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It is better to walk in the dark with God
Than to run in the light alone.
Yea, better the thorniest path ever trod,
Where the briars are thick and our feet unshod,
If only we follow his voice and his rod,
Than without him to march to a throne.

It is better with him when the billows dash high
On the breast of a mad Galilee—
Though the Master may sleep, he will wake at
our cry,
Or he'll come on the waves, saying: "Peace,
it is I."

Better this than a calm with no helper thus nigh,
Or without him to sail a smooth sea.

—Alexander Blackburn.

GENERAL ARTICLES.

Work With the Family Bible Teacher.

BY W. H. GRANGER, CANON CITY, COLO.

This little messenger has now been before our people for a little over one year, and that it has met with a most hearty reception is proved by the fact that already nearly eleven million pages have been distributed. This wonderful reception is largely due to three things: First, the simplicity of the method of work; second, the great possibilities underlying a judicious use of these lessons; third, the small cost of the lessons.

This line of literature was produced especially for house to house work, and the lessons are written to do the work, as nearly as possible, of the living teacher; so that instead of spending an hour with each family, giving them a Bible reading, all that is required is to give them the printed lesson, and they study for themselves. Prior to the production of this course of printed readings, the giving of Bible instruction was almost wholly confined to conference workers, as but few of the laity feel competent to give a systematic course of Bible readings. But in the Family Bible Teacher the Lord has given us a means by which *all our people* can do effective and systematic Bible work among their friends and neighbors.

Furthermore, the possibilities underlying this method of work far exceed any other plan. For instance, it takes at least one hour to give a personal Bible reading, while with the printed lessons one can teach from twenty-five to forty families in the same length of time. I am personally acquainted with lay brethren who have been teaching, by this method, as many as two hundred and fifty families regularly and systematically. conference laborers are handling from two to six hundred regular readers. Those who engage in this house to house work simply boil over with enthusiasm. Good experiences come so thick and fast that the worker is filled with constant joy. The blessings which come from such work can be experienced but not told. Read the following words from W. S. Lowry, as reported in the *Southern Watchman* of Nov. 5.

"We are visiting almost every white family in Eddyville, (Ky.), and several in Kuttawa, each week. Some are getting interested in the message. One person said,

'This is the best thing I ever saw to enlighten people on the Bible.' Another one; 'Since reading the Family Bible Teacher, I believe the Lord is soon coming.'" Many such testimonies do we hear as we go from house to house. *This is one of the best and easiest ways of doing missionary work I ever saw. Try it, brethren and sisters, and know for yourselves; it will do you good.*

Brethren and sisters, why not try it? Think what can be accomplished during the next year if each church member in Colorado and New Mexico will take hold of this work in earnest. If you have not seen the Bible Teacher yet, send ten cents to the tract society at 1112 South Eleventh St., Denver, Colo., and get a full set of twenty-eight of these lessons at once. In the next issue of the ECHOES we will give instruction as to "how to begin work."

In The Canvassing Field.

I have been in the canvassing work since the first of last February. I have never become discouraged nor tired of the work, but have been rejoicing in the precious truths which I in my weakness have been endeavoring to make known to others. I sometimes wonder whether I will be an overcomer or not, and then I take new courage in the strength of knowing that my Redeemer liveth, and that I shall see him, at the last day, face to face. It is good for us to be in the service of the Most High. Can I stop to rest when souls are dying for want of some one to tell them of a Saviour who died for them? Dear brethren and sisters, what are you doing for lost souls? Have you proved that it is sweet to work for Jesus? If not, enlist in the work and learn the sweetness of the service. God's people surely have a mighty work to do.

Christ was the greatest missionary that ever lived. Are we trying to imitate that life, or are we selfishly keeping what we know to ourselves and letting the world sink into sin without raising a warning voice? May God move mightily upon the hearts of his people.

Friends, it is good to labor in this work, for our reward is sure. The Lord's servant has said, "Where there is one canvasser in the field there should be one hundred." I have met with many trying experiences since I have been in the work, but I am not discouraged, for God has given me great success. I have proved God's promise where he says, "He that leaveth father or mother or brother or sister, for my sake and the gospel, shall receive an hundred fold in this life and in the world to come life everlasting."

John K. Lane.

FIELD REPORTS.

Grand Junction.

I have had quite a siege of the fever, and am just getting so I can do a little, but find that I am not as strong as I should be. Of course it has hindered me in my work very much. I am so glad the Lord is blessing in the work. I am certainly glad that we are to have a general meeting at this place, and am praying that much good may result from it.

Carrie Dowden.

Salida.

I am still at Salida, where there is a good interest. Our people here are taking an active part in the missionary campaign. I am glad to see our people generally so intensely interested in this move. I have been invited to preach in the mission, and have spoken there twice. Will continue there each Thursday evening. Pray for the success of the work here.

Wm. Kennedy.

La Veta.

Please send me at once one hundred half sets of The Family Bible Teacher. I want to get this church started before I leave for Trinidad next week. I like the voice of the ECHOES of late more than ever. It rings with the voice of battle. I am greatly encouraged over the awakening of our people in general to take hold of the work, and fight the good fight against sin and error.

H. M. J. Richards.

Hygiene.

My work has been mostly with the Germans and house-to-house work with the papers. The Lord is blessing, though the battle is a hard one, the way rough. The message is dear to me. I feel glad for a part in the giving of this blessed truth. The coming week I hope to open work with the Germans at Ft. Collins. During the week of prayer I shall meet with the churches at Hygiene and Niwot.

H. A. Aufderhar.

Colorado Springs.

Our people here are very pleasant and agreeable to work with. We are encouraging them all we can, and hope to get the message before many people. Brother Feith is a most earnest worker, and gets many thousands of pages in the hands of the people in the course of a year. I think this campaign is the best we have ever had. I am looking forward to a most interesting and profitable week of prayer.

Dr. Willard W. Hills.

Pueblo.

We have two new Sabbath keepers since my last report. We hope to see others take a stand for the truth soon. We are of good courage and hope the church here may faithfully do the work the Lord is waiting for us to do. Pray for us that we may be more earnest each day as it comes to us, and that we may have our work well and faithfully done when he comes for his people.

J. B. Wilson.

Roswell, N. M.

We did not have any quarterly meeting as there is but one brother here, and he is a feeble old man. We thought it best to put it off until Brother Warfle could be with us. Almost every member has agreed to go to work, and has contributed something for the purpose. We love the truth and are willing to work, but we need a leader. We have a reading rack in the park and do some tract work. Pray for us, that we may be able to help give the message to the world.

Mrs. Martha A. Shields.

Pajarito, N. M.

We are the only Adventists living in this plaza, and the only Americans except one other family. Few of the natives speak English, and all are Catholics. We are trying to live the truth be-

fore them. I am looking forward to the time when I shall have sufficiently mastered the Spanish language to read the Bible with the Mexicans who know so little of its teachings. The ECHOES comes to us quite regularly and we enjoy reading it very much. We are doing all we can to speed the message. Pray for us.

Mrs. F. O. Newcomb.

Colorado Springs.

Some of my old readers are keeping the Sabbath, and a number of new ones are interested. All we can do is to sow the seed and leave the results with God. After I have labored faithfully for people, and become discouraged and almost ready to give up, the text has come to me, "Be not weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." I need your prayers that I may accomplish much more in the future than I have in the past. The time is at hand when all our people should work, and we cannot afford to be behind.

Alice Finch.

Greeley.

For the past two weeks I have been holding meetings in the Greeley church. The attendance of our own people is good, and every night we see quite a number of visitors who are very regular in attendance. Last Sabbath, a very promising young man and his wife kept their first Sabbath. There are several who seem very deeply interested, and for whom we have strong hopes. We are looking for a rich blessing during the week of prayer. I have been seriously hindered in the work by a severe attack of sciatic rheumatism, but at present am a little improved. Pray for us here.

E. E. Farnsworth.

Cripple Creek.

The work is still moving very nicely here in Cripple Creek. I am still holding meetings at the City Mission on Thursday and Sunday evenings of each week. The attendance has not been large, but those who come seem interested, and I believe some good will result from the meetings. Mrs. Ruth Evans, the lady in charge of the Mission, has taken her stand with us and was received into the church last Sabbath. She spent four years in India, two in South Africa, and two in Alaska; and understands several languages. She is anxious to carry the new light received to those she has taught in foreign fields. Last Sunday night I asked all to rise who were willing

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to keep all of God's commandments. Three new ones arose. Three have been keeping the Sabbath for some time, and I hope they will soon be ready for baptism. Many of my readers are very much interested, some of whom are deciding on the right side. The ministers are agitated and are doing all they can against the truth. Remember the work here in your prayers.

C. H. Bates.

Albuquerque, N. M.

We are doing what we can in the missionary campaign. While out selling papers I had some good experiences. I met one lady who was sick, and not a Christian, but said she would like to be one. I have called on her several times since and hope to be able to point her to the Lamb of God. After I had canvassed another lady for the Anti-Infidel number of *The Life Boat*, she said, "You must have been sent to me." We are of good courage and thankful to have a part in giving the last warning message. Pray for the work in this place.

Minnie T. Proctor.

Las Vegas, N. M.

~~I find much work to do.~~ I find many who enjoy reading the Family Bible Teacher, and who are beginning to ask questions. I believe that this set of readings will be a great help in spreading the truth at this time. I now have about half of the new town of Las Vegas in working order with The Family Bible Teacher. Leaving out the Spanish people, I find it necessary to go over a large territory in order to give out a few of the tracts. This and the *Signs* work, together with my Bible readings keep me very busy. I pray that the Lord will use me as an instrument to lead precious souls to the Lamb of God. The children here are doing some missionary work. I am of good courage and desire to be at my post of duty until the victory is won.

Lida B. Moore,

Alamogordo, Highrolls and LaLuz, N. M.

As a result of work done in Alamogordo ten have signed the covenant. One other brother has begun keeping the Sabbath.

At Highrolls we just closed our effort. During the meeting about ten acknowledged the binding claim of the truth. Only one of these has signed the covenant but we feel sure that at least one more will do so.

Here at La Luz the work is getting

hard. All went well until we began preaching the Sabbath question, then many ceased coming. Several are convinced, some of whom we trust will obey. Pray for us that we may have more of the power of God's holy Spirit to witness for the truth as we go forward in the Master's service.

Milo D. Warfle.

Costilla, N. M.

I hereby dare to say that God's blessing has been with us in our work here during the last month. *The El Mensajero de la Verdad (Messenger of Truth)*, published by Brother Caviness in the City of Mexico, has done much good among my people all over this country, so that we pray the Lord may bless *The Mensajero*, and its editor. This morning I sent one of our good brothers with a portion of the said paper to several places. Please pray for the success of the brother and the paper. Brother C. M. French is doing good with his school. He is learning the Spanish language and I hope he will be a good help to me in the future. Till now I am alone in the Spanish work, but there is one thing I can tell you, indeed, that the Lord seems to be side by side to me, and I am more cheerful today than while I was a Methodist. My soul may glorify God for having come to me in due time. God bless the day when Brother Watson and Brother Ziegler came to Manzanares and received me in the church to which I belong now.

Praying for our conference, I remain
Your brother in Christ,

L. Vargas.

Who Can Work?

In Durango there is an old crippled sister who hobbles about and sells fifteen copies of *The Signs* each week. If a cripple can do this regularly what could not be accomplished by those who are strong and well, if the same earnest desire were in the heart to carry the truth to others. Oh, let us awake to the importance of the precious message entrusted to us, and consecrate ourselves anew to the service of the Master; for soon "He that shall come will come, and will not tarry." If our hearts long for home, in the mansions which our Saviour has gone to prepare for us, let us hasten his coming by faithfully giving the last message of love and mercy to the world. Come, brethren and sisters, and join in this closing work for a perishing world. If you do not feel that you can give much

time to this work, and your means are limited, order a few sets of The Family Bible Teacher, which will teach the truth to the people while you are carrying on your regular work. It is evident that this series of simple, plain Bible studies has been given to us just at this time in order that the Lord's work in the earth may be speedily finished. Do you not want a part, my brother, my sister? Send us ten cents and get a set of The Family Bible Teacher and you will surely want to put them in the hands of all who will read. We have received quite a number of orders since we explained the matter in our last issue of ECHOES. Do not fail to read Brother Granger's article in this issue, and you will want to begin work at once. The missionary campaign is but just begun. Let all unite to make it what God intends it should be; that the earth may be lightened with the glory of the bright shining of the truth which shall be a savor of life unto life, or of death unto death.

Bertie Herrell.

Sabbath-School Convention Program.

OPENING SONG: "Jesus, Come and Bless Us."

PRAYER.

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Isaiah 40.

PAPER: "The Chief Aim of the Sabbath-school; Its Relation to Other Branches of the Message."

DISCUSSION.

SONG: "Sabbath Home."

PAPER: "How May the Sabbath-school Be Made More Effectual for the Conversion of Its Young People?"

READING: "A Model Sabbath-school," July number of *Sabbath School Worker*.

SONG: "Let Us Work for the School."

READING: "A Model Sabbath-school, No. 2," August number of *Sabbath School Worker*.

DISCUSSION: "The Plans Necessary to Bring Our School into Harmony with This Model."

PAPER: "Proper Use of the *Sabbath School Worker*."

(a) "The Lesson Helps."

(b) "The General Articles."

(c) "At Teachers' Meetings."

SONG: "Toiling for Jesus."

MISSIONARY EXERCISE.

DISCUSSION: "Use of the Sabbath-school Donations. Purpose of the Contribution Envelopes."

PAPER: "The Teacher's Duty to His Class."

(a) "In Class."

(b) "At Home."

SONG: "All My Class."

PAPER: "How May the Effect of This Convention Be Made Permanent?"

DISCUSSION.

PRAYER.

CLOSING SONG: "Crown Him Lord of All."

NOTES AND ITEMS.

We learn that a church school building is in course of erection at Ft. Collins.

Brother Chas. Lightner has returned from a very enjoyable trip to the World's Fair.

Monday, Dec. 5, Miss Louise Wyss started to Union College to attend the winter term.

Brother J. A. Rippey writes that he expects to move to West Virginia about the last of January to engage actively in the work again.

Brother Daniel Cluster has again entered the canvassing work. He was in the office recently and left an order for a supply of "Helps."

Brother R. J. Jones and wife of Evans, Colorado, made the office a pleasant call recently. They expect soon to go to California for the winter.

Mrs. Evans, the City Mission worker at Cripple Creek, who has just accepted the truth, has sold several hundred copies of the special *Signs*.

Elder F. M. Wilcox was a visitor at the office last week. We are always glad to have the brethren and sisters visit the office when in the city, so come and see us.

Mrs. H. C. George of Grand Junction is having good success in the canvassing work. We hope she will continue in this good work after the holidays are over.

Miss Lula Moore of Florence spent a pleasant hour in the office last Sunday enroute to Boulder, where she will take the nurses' training course at the Colorado Sanitarium.

Miss Lida Moore writes that she has placed the ECHOES in every Seventh-day Adventist home in Las Vegas. We wish all our workers would send as good a report from their field of labor.

Brother R. M. Rockey and wife recently passed through Denver on their way to Lincoln, where Brother Rockey will connect with the office of the International Publishing Association.

Brother and Sister Quantock, who have labored long and faithfully in India, returned to this country recently on account of Brother Quantock's failing health. They were at the Place Sanitarium for some time, where Brother

Quantock was given every care and attention, but the disease could not be stayed. He quietly fell asleep last week and was taken east by his wife and laid to rest near his old home.

From a letter received from Brother W. A. Turner of Bryant, Colorado, we glean the following: "We are of good courage in the Lord and desire your prayers that we may be faithful. May God bless the work and workers is our prayer."

Mr. and Mrs. Hatton of Grand Junction are spending a few days in Denver. We enjoy having them with us, and are glad to learn that the cause of truth is onward in their locality. Mrs. Hatton is preparing to work with The Family Bible Teacher.

Brother L. J. Caldwell of Arvada called at the office last Friday. He says the work at Arvada is onward and that the brethren and sisters at Fruitdale expect to meet with them occasionally, which will be a source of great encouragement to them.

Brother G. W. Barker writes from Arlington that their school is progressing nicely under Sister Svensson's care, and that they have a very interesting Sabbath-school. May the blessing of God rest upon our isolated members as upon the larger companies.

Elder Spring writes: "We are having good meetings in Aspen. We have the week of prayer readings every afternoon and preaching each evening, with some outside interest. I believe if a good worker could be sent to that place much good might be accomplished. I left the brethren in better courage than I found them."

The little company at Fruitdale held a Harvest Ingathering service recently, at which several thousand pounds of fruits and vegetables were donated to be used in the City of Denver for the poor. A very nice program was carried out, and an enjoyable time was had. May the gifts received gladden many hearts, and cause them to rejoice in the goodness of God.

Beginning with the issue of Jan. 3, 1905, *The Southern Watchman* will publish a series of thirteen articles written by Mrs. E. G. White, entitled, "Malachi The Lord's Messenger." The articles will run through the January, February and March numbers. The edition will not be broken by the sale of single numbers. Price \$1.00 per year, fifty cents for six months.

Brother G. S. Vreeland, who has been in Denver for two or three years, has received a call from the Southern Publishing Association to connect with the work in that office, and will leave Denver soon for his new field of labor. We shall miss him very much, but trust that his health will permit him to fill a place of usefulness and importance, such as he is so well qualified to fill.

Prof. Wolcott of the Industrial School at Palisade writes that the school is doing good work, and that there is a good spirit in the school. Some of the boys, who at the first were determined to do as they pleased, have been won, and are trying to do right, and are succeeding. Prof. Wolcott would like to hear from all the young people who are interested in the school, and who are thinking of entering with the beginning of the winter term, which begins January 2. The school is paying its running expenses. We are glad to receive this good report from our Industrial School.

We trust that local tract societies, Sabbath-schools and individuals who have unsettled accounts on the Colorado Tract Society books will plan to settle them up in full before the close of the year, or at the latest, before the close of the month of January, 1905. We are needing the money, and it is the only right and satisfactory way to do business of any kind, even the Lord's business. All will remember that many times in our annual conference meetings the resolution to pay all accounts every thirty days has been passed, but we forget to live up to the resolution. Brethren and sisters, let us not be slack in the Lord's business, but let us conduct it as it should be done. Please plan to settle up your account at once.

A Canvassers' Institute.

I hope that every one who can possibly do so will plan to attend the canvassers' institute in connection with the general meeting at Grand Junction during the holidays. Several from the Western Slope should attend this meeting and go from it to engage in this branch of the work. If there are those who do expect to attend, and will let me know at once what books they expect to canvass for, I will appreciate it much.

E. E. Farnsworth.

Report of Canvassing Work.

For four weeks ending December 10, 1904.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val. Helps.	Total Val.
Bible Readings.				
John K. Lane.....	42	6	\$23.05	\$36.55
Daniel and Revelation.				
R. M. Dennis.....	70	3	26.60	33.35
Miscellaneous.				
M. D. Cook.....	43	69	8.50	46.00
Sostena Tojola.....	38	3		.85
Mrs. L. E. Cox.....				45.00
TOTALS	193	81	\$58.15	\$161.75