

Stewardship for Today

BY W. H. BRANSON

"As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." "None of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself." These are but two of the many texts of Scripture which teach that it is the duty of every Christian to share with others the blessings which have come to him. We have nothing except that which God has given us. We brought nothing into the world when we came. We take nothing with us when we leave except the character which we have formed. All that we may seem to possess has been placed under our control for a short time in order that we may learn how to be stewards for God. Even life itself is to be spent in service for others. It is not to be wasted in idleness or pleasure seeking or in gathering riches and power for selfish use. The moments of every Christian are carefully numbered and in the judgment an exact record will be revealed. You and I will be called upon to give an account of our stewardship.

"I have received of the Lord," Paul says, "that which also I delivered unto you." He did not consume the blessings of heaven upon himself. The gifts of God to him were to be shared with others. He could not rest until he had done this. He was a debtor to all men everywhere, Greeks, barbarians, bond, free, wise or unwise. "Woe is me," he declared, "if I preach not the gospel." Farther and still farther he extended the triumphs of the cross. With burning zeal, in spite of iron fetters and the darkness of the dungeon, he brought the good tidings even to Rome. He lived to see the gospel preached to "every creature which is under heaven." He was indeed a steward of the manifold grace of God.

The Lord Jesus Himself is our great example of stewardship. He dwelt in the fellowship of the Father and the holy angels in the sunlight of eternity, worshiped and adored by the heavenly host. But He could not continue to enjoy heaven while men and women were lost in sin. "Though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich." And God so loved the world that He emptied heaven in the one great gift of the only begotten Son.

Everyone who names the name of Christ becomes a partaker in the work of redemption. "My father worketh hitherto, and I work," said Jesus. The people inquired, "How shall we do the works of God?" "Believe on Him whom He hath sent," was the reply. And "He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also."

It seems clear therefore that to be a Christian is to be a fellow worker with the Lord of glory, to join Him in the solemn, thrilling declaration, "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work." It is to deny self, to take up the cross as we follow Him in service, knowing that whosoever forsaketh not all that he hath cannot be His disciple.

The work of God is to give life to the world. The tidings of eternal redemption are to be carried to every creature. This is the work in which all heaven is interested, and the plan is that those who believe in God and in His Son Jesus Christ, are to have a part in its accomplishment. Every talent is to be put to use. Every treasure is to be laid on the altar of sacrifice. This is not just a romantic sentiment. It is not just an emotional exercise at the time of conversion. It is not simply a declaration to the world that we have decided to join the church, not merely the assent of the mind to the fact that the Bible is true. It is all of these, but stewardship is much more. It is the active, regular, unceasing dedication of a part of ourselves to the work of God. We are to bring to Him freely, joyfully, that which is entirely within our control, that which we could keep for ourselves if we wished, that which we could easily use in our own affairs, but that which because we love the Lord Jesus and long to see His cause grow and have a part in the salvation of precious souls, we eagerly devote to the work of God.

There is no other way. The only plan of heaven for the progress of the gospel on earth is that those who have themselves tasted the good word of God and become partakers of the heavenly gift, shall do everything in their power to make the glad tidings known to others. This brings ever-increasing joy

and spiritual growth to the Christian. He learns the meaning of the Scripture assurance, "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth."

In the remnant church to which God has called us in these last days, the phenomenal growth attending the preaching of the three-fold message has always been accompanied by the payment of faithful tithes and liberal offerings on the part of the membership. Seventh-day Adventists believe in tithing as the plan of God, given to His people from the very earliest times. It is the divine arrangement for bringing the gospel to mankind by the ministry of the human agent. It is the solemn obligation of every member of the church to keep his account right with God and to render back to Him His own. The faithful tithe payer seldom becomes discouraged. He rarely apostatizes. The money which he pays into the church does not purchase for him the favor of God or assure him an inheritance among the sanctified. Not at all. But his faithfulness in acknowledging the claims of God make it possible for heaven to open the windows of heaven and pour him out a blessing.

In addition to the tithe, which belongs to God, and over which man has no lawful control, the faithful steward will bring his freewill offerings. These come from a thankful heart which cannot be satisfied to bring merely the required amount, the tithe, but which longs to express more abundantly his love and gratitude for the many blessings enjoyed. This is done not of necessity, but willingly, cheerfully, eagerly. It gives opportunity to share more abundantly in the great work of salvation which is going forward in every land.

Seventh-day Adventists live in the time when the most thrilling events are taking place. The work of God is almost finished. The enemy is fighting with great fury, but the Lord of hosts is with His people and marvelous victories are being won as thousands take their stand for the truths of the Bible and join the remnant people. With these developments come the privilege and the duty of faithful stewardship. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth laborers" is the divine admonition to those who lift up their eyes and look on the whitened harvest fields. No man can pray with earnestness and fervent sincerity for more laborers without feeling in his own heart the determination to do his utmost in helping the Lord to answer that prayer. "Here am I, send me," must be a part of his petition. Perhaps he can go in person to answer the call. Perhaps he can send a son or daughter to help gather in the ripened grain. However that may be, surely he can by his consistent, godly life and his faithful liberality have a definite part in hastening the day of the Saviour's appearing. With such stewardship God is well pleased. This is no time to "trust to uncertain riches, but in the living God." It is time to do good, to "be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate" laying up in store a good foundation for the time to come, and making sure of eternal life.

A Letter from the Pen of W. A. Spicer

By V. T. ARMSTRONG

Some years ago, Pastor W. A. Spicer, who through the years carried heavy responsibilities in the Seventh-day Adventist church, wrote the following letter of admonition to a brother and his wife. It was good counsel then and it is good today.

"I like to put the facts of this Advent Movement in this way:

"In Revelation 14 the prophet John saw the coming of the judgment hour in heaven in 1844. He saw a people rise keeping the commandments of God. He saw them go to every nation and tongue preaching the judgment hour message. And next thing in Revelation 15:1-4, he saw this same movement that rose in 1844 stand on the sea of glass in the city of God. There is no change, no division, no new organization. The movement that rose in 1844 is the one that the prophecy pictures on the sea of glass.

"In *Early Writings* (pages 13-20) the Spirit of prophecy gave Mrs. White the same view in 1844. She saw the movement rise in the autumn of 1844. She saw it travel on until the same movement entered the city of God. There is no separation or divergence. The Lord purified the movement by shaking out elements not belonging to it, not by leading a purer or better movement out of this one.

"That is the picture in the Bible and in the Spirit of prophecy in the Advent Movement.

"That is how it was in the Exodus Movement, which is a type of the Advent Movement. (1 Cor. 10:11). The same movement that came out of Egypt went into Canaan. Some started new reforms and tried to take over leadership. They perished, and the movement went through.

"We are in a movement that began in 1844, at the right time. It will go through, and by God's help we must hold to it until it goes into the City.

"In 1905 Mrs. White wrote to us: 'Those who know the waymarks that have pointed out the right path . . . are not to permit the banner of the Third Angel to be taken from their hand. . . . We cannot now step off the foundation that God established. We cannot now enter into any new organization; for this would mean apostasy from the truth.'—Ms. 129, 1905.

"So, dear brother and sister, let us push on in the highway of the Advent pathway that we see in prophecy running straight through from 1844 to the city.

"God bless and care for you both,

Your brother,

(s) W. A. Spicer"

This movement is growing in numbers and extending to every part of the world. It is a world movement and is finally to triumph gloriously. May we be faithful in our allegiance to it.

Light Over Africa

By R. S. WATTS, *President,*
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More and still more deeply grows the conviction that our Sabbath schools in this great Division are a mighty instrument in evangelizing the millions of Africans, Coloured, and European peoples who make up the population of Southern Africa. To add to the increasing number of thrilling stories of Sabbath school conversions and baptisms, come the following experiences from Pastor John B. Cooks, Sabbath school secretary of the South African Union:

"Recently while on a campmeeting trip in the North Bantu Mission Field I was very much interested in meeting some fine, intelligent African people from the Tuberculosis Hospital near Durban. It so happened that some time ago, one of our church members was sent there as a patient. This good brother got busy and soon with the help of others from a regular Sabbath school near by commenced a Branch School in the hospital. A number of people joined this Branch School and have now accepted the truth. Some of these have already been baptized and others are preparing for baptism. These people will go back to their homes in various parts of the country when they are cured and we know that they will carry with them more than just physical healing.

"Another experience tells of the work of John Mashwa who is teaching our African church school in Bloemfontein (South Africa). When he first went there, he found that a number of the children who were attending day school were not Adventists. He immediately determined that something should be done and so commenced visiting the homes of these children and talking to their parents, as well as asking the church members to pray for the children and their parents, and to help in visiting the homes. Within two months, twelve of these had joined the Sabbath school and this had been done with the full consent of their parents. Teacher Mashwa uses these children in his missionary work in and around Bloemfontein. For instance, tomorrow he is going out to

hold services on a farm a little way out of town and will be taking the children with him so that he may accomplish more with their help than he could do alone."

Throughout the Southern African Division, there are hundreds more African teachers who like John Mashwa are not only feeding the lambs but bringing them to Christ. We now have over 90,000 non-baptized Sabbath school members in our baptismal classes. While the large majority of these are adults, yet many hundreds of youth in our mission schools enter the baptismal class and are baptized each year.

On September 26, you will again have the privilege of giving a special Thirteenth Sabbath offering for the work in Africa. Light is spreading all over this vast territory, in so many places much more rapidly than we are able to adequately care for. While the gospel doors are still open in Africa, will you not remember us in a very special way this quarter.

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Enduring Faith

By V. T. ARMSTRONG

We sing that inspiring hymn, "O for a faith that will not shrink, Though pressed by many a foe." Such faith as this the children of God must have in the experience of these perilous days.

As perplexities increase, as wars and persecutions bring suffering and even death to members of the remnant church, faith must strengthen and assurance in the promises of God deepen. A life pleasing to God is one fully sustained by an abiding faith that whatever comes is for our eternal good and the glory of God. "God never leads His children otherwise than they would choose to be led, if they could see the end from the beginning, and discern the glory of the purpose which they are fulfilling as coworkers with Him. Not Enoch, who was translated to heaven, not Elijah, who ascended in a chariot of fire, was



A Youth's Congress Was Held in the South Central Luzon Mission in the North Philippine Union Mission April 15 to 18, 1953. The Above Picture Shows Only a Part of the Many Delegates in Attendance at This Youth Meeting.

greater or more honored than John the Baptist, who perished alone in the dungeon." *Desire of Ages*, pp. 224, 225.

When John was in prison his disciples raised the question why Christ allowed him to suffer on, if, as John had preached, this was truly the Messiah? John had led an active life. Now in the gloom of the prison, week after week passed bringing no change. Despondency and doubt crept over him. Satan rejoiced to see doubt coming into the minds of John and his followers. John sent two of his disciples to Christ with a direct question. "Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?" Christ's answer was, "Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see." Matt. 11:3, 4. As John received the report of what Christ was doing and how He was fully meeting the prophecies, his faith was renewed. Understanding more clearly now the nature of the Saviour's mission, we are told John gave himself to God anew for life or death, which ever would best serve the cause of truth.

It is necessary that we renew our faith in these stirring times by a review of the fundamentals of the message for today. We must dig deeper and deeper into the Bible and writings of the Spirit of prophecy. Unless we do, doubts will overpower us when the tests of these last days come to us, as we know they will come.

A careful reading of the two books, *Our Firm Foundation*, which contain every study given at the Bible Conference held in Takoma Park, September 1-13, 1952, will prove a great blessing. As you read these wonderful discourses on the fundamentals, your faith will be fortified with truth. As far as possible, we should get these messages into the languages of the Division so that those who do not read English will get the blessings of these two books.

We should also restudy the prophecies. We are a people of prophecy. We are told in *Prophets and Kings*, page 547, "As we near the close of this world's history, the prophecies recorded by Daniel demand our special attention, as they relate to the very time in which we are living. With them should be linked the teachings of the last book of the New Testament Scriptures. Satan has led many to believe that the prophetic portions of the writings of Daniel and of John the revelator cannot be understood. But the promise is plain that special blessings will accompany the study of these prophecies." Again on page 548, we read, "A careful study of the working out of God's purpose in the history of nations and in the revelation of things to come, will help us to estimate at their true value things seen and things unseen, and to learn what is the true aim of life. Thus, viewing the things of time in the light of eternity, we may, like Daniel and his fellows, live for that which is true and noble and enduring. And learning in this life the principles of the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, that blessed kingdom which is to endure forever and ever, we may be prepared at His coming to enter with Him into its possession."

Speaking again of John, *Desire of Ages*, p. 224, Sister White tells us: "Satan was permitted to cut

short the earthly life of God's messenger; but that life which 'is hid with Christ in God,' the destroyer could not reach. Col. 3:3. He exulted that he had brought sorrow upon Christ, but he had failed of conquering John. Death itself only placed him forever beyond the temptation. In this warfare, Satan was revealing his own character. Before the witnessing universe he made manifest his enmity toward God and man.

"Though no miraculous deliverance was granted John, he was not forsaken. He had always the companionship of heavenly angels, who opened to him the prophecies concerning Christ, and the precious promises of Scripture. These were his stay, as they were to be the stay of God's people through the coming ages. To John the Baptist, as to those that came after him, was given the assurance, 'Lo, I am with you all the days, even unto the end.' Matt. 28:20, R.V., margin.

Yes, the great and precious promises of the word, are to be our stay through the days before us.

Basutoland—The "Switzerland of South Africa"

BY R. S. WATTS

Basutoland is a Protectorate of the British Empire and is situated, as it were, in the lap of South Africa as the continent looks away to the east. Its territory is small and surrounded by high mountain ranges whose peaks rise one above the other and extend away into the blue distance as far as the eye can see. Many of these high peaks are snow covered during the winter. Built on the slopes of the Maluti Mountains is our Maluti Hospital where a great work is being carried forward. Pastor John B. Cooks, Sabbath school secretary for the South African Union and Basutoland, passes on this word for the interest of our believers:

"In 1949 Maluti Hospital was the beneficiary of the Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow offering which amounted to almost L13,000. This amount with approximately L10,000 obtained from Ingathering comeback funds and L2,000 contributed by Dr. J. J. Bell, has helped us to build a creditable hospital with a capacity of 30 beds on the Basutoland hills. Although this hospital is in a predominantly Catholic area, good progress is being made, not only in the work of the hospital but along spiritual lines as well. For a number of months after the opening of the hospital, it was almost impossible to keep the building full but, from information we now have, as work has spread into the outlying places, the work is growing so that the hospital is more than full all the time. During February of this year, when the campmeeting was held at Emmanuel Mission about 30 miles from Maluti Hospital, quite a number of former patients from the hospital were found among the ones attending. A Branch Sabbath school has been started about six miles from the hospital and it is expected that some of these people will join a

baptismal class which is soon to be started here. Requests from chiefs living in the vicinity of the hospital have also come in for our people to hold meetings in their villages.

"As a result of the excellent work done at the hospital, the custodian of the Governor General's War Fund recently decided to contribute L15,000 towards increasing the size of this hospital. Building operations are now going on so that the capacity of the hospital can be doubled. We believe that this institution started by Sabbath school funds, will grow to be a real influence and a blessing among the Bauto people in the 'Switzerland of South Africa.'"

The Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow offering to be taken on September 26 is to come to the Southern African Division and will be used to complete the mission hospital at Kendu, Kenya Colony, East Africa, and to build a new hospital away out in Barotseland. This latter hospital is to be known as the Yuka Hospital.

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A Visit to the Island of Koror

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I am happy to bring greetings to the Far Eastern Division from the little Island of Koror and from the fine group of believers there who love this message and who are doing all in their power to live it and to give it to others.

The work on Koror started many years ago when the island was mandated by the Japanese. From a small beginning, the church has now grown to about

one hundred members. Brother and Sister J. L. Bowers have worked faithfully for several years to bring the light of our truth to these interested, interesting and eager people. Many of these people are thirsting for greater knowledge and more education. Our message seems to appeal to the educated class of people on these islands.

I was met at the plane by a young man, Torabiong, who spoke good English and he greeted me as a representative of the Adventists in the Palau Islands. I learned later that he is a well-known character, and the islands' only judge and the president of the newly formed Palau Congress. His face fairly shines with the light of this message.

The story of Torabiong's conversion is a very interesting one. During World War II, he was given the task of guarding a Japanese prisoner of war who was a former Adventist missionary to these islands. During the long hours they spent together, our Japanese brother, Elder Ochiai, began to speak to Brother Torabiong about the light of this message. Day after day he opened the Book and presented to him the thrilling truths that declare that Jesus is soon to return to this earth. As the message began to find its way into the heart of this Palau guard, he relaxed his strenuous duty and they walked together into secluded places so that he might receive further instruction from the Book of books. Deeper and deeper Brother Ochiai led this interested listener into the truths of God's holy Word. When the war had ended, Elder Robert E. Dunton from Guam made his first visit to the Island of Koror and found Brother Torabiong and his wife awaiting baptism. Now he is one of our full-time native workers on the island. Some of the non-Adventist Americans living on the Island of Koror told me that he is one of the most trustworthy and brightest characters they have ever met.

Many of these Americans stationed on the Island of Koror are also very friendly to our work and interested in our message. As a result of the work

*The Palau Believers
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of Brother and Sister Bowers, some Americans who have gone back to the homeland have embraced the message, and some send their title back to the island where they found their first love for this truth. Their hearts have been touched by the wonderful work Seventh-day Adventists are doing for these needy islands.

C. G. Oliver and the writer conducted meetings every night for a week. The attendance increased each night. Many people not of our faith came to hear the thrilling story of salvation as Torabiong translated my texts from English into Japanese and from Japanese into the Palau language. The interest in our message on this island is growing and it is spreading to the surrounding islands. Our workers estimate that there are over one hundred interested families now awaiting further instruction in the message. Surely, we can see the truth of God's Word that this message will spread even to the islands of the sea. How thrilling it is that in our own day and time we can see the fulfillment of these pointed Bible prophecies!

Contacts have been made for entering the Islands of Saipan and Yap. Both of these islands await the light of our glorious message. Already interests are manifesting themselves, and the future is bright for a rich harvest of souls in these remote Pacific Islands. We wish Brethren Hamlin, Oliver, Bowers,

Evans, and the host of our national workers and believers, the rich blessings of the Lord as they seek to enlarge the scope of the third angel's message among these needy people.

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Evangelism at Amanuma

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This last year has been a year of decided evangelistic endeavor at the Amanuma church and the Tokyo Sanitarium. Two three-month evangelistic series have been held in the church and continual progress has been made in building up the chaplain's work in the Sanitarium. Statistics cannot tell the whole story of God's blessing here but serve to indicate that He is blessing the work of our faithful laymen and mission workers:

Number baptized	27
Now in Baptismal classes	29
Attending Bible Classes	69
Desiring studies	12
Hospital interests	82
Others interested	67

We are continuing Sunday night meetings in Amanuma, and our Wednesday night prayer meetings are evangelistic in nature, as we are continuing the studies in the book of Revelation begun during the spring evangelistic series.

Another Bible worker, Yamanaka-san, has joined us for the summer months and her efforts will be devoted to enrolling the many interests in a definite Bible study program.

Also included in our evangelistic endeavors is a program, just recently begun, to reach our missing members. The Lord has given us a special blessing in these efforts and we are witnessing many taking a decided stand to practice once again the principles of the faith.

Mention should also be made of the fine work being done by our Servicemen's Evangelistic Group. Many of these brethren have gone right out into the homes of the Japanese with the Bible lessons, and with the few words of Japanese they have learned they have enrolled the people in the Voice of Prophecy course, and have collected and returned the lessons to their homes. Others have been mailing out the English *Signs* to interested people whose names have been received through contacts Elder F. L. Longway has made in his fund-raising campaign for the Sanitarium. Indicative of the interests they are creating is a letter just received; "Many thanks for the first and second lessons of the 20th Century Bible Course. I know that I will achieve an everlasting benefit and that your efforts will not be



Brother Torabiong and Family. The Picture Was Taken in Front of the Church in Koror, Palau Island

worthless. May I also express my gratitude for the regular issues of the *Signs of the Times*."

Plans for the fall include continued Sunday night meetings at Amanuma plus two efforts to be held at Mitaka and Hachioji where we now have small groups of members who have created good interests in both places. Particularly are we happy for the plans being laid for the meetings at Mitaka. These are being planned by the home missionary committee of our church and will be conducted entirely by a lay evangelistic team over a period of three months. More than thirty members have already pledged to take part in this effort, and just this Sabbath the field-preparation team began its work. These enthusiastic folk are already considering splitting the team into two groups for evangelism next spring. We believe their efforts will result in the formation of another church in the Mitaka area.

We must not neglect to mention the many soul-winning accomplishments of the large group of colporteurs we have here in Amanuma. They are not only providing us with large lists of interests but are also visiting in the homes of those who have been interested through other means and following up that interest with sales of our truth-filled literature.

The interest shown as a result of our meetings, and the interest of our lay brethren in evangelistic endeavor, point out the need for greater evangelistic planning in this city which may soon be the largest city in the world.

"Breaking Through"

BY R. S. MOORE
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Probably no one really appreciates the problem of the language barrier until he comes face to face with it—one of the most frustrating problems of the mission field. This is as specifically true in Japan, perhaps, as it is in any place in the world.

Japan, with her three written alphabets, her old and her new spoken language, now newly confused with post-war words of American origin, presents a problem of great challenge to our missionaries. The difficulty is compounded by the great concern of the missionary to make the best of existing opportunities which he fears may soon escape him in this changing nation.

However, at the recent biennial session in Japan, under the leadership of Elders Armstrong and Millard, the decision was made to place even greater emphasis on language study, and to encourage our evangelists to minister in the native tongue without benefit of interpreter.

Among the first steps was the establishment of a summer language school at Lake Nojiri, where the missionaries have been sent for a three months' intensive language course.

A number of our young people, who have been here for several years and studying daily, have felt the necessity of an extra "push" or polishing process. This was termed by Elder Armstrong, "breaking

through." The Nojiri Language School, headed by Elder K. Yasui, did just this. Brother Yasui was assisted by Sisters Hayasaka and Takahashi, and Professor Yonami of Japan Missionary College. Brother Yasui has prepared a most effective language program covering all areas of language study. Special emphasis was placed upon sermon preparation and similar problems. All teachers brought strong backgrounds of language teaching, and successfully followed the "direct method," similar to the Scharf-fenberg method so successfully used in China.

Studying in this language school were the following missionaries with their wives, and occasionally their children: W. T. Clark, Warren Hilliard, V. E. Kelstrom, R. S. Moore, Paul W. Nelson, H. B. Ludden, K. W. Tilghman, and Marvin Reeder.

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Institutes in Indonesia

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Beginning May 11 and June 1, three-week, teacher-training institutes were held in two of our Indonesia educational centers: Indonesia Union Seminary and North Celebes Training School. About fifty teachers-in-service and teachers-in-training took part in each of these concentrated periods of study. Classes in Methods and Techniques, School Organization and General Christian Education, with special emphasis on child growth and development in Seventh-day Adventist schools, were taught. Careful use of the teachers' guide *Penuntun Buat Guru-Guru Sekolah Renda* was made. New levels on the importance of Christian elementary education were reached for Indonesia. Many calls are coming in throughout the broadly scattered field for elementary church schools and if teachers and funds were available scores of schools would be opened immediately. Indonesia appreciates Christian education and it was a joy to teach people who wanted to learn.

Several contacts were made with local church groups, among which were Bandung, Gadobangkong, Surabaja, Tomohon, Ratahan and Makassar. Four of these places have successful church schools and plans are being laid to open schools soon in the other localities. Outstanding in this group of churches are Ratahan and Makassar. In Ratahan there has been a church school with about eighty-five children for many years. Here the first Seventh-day Adventists of the Minahasa area were baptized in 1923. These twenty-two souls have now increased to over six thousand souls but our church schools have not increased proportionately. In Makassar the newest church school in Indonesia has been an outstanding and successful addition to that church during the past year.

Yes, Christian education is on the march in Indonesia. I sympathize with workers who are not accustomed to thinking in terms of elementary education within the church budgets. It will be hard for them to understand the urgency of the situations and the times. But the Indonesia of today is going to rightfully demand and work for Christian Education.

"If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and if in the land of peace, . . . they wearied thee, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?" Jer. 12:5.

May God bless the schools, the children and the teachers, the students in training, the teachers of those in training, and the parents of the youth of Indonesia, that they be properly prepared with Christian characters, through Christian education, for the last great conflict and a home in heaven where we may all study under the Master Teacher, is my prayer.

A Visit to East Indonesia

BY A. M. BARTLETT

As the C-47 eased on to the runway at Kupang and the other passengers began loosening their seat belts, I was wondering how far it was into town; if there would be anyone to meet me, and if not, whether or not I could get a taxi. As I walked toward the station I could see that there were many people who had come to meet this plane. My eyes searched for Pastor Rantung, president of the South Celebes Mission which includes the island of Timor. At first I could not see him, but I noticed that the crowd had recognized one of the passengers, probably one of the military officers behind me, and was wildly waving their hands in welcome. Then I caught sight of Mr. Rantung, and after we had exchanged greetings he began introducing me to this group of people, for it was the young people's choir and all of the church officers of our progressive little church in Kupang, Timor, and they had all gathered to welcome me.

This was my first impression of our work in Timor, a feeling of welcome and warm-hearted friendship, as well as a feeling of energy and progress. This feeling grew into a firm conviction during the eight days that I stayed among our people and saw first hand the way the Lord is opening the way before us there. Fifteen months ago we had a little over a dozen members on the whole island of Timor. We might say it was still unentered territory except for our colporteur work. At the time of this writing there are more than eighty baptized church members and nearly 150 Sabbath school members. There are also about twenty people in the baptismal class preparing to be baptized in the month of August. By the beginning of the new year the membership should be well over one hundred. Compare this progress of over six hundred percent in fifteen months with our denominational goal of doubling our membership

in four years and you will see the possibilities for the spreading of the Message in this new field.

I went to Kupang to help in finding a suitable place for a new church building. When I arrived I could see that this is certainly a necessity. Our church services are now held in the home of our worker there, Brother Senduk. Just try to imagine crowding more than a hundred people, several times a week, into a small house about fifteen by twenty feet. In order to try to provide as nice a place as possible, Brother Senduk has torn out all of the partitions in his home. This helps the church but it does not make for him a nice home.

The brethren had already been searching for church property for some time before I arrived and there was a feeling of discouragement. Every piece that we wanted seemed to be unavailable. This was due, in part at least, to the prejudice of the Protestant (Lutheran) church. Nearly everyone in the city belongs to that faith, and they have determined to keep other churches out. We were searching for a lot near the center of town so that it would be easily accessible to our members who are widely scattered over the city.

After an earnest season of prayer, I joined the brethren as they resumed the search. We found many vacant lots in good locations, but always we found one of three answers. Either it was not for sale (to us), or the price was three or four times as much as it should be, or it belonged to some tribal chief who was out of town and could not be reached. However, we did contact a few men who seemed to be willing to help us. Two different men told us that they were willing to sell if their grown children would agree, and that we should wait a day or two for an answer. As the week wore away our hopes rose and fell several times, but it began to look more as though it were impossible to locate an Adventist church in the city of Kupang. Already the Salvation Army and the Pentecostals have been forced to establish their little churches outside the city limits. It looked as though we would have to do the same.

On Friday we received a written answer from one of the men who had seemed willing to help us. He had a very good lot in a nice location but he proposed to sell only half of it. This would be a piece only about fifty feet square and he was asking Rp. 30,000. This is just about five times the normal price, and besides this would be too small for our needs.

On Sabbath we had two very fine meetings, and we all united in prayer that the Lord would show us the way, for it was His work. I must confess that our spirits were a little low on Sunday morning. Our time was nearly gone. On Monday Brother Rantung was to leave for his home in Makassar and I had to leave on Tuesday. Of all our contacts only two had seemed somewhat favorable. Of these two, one had made us an impossible proposition, and the other had failed to answer at all. But man's extremity is God's opportunity. That afternoon at four o'clock we received a letter from the other man, a wealthy Chinese gentleman of the city. His letter

was a direct answer to our prayers, for he offered to sell us a lot which is about seventy-five feet wide by one hundred twenty feet long. This is located in the most favorable part of town. And the price? Just Rp. 10,000. This was a price that we could afford and the lot was adequate for our needs. That evening as the church gathered we had a thanksgiving service. Once again the Lord had fulfilled His promise in a very remarkable way.

Though our main purpose in being in Timor was the location of a new church, we also found time to visit a newly-formed company of seven believers up in the mountains, about seventy-five miles northeast of Kupang. There are no trains or rural bus lines on the island of Timor, so we arranged to ride up into the mountains in an open truck which went up for a load of oranges. It took us six hours to travel a distance which should have taken less than two hours, if we had had good roads. We rumbled along the dirt road, over barren hills, and through dry river beds, for it was during the dry season. Timor island does not sustain a large population, for it is made of coral rock which has not yet decomposed sufficiently to form good soil. There are no jungles and only a few trees are scattered about here and there. The land does grow an abundance of grass for cattle grazing and this is the chief industry of the island. The wild life consists of a few monkeys and many very beautiful birds. The streams, however, have many crocodiles. Once, as we approached one of these rivers, we caught sight of a half grown crocodile out on a sand bar having a sun bath. We were hot and dusty and the water in that river was clear and sparkling. I would have been tempted to ask the driver to wait a few minutes while we took a swim, if we had not seen the crocodile. Somehow, he spoiled my desire for swimming no matter how hot and dusty we were.

One of the most fascinating things to me was the villages through which we passed. The houses are made of grass or palm leaves, and the people do not wear any western style clothing. Most of these people are still heathen but they are beginning to awaken to the outside world. They want education, and are very easily reached by the gospel. We have many calls to teach and to preach to these needy people. It made my heart ache to see the great need, and realize the great possibilities for our work in Timor, and know that we do not have the teachers to send. Truly the harvest is ripe but the laborers are few.

Brother Senduk is very busy with his work in the city of Kupang but he has found time to visit some of the surrounding villages, too. In one village he held a public meeting, just one sermon, and now he has one family in that village who are requesting Bible studies and baptism. They are already keeping the Sabbath. Experiences such as this could be multiplied over and over again. Nor is Timor the only island which presents these great possibilities. A colporteur recently visited the small island of Roti, and he reports that there are seventeen people in one village on that island who have read their way

into the message and they are requesting that a worker come to instruct and baptize them and organize a church there. Farther to the west lies the tiny island of Sawu where there is also a wide interest in our work. The island of Sumba is a comparatively large island. Adventist literature has been sold there for years. Now they are asking for a worker to come. To the north is the Catholic island of Flores. There are opportunities for entering this difficult island also.

Truly the Lord is leading the way and the islands of east Indonesia are awake and awaiting the message we have to give—the wonderful news of a crucified, risen and soon-coming Saviour.

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The Philippine Sunday Blue Law

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On June 20, 1953, President Elpidio Quirino of the Philippine Republic approved a bill H. No. 2855, *An Act to Prohibit Labor On Sunday, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Holy Thursday and Good Friday*. This is another evidence that the prophecies of the Bible do not fail. The law provides that this shall take effect 90 days after its approval, i. e. in September of this year.

This law, which was introduced by Congressman Miguel Cuenco of Cebu and passed by both the Senate and the House of Representatives *without any public hearing*, provides:

“SECTION 1. Except as herein otherwise provided, no commercial, industrial or agricultural enterprise or establishment, including stores and shops of any kind, shall be open on any Sunday, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Holy Thursday, and Good Friday, from 12:00 midnight to 12 midnight, . . .

“SECTION 3. The following establishments and undertakings are excepted from the provisions of this Act: Hospitals, dispensaries, medical and dental clinics, drug stores, stevedoring and arrastre, public utilities, including loading and unloading cargoes, fishing and curing of fish, cattle raising and dairy, amusement enterprises, printing and sale of periodicals (refers to newspapers and not to books), government and private telecommunications, activity connected with the embalming and burial of persons, domestic service, driving vehicles, restaurants or eating and drinking establishments, markets, fairs, ‘talipapas’, ‘tiangues’, and ‘saods’ or ‘tabos’: provided, however, that no cockfighting, Jai Alai games, or horse racing shall be held or non-religious motion picture exhibitions of theatrical performances made on Holy Thursday and Good Friday. . . .

SECTION 8. Any violation of this Act of the rules and regulations issued thereunder shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred pesos or imprisonment of not more than one month, or both in the discretion of the court. If any violation of this Act is committed by an association or corporation, the manager or, in his default, the person acting as such when the violation took place shall be held criminally liable."

In the explanatory note of Congressman Cuenco, the sponsor of this Act, we find this statement:

"'Descanso dominical' is sound in principle and should be enforced in the Philippines. It is an acknowledgment of our faith in Almighty God and a recognition of our duties and obligations to Him. A Blue Sunday Law is in conformity with the religious tradition of the Filipino people, who solemnly proclaimed their faith in the existence of a Supreme Being in the preamble of our Constitution.

"Blue Sunday laws exist in the Protestant countries of the United States, Great Britain, and Germany, and in Catholic Belgium, Spain, and Latin American countries.

"Besides its religious aspect, a Blue Sunday law is necessary for the health and welfare of the worker. French medical science, whose outstanding exponents, Drs. Calmette and Guerin, are pioneers in the treatment of tuberculosis—they are the authors of BCG preventive formula—has recommended to a Labor Congress in Paris the adoption of a Blue Sunday law. According to French scientists, a worker needs one day in a week to breathe fresh air and replace the oxygen that the human body consumes.

"This one-day rest has also a wholesome family influence on the worker. It gives him a chance to stay with his wife and children. As it was aptly remarked by Fr. Canon Cardijn, an Australian laborite Catholic priest, in his pamphlet, 'The Hour of the Working Class,' page 10, 'Not only the length of work, but also Sunday work and night work broke up the family.'"

Regarding the Sunday question, Mrs. White writes: "To secure popularity and patronage, legislators will yield to the demand for Sunday laws." P. K., p. 606. "Though they blind their own eyes to the fact, they are now adopting a course which will lead to the persecution of those who conscientiously refuse to do what the rest of the Christian world are doing, and acknowledge the claims of the papal Sabbath." G. C., p. 592.

With the adoption of the Blue Sunday Law in the Philippines we are made to realize that the most momentous struggle of all the ages is just before us. We are made to understand that hard days and rough sailing are ahead of us. We hope that the brethren and sisters in this Division field will pray for us.

Detamore-Turner Campaign Ends

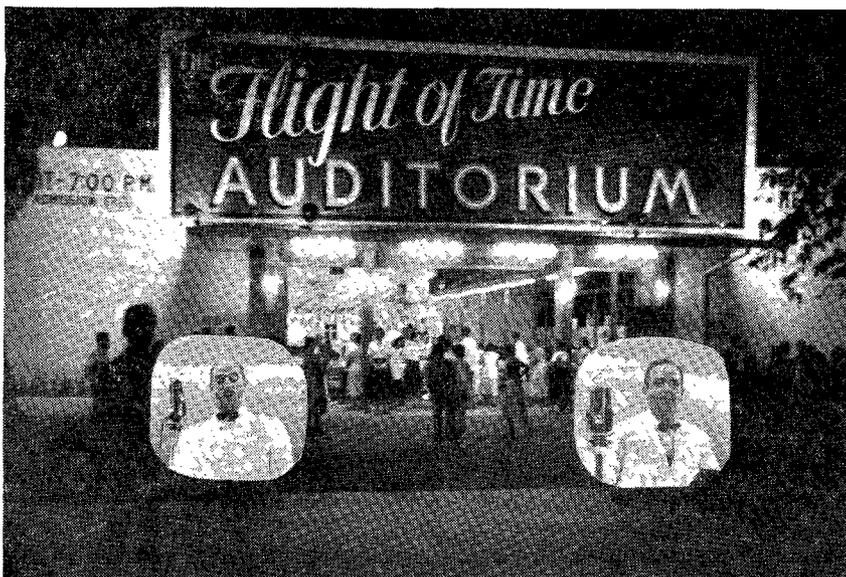
BY LAURENTINO E. GONZAGA

Four hundred and thirty-eight souls were baptized as a result, directly or indirectly, of the evangelistic meetings held in Manila by Pastors Fordyce W. Detamore and Raymond M. Turner. The meetings were held for a period of five months, beginning on January 11 and closing on June 7.

During the first two weeks of the campaign, meetings were held every night in the week. Beginning with the third week meetings were held on six nights of the week and later there were five meetings during the week and two on Sabbaths and Sundays. The Sabbath and Sunday meetings started the fifth week, and these lectures were translated into Tagalog. The Saturday evening hour was given over to special musical programs for the young people.

The average attendance on week days was between 300 and 400. At the Sunday afternoon and Sunday evening meetings there was an average attendance of about 3,500 people.

On the closing night of the evangelistic campaign



This Picture Was Taken From the Street in Front of the Flight of Time Auditorium. Inserts reveal the Faces of Pastors Detamore and Turner

MANILA, PHILIPPINES

there were 200 persons who took their stand for the truth and these are preparing for baptism. Due to this continued interest it was decided to extend the meetings for another six weeks. The meetings are now being conducted by Pastor Edwin Gibb, ministerial and radio secretary of the North Philippine Union, and Pastor Ambrocio Alcaraz, head of the department of evangelism of Philippine Union College.

Pastors Detamore and Turner attribute much of the success of this evangelistic campaign to the cooperation and faithfulness of the 25 workers who were sent by the different missions of the union to assist in the campaign.

Five Hundred and Forty-three Souls Baptized in Manila

BY L. E. GONZAGA

When the six-week-extension meetings came to a close last July 19, 105 souls were added to the 438 who were already baptized, making a total of 543 as the result of the Detamore-Turner campaign at the Flight of Time Auditorium in Manila.

The six weeks' campaign started June 10 and was conducted by Pastors Edwin Gibb, ministerial and radio secretary of North Philippine Union Mission, and Ambrocio Alcaraz, head of the department of evangelism at Philippine Union College. The meetings were held from Wednesday to Sunday. Pastor Gibb spoke in English on Wednesday, Friday, Sabbath, and Sunday nights, while Pastor Alcaraz spoke in Tagalog on Thursday nights, and on Sabbath and Sunday afternoons.

During the last two meetings, held July 17 and 18, there were twenty-one more souls who gave their hearts to Jesus. Since July 22, these people who made their surrender and are not yet baptized have been continuing their Bible studies every Wednesday night in the churches nearest to their residence. Pastors Gibb and Alcaraz were assisted by the field workers of Central Luzon Mission.

Governor Constantino Is Guest Speaker

BY M. L. STAGA, *Evangelist*

Governor Vincenter Constantino of Quezon Province, Philippines, addressed more than a thousand people at the time of the eighth conference session of the South-Central Luzon Mission, which session was held in April of 1953.

In his address, the Governor said that he was happy to greet the delegates who had gathered from the five provinces which comprise the South-Central Luzon Mission. He made it plain that although he is a Catholic he does not turn down any invitation from any sect but he is happy to attend the services of other churches. All people are created equal and

therefore we ought to love one another whatever faith we may hold. He emphasized the thought that wherever we are, whatever we are doing—even the resolutions we make in our individual lives—God sees and knows it all. From the spirit of his talk, we could but feel that he believes in religious liberty and that this will make every individual a good and law-abiding citizen of his country.

Following the Governor's address, short talks were given by M. P. Arevalo, Sabbath school and home missionary secretary of the mission, and by J. Cristobal, Religious Liberty secretary of the North Philippine Union Mission. Both of these men spoke words of praise for Governor Constantino and his belief in democracy and religious freedom. May God bless our Governor to the end that religious liberty may always be granted, not only in this province, but throughout the Philippine archipelago and other sections of the world.

Won Through Ingathering Contact

BY J. O. BAUTISTA

President, Central Luzon Mission

During the 1951 Ingathering campaign, one of our workers, in company with some church members, worked in Sta. Maria, a barrio of Castillejos, Zambales, a place where as yet we had no believers. There is a small, neat chapel of the Disciples of Christ Church in that place, but there was no pastor in charge at that time. After making contacts with the members of the church and winning their confidence, our worker offered to preach to their congregation every Sunday, with the understanding that he would not dwell on controversial subjects. To this the members agreed and permitted our worker to preach to them.

This worker preached in the church for eight consecutive Sundays. The members readily recognized our grasp of Bible truths as a people by the way our worker presented the message, but they wondered why we do not see any light in keeping Sunday as the day of rest as they do. The members approached him one day and asked him about this. Our worker saw in this a good opportunity to preach to them our doctrines and beliefs, but he thought it not wise to present the subjects in their chapel, so he made arrangements to hold some meetings in a certain house.

As a result of the meetings, one woman, Angela F. Cueno, became very much interested in the truth, Once convinced that this was the truth for these last days, she proposed to the rest of the members that they all accept the new faith they had found and convert their chapel into a Seventh-day Adventist church, but she was opposed in the move by other members.

Realizing that the situation had reached serious proportions, the Sunday school superintendent reported the matter to the district pastor, who was

then located at Olongapo. The following Sunday the district pastor came. In his sermon he attacked the Seventh-day Adventists and advised his members not to allow our worker to preach in their church again.

Our worker continued to visit the interested woman and answered all the objections and attacks made against Seventh-day Adventism. Several months later, Sister Cueno and her daughter were baptized and joined the Adventist Church. They are our first members in that community. Other people have become interested since then, and a plan is on foot to hold an evangelistic effort in that place in the near future.

Like every other activity carried on by our church, soul-winning is the primary objective in conducting the Ingathering campaign. To those who engage in this work, the following admonition has been given by the messenger of the Lord: "Let those who have special aptitude, work for unbelievers in the high places as in the low places of life. Search diligently for perishing souls. Oh, think of the yearning desire Christ has to bring to His fold again those who have gone astray! Watch for souls as they that must give an account." *Christian Service*, page 169. Let us always bear this in mind as we take part in this year's campaign.



Pastor J. Tangunan (Center) and Sister Angela F. Cueno (left) and Her Children

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Evangelistic Meetings in Borneo

By C. H. KANG, *Evangelist*

In Jesselton on a hillside by the South Road overlooking the town and the sea and half hidden by the tall trees stands an atap bungalow with sagging floor and leaky roof. This building has a seating capacity of 105 and it was once the residence of the chief of police but now it is the home of our pastor and also the temporary home of the Seventh-day Adventist church. Unfortunately the road that leads to this church was cut off by the government in their plans for rebuilding the town. This means that the people attending our church have to cross over a field lying between the road and the church. For this reason it is very inconvenient to get to the church, especially at night. But our members feel that even this is ten times better than when they met in an old garage on another still higher hill which was so very difficult to reach.

The town of Jesselton, though the capital of North Borneo, has a small and mixed population of about 4,000. The Chinese make up the majority of the population and they speak the Hakka dialect. In their business the language used is either Cantonese or Malay. As it pertains to the religious beliefs of these people, most of them are Christians, either Anglicans, Catholics, Adventists, True Jesus, or they are members of the Basil Mission, who are the pioneers. The Islams and the Buddhists are in the minority. Recently the Watch Tower people came to Jesselton to promulgate their religion by seeking subscriptions for their periodicals. However, Christians in Borneo do not have the liberty that we find elsewhere in our field. Permission to do missionary work is given by the government upon the request of a mission and when once territory has been assigned to said mission no one else is to enter this territory except by permission of the government. Not long ago the Christian Alliance people were refused permission to establish their mission in Jesselton.

Our Seventh-day Adventist church has a membership of 30 and this congregation is made up largely of Chinese. There are a few Indonesians, Dusans, and Ceylonese.

The secretary-treasurer, Phang Tan Ching, translates with ease from the Chinese into the Malay, the next best-known language. It was decided that an effort should be held and meetings were held every Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday night for six weeks. The subjects presented were the prophecies of the Bible. Chairs were ordered to fill the half-furnished chapel, charts to decorate the walls were obtained,

an announcement of the meetings, painted in large letters on cloth, was displayed, handbills were printed and distributed, and temporary electric lights were installed on our road by the electric department free of charge, all of which helped to make the place as inviting as possible.

The meetings began on April 10. The attendance did not fill the church on the first night but as the meetings continued the little chapel gradually filled up. However, when the Sabbath truths were presented the attendance dropped to 40 or even less. During the course of the effort, two of our translators had to undergo surgery. In spite of what seemed to be hindrances, we were much encouraged by the regular attendance of several Catholics and Anglicans. The boarding students at St. Andrews school even stole away at night to attend our meetings, although their principal told them that it is not necessary to keep the Sabbath day. One young man, the son of the translator in the Anglican church, came every night with his Bible and writing pad and throughout the entire series he always sat near the front of the chapel.

An architect from Hong Kong was present every night with two exceptions. For more than 20 years he had been a smoker and drinker. He remained after the service one night and told us that we have the truth and were it not for his evil habits he would accept our teachings. We advised him to take this to the Lord in prayer for with God nothing is impossible. A week went by and then he told us that he had quit smoking and drinking. He furthermore was arranging with his boss to keep the Sabbath and when that had been worked out he wanted to be baptized. He hoped to persuade his wife, who was in Hong Kong, to be baptized also. He donated M\$100 to the expense of the effort.

Pastor H. S. Leong is continuing the effort in Jesselton. By means of Bible studies he hopes to prepare ten souls for baptism. It is hoped that when a better church has been built on a lower level of land, which will mean that the folks coming to the meetings will not be drenched with perspiration and tired out upon arrival, another effort can be held. May the Lord bless this church with more and stronger members.

Can It Be Cured?

By F. N. CRIDER, M.D., *Director,*
Bhuket Mission Clinic

About a month ago a woman brought to our mission clinic here in Bhuket a little child, about one and a half years old, who had a huge tumor where the eye should have been. She gave a simple, straightforward story of tumor growth for three months, destroying the eye in spite of all types of local drug applications and injections given by the local practitioner. Her question, "Can it be cured?" made me wish that she knew Jesus and that I knew Him better. I told her it was a malignant growth which could not possibly be cured by medicine, sur-

gery or radiation. (We had had a similar case die only four or five months prior to this, after being sent to Bangkok for radiation). However, I told her that God could cure her child if she could have the faith to believe. I suggested prayer and the removal of the tumor to make the child more comfortable. The mother said she would return the next day.

To our surprise she did return the next day and we removed the tumor. Erosion of the bone showed that it had already extended through the orbit. The child convalesced satisfactorily and was released shortly afterwards from the hospital.

On a subsequent visit, the mother said, "How can you say my child is going to die when it looks as if she is completely cured?"

I responded by saying that we said it because of others like her little girl who all died, and because the book says they will die.

She then said, "Have you ever seen a cancer this late cured?"

I answered, "Yes, I have, but not by medicine or surgery." I told her again not to seek quack cures but to pray to God who still could save her child if she herself would use faith.

After I had gone she told my translator the following story:

"I came to Bhuket from Pungah because the doctors there said they could not cure the 'abscess.' I saw Dr. X here who said it was lucky I had come to his office since he could cure it although other doctors could not. If I doubted I should go and ask other doctors if they could cure my child completely. He said he would undertake the case for Tes. 3,500.00. I returned home to raise the money but managed to get only Tes. 2,500.00.

"On my way back to town next day, I heard of another baby with a bad eye who went to the Mission hospital and had had surgery. I determined to go and see at once. I sent a relative on to Dr. X's office to tell him I could only raise Tes. 2,500.00. I brought the baby here—surgery, medicine, hospitalization and all cost less than Tes. 700.00. Even if my baby dies I will know that the doctor told me the truth."

Truth really is convincing. Our main problem is to reach people with the truth, and in this the medical practitioner has a decided advantage over all others. People actually come to him seeking truth! And he can give spiritual truth as well as the other for which they are seeking.

The Bible tells us, "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." And there is no doubting our own experience either when we see them die the first death, at least. There is no getting around this law any more than there is a diagnosis for cancer. I am happy to say, along with Paul, that a way of escape has been prepared for us. Jesus has made it possible for us to get around that dread disease of the spiritual realm. Exercise of faith is necessary in both types of incurable disease.



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CALLED AND CHOSEN

Within the past few weeks a large number of young people have joined the ranks of our overseas personnel in the Far Eastern Division. Some of these are casting their lots with us for the first time while others are returning from well-earned furloughs in the homeland. Before listing these new arrivals, we want to extend to them a sincere welcome to our field and we hope and pray that they may have a pleasant and profitable sojourn among us.

Doctor and Mrs. Raymond H. Barker and three children are now located on Guam where Dr. Barker will be in charge of our medical work. Plans are on foot for the erection of a hospital on Guam but

for the present a clinic will be operated in connection with our mission headquarters in Agana, Guam.

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Kiger and two children are awaiting permission to enter Korea where they will connect with the Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital. Mrs. Kiger and the children have temporarily located in Tokyo but ere this we are confident that Doctor Kiger has begun his duties at the Seoul institution.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Fisher and young son arrived in Manila the 16th of August. Their coming has been long anticipated at Philippine Union College for they are to head the music department. In a letter just received from Dr. R. G. Manalaysay he has this to say, "We are so happy to have the Fishers with us. What a blessing to have two well-qualified music teachers."

Our publishing house in Manila has long been without a manager. This vacancy has been filled by V. D. Dortch who arrived with his family a few weeks ago.

K. Tilstra, who formerly served as president of the Indonesia Union Mission, has returned to our Division from Holland and he has already assumed his duties as president of the West New Guinea Mission. This mission is under the direction of the Far Eastern Division.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Larson and three children have arrived in Bangkok where Brother Larson is to assist temporarily in the administration of the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital. Later the Larson family will connect with Mountain View College where Brother Larson will serve as mechanical and electrical engineer.

After waiting for many months for a visa for Indonesia, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Benzinger have at last arrived in Bandung, Java. They will connect with the faculty of Indonesia Union Seminary.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Shull have arrived in Seoul, Korea, and Brother Shull is the new president of the Korean Union Training School.

Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Mitchell and family have returned to Korea and Brother Mitchell will resume his work as head of the industrial department of Korean Union Training School.

Japan Missionary College has a new head for the Bible department in the person of Thomas H. Blincoe who arrived in Japan recently with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Evans have located in Agana, Guam, where Brother Evans will do self-supporting colporteur work and Mrs. Evans will teach in one of the church schools in that mission.

Miss Wilma Leazer has returned to our field after a year in the homeland. She was formerly the director of the School of Nursing in Bangkok but this time her duties call her to the Bandung Mission Hospital where she will be the superintendent of nurses and director of the School of Nursing.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Eldridge have returned to Tokyo to resume their work in the Radio department and the Voice of Prophecy Bible School. They report a pleasant but busy furlough period.

Dr. A. N. Nelson is now located in Tokyo where he is serving as secretary of the Japan Union Mission. Mrs. Nelson was not able to return with Dr. Nelson due to the severe illness of her mother. She hopes to join her husband soon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Anderson and their two children have returned from furlough and they are now located in Bandung. Brother Anderson is to serve as builder for the Indonesia Union Mission.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wallace have returned to Saigon after a prolonged furlough in the States, due to the illness of Brother Wallace's father.

And last but not the least, we must mention two brand new arrivals in the persons of:

Glenn Gordon Wolcott who arrived at the Youngberg Memorial Hospital on August 19, 1953 and later took up his abode with Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wolcott on the Malayan Union Compound.

On the same day but at a different institution, little Carol Alice Ludington made her appearance at the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital. She has now taken her place in the family group of Dr. and Mrs. Ludington. We extend congratulations to the Wolcott and Ludington families.

-C. P. SORENSEN