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"Be of Good Cheer"



THESE are among the last words of Jesus to His disciples. They were spoken not alone to the twelve but to His followers throughout all time. The religion of Christ is not one of gloom but of light. It was because Christ conquered the world that He could enjoin us to be of good cheer for through Him we too may conquer. His abundant promises of victory are a steady hope that makes the heart strong. They give us an uncountable wealth of durable satisfactions. They are the fountain from whence springs this good cheer. There is a promise covering every peculiar need of every human being. We should daily search the Holy Word for just the promise that will just meet our definite need or give strength and courage for a particular trial. The application of a definite, positive promise to a definite need or trial invariably results in the good cheer which our Saviour bids us have. This good cheer is the by-product of a victorious experience. To illustrate: We may be possessed of a hasty temper and a rather quick, sharp tongue—the two usually go in pair. We are quick to see where our rights or those of our friends are not respected. How comforting right then is one of the many calming promises of our Heavenly Father. He will see that justice is meted out in due time and in His own good way. These trials do work for our present and future good. Through these conquering promises there always comes a victory that gives us assurance and good cheer. "Great peace," says the Psalmist, "have they that love thy law: and nothing shall offend them." It is the love of God's law of love that keeps us from being offended. Again, David exclaims, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart that I might not sin against thee." It is only by means of the promises of God that we may be victorious in our conflict against evil. And it is the victorious not the defeated man that can be of good cheer. Now, good cheer is very infectious and the world that is filled with fear and trouble, "looking after those things that are coming upon the earth," needs to be infected with it. We who look for the soon coming of the Prince of Peace are to minister of His Spirit of Peace. And we minister by what we are more than by what we say. Accordingly, we must be of good cheer.

—FREDERICK GRIGGS.

Dedication of the Ma Pyung Li Church

June 11, 1932, is a day long to be remembered by the believers at Ma Pyung Li (Flax-field Village), Korea. On that date the new attractive Adventist church building was dedicated. In appearance and structural durability the building is a credit to our Cause; but much more interesting and attractive than the building itself is the history and growth of our work in that place. The development from a small family Sabbath school to a fully organized church of 107 Sabbath school members and 38 baptized believers, centers practically about the efforts of one layman,—the present church elder.

Elder Min, the elder of the church, is a distant relative of the Korean Royal Family, and consequently is a man of moderate means. Before moving to the country he resided in Seoul where he accepted Christianity over twenty-four years ago. About sixteen years ago he learned of the Sabbath truth. One of his friends had read "Thoughts on Revelation" and recommended it to him to read. Mr. Min walked out to our headquarters here and asked for the book. Through reading it he was convinced of the Truth and commenced to keep the Sabbath, but he still retained relations with his old church. Soon, however, much pressure was brought to bear which caused him to unite fully with the "Sabbath church."

At this time Brother Min moved to Ma Pyung Village. There being no Adventists in this place he held church services in his home. However, by personal work among his neighbors he soon was able to organize a company, and after a little while the guest room in his house proved inadequate to meet the requirements of the growing membership. He, therefore, purchased a Korean house near by and converted this into a chapel where for several years thereafter meetings were held. A few years ago an influential doctor accepted the Truth and with his fresh enthusiasm for the Message coupled with that of Elder Min's, the membership reached the point which demanded the proper church facilities. Last year the believers raised several hundred yen among themselves and with that which the Mission supplied they were able to build the attractive structure which was dedicated several weeks ago.

Records show that during the history of this church, the Mission has had a paid worker in that place for only one year and a half. Such a fact should only demonstrate what can be done when our lay leaders carry a burden for the work in their localities.

R. S. WATTS.

Poor Aged Couple Examples of Faithfulness in Tithing

Because the Word of God over in Malachi is often preached here, it has been found that in the midst of the company in Calivo, Capiz (Philippine Islands), there are people who are faithful in their obligations to God.

One Sabbath morning recently, an old couple of 84 and 82 years respectively, made an effort to come to Sabbath school assisted by some of the brethren as they went up the stairs of the church. We were surprised to see them endeavoring to attend the meetings in their old age. But much more was our surprise when they handed one hundred pesos in cash to the church treasurer as their tithe to God. The old couple, though supported only by their children, have tithed all that they received for they wanted to be true to God and to the responsibilities He has given them.

In order, therefore, to pay their debt to the Master, they promised God that if they could sell their small lot they would pay all their tithe to Him. It happened that they received one hundred pesos for it,—just enough for the tithe they owed to the Lord. Many tempted them not to give it, but to keep the amount for themselves

because of their poverty and as a reserve against their old age. Even their own children counselled them to merely give some to help build the chapel here; but no one was able to swerve them from the conviction of paying that which is the Lord's. Then the people began to ridicule them by saying, "What kind of religion is this? Paying tithe is even more valuable than their own lives."

Brethren, let us glorify God because of the faithfulness of this old couple, and let us do likewise. It is our desire that this couple may be blessed for their faithfulness and be able to meet Jesus in the clouds of heaven in their old age: "For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry."

Mrs. ESPERANZA G. TORTAL,
in "Mizpa."

Pigs Went—Tithing Came

A certain brother in the Northern Luzon Mission was not faithful in tithe and was very unfortunate in his business ventures. After thinking over his sad situation and condition he decided that he would be faithful, so he sold off all of his pigs and gave a tithe to the Lord. Since he has been tithing the Lord has been richly blessing him. We told him that the Lord must have given a double blessing, first, for selling off his pigs and getting rid of those unclean animals, and second, for being faithful in tithing.

R. R. FIGUHR, in "Mizpa."

Remarkable Experiences in Connection with Evangelistic Meetings

Pastor Pedro Diaz while holding meetings at Calatrava, Occidental Negros, Philippine Islands, had the following experience:

There was interest in the meetings from the beginning, but as soon as the interest developed, there was determined and bitter persecution. The priest secured a band to play in the plaza one night just opposite the tent during the entire service, which resulted in gathering an unusually large crowd about the tent. As soon as Pastor Diaz had finished his service he went at once to the band leader and said, "I wish to thank you for playing for us to-night. We have had more people than ever before and I hope that you will kindly come again and play for us." It is needless to say that the band did not return. Then efforts were made to have the municipal permit for the meeting place revoked. This the *presidente* unhesitatingly refused to do saying that Mr. Diaz was a good man and doing a good work. The outcome of the effort was a baptism of a goodly company.

Two girls presented themselves for baptism at the water's edge. Their father, coming down at the time, forbade the girls being baptized and went to his house to find his bolo. Pastor Diaz told the girls that he would not urge them to go contrary to their father's wishes, but that if they desired he would baptize them. The girls insisted on being baptized. Their father failed to find his bolo, but returned only to find that the girls were going forward in baptism; and he went back the second time to find his bolo and failed again. Upon seeing that his girls were baptized he seized a bamboo stick and drove them home, beating them unmercifully all the way. The following morning the father presented himself with the two girls at the home of the pastor, making an apology for his conduct, saying that he had acted very badly, and that he was impressed by the spirit of the girls. He himself became interested in studying the truth. The pastor's wife examined the girls' bodies and could not find a mark anywhere and she asked the girls how they felt when their father was beating them. They reported that they did not feel it.

From "Mizpah."

A Faithful Company in Chosen

In the northern part of the Central Chosen Mission a company of five Adventist families are receiving definite blessings from their efforts to help boost the laymen's movement. These families have taken all their land and divided it so that each has a part in one field that is dedicated to the raising of crops with which to pay for the tracts and other expenses involved in carrying on a live Home Missionary society. In the morning before the work is started in the field the whole group comes together and offers their morning devotions that God's blessing may be upon their work. During the past year this group has reported 100% in their Home Missionary society and has sent in their church treasurer's report and funds every month. This last named has been somewhat of a task inasmuch as this company is located some fifty li (about 17 miles) from the nearest post office. It is from a group like this that the Message is going to spread throughout the mountain districts of Chosen. (Excerpt from the Central Chosen Mission Home Missionary Secretary's report).

Words of Courage from South Central Luzon

I have just come from a visit to Marinduque. I found the brethren faithful and earnest. Despite the heavy depression keenly felt in all Marinduque, the churches are turning in faithful tithes and offerings. The Lord is very good to our people there. Many of those not of our faith suffer hunger; some eat their regular meal only once a day, and drink tuba in the morning and in the evening to pass off their hunger. Our people thank God that they eat their regular meals.

In Gasan, the Church of Christ pitched a tent beside our chapel, and attacked us every night. When I came, I held special meetings in our church, and to our surprise all the people in the tent came to our meetings and stayed throughout. Every night our meeting was well attended, and during my five days' stay, I held meetings every night, speaking two hours and more every night, and still the people stayed and paid close attention to the studies I gave. I took up the Sabbath and the True Church, which were the points raised by the Church of Christ. The people asked me to pitch a tent. They were much interested in the message. All expressed their regret at my leaving, but I had to leave for Bondo, to baptize the 19 candidates who are the result of Brother Caras's effort. The Lord is surely working miracles in different places of our Mission. The latter rain is falling now. We are praying for more spiritual blessings and for more showers of the latter rain.

At Pagsanjan the interest is good. The goal of the workers there is 200 souls. We are praying that God may give them the desire of their hearts. Already more than 200 are members of the Sabbath school, and many are now giving up vices and unclean foods. We are all praying for a rich harvest of souls this year.

FLAVIANO DALISAY, in "Mizpa."

Special Answer to Prayer

Through the columns of this paper I wish to bear witness to the stately steps of Jesus, the Great Healer, among us.

For over ten years I have had malaria in my blood and often its chills and fever have been a source of trouble as only those who have had it can realize.

I have used all the methods of taking quinine known to the medical profession, but without permanent cure.

Recently when another attack came on, I asked Jesus to heal me for the doctors could not, and He was pleased to hear and answer that prayer for help. Praise His name.

L. I. BOWERS.

Singapore, S. S.



FAR EASTERN DIVISION OUTLOOK



Dedication of the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital

On Sabbath, June 4, a dedicatory service was held in the Mission Clinic. Pastor W. W. R. Lake led the congregation in prayer beseeching God's blessing upon the medical institutions of God's planting in Penang. Miss Ina Moore gave a beautiful solo dealing with the peace of the New Earth where sickness and death are no more. Professor Griggs preached a powerful sermon, taking as his principal theme the dedication of Solomon's temple, its equipment, and its ministers and servants to the Lord. He pointed out that that temple would have been standing still if God's will for it had been followed. He besought

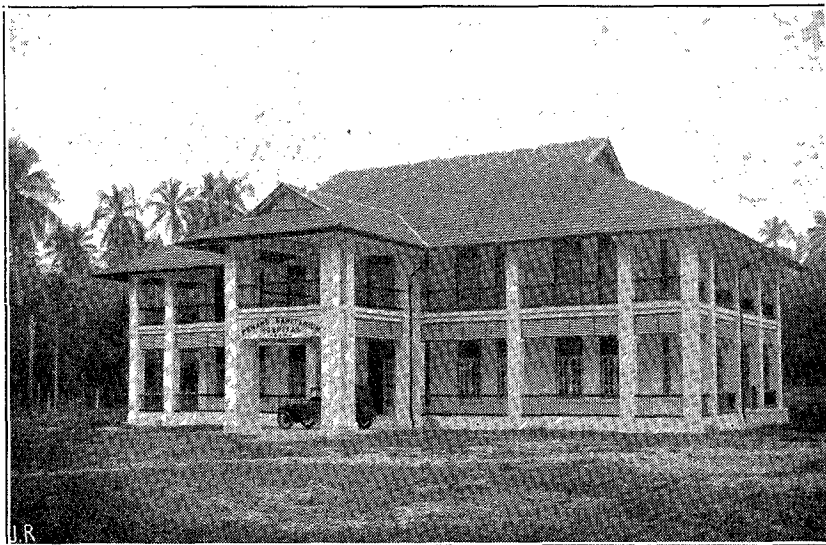
By V. E. HENDERSHOT

all, doctor, nurses, attendants, as well as all our members to dedicate themselves to God's service. An organ selection followed, and Pastor J. G. Gjording led the congregation in a dedicatory prayer. All realized that God was present by His Spirit and hearts were touched.

of workers. Elder Lake gave some splendid thoughts on Jesus' declaration, "All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth." He pointed out that the power is not ours, it is Christ's.

At four o'clock on Sunday afternoon tables on the lawn were well occupied by friends and guests of the Sanitarium. Among those present were some very prominent Malaysians. After ice cream and cakes were served speeches were made by Professor Griggs and Elder Gjording. These were well received. The guests then had opportunity of speaking. The Chinese Consul spoke in Mandarin; a

local medical practitioner, and the Hon. Mr. H. H. Abdoolcader, member of the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements, concluded the speeches with appreciative words for what the Seventh-day Adventist Mission is doing. Our work is appreciated by men in high positions. Truly the medical



Penang has no church building and if

you could have seen about 80 believers and interested ones crowded into the small waiting room of the Clinic, I am sure funds would be turned our way soon to secure a place of worship in keeping with the dignity of our Message. We must have a place of worship to accommodate an increasingly large number attending our services. To me it was a real pleasure to have eight of our baptismal candidates present on this occasion.

At the close of the Sabbath a vesper service was held at Dr. Gardner's residence. There was a good attendance

work is the opening wedge.

The Penang newspapers gave favorable publicity the following day to the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital and the work it is doing for the benefit of humanity. This institution is filling a great need in this community, and will be fruitful of results in restoring health and in winning the souls of men and women. Other buildings are being planned for which will provide additional ward space, etc., with a view of extending the usefulness of the Penang Sanitarium and bringing its blessings within the reach of all.

Donors Welcomed by the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital

Up-to-Date Building and Equipment Inspected by the Public

Donors to the building fund of the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital, run by the Seventh-day Adventist Mission, were entertained to a tea-party yesterday at the hospital premises on Burmah Road.

The hospital, which is situated on spacious grounds, is well-equipped with modern appliances for medical and surgical diagnosis and treatment and a laboratory. It has a first-class X-ray department and electro-therapy equipped with diathermy, water-cooled and air-cooled ultra-violet ray machines, infra-red light and hydrotherapy with electric light and steam baths, and also a well-fitted maternity ward.

This is the first unit of the institution. The original plans called for second and third class wards, too, holding approximately eighty patients, but the slump did not permit of such extensions. In the present unit there are only six rooms for accommodating first-class patients. The charges are comparatively very moderate.

DONORS WELCOMED

Pastor Gjording in welcoming the guests said that it was due to their magnanimity and philanthropic spirit that it was possible for them to meet there on those fine grounds and under the shadow of that magnificent building which their liberality had erected for the benefit of the sick and the suffering among their fellow men not only of Penang but of all Malaya and Southern Siam. He made bold to say that the Board believed the donors were proud of that institution which their money erected, and how fitting it was that they should have that special tea and inspection in their honor. For, if seeing was believing, and it would certainly be in that case, then the Board felt certain that after that celebration, the donors would carry with them but one impression, that their institution, the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital, was magnificently constructed and wonderfully equipped; that its appointments were such as to insure comfort and that its service would always be par excellence. Courtesy, humility and service were the watchwords of the institution which had been equipped to do a line of work and render a service which had no competition in all Malaya. Recently one of the Medical officers of Singapore told him that he was exceedingly pleased with that institution and spoke very highly of it.

TENS OF THOUSANDS HEALED

Since the Mission started to serve the sick and the suffering of this city only a few years ago, literally tens of thousands have been healed. In

fact, month after month a thousand to fifteen hundred come for that blessing, that refreshing and that healing which the money of the donors has made possible. During these few years nearly 65,000 have thus enjoyed the healing benefits of this institution. "In other words," said Pastor Gjording, "a city like Penang has been treated in these few years and healed and who shall venture to prophesy of the future?"

On behalf of the Board of the Sanitarium and Hospital he thanked the donors for their kindness, love and sympathy.

SANITARIUM IDEA

Professor Griggs in explaining the Sanitarium idea said that it was to make man happy by giving him preventive as well as corrective medicine. To make a man healthy was to make him wealthy, not in dollars and cents, but in good cheer. He hoped the time was not far distant when that institution would have its nursing school to teach young men and women the principles of right living and of preventive and corrective medicine.

Mr. Hsieh Hsiang, Dr. Lim Chwee Leong and the Hon. Mr. Abdoolcader congratulated the Seventh-day Adventist Mission on the work it was doing to relieve suffering and wished the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital continued prosperity in the future.

The guests were then shown round the building by the Medical Superintendent, Dr. Gardner.

Among those present were:—The Hon. Mr. H. H. and Mrs. Abdoolcader, Mr. Hsieh Hsiang, Mr. and Mrs. Bhasa Bhiraj, Mrs. Lim Cheng Ean, Mr. Lim Keong Lay, Drs. Lim Chwee Leong and Cheah Cheng Poh, Mr. Lee Toon Poon and Mr. and Mrs. Ong Joo Sun.

(The foregoing report appeared in "The Straits Echo" on June 6, the day following the Penang Sanitarium reception to its donors.—Ed.)

The Sanitarium Idea

AN EDITORIAL

We were privileged to go round the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital, Burmah Road, yesterday afternoon on the occasion of its official opening and were profoundly impressed with what we saw. It is stated that in the matter of equipment the institution has no rival in Malaya and we have no reason to discredit the statement. The strange part about it is that these modern inventions of medical science should have been brought to us by a Christian Mission with funds by pub-

lic donation. There is no doubt that public confidence in our Government hospitals will fast disappear unless every effort is made to keep them supplied with up-to-date equipment. As the Hon. Mr. Abdul Cader remarked at the function, the Penang Sanitarium should become very popular here not only because it is run on English nursing home lines but because it is so well equipped. Before we conclude we must offer a word of praise for the excellent work that the Seventh-day Adventist Mission is doing in Penang. The poor are treated free and we are told that over 500 such patients are cared for every month. This is indeed splendid work worthy of the great Master in whose name the Mission functions.

From the "Penang Gazette," June 6, 1932.

Sabbath School Conventions in Korea

By THEODORA WANGERIN

During the month of May we had our three Annual Meetings in Korea. These Annual Meetings began on Sunday night and preceding these the Sabbath School and Home Missionary departments united for two days convention work. These conventions opened on Friday night. A goodly number of delegates were present and the Lord was with us.

Our Home Missionary Secretary, Brother Watts, opened the convention with an earnest talk on "The Need of the Hour—Leadership." So much depends upon good leadership. The success of the Sabbath school as well as that of the Home Missionary society depends to a great extent on faithful leadership. And it seems that our greatest lack is proper leadership.

On Sabbath we endeavored to have an ideal Sabbath school. In one place we had our Teachers' Meeting on Friday night, after the meeting. We are encouraging our schools to have their Teachers' Meeting some other time than Sabbath morning, so that teachers and officers may be free to go out and invite others to come with them to Sabbath school on Sabbath morning.

Brother Oberg, our Union superintendent, was with us and during the church service on Sabbath he gave a rousing talk on the subject, "The Sabbath School is the Church at Study, while the Home Missionary Society is the Church at Work." Our Sabbath schools are indeed Bible schools and soul-winning agencies. In order to make a success of Sabbath school work there must be earnest missionary effort.

The afternoon hour was devoted to the subject of "How can the Sabbath School and the Home Missionary

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Notes of Travel—Malaya, Siam, French Indo-China

By FREDERICK GRIGGS

MALAY STATES:

Mrs. Griggs and I accompanied Pastor Gjording from Singapore to the northern and northeastern part of the Malayan Union. Pastor Lake, director of the Malay States Mission, accompanied us as far as Penang, visiting the different stations of his mission. We were five days reaching Penang, and held meetings with the different companies of believers along the way. We also visited two places at one of which the union plans to erect some rest cottages for the missionaries. A trip to Sengorra, which is one hundred and fifty miles northeast of Penang, was taken to spy out the possibilities of opening work in unentered territory.

At Penang the dedicatory services of the Penang Sanitarium were held. While this institution has been operating for some time, it has not heretofore had a formal dedication to God for its great work,—and it is a great work that it is accomplishing. The exercises consisted of a service on Sabbath in the chapel at the clinic which is located in the business portion of the city, and also of addresses on the Sanitarium grounds the afternoon of the following day. Recently, Miss Ina Moore, a graduate of the Portland Sanitarium, and for a number of years a missionary in Africa, has come to the much needed assistance of Doctor and Mrs. Gardner. "A three-fold cord is not easily broken" and we look for the work of this institution to be prospered more than ever. It has had already a very prosperous career. A church with a good sized membership has been established as the result of the work of the Sanitarium in association with mission endeavor. Now, Professor Hendershot, who for years was principal of our training school in Singapore, has gone to Penang to lead in this evangelistic work.

SIAM:

Siam is a kingdom with approximately twelve million inhabitants. We have three mission stations in this country. At Bangkok, the capital, Brother A. P. Ritz is located as director. We have a church membership in Bangkok and vicinity of over one hundred. These are largely Chinese. While we were there Pastor Gjording baptized six more, and among this number was the first Siamese woman convert to our faith. Buddhism has a strong hold,—perhaps I might say a strangle hold, on Siam. It is estimated that there are nearly a million Buddhist priests there, and we could easily believe this number to be correct for each morning as we went to the six o'clock meeting at our chapel, a mile from the mission home, we could see these priests by

the score in their yellow robes, with their rice bowls going from home to home collecting their food for the day. But this great wall of Buddhism shall fall before the advance of the Gospel Army.

We had a most encouraging meeting in Bangkok. It has been arranged for Pastor Gjording to conduct an evangelistic effort there this fall. These meetings will be held in a large hall. The studies will be translated. The church is now being organized to assist in this effort.

From Bangkok we first visited our mission station at Nakan, Lampang, and then our station at Ubol. Lampang is nearly a day's rail travel north of Bangkok. Here we have a Chinese worker. The work here is hardly under way yet. A strong church must be raised up in Lampang as it is a great center of trade and



Pastor R. H. Wentland and Family

travel. We also visited another important center, Cheng Mai, about six hours rail travel north of Lampang. We have no work here. But the importance of this great city demands that we establish the truth there.

Ubol is located to the east of Bangkok by two days of steady rail travel. We stopped overnight at a rest house at Korat. Pastor and Mrs. R. P. Abel have been located here for between two and three years. During the past few months he has held a series of meetings on a prominent street of the city. He has had remarkably good audiences and many have become interested in the truth through this effort. Undoubtedly a good church will soon be established here. It is the plan to open medical work at this great center as soon as possible. Ubol

is at the end of the railway running east from Bangkok, and trade and travelers come in from great distances. There is great need of a doctor and a small hospital here. This work would have been opened ere this save for the cuts in appropriations. We hope that this means of soul-winning may not long be withheld from that needy field.

CAMBODIA:

Returning to Bangkok, we at once left for Cambodia. Phnom Penh, the capital, where Pastor and Mrs. F. L. Pickett are located, is reached from Bangkok by thirty hours of travel by train and bus, including a night at a rest house. Pastor and Mrs. Pickett have been in this field about two years. During this time he has had to study two languages. Cambodia is a part of French Indo-China, and while it is governed by a Cambodian king, yet the French are the virtual rulers. Consequently, it is necessary for our workers to have a knowledge of French as well as the Cambodian language. Pastor Pickett was able to translate for me into the Cambodian language as I spoke to the people. Already there are six or eight who are preparing for baptism.

COCHIN-CHINA:

Pastor Wentland and family are located at Saigon, the capital of Cochin-China. This country is under the direct government of France. While Pastor Wentland has been located there for only about two years, yet he has so progressed in the language that he could translate for me. God certainly gives our workers "the gift of tongues." Pastor Gjording and I visited Cantho, a fine city about one hundred miles south of Saigon. Here Pastor Wentland is conducting a series of meetings in a hall in the center of the city. He is assisted by two young men who fully accepted the faith. I spoke to a very attentive audience of more than one hundred. Cantho is in the heart of Cochin-China. The prospects for a good company of believers there are excellent.

ANNAM AND TONGKIN:

It seemed best to return to Manila by way of Hanoi and Hongkong rather than to go direct from Saigon to Hongkong. Hanoi in Tongkin is two days and three nights of travel north of Saigon. Annam and Tongkin are under the rule of the Emperor of Annam whose capital is at Hue. But this Emperor and his government are under the rule of France. We have no worker in this great stretch of country, approximately fifteen hundred miles north from Saigon. It includes the Laos kingdom, also under French rule. We could not but cry to God that reapers be sent into these ripe fields "already to harvest."

These brief sketches of our long, strenuous trip through the Malayan Union can give only the slightest glimpse of the work under way among the thirty-eight million of this great mission field. We must fill in the large gaps between our workers. It is time for God to work and for us to consecrate ourselves to work with Him.

"Forward with Increasing Success"

By J. H. MCEACHERN

Evidences are multiplying in the political, social, and physical conditions of the world, which solemnly impress us that the end must be near. But before the end comes there is the positive assurance that the threefold message of Revelation 14 will swell into what is termed the "Loud Cry" of Revelation 18. The Spirit of Prophecy very clearly points out what will be one of the leading factors in bringing about the "Loud Cry."

"In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory." *Testimonies Vol. 7, page 140.*

In the light of this statement we are to expect that the work of scattering our publications will go "forward with increasing success" until the very end of human probation. This will be true no matter whether there is depression or prosperity. However, God may not count "Increasing Success" in the value of sales as we are want to do, but rather in volume of the publications put into circulation. And not alone in the volume of the literature but in the more spiritual atmosphere created for the books as they are being placed in the hands of the people.

There is much to encourage us, because of the way God is blessing the literature ministry, both financially and spiritually, in the Far Eastern Division. During the first five months of this year ending May 31, the value of orders taken by the colporteurs throughout the Far Eastern Division shows a gain of 31%. The actual business done by our several publishing houses also shows encouraging increases. As financial conditions grow worse, we must put more and more men into the fields, increase their selling efficiency and inspire them with more faith and dependence upon God. Thus there will be "No Crisis with the Lord" and the millions sitting in darkness will learn the truth through the ministry of the printed page.

A Wonderful Experience

By EDWARD J. URQUHART

The sun was hanging low over the western hills that skirt the Yellow Sea of northwest Korea as we arrived at the village of Kalheun for a three-day Missionary convention. A number of faithful believers came out to welcome us. And there was something in the handclasp and in the words of greeting—something unexplainable but clearly sensed—that presaged a good meeting. After the usual bowl of rice and several very tasty side dishes, eaten with chopsticks in true Oriental fashion, we went over to the church for the first meeting of the convention. We were more than pleased that Sabbath evening to meet delegates from twelve different surrounding churches and companies and to see the church quite well filled, while others were momentarily dropping in. Over a hundred were present that first night.

Thus began a very successful and cheering three-day Home Missionary convention in the West Chosen Mission of Korea. This meeting was an experiment in a sense. Brother Watts had approached me some weeks before with the proposition that we attempt such a meeting, a meeting that would entail no expense to the Mission. A meeting called at a central place where many churches might send their most representative men and women at personal expense, or at the expense of the church. The meeting was successful not only in this respect but in many others, especially in the larger spiritual aspect.

Elder McEachern, Brother Watts and the writer, together with the Home Missionary Secretary of the Mission and several other native workers of the district conducted the meeting. Inspirational and instructive Bible studies were given at different periods through the day, timely help on different lines of Home Missionary work extended, the deep need of patient continuance in personal ministry dwelt upon, and the various requisites to Christian growth and personal preparation to meet the Lord carefully examined. Several thousands of tracts were bought by those present and large orders given for others. The sales were all made for cash and it was a happy surprise to see the money rolling in and the tracts going out. Practically every one present pledged to read the Bible through during the year. The delegates took as their goal the doubling of our membership during the present year.

But the thing that appealed the most strongly to the writer was the deep spiritual tone of the meeting and the sincere renewed consecration that each made in preparation to take part in the ordinances of the Lord's House which were administered on the first

day of the meeting, the Sabbath. Throughout the whole meeting it seemed that each period was better than the one that preceded it. And the meeting closed with a sweet influence that could be seen on every face and felt in every heart.

I believe that the right note has been struck in the work of this field and that this meeting will go down as a monument in the history of this Mission that marks the dawning of a new and better day.

We three foreign workers who were present enjoyed every moment of this meeting. It is true that the floors upon which we slept were just as hard as Korean floors usually are, but somehow they did not seem so hard because of the wonderful experiences that we were enjoying. The food we ate was only native food but it tasted sweet to me because of the sweet influence of the meeting. And I believe that we who experienced everything that went into this meeting—the prayers, the efforts, the associations, and not least, the thrills that it brought—will ever look back with gladness to the village of Kalheun.

Sabbath School Conventions in Korea

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Society Cooperate in Building up a Stronger Church." Four brethren took part in this program and some real good thoughts were presented. We truly need the co-operation of all to bring into the church our large number of Sabbath school members who as yet are not baptized. We have more than 1,200 Sabbath school members, over 16 years of age, who as yet are not in the church.

Saturday evening the interesting subject of "Missionary Giving" was presented. Various ones took part. We endeavored to show our people the wonderful part the Sabbath school offerings have in giving this last message of warning to a dying world. The spirit in which these offerings should be given in order to make them acceptable to God was also presented. And of course the Birthday offerings, the Investment fund and the 13th Sabbath offering were also stressed.

The time on Sunday was equally divided between the two departments. We took up such subjects as Responsibilities of Sabbath school officers and teachers, their qualifications; Teaching Methods; The Training Course; Goals; Reporting, etc.

The time was well spent and I am certain that many received a new inspiration to work more earnestly to make our Sabbath schools in Korea real soul-winning agencies. We have faith to believe that our schools will put forth greater effort to "come up higher" and we ask an interest in your prayers.

Departmental Page

Christian Education Succeeds

A decided contrast is shown between the effects of an education secured in a Christian school and one pursued in the average modern university. The figures given below are thought-provoking; and bring us considerable satisfaction, as well, over what our schools are able to accomplish in definite soul-winning work.

A college professor questioned the students of nine colleges (U. S. A.) and found that in these representative institutions conducted in a so-called Christian country—

- 15% of the freshmen,
- 30% of the juniors,
- 45% of the graduates,

had abandoned Christianity.

In the academic grades of the Chosen Union Training School (S. D. A.) which has an enrolment at the present time of 181,

- 15% of the first year students,
 - 31% of the second year students,
 - 75% of the third year students,
 - 80% of the fourth year students,
 - 100% of the fifth year students,
- are baptized members of the church.

W. P. BRADLEY.

The 1932 Harvest Ingathering Campaign

It is doubtful if there ever has been a year in the history of our missionary advance when the success of the Ingathering will mean so much to our work as it will mean in 1932.

No campaign can succeed without careful planning and thorough organization. There must be well-informed and enthusiastic leadership in charge of every organized unit. Every man and woman, young and old, must be enlisted and trained. Reports should be called for every week from every individual and every church and mission. Efficient planning bathed in the atmosphere of prayer will make this our best year.

J. H. MCEACHERN.

Encouraging Figures

In a letter just received from Mrs. Plummer she makes some very interesting comparisons concerning the Sabbath School work of the Far Eastern Division for the year 1931. She says,—“I want you to look at two or three items with me. One is the membership.

First Quarter	21,135
Second Quarter	21,779
Third Quarter	22,603
Fourth Quarter	23,171

“This shows a fine gradual increase of the membership. I am interested to know to what agency this growth may be attributed. I always rejoice when I see a decided increase from quarter to quarter because it shows that the work is growing.

“Another yearly record that I wish to note is the per capitas.

First Quarter	\$0.023
Second Quarter025
Third Quarter024
Fourth Quarter03

“You have been advancing in the mills this year, which is a lot more encouraging than most of the reports that come from the conferences in this country. Hope you will be able to keep it up the same way this year.

“And now we have the Investment Fund record to look at. Investment Funds reported from the Far Eastern Division are as follows:

First Quarter	\$144.75
Second Quarter	213.24
Third Quarter	355.67
Fourth Quarter	753.40

“Adding these amounts up makes a total of \$1,467.06 for the year. I see your people are still interested in the Investment Fund. That is splendid. It does not seem as if this plan would ever wear out, for one could change his plan for the sake of variety if he wished to do so. It is wonderful how the Lord blesses those who are making a specialty of this. I hope greater enthusiasm will be manifested in this plan this year than ever before.”

I am sure that our Sabbath schools in all our unions will be glad to know that their combined earnest efforts last year resulted in the encouraging figures given above. These comparisons not only cheer Mrs. Plummer's heart, but I am sure they will be a great inspiration and encouragement to every one in this Division to work harder than ever before to promote the Sabbath school work in all lines. May the year 1932 show an even greater increase in the capita offerings. Could we not raise our per capita to \$0.05 by the close of 1932? Let us try.

BLANCHE E. GRIGGS.

Notice

In order to strengthen the work of the Home Study Institute in the Philippine Islands, Mrs. W. H. Bergherm has been appointed secretary of the Manila office. All matters pertaining to the work of the Home Study Institute in the Philippines may from now on be referred to her (P. O. Box 813, Manila, P. I.). We trust there will be many more in the Philip-

pine who will take advantage of the opportunities afforded them for self improvement through the Home Study Institute.

W. A. SCHARFFENBERG.

JUNIOR CORNER

Obedience—1 Sam. 15:22

Obedience is one of the first and most important lessons every boy and girl must learn. The Apostle Paul says: “Children, obey your parents in the Lord; for this is right.” Children ought to allow father and mother to decide and choose for them. A great many people think that freedom means to do as one pleases. They are wrong, and if they go on in that course they will soon find themselves in bondage. The highest freedom is to do what you ought, what is right, and what God wants you to do. God would rather have us obey Him than anything we can give Him. Jesus said, “If ye love Me, ye will keep My commandments.”

There is a story on obedience told about an English army officer who had a boy fifteen years old. They lived in the suburbs of London, and the father went into the city every day. One morning, before leaving, the officer told his boy to be at the London Bridge at noon, and to wait for him there. Then the father went to the city, and while attending to his many duties he became so busy that he forgot all about the boy till he arrived home late at night. His wife met him at the door and asked, “Where is Henry?” “Why,” said the father, “he must be at the London Bridge. I told him to meet me there at noon, and I forgot all about it.”

He hurried back to the city. It was raining and cold. But there on the bridge was Henry, who had waited all day because his father had told him to meet him there. That boy, Henry Havelock, became one of the greatest generals that England ever had. Later in life he said, “The best lesson I ever learned was the lesson of obedience.” He was fit to command others because he had learned to obey.

One of the greatest things that Paul says about Jesus is found in the second chapter of his letter to the Philippians, “And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, becoming obedient even unto death, yea, the death of the cross.”

So as every Junior strives to follow in Jesus' footsteps, he will remember to be obedient to God and to his parents.

“To Obey is Better Than Sacrifice.”

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NEWS NOTES

Following an extended tour of the Malayan Union Mission, Professor and Mrs. Frederick Griggs reached Manila on July 9. Pastor Gjording came with them so as to be in attendance at the Division Committee meeting which followed their arrival. A number of important matters were given consideration at that time. Pastor H. A. Oberg, superintendent of the Chosen Union Mission, was also in attendance.

We have learned through correspondence that Pastor V. T. Armstrong, superintendent of the Japan Union, has recently gone south to visit the group of islands in the Pacific known as the Carolines and which are under Japanese rule. An interest has developed at Palau and Pastor Armstrong planned to hold meetings there, and will doubtless baptize some who have been in preparation since the visit of Pastor Miyake two years ago. Though far removed from the world at large, the Message has found its way to this isolated spot.

Writing from Moji under date of July 3, Professor W. P. Bradley has the following to say regarding the work he has been doing in Japan, following the month spent in the Chosen Union:

"Leaving Seoul Tuesday, I met Professor Nelson in Shimonoseki the following day, and so we are already on our itinerating trip. It saved time and money for him to meet me there. We have been since then on Kyushu Island and have visited all our churches and companies except one which is far to the south. We have also visited

the homes of several of the students in the school. The work is going nicely here on Kyushu. The people are active in missionary work and Elder Kajiyama is busy from morning till night with interests.

"This morning we leave Kyushu for Hondo. We shall work right up the line to Tokyo, reaching there in time for the graduation on the 13th. We are talking on Christian education, taking a census of the young people, talking to them about going to school and visiting the homes of students who are in the Naraha School at present. Our trip is lined up solid till the end of the month, including a week in the Junior Camp the last of July."

The Philippine Union Mission Committee was in session in Manila recently. Quite a full representation was in attendance to grapple with the problems confronting the Committee. Pastor Dalisay and Brother Balan were present from the South Central Luzon Mission; Pastor Same came from Iloilo with Pastor Mote as the representatives from the West Visayan Mission; and Brother Abdon Capobres joined Pastor Riffel as the delegation from the East Visayan field. Several members of the Far Eastern Division Committee were also present.

Pastor W. B. Riffel, director of the East Visayan Mission, Philippine Islands, in writing to the office recently mentioned this encouraging word:

"You will be interested to know that we have baptized 232 new believers during the first six months of this year. This is 36 more than for the same period last year. Our goal is 600 and I hope that somehow we may speed up the last six months of this year."

Word has just been received to the effect that Miss Vivian Voth of Lodi, California sailed from San Francisco, June 2, and is thus due in Tokyo, June 16. Miss Voth comes to succeed Miss Ellen Stacey as church school teacher. Miss Stacey left Japan a year ago, and in the meantime Mrs. A. N. Anderson has been carrying the church school work.

We very much regret to have to announce the death of Pastor Lee Keun Ok which occurred late in June, according to word just received from Korea. Pastor Lee Keun Ok has been connected with our work since 1907 and during these past twenty-five years has carried responsibilities in connection with various phases of our mission work in the Chosen field. His obituary will appear later.

In a letter from Pastor R. H. Wentland of Saigon written while at Dalat with his family on vacation, we glean the following:

"Before coming up here I took my language teacher to Cantho (where it is planned to hold evangelistic meetings) for I will need him there when I come back, and he can be working in during this month. I stayed there a week and was busy giving Bible studies from morning until night. It was my privilege to preach the Sabbath sermon in Annamese to an audience of interested listeners. It gives one joy to feed souls hungering after the gospel which saves from sin. These people enjoy the truth. How their faces shine when they really see the truth, and how dark the error seems to them. We expect to have a baptism in the great old "Mekong" River soon. It may not be a large one, but we hope to make them larger as time passes."

Of the evangelistic work going forward in Penang, good reports have been reaching us. Professor Hendershot, in charge, now writes as follows:

The month of June is a happy month with us. On the 25th we expect to baptize at least ten new converts,—all from Buddhism or ancestor worship. What a fine lot of young men and women they are! They have had their trials and tests, too. These are the first-fruits of our labours with the Penang Church.

On the following Sunday fifteen young people will receive the Friend Pin. We are thankful to God for His manifold blessings. The year is only half gone and there is much more to be accomplished before 1932 dies away.

Report of Mission Offerings, January to May, 1932

(Values in Pesos—for U. S. Gold divide by two)

Union	Membership	1931 Actual Receipts	1932 Goal 110 per cent	Quota to date	Actual Receipts	Amount Short	Per Week 1931	Per Member 1932
Chosen	2,343	₱15,153.77	₱16,669.15	₱ 6,945.48	₱ 3,266.10	₱ 3,679.38	₱0.83	.064
Japan	741	14,606.28	16,066.91	6,694.54	2,810.32	3,884.22	.174	.174
Malayan	1,005	13,334.44	14,667.88	6,111.62	3,551.60	2,560.02	.179	.156
Philippine	13,537	43,143.09	47,457.40	19,773.91	10,519.65	9,254.26	.035	.036
Total or Aver.	17,626	₱86,237.58	₱94,861.34	39,525.55	20,147.67	19,377.88	.055	.053

EUGENE WOESSNER, *Division Treasurer.*