service. He showed us how strength is born of confidence in God, and in our fellowship with Him, and that this confidence comes through waiting upon Him in quiet communion.

The practical instruction period which followed, under the leadership of Pastor King was of immense value. His subject, "Sanctified and Scientific Selling" was built around 1 Timothy 4:16. We are to take heed to ourselves spiritually, mentally, and physically. Then we had a practical demonstration of sanctified and scientific salesmanship by Brother V. Benfield.

After a recess for lunch, Pastor Cook led us in our prayer appointment, which was followed by a stimulating Bible study by Pastor R. D. Vine, the assistant editor.

Again that inspiring prophet Isaiah provided the theme, Isaiah 6:1-8. As this prophet contemplated

the greatness of the task and his own sinfulness, he admitted his inadequacy; but after a heavenly vision of the source of power he declared his willingness to go. What a challenge this is to us, amid the wickedness and gross darkness of today! Surely as that same prophet said, "Arise and shine," it is now time for us to go. But wait! Our great need is for the blessing of the Holy Spirit, which as Jesus so clearly tells us in Luke 11:11-13, awaits our demand and reception.

Our vision of Sanctified Success was stimulated by Pastor King's concluding study, based on Acts 20:20. We were shown that Evangelistic Salesmanship consisted in persuading people to buy what they already need. The colporteur ministry in the Northern European Division is blessed by having so inspiring a leader.

The concluding hour before tea was spent profitably on the study of our "selling talk."

The early part of the evening session was devoted to Press Relations, when we had the opportunity of meeting and listening to Brother J. H. Craven, the manager of The Stanborough Press, as a result of whose help and guidance we became much better informed on many aspects of our work.

To conclude this memorable day, we saw and listened to an excellent sound film, "Wings of the Wind." This unfolded a series of real experiences of the power of God working through the printed page.

Monday morning brought us near to the time of departure and action. Pastor B. Belton encouraged our trust in God by a study of the miracle of God's grace upon his own heart.

The final classwork was directed by Brother Benefield and the writer and was followed by an interesting visit to the Publishing House, to see the making of a book. In conclusion, Pastor Cook helped us to set our goal for 1955 and we were soon on our way to our task.

Beloved, the ebb-tide of time is fast receding all around us. Around us is spreading a world of barrenness and despair. Our bulwark of resistance to discouragement is a close relationship with Jesus Christ and our application of His Word in our lives. To you, dear readers, comes the call of the prophet Isaiah, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come." This commanding phrase places the urgency of active service upon us all. What are you willing to do now to hasten the return of our blessed Saviour?

As we watch the last rippling waves of grace slipping away from a dying world, the message of Sister White takes on a new meaning.

"As long as the message of mercy is to be given to the world. . . . And as long as probation continues, there will be opportunity for the canvasser to work."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 6, page 478.

God calls for workers from every church to enter His service as colporteur-evangelists. "If the members will do His will, if they will strive to impart the light to those in darkness, He will greatly bless their efforts. This is a most blessed missionary work."—*Colporteur Ministry*, page 20.

"Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people, that ye should

show the praise of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvellous light."

What is your response to this personal invitation to the literature ministry from the Lord Jesus Christ?

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## South England Conference

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### President's Notes

WE are glad to announce that the following visitors will be attending our conference session at Watford from July 28th to August 1st: Pastor H. L. Rudy, Vice-president of the General Conference; Dr. L. E. Froom, Field Secretary of the General Conference and author of the four volumes, *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers*; and Pastor E. B. Rudge, Secretary of the Northern European Division. Brethren from the British Union will also be present. We are assured of the presence of the Lord. We urge you to come that you may share in the blessings that God is prepared to pour out upon us all.

A service for the celebration of the ordinances has been planned in the Stanborough Park church on Sabbath afternoon at 2.30 p.m. Every isolated member who wishes to participate in this observance of the Lord's Supper should notify Pastor F. J. Wilms-hurst or Pastor A. G. Tapping, so that adequate arrangements may be made.

There will be a bureau of information to assist all visitors to Watford. This will function at both the Stanborough Park church on Friday and Monday, and at the Town Hall box office on Friday evening and Sunday. The chairman of this committee is Brother J. A. Clement.

The Granose Cafeteria will be open during the weekdays of the Conference, and at the Town Hall on Sunday. On Sabbath, hot and cold drinks will be provided free at the Town Hall kitchen.

A Sabbath lunch and tea packet may be secured at 4/- inclusive. Orders, together with remittance, should be forwarded to the Accommodation Secretary, 25 St. Johns Road, Watford, not later than Wednesday, July 27th. It will be appreciated that the catering staff during the session will be extremely busy, so early application is necessary. The picnic packets will be distributed on Sabbath at the kitchen of the Town Hall. Only those ordered and prepaid can be supplied.

When packing for the Conference, be sure to include both your Bible and *New Advent Hymnal*. All requests for accommodation should be directed to V. H. Benefield, chairman of the Accommodation Committee at the above address. Let us all pray for a deepening of the spiritual life at this Conference session.

J. A. MCMILLAN.

## Baptism at Folkestone

SABBATH, June 25th, a day of eager anticipation for the church in Folkestone, was bright and warm with summer sunshine. Beautiful flowers, carefully arranged by the loving hands of the oldest church-member, filled the atmosphere with their sweet scent. The occasion was another baptismal service—the second in the space of a few weeks, and the seventh in the past three years.

Baptismal services are always a source of inspiration to candidates and churchmembers alike, and this was no exception, as all joined heartily in the singing. Pastor J. A. McMillan gave the address. He pointed out the importance of the new birth, rightly stressing the fact that, without it, church membership was of little worth.

Then came the solemn but happy moment when the three candidates were immersed by the writer. It was good to see Mrs. Brown and her husband, trophies from the campaign in Dover, taking their stand for the Advent message; and also Anthony Amos, a prospective College student, testifying to his acceptance of Jesus as his personal Saviour. Anthony had been greatly helped and encouraged by his aunt, who accepted the message in the 1952-53 Folkestone campaign. We rejoice with her and praise God for this fruitage from faithful witnessing.

On May 14th, John Smith, a young man of twenty-four, was baptized and, with Mrs. Nailor, also from the Dover campaign, was accepted into church fellowship. Mr. Smith is taking the Colporteur Training Course and we pray that the Lord will make him fruitful in the field of literature evangelism.

As we look back over the past three years, we are grateful to God for the score of souls who have been added to the Advent message in this district. We greatly appreciate the loyalty and co-operation of our associate workers—Mr. K. Smith, Miss H. M. Ford, and Miss S. Herrington—who have given of their best in service. Just how much also is owed to the prayers and labours of churchmembers in billing, ushering, filling the need at piano or organ, we cannot say, but God knows and has taken count of all.

The prospects are good for further additions of precious souls in the near future. Souls are "hardly wooed and won" in this south-east corner of Britain; but with the continued interest of God's people in, and their prayers for, the harvest field, we feel sure that the Lord will give the increase.

F. J. WILMSHURST.

## Rejoicing at Bristol

ON Sabbath, June 25th, in the Bristol Lodge Causeway church, six people were baptized before a congregation of sixty-nine members.

The service was conducted by Pastors P. H. Stearman and F. L. Stokes.

Pastor Stearman took for his theme the choice which men and women had made in all ages and circumstances: the choice made by Lot with its sad result; that put before Israel by Joshua; the choice

of Elijah and Jesus; and now the choice of these six candidates.

The principles of our faith were stated by Pastor Stokes, who, after prayer and the singing of a hymn, baptized the candidates.

The right hand of fellowship was then extended to our new members by Pastors Stearman and Stokes, representing the South England Conference, Brother Robbins, the Lodge Causeway church, and Brother Cook the Bath church.

Of the six members, four joined the Causeway church and two the Bath church.

R. D. STONER,  
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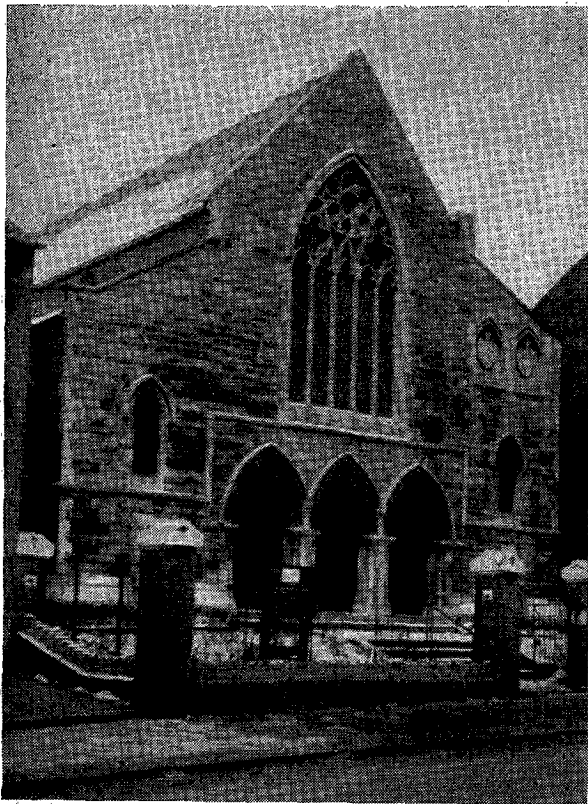
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## Campaign Fruitage in Birmingham

WE suppose it would not be proper to televise a baptismal service, even if that were ever possible, but we wish you could have shared with us the heart-warming and soul-stirring sight of the service at the Camp Hill church, on Sunday, June 12th. During the preparations it seemed difficult for us not to betray some excitement, not to give some inkling of that "Come-on-Sunday-half-past-six" feeling. This was not a service that we simply took in our stride, for it rather took *us* in its largeness and impressiveness.

We naturally expected a large congregation for this special service; actually the church was packed, and even with the extra chairs that had been rushed into place down the aisles, quite a few had to stand both at the back and in the gallery. Altogether some 500 people witnessed this impressive service, when fifty-eight souls followed their Lord through the waters of baptism. Hymn-books had to be on a "one-between-two" basis for late arrivals, and the deacons found only just enough room to take up the offering. However, before the opening exercises, the members of the congregation who were not exploring for vacant seats had much to occupy them. They could not only listen to the playing of appropriate organ melodies; not only appreciate the very attractive display of flowers and greenery that were pleasingly arranged behind the baptistery and around the platform, but they could also see the candidates filing in from the rear halls to occupy the first four rows in the centre.

We were glad to have on the platform our Conference president, Pastor J. H. Bayliss, who prayed for God's richest blessing upon the service. After taking a few moments to stress the meaning and emphasize the importance of baptism, Pastor K. Lacey stepped down into the water. For the next ninety minutes a thousand eyes were focused on the



The recently dedicated Camp Hill church, Birmingham.

baptismal scene. As evangelistic workers and church officers assisted the candidates throughout the whole procedure, both in the church and the rear halls, the familiar words, "I now gladly baptize you," sounded clearly around the building. We could not help noticing the human interest angles of the ceremony. It was grand, for example, to see a family of four, and another of three, go forward unitedly. It was good to witness five instances where mother and daughter submitted to the rite. It was wonderful to hear Pastor Lacey mention seven times that husband and wife were standing together. Then of those who were baptized singly, we learned that several had faced some unpleasantness in the home and that one young lady had contended with opposition and hardship for the sake of her newly-espoused faith. Murmured "amens" could be heard among the congregation as victories for Christ were briefly recounted, as triumphs over old habits and sins were revealed.

Throughout the service, hymns were softly played on the organ, providing a pleasant musical background and from time to time the congregation were invited to sing, responsively, some of the verses. During a short mid-way interval, Brother D. Mustow sang the hymn, "Buried beneath the yielding wave."

It was only as the last group were waiting to be received into the water that we thought about taking

notice of time, so absorbed had we been. In the congregation, too, the interest had been sustained and when the last public confession had been made, and many of the candidates were already back in their seats, Pastor Lacey made an appeal from the baptistery for all who desired to follow Jesus in baptism to stand and signify their decision. Many stood in response to this appeal, joining the candidates in the singing of the closing hymn, "O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end." Surely a most appropriate way to seal such a decision for Jesus.

We thank our heavenly Father for this "harvest of souls," and as we plan for a second ingathering of precious sheaves next month, we praise Him for the part we can play in adding to the remnant fold and in glorifying His holy Name.

L. LANE.

### Derby Baptism

ON Sabbath afternoon, June 25th, it was the happy experience of the Derby churchmembers to witness the sacred ordinance of baptism administered by Pastor J. H. Bayliss, when nine precious souls followed the example of our Lord in baptism. In addition, one candidate was welcomed into church fellowship by vote. He is Brother Gidlow, the husband of one of our members, who accepted the truth through reading and studying the addresses given by Brother H. Logan every Sunday evening during his winter campaign in Derby. These addresses were typed and sent out to Mr. Gidlow week by week.

One of the candidates for baptism came out of the Roman Catholic Church about four years ago. In her search for truth she happily came to the Seventh-Day Adventist church and from her first visit she knew she had found the true church (these are her own words).

During the service a solo was sung by Mr. John Hunt, and the voices of Mrs. Logan and Mrs. Hunt blended in the singing of a duet.

A young candidate, Jacqueline Bates, was introduced to the church a few years ago as a little girl by her school teacher, Miss Muriel Lowe, now Mrs. Eric Miller. Jacqueline has been constant in her attendance and studied the Adventist teaching in Sabbath school and in the Voice of Prophecy Junior Course. The youngest candidate, Esther Hunt, comes from an Adventist family and is the daughter of our Sabbath school superintendent.

May the blessing of God rest upon these dear people and may they with many others be found ready and waiting when the Lord comes.

CHURCH CLERK.

### Good News From Blackpool

SABBATH, June 25th, dawned to the glorious beams of radiant sunshine flooding Blackpool with golden glory. This was the day we had worked and prayed

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for. This was the red-letter day in the life of three souls who were determined to follow their Lord all the way to Jordan.

We were happy to welcome Pastor and Mrs. K. A. Elias and family who had come all the way from Sheffield to spend the day in our midst and represent the Conference on this happy occasion. His ministry was very much appreciated and the good company of members and friends delighted to renew former friendships. This was the third occasion that Pastor Elias had encouraged and uplifted the membership with his timely messages.

One of the candidates, first contacted through an Ingathering leaflet, had studied the V.O.P. Bible lessons of both courses. On our first visit to her home she was anxious to know if there was a church nearby. Following further studies she desired baptism. So enthusiastic had she become to share her new-found faith that she has passed out almost 2,000 invitation cards to listen to Radio Luxembourg and take the free Bible Lessons.

A young man had a friend in the R.A.F. who was a Seventh-Day Adventist. From him he learned some of our truths. His wife's family in Australia had learned the truth and joined the remnant church out there. So it was an enthusiastic pair of students who welcomed us into their home every Wednesday evening and studied for two or more hours. Many were the questions in their minds but the Spirit of the Lord answered them, for both were seekers after truth. Their attendance at the church Sabbath by Sabbath endeared them to the hearts of the Black-pool membership.

Great was our joy when we learned of their desire to be baptized and become fully in step with the remnant that keep the commandments and have the faith of Jesus.

We look forward to a further baptism in the near future as we faithfully follow up other interests. Please remember these dear souls in your prayers that day by day they may grow in grace and be found accepted in Christ at His glorious appearing.

ZILLAH E. MUNSON.

## Second Baptism in Leeds

ON Sunday evening, June 19th, the Leeds church was well filled to see the second baptism from the city campaign headed by Pastor Howard Parkin. Once again the baptistery presented a pretty picture, the edges lined with various shades of rhododendron and foliage, with sprays of cut flowers at the corners. In the background was the illuminated cross of London Coliseum fame entwined with leaves and ferns. The deaconesses and Bible Instructor, Miss E. Hanna, had done a good work.

There were five candidates—an engaged couple, who are shortly to be married, a lady student of the Voice of Prophecy who has attended the meetings from the beginning of the campaign, and two of our own young people. One of these, Alfred Atkinson of

the Wakefield church, afterward gave us a recital on the newly completed pipe organ. The other, Susan Clee, is now serving as assistant secretary in the Sabbath school.

Pastor J. H. Bayliss addressed the candidates with an inspiring message and afterward made a fervent appeal for decisions for the next baptism. Some hands were raised. Of great interest in this campaign are the sources from which new believers are coming. One lady was a Roman Catholic, another of the Plymouth Brethren, and there have been four people from a Christian Spiritualist church. There are still others of the same circle attending regularly whom we hope to see in our ranks ere long. An amazing thing is that each one attended the early meetings independently of the others and has continued throughout. Several other people display a continued interest. We hope that they will decide to be in the next baptism planned for September 11th. They need your prayers.

T. H. FIELDING.

## Irish Mission

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## Irish Mission Conference Session

THE Conference meetings in Ireland began on a fine Friday evening in the Belfast church.

Using as his text, a portion of Hebrews 10, Pastor G. D. King emphasized words from verses 22 to 24: "Let us draw near," "Let us hold fast," "Let us consider one another." We draw near to God through Christ, who Himself came down among us, was touched with the feeling of our infirmities, and who will provide grace to help in time of need. He will hold us fast, and we are safe as long as we keep our eyes on Him. We are known as disciples of Christ by our love for one another—not by tithe-paying, or Sabbath-keeping, necessary as these may be. As we associate with one another it should be to provoke to good works, for when He shall appear we must be like Him.

The Sabbath meetings were continued in the Methodist Hall, Pastor W. W. Armstrong taking the Sabbath school lesson on the "Church Triumphant." About 100 people were present to hear Pastor King reminding us that God has brought us from the experiences of Egypt to enjoy the blessings of the promised land, if we are prepared and faithful.

The great event of the afternoon was undoubtedly the baptism, held before a crowded audience in our own church. Seven dear souls, a further fruitage of the work in Portadown, were baptized by Pastor O. M. Dorland after Pastor W. H. Frazer had emphasized our need to be "born again." At the close of the service, several others expressed a desire

to follow their Lord. How encouraging it is to see these results in Ireland.

At the Sabbath evening meeting, Pastor E. W. Pedersen, who had just arrived from Iceland, added poignant missionary stories from his own experience to those told by Pastor King. As we listened to these stories and to those told during the Sunday meetings, our hearts were thrilled by the faithfulness of our believers in Africa in the face of unremitting attacks of the enemy, and we were led once again to appreciate the blessings we enjoy in our own lands.

In addition to the pleasure afforded by the inspiring ministry of the visiting brethren, we greatly appreciated a number of musical items provided by Miss Denzil Houston, Pastor W. G. Nicholson and others. The congregational singing, led by Miss Madge Ellis at the organ, was among the most enthusiastic the writer has heard, and it contributed much to a Conference that will remain in the memory for a long time to come.

The Irish Mission officers elected for the coming biennial period were as follows:

*President:* O. M. Dorland.

*Secretary-Treasurer:* W. G. C. Walton.

*H.M. and S.S. Secretary:* E. R. Warland.

*MV and Temperance Secretary:* C. D. Watson.

*Publishing Department:* H. D. Howard.

*Voice of Prophecy Department:* C. R. Bonney.

W. G. C. WALTON.

## MINISTRY OF LITERATURE

### Discipline Self To Do Work

"THERE is missionary labour to be done in the distribution of tracts and papers, and in canvassing for our different publications. Let none of you think that you cannot engage in this work because it is taxing, and requires time and thought. If it requires time, give it cheerfully; and the blessing of God will rest upon you. There never was a time when more workers were needed than at the present. There are brethren and sisters throughout all our ranks who should discipline themselves to engage in this work."—*Colporteur Ministry*, page 21.

### Angels Help Colporteurs

"I ASK you, dear Christian workers, to do what you can to circulate the books that the Lord has said should be sown broadcast throughout the world. Do your best to place them in the homes of as many people as possible. Think of how great a work can be done if a large number of believers will unite in an effort to place before the people, by the circulation of these books, the light that the Lord has said should be given them. Under divine guidance, go forward in the work, and look to the Lord for aid. The Holy Spirit will attend you. Angels of heaven will accompany you, preparing the way."—*Colporteur Ministry*, page 22.

### Wedding Bells

BEVAN-PRIOR. — Dr. Rosemary Doreen Prior and Dr. John Acton Bevan were united in marriage on June 12, 1955, in the tastefully decorated Seventh-Day Adventist church, Wimbledon, where a large company had gathered to witness the happy occasion. The bride, who was given away by her father, Mr. F. Prior, wore a gown of ivory flowered brocade and had a bouquet of white gardenias, fresas, and miniature gladioli. The ceremony was performed by the father of the groom, Pastor John Bevan, assisted by the writer, and the address to the united couple and assembled guests was given by Pastor E. Folkenberg of the New Gallery Centre. He likened the marriage relationship to a tender plant that needed care and attention for its growth and nourishment. His quiet word of exhortation was deeply appreciated when he referred to the noble profession the young couple had undertaken. What a power for good the Christian doctor can be to the one whose life is ebbing toward eternity.

After the ceremony, the invited guests assembled in the Merton Public Hall. Here an excellent wedding breakfast, delightfully prepared by Bible Instructor Kathleen Mahon, aided by Miss V. Warren, and some of the lady officers of the church, awaited us. The breakfast was ably presided over by Mr. Anthony Mansfield, whose efficiency was greatly admired.

Miss Sonia Bevan and little Carol Tolman were the bridesmaids, and very pretty they both looked. Shortly afterward the doctors left for their honeymoon in the south of France, and there was no doubt left in the minds of any, but that they were both well equipped to care for each other along life's journey.

J. FRENCH.

BRETT-GAY.—The Derby church, tastefully decorated with gladioli, pinks, and roses, provided the setting for a very pretty wedding which was solemnized on Monday, July 4, 1955, when Mr. Ronald

Brett and Miss Edna Gay were united in marriage.

The bride, who was given away by her father, the elder of the Derby church, was dressed in white figured silk and carried a bouquet of white carnations and rosebuds. She was attended by three bridesmaids, Miss Iris Gay, Miss Pearl Godfrey, and Miss Audrey Brown, who were dressed in primrose figured brocade; and by two sweet little train bearers, Judith Elias and Barry McCormick. Mr. Donald Lowe was best man.

Since she graduated from Newbold the bride has been working as Bible Instructor in the North England Conference where she has made many friends. The bridegroom is associated with Pastor K. A. Elias in his work in Sheffield. Pastor Elias conducted the service, assisted by Brother Alan Norman.

After the reception, which was attended by about seventy guests, the happy young people left for Cornwall. May God's richest blessing rest upon these young people as they labour together for Him.  
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## Till the Day Dawn

JONES.—It is with sorrow that the Wimbledon church records the death of Brother C. L. Jones, on April 11, 1955, at the age of sixty-two years. Brother Jones became interested in the Advent message during a campaign held by Pastor T. J. Bradley in 1948, at which time his wife was baptized. Some two years later he accepted Christ as his Saviour through the labours of Pastor E. Cox, and was baptized by Pastor A. C. Vine. Although his eyesight was failing, he was a most faithful member both on Sabbaths and at prayer meeting, and attended his last meeting only six days before his death. He was laid to rest at the Gap Road Cemetery, following a service held in the Wimbledon church conducted by Pastor J. C. French. We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife and daughters, but we feel confident that they will meet again on that grand resurrection morning.

CHURCH CLERK.

NICE.—We regret to report the falling asleep in Jesus on Sabbath, June 4, 1955, of our dear Sister Alice Nice at the age of seventy-seven years. She and her husband learned of present truth over forty years ago from the late Brother Thomas Nicholson of Blackburn. Sister Nice spent many lonely years in Fleetwood as her husband—a chief steward on board liners—was often away for periods of two, three, and even five years at a time. When he finally retired from the sea they continued to hold Sabbath school regularly in their home. Many have been cheered and encouraged by the faithful witness they have borne. It was always an inspiration to visit these dear isolated believers and talk over the wonderful promises of God's Holy Word and observe their keen delight and interest in the onward progress of the message. Our sister slowly sank into the arms of Jesus. We laid her to rest on June 8th in the beautiful Fleetwood Cemetery after a brief service in the home where words of comfort were spoken from Revelation 14:13 to the husband and family and friends who had gathered to pay their last respects. We believe we shall not have long to wait before our Lord returns to call our sister forth in the first resurrection. We commend to the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ our dear Brother Nice who remains to continue the journey alone, and to the sorrowing daughters and son-in-law.

H. K. MUNSON.

MALLINSON.—Great sorrow has come to the Huddersfield church in the passing of Brother Irving Mallinson, the local leader. While pursuing his work as a monumental mason, our brother began to lose the use of one arm and with great difficulty managed to drive his car the few miles to his front gate. Later the same evening, he had a further stroke and lapsed into uncon-

sciousness from which he never awoke. He died on Tuesday, June 21, 1955, at the age of seventy-one years. Brother Mallinson first heard the truth as a soldier in the first world war from an Adventist young man named Bernard Belton. But it was not until the campaign of Pastor S. G. Joyce in Huddersfield Town Hall some years later, that he accepted the truth along with his wife. After a short service in the home, Pastor Howard Parkin associated with the writer in laying our faithful brother to rest under the slope of Lockwood Cemetery. We join Sister Mallinson and the Huddersfield members in the blessed hope of the resurrection morn when Jesus shall call and our brother will answer, T. H. FIELDING.

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## New Gallery Cafeteria

WE are now able to offer members and their friends a lunchtime cafeteria service at the New Gallery Centre.

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Our service will be more efficient, particularly at this early stage in our development, if you would kindly give us advance notice of your arrival.

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VICTOR H. COOPER.

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CASBURN.—It is with very deep regret that we record the death of Brother Ebenezer Frank Casburn, of Wellingborough, on June 24, 1955, at the age of seventy-seven years. Brother Casburn was first introduced to the Advent message in his native Yorkshire through the labours of Brother James Andrews, eventually being baptized by Elder McClay, in June, 1907. After spending seven years in the colporteur work he came to Wellingborough, bringing his wife and family with him. In Wellingborough, Brother Casburn found employment as a foundry worker, in which he laboured from 1914 to 1945, when he retired. For more than forty years our brother was a faithful and energetic member of the Wellingborough church. All who knew him will ever remember him, and the faithfulness with which he served the church he loved. For the past two years, but particularly during the past nine months, our brother experienced no small share of human

suffering, but when eventually the Lord saw fit to call our brother to his rest, he was ready to go. The funeral service, held on Monday, June 27th, was conducted by the writer, and our brother was laid to rest in the Doddington Road Cemetery, Wellingborough, in the sure and certain hope of a glorious resurrection at our Lord's return. To his sorrowing wife, to whom Brother Casburn had been married for over fifty years, and to the three sons, Thomas, Daniel, and Edward, all of whom are active workers in the church, we extend not only our heartfelt sympathy, but commend them to the care and love of God that their hearts may possess that peace which passeth all understanding.

A. H. COWLEY.

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