



If We Faint Not

The interest aroused by a Harvest Ingathering visit may result in winning a soul to Christ if it is wisely and patiently followed up. Too often we put off the follow-up work until the interest has faded out; or, which is far worse, we neglect to do any follow-up work at all. If there are interested people to visit or to whom literature should be sent, *do it at once*. Do not put it off till some more convenient day.

We have a wide variety of truth-filled literature in many languages and covering many subjects. Secure some at once, if none is in hand, and begin to inform the interested people you have found concerning the truth for

these last days. Try a subscription to the *Signs of the Times* or "Present Truth." The *Signs of the Times* is well adapted to "follow-up" work, and many are using this pioneer missionary paper in developing interests found during the Ingathering campaign. November 21 to December 4 is the time of the annual *Signs of the Times* campaign, and every believer and every church should subscribe for a club of these missionary periodicals to use in their fall and winter missionary work.

J. A. Stevens, *General Secretary,*
Home Missionary Department, General
Conference of S. D. A.

When you have prayed and studied over the matter of your part in the *Signs* work, then come prepared to lift definitely when the *Signs* is presented in your church. The returns in souls will amply repay you for your investment.

THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS

1. The Tragedy in the Kraal
The Spirit of Missions! This is a wonderful heading. It isn't the mission, it isn't the Mission Board, it isn't the missionary, and it isn't the mission funds that are to accomplish anything, but the important factor is the spirit that is behind it all.

To the question, "What is the spirit of missions?" we can give only one answer: "The love of Christ." Wherever this love of Christ constrains the heart of one who has been sent out to a foreign field, he is bound to have success. Some people think they must bring *culture* and *civilization* to, say, the Negroes of Africa; but that isn't what they need. If a missionary comes to study their philosophy, their proverbs, their laws and so forth, he must acknowledge that in many ways the so-called "wilds" are not wild at all, but in some things even in advance of us; and certainly it does not make them any poorer to know nothing of poisonous gas, and terrible bombs, and repeating rifles, and machine guns, and so forth. *What those folks do need, however, is the love of Christ.*

Come with me to one of the native huts in East Africa. It will take you some time to become accustomed to the smoke so that you can see through the haze in the room. By and by, you will be able to distinguish a female figure on a cowhide spread on the floor. You will see many men and women standing around and looking either excited or sad. What is the matter? What is going on in this little heathen hut?

Let me tell you. This young woman has just given birth to twins. Now, to some tribes in East Africa, twins are a sign that the spirits are planning evil for them, and the only way to appease them is to kill the babies. And they

WANTS SIGNS SENT TO EVERY ONE

In a letter recently received from a woman in Arkansas, is found this paragraph: "I always get so much help from the *Signs of the Times*, and it was through its pages that I have been truly converted; and if I were able, I would send it six months to everybody in the world I know."

This letter is typical of those constantly coming into the *Signs* office. For more than 53 years such letters have been coming. Eld r Spicer well declares that "*The Signs of the Times* from of old has been one of the institutions of the Advent Movement."

Now comes the time for the annual appeal in behalf of this great institution. November 21 to December 4 is the time set apart by the Fall Council for the renewing and enlarging of the *Signs* work in every church. If you have not already received a copy of the attractive circular giving the prominent features for the 1927 *Signs*, your church missionary secretary will be giving you one within a Sabbath or two. We want you to read this over care-

fully and then think and pray over the matter of just what you ought to do individually to give the *Signs* a wider distribution than ever before, because the more *Signs* that go out the more souls that come in. You will have relatives and friends to whom you will want the *Signs* mailed. Then you will want to have a part in the church club which will be raised to care for the wants of the correspondence band and for distribution in hospitals and in reading racks, etc. Then there are always opportunities to use the *Signs* right among your neighbors and to hand to agents and tradesmen as they call at your door. Every Adventist home can profitably use a club of at least 5 *Signs* right in the neighborhood, and to hand out at the door.

And when you hand the *Signs* to someone, you can not tell how far its usefulness may extend. One sister writes us: "I am giving a *Signs* to an outsider, who reads it and passes it to her sister-in-law, and she in turn gives it to her nephew, who works on a boat. After he is through with it, he passes it on; so I really don't know how far that *Signs* goes."

do it. Here is a woman bringing a wooden mortar filled with water, and another one reaches out for the newborn babes, lying there in peaceful sleep, and lowers them into the water headfirst, until all signs of life have disappeared. Look at the tears that roll down the cheeks of the poor black woman, and listen to the sympathetic cries coming from the mouths of those witnessing the scene! What does it all indicate? It is the modern Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us." Tell us the story of the love of Christ, of that love that is the spirit of missions." E. Kotz.

CUMBERLAND

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AMONG THE CHURCHES

Sabbath, November 6, I preached at Lenoir City, and Sunday morning a number of the members got out in the Harvest Ingathering work. When I returned at noon there was a long distance 'phone message, asking me to come to Greeneville, as Sister Rozek was not expected to live. I was expected to preach at Lenoir City Sunday night, but as the meeting had not been widely advertised, I felt that the brethren there could take care of the situation, and I left for Greeneville.

I found Brother and Sister Rozek sick with tuberculosis. Sister Rozek seemed very low. Before anointing her with oil, the reconciliation of some of the members of the church, who were present, was effected. We felt that the Spirit of the Lord drew near, and we then anointed Sister Rozek with oil. When I left, she said she was feeling much better, and was very grateful that I had come.

R. I. Keate.

A PROFITABLE TRIP

Recently I returned from a trip through the northern part of the conference. I accomplished a two-fold purpose on this trip. I took a company of Graysville folks on the trip, and in a few days of actual work they gathered \$100. I stopped over night in Greeneville, where I had an interesting visit with Dr. Coolidge. He now has plans under way there for the erection of a fine sanitarium building. We believe

that this will be a real strength to the work in this conference, and very much so to Greeneville.

We stopped at Johnson City, working some on the streets at night, and a little in the morning. Sabbath I spoke at both the Johnson City and Bristol churches, and then returned, taking the folks back to Graysville, where I spent the night with Elder Watts, getting acquainted at the Academy.

The Harvest Ingathering outlook is very encouraging. If the response continues as good as it seems at present, there is no reason why the conference cannot reach its goal, and we certainly do want to see every church on the Honor Roll.

R. I. Keate.

CUMBERLAND NOTES

Sisters R. O. Terry and Alberta Rutledge are having good experiences in the Harvest Ingathering. At one place they received a \$5 donation, and before leaving this home they had a word of prayer, asking God's blessing on the offering, and for the family.

Mrs. Oliver, of Trenton, Georgia, who is much interested in the truth, invited Sister Terry to visit her and solicit Harvest Ingathering while there. While visiting Mrs. Oliver a short time ago, a neighbor was called in to hear Sister Terry give a Bible study on the nature of man. The interest is growing.

Dr. L. E. Coolidge and Brother V. R. Bottomley took turn about calling on business men of Greeneville in company with Brother H. W. Barto. There was a ready response and \$63 was received for Harvest Ingathering.

Mrs. Ada Woolsey, of Greeneville church, raised her Harvest Ingathering in just a few hours, calling on her special friends.

Elder Webster writes as follows concerning the work in Chattanooga: "We baptized thirteen Sabbath, and there are several others who will be ready for baptism in a few weeks. We hope soon to begin repainting the interior of the church, and then install our new pews."

The colporteurs will be interested in knowing that a man, not an Adventist, who became acquainted with two of our old colporteurs in Georgia, has recently begun paying tithe to this conference office. In writing to us he asked for the address of the colporteurs. One of them is now dead.

Brother Barto has just returned from a brief trip to Greeneville in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering work.

The church will reach their goal next week.

Miss Florence Webb, of the union office, was a caller in Knoxville over the week end.

Brother J. S. Jameson has gone to the eastern part of the conference with Brother Davis, where they will canvass for Daniel and Revelation.

Brother Sorrells has just moved his family to Knoxville, where he will do colporteur work during the winter.

Elder Keate spent several days this week with four of the Graysville young people on a Harvest Ingathering trip. They visited towns between Knoxville and Bristol, and received over \$100.

Remember that the week, November 14 to 20, is a time of special sacrifice for our mission work. Can't we make a special offering on Sabbath of that week?

The conference Harvest Ingathering total at this writing is \$5,500. This has been raised in six weeks. The prospects are good, and our goal of ten thousand dollars should be reached soon.

Another little boy has come to gladden the home of Brother and Sister James Hickman. He is now three weeks old.

Remember the Week of Sacrifice. All the conference workers have been asked to give their week's salary, and we are urgently requesting all the members who possibly can to do likewise, and everyone to make a real sacrifice this week for the cause of missions.

Our brethren in Washington feel that at the next session of Congress there will be one of the hardest fights ever made to have a Sunday law passed for the District of Columbia. We should take advantage of this present time to educate the people on the principles of religious liberty. To help do this, "Present Truth" has gotten out a special number, and is offering special prices. Every church should be organized for a systematic distribution of this special number. Plan to do your part.

Program material has been sent out to all the Sabbath school superintendents for Investment Day, November 27. How will you respond when the time comes to gather in the Investment Fund? There is time, even yet, to invest something that will bring in returns for the increase of the Sabbath school offerings. Plan for it at once.

The Harvest Ingathering is moving forward encouragingly. If every member would take hold to put his church over the goal, we could soon finish the campaign. This will mean great things to the cause of God, and He is expecting us to do our best.

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 ++ Plan now for Investment Day, ++
 ++ November 27. ++
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NOTICE—"PRESENT TRUTH" EXTRA

As a people we are facing a most serious situation. The Sunday law forces are determined to pass most drastic Sunday laws when Congress meets in December.

It is now up to our people to cooperate with our leaders at Washington by giving the "Sunday Law Extra" of "Present Truth," an unusually wide circulation. May our people fully realize the seriousness of the issue before us.

It is necessary for our people to do something out of the ordinary to circulate widely this splendid number of "Present Truth." We never faced a situation like this before. The climax seems to be right upon us. It is not a bit too early to plan now for a big order. The rate is only \$6.50 a thousand. Order from the Book and Bible House.

H. W. Barto.

COLPORTEUR EXPERIENCE

The Lord surely has blessed me this week. The rain and other things hindered me from getting in as much time, but I had the best success I have had in some time. Several of the orders are from people who bought it because it was an Adventist book. A prominent preacher in charge of an orphanage ordered the book without a canvass, as soon as he saw it was published by our people.

A lady who ordered "Great Controversy" because it was an Adventist book said, "The Adventists put out the most interesting literature. I like to read their books, they make things so plain."

C. F. Dart.

GEORGIA

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A SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER SABBATH, NOV. 27

The present situation in Georgia is such that I feel that special attention should be given to the following quotations:

"The world is to receive the light of truth through an evangelizing ministry of the Word in our books and periodicals. Our publications are to show that the end of all things is at hand."

"Canvassers are needed to take up the work of carrying these silent messengers of truth to the people; canvassers who feel a burden for souls, and who can speak words in season to those who are seeking for light. . . You may not be able to preach, but you can be an evangelist, ministering to the needs of those with whom you come in contact. You can be God's helping hand."

"God calls upon His people to act like living men, and not be indolent, sluggish and indifferent. We must carry the publications to the people, and urge them to accept."

"Church members, awake to the importance of the circulation of our literature, and devote some time to this work. Place in the homes of the people papers, tracts and books that will preach the gospel in its several lines. There is no time to be lost. Let many give themselves willingly and unselfishly to the canvassing work, and thus help to sound a warning that is greatly needed. When the church takes up her appointed work, she will go forth 'fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners.'"

These are only a few of the many appeals made to us by the spirit of prophecy setting forth the duty and privilege now resting upon us in the Georgia Conference. Our colporteur work is now far below what it should be, both in the number of books sold, and also in the number of souls won to the truth. Books can be sold here, for the last report in the *Review* shows that Georgia stands at the very top of the list in sales per hour. But we need more colporteurs in the field. With more than 100 counties in which there is not a single Seventh-day Adventist living, it is evident that here is a great and needy field for the consecrated colporteur.

Somewhere in our churches there are men and women whom God is calling to this great work. Those who respond and go out, trusting in God, will receive the special help of heavenly angels. Soon our way will be hedged up so that it will be far more difficult to reach the people than it is now. Soon probation will close and we will never have another chance to work for these souls.

The seriousness of the situation has been pressing very heavily upon our hearts, and at our last committee meeting the matter received special attention. It was voted to appoint a special time for prayer for our colporteur work. Sabbath, November 27, was chosen as the day when in all our churches in Georgia the needs of our colporteur work are to be presented and special prayers offered in its behalf. Let all pray most earnestly that God will raise up more laborers for this branch of His work in Georgia. Also pray that soul-winning power may be given our colporteurs that there may be a great ingathering of souls as the result.

B. F. Kneeland.

GEORGIA NOTES

A letter received from Elder W. H. Winston of the Second Savannah church, says, "You can count on us. We have set our goal at \$500. Our young people's band pledge themselves to stay on the firing line until the church and conference goals are reached. The school children, under the enthusiastic leadership of their teacher, have set their goal at \$50. Up to date they have raised \$38.26 of that amount, and say they are glad when the time comes to go out soliciting. Pray for us, for we are coming. Look out for Savannah No. 2!" Fine! We appreciate the way this church is taking hold of this work.

Last week, four solicitors from the First Atlanta church went out in the Ingathering, and in a few hours brought back over \$40.

Word from Brother Mulholland says he is having good success at the various places he is visiting in the interest of the Ingathering, and some wonderful experiences every day. Elder Kneeland left Monday morning to join Brother Mulholland on this trip through southern Georgia.

The Week of Sacrifice has been set this year for Nov. 14-20. A blessing is in store for all who take part in this Sacrifice.

Are you a reader of the *Review and Herald*? If not, it is not possible for you to keep pace with the rapid advancement of our work in all lands.

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"The 1927 Signs Program will reach The CLIMAX to You



ELDER SPICER, after examining the 1927 "Signs" program, sent this stirring and encouraging telegram from the Fall Council:

"The features planned for the 1927 Signs will give the whole, round message that will make Sabbath keepers. The Council voted earnest coöperation far and wide, calling on every church to make a special effort, with the Home Missionary Department leading. The time was never riper for this missionary agency. We are with you for a greatly increased circulation, which will mean a great ingathering of souls."



the message for these last days. What better literature can be used than the "Signs of the Times"? It is adapted to every phase of evangelism. As I visit churches and homes everywhere, I find the "Signs of the Times" being used in tent and hall efforts, in house-to-house work, by missionary correspondence bands, and in personal work through the mails. Surely it ought to have a far wider field of opportunity than it now has to turn people to God, and I hope the coming campaign, November 21 to December 4, will result in greatly increasing its circulation.

NOW comes the climax to the year's missionary program—the Signs Campaign. At the recent Fall Council it was decided that no more fortunate time in the year could be found for the renewing and enlarging of the Signs work in all the churches than immediately at the close of the Harvest Ingathering. The campaign date was therefore set for November 21 to December 4. For two or three months we as a people have been visiting tens of thousands of homes in America. And during this time we have been more deeply impressed than ever before with the fact that many are willing and anxious to hear more about our message for these days. We have been convinced that if we are to succeed in persuading men to give of their lives as well as of their means to this message, some very definite, systematic missionary work must be done. How tragic it would be to fail to build upon the missionary spirit that has been generated and the interests that have been discovered! We do no violence to the scripture when we declare that "now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." Now is the acceptable time in which to develop a strong missionary follow-up work, and now is the day of salvation for multitudes whose hearts have been troubled over world conditions.

BE READY WHEN THE APPEAL IS MADE

Within the next two or three Sabbath days your pastor or local elder will be presenting the Signs appeal in your church. At that time your church missionary secretary will place in your hands a circular giving further Signs information, and also an order blank. Between now and then, why not jot down the names and addresses of interested persons to whom you will be the "silent preacher" to go during 1927? There will be persons you have met during Harvest Ingathering, there will be relatives and friends, and there will be neighbors. For those at a distance, you will probably want

WAYS TO USE

1. To agents and tradesmen calling your door.
2. To neighbors and friends in your community.
3. To relatives and friends.
4. To interested persons you meet on any trip.
5. To Harvest Ingathering interests.
6. For Correspondence Band: To interested ones found by tracts and other small literature, etc.

General Conference Home Mis

THE time is ripe for a great harvest of souls, and every believer is a potential soul winner. Armed with truth-filled literature, anyone can win some one to

Certainly it is little enough to expect that every member will take a club for missionary work. The fact that many churches and even some conferences are above this average circulation indicates that it is a reasonable goal; let's make it unanimous! We consider the "Signs of the Times" denominational pioneer missionary periodical, and it pioneered the message in many lands even as it is pioneering the way into homes and hearts here in the homeland. Invest in a club of "Signs" so that others may investigate the truth, is my advice to all who want to get the largest return from the smallest outlay.

J. A. Stevens, General Secretary,
Home Missionary Department,
General Conference.

"Invest in a club of SIGNS, is my advice to all who want to"

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR SOUTHEASTERN UNION

COLPORTEUR Book Mes. Hrs. Ord. Value Mes. Helps Total D. I.

CUMBERLAND, WEEK ENDING OCT. 30. Jas. Hickman, *Field Secretary*

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| G. B. Case | BFL | | 16 | | | | 26.50 |
| Mrs. G. B. Case | BFL | | 16 | | | | 81.00 |
| C. F. Dart | GC | 36 | 13 | 62.50 | | 33.75 | 96.25 |
| H. H. Guffey | BML | 40 | 19 | 20.00 | | 13.00 | 33.00 |
| C. H. Spurgeon | HW | 32 | 11 | 44.00 | | 5.25 | 49.25 |
| C. B. Sorrells | BFL | | 16 | | | | 83.00 |
| R. L. Underwood | GC | | 36 | | | | 84.25 |
| C. W. Watkins | BFL | 41 | 8 | 24.00 | | 16.50 | 40.50 |
| <i>Colored</i> | | | | | | | |
| S. Alexander | BFL | | 24 | 7 | 21.00 | | 21.00 |

TOTALS 257 49 171.50 58.50 240.00 296.90

CUMBERLAND, WEEK ENDING NOV. 6. Jas. Hickman, *Field Secretary*

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| C. F. Dart | GC | 32 | 9 | 44.50 | | 25.75 | 70.25 |
| W. P. Davis (2) | DR | 72 | 8 | 45.00 | | 53.50 | 98.50 |
| Ernest Easley | GC | | 97 | | | | 101.25 |
| H. H. Guffey | BML | 43 | 5 | 10.00 | | 2.00 | 12.00 |
| J. S. Jameson (2) | DR | 72 | 8 | 46.00 | | 17.25 | 63.25 |
| Lloyd Killen | DR | 14 | 5 | 27.50 | | 10.00 | 37.50 |
| C. H. Spurgeon | HW | 28 | 11 | 49.00 | | 1.25 | 50.25 |
| R. L. Underwood | GC | | 36 | | | | 75.50 |
| C. W. Watkins | BFL | | 44 | | | | 167.25 |

TOTALS 438 48 222.00 109.75 331.75 407.75

CAROLINA, WEEK ENDING NOV. 6. F. Meister, *Field Secretary*

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| J. J. Burdine | PP | | 40 | | | | 178.50 |
| D. A. Reed | OD W | | 72 | | | | 35.25 |
| Mrs. J. P. Utley | | | 20 | | | 14.00 | 14.00 |
| J. P. Utley | BFL | 17 | 1 | 3.00 | | 11.00 | 14.00 |
| W. H. White | GC W | 60 | 19 | 11.80 | 12.25 | | 130.75 |
| W. B. Wynn | OD | 41 | 17 | 69.25 | 35.00 | 22.25 | 126.50 |

TOTALS 250 37 190.75 47.25 285.25 561.70

GEORGIA, WEEK ENDING NOV. 6. A. Priest, *Field Secretary*

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| M. F. Pirkle | BR | 35 | 27 | 151.00 | | 3.75 | 154.75 |
| W. E. Bailey | BR | 31 | 20 | 99.50 | | 28.50 | 128.00 |
| W. E. Bailey | BF | 40 | 19 | 104.00 | | 44.00 | 148.00 |

Colored

J. B. Williams (3) OD 75 38 113.00 113.00 17.50

TOTALS 181 104 467.50 76.25 543.75 39.00

UNION GRAND TOTALS 1126 236 1051.75 47.25 291.75 1400.75 1301.35

This paper should be in every S. D. A. home. By sending \$3 with your order, you can get the "big three,"—*Review and Herald*, *Life and Health*, and *Liberty*.

W. H. Lyon, pastor of the First S. D. A. Church of Columbus, sends the following very interesting experience: "A few days ago, Brother McGlaum and I dropped into a little town that seemed so small one would hardly think it worth while to solicit. But we stopped at the gin that was running, and got acquainted with the owner who, after making a good many excuses

about not being able to give very much, gave us \$5. We then walked over to a near-by store, and explained our mission there. After a few minutes, we walked away with another \$5. The latter donor made the remark, as he handed us the money, 'A man who wouldn't give to a cause like that surely wouldn't have much heart.'"

The *Review and Herald*, our splendid church paper, is loaded with good things, and should be in every S. D. A. home. Don't fail to subscribe for it for the year 1927. Price \$2.75 for the

year, or the club of the big three, including *Review & Herald*, *Life & Health* and *Liberty*, for only \$3.

Brother L. D. Randall returned this week from Orlando, Florida, where he has been attending the Florida camp-meeting.

The Thirteenth Sabbath offering for the close of this quarter will go to the work in China. In order to get acquainted with our work in this interesting field, read what missionary books you have on China; or if you have none, write to the office for one of our "Missions Quarterlies," which will be sent free of charge upon request.

Elder Kneland, Brother Mulholland and Miss Anna Dewers, our Bible worker, who have been doing Harvest Engathering work among the towns of south Georgia, report that they have raised about \$400 so far. Our conference lacks only about \$1800 of reaching the goal. Have you done your part?

"The money gift is easy, but a better gift than self.

Is to dedicate to service not your money, but yourself.

"There are men who give their money for a purpose that is fine.

Who never share the burdens on the bitter firing line.

But the men the Lord is seeking in the task He has to do,

Are the men who'll share the struggle and stay with it till it's through."

The 1927 Morning Watch are in stock, and you will be well pleased with the new edition. Price as usual, 5 cents.

If you want something really interesting to read, get the *Review & Herald* for Nov. 4. If you are not a subscriber to this splendid paper, you are missing a wonderful blessing. Its value in money cannot be estimated, and yet it only costs a little over five cents a week!

"He whose heart is aglow with the love of Christ will regard it as not only a duty, but a pleasure, to aid in the advancement of the highest, holiest work committed to man,—the work of presenting to the world the riches of goodness, mercy, and truth."

FLORIDA

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Elder A. S. Focht, President
J. I. Cassell, Sec.-Treas

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF THE FLORIDA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS

To the delegates and friends assembled at the thirty-third annual conference and camp-meeting of Seventh-day Adventists held at the Orlando Fair Ground, October 28 to November 7.

Greetings:—

How thankful we should be today that our lives have been spared to attend this another annual conference and camp-meeting of the Florida Conference. Another year has passed into eternity since we last met. We are just that much nearer to the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Have the passing months brought us nearer God? Can we say of a truth that our feet are planted upon higher ground? As we search our hearts, do we find that firm determination to "fight the good fight of faith," laying hold on eternal life?

We feel that the Miami hurricane is another token of the times in which we live. Thank God that the lives of our people have been spared, and that things have not been worse.

Brethren and sisters, life is so uncertain, shall we not at the time of this meeting spend every moment in seeking God for a new experience in heavenly things? I am sure that Jehovah will bless every effort we make to draw near to Him. Heaven is very anxious as to the result of this gathering. Let us not disappoint the Lord by not relating ourselves to Him in such a manner that we may be a blessing to all.

Territory

The Florida Conference of Seventh-day Adventists comprises all of the state of Florida with the exception of several counties west of the Chattahoochee River, which have been ceded to the Alabama Conference.

Constituency

We have 1770 white and 558 colored believers in the State, making a combined membership of 2308 persons.

Workers

Altogether we have twenty-eight workers under conference employ.

There has been quite a change in the personnel of our force. Brother Stilson, who accepted a call to the West Caribbean Conference, is now on his way to his new field. We earnestly pray God's blessing upon him and his family as they go from us.

We are indeed sorry that because of ill health Elder Shuler was forced to resign as president of the conference. Under God he has been enabled to do a wonderful work in this important field. Brother Shuier has been spending the summer in the mountains of Carolina. We trust that, by the Lord's help, he may be completely restored to health, and again engage in the ministry.

Sister A. J. Leighton has been added to our office force as stenographer; Brother J. I. Cassell, who has successfully labored in other conference offices, has taken the place of Brother Stilson, and the writer has taken Elder Shuler's place.

Elder Chas. Baum, from the Columbia Union, has also been added to our ministerial force.

We pray for your full co-operation that the work of God may continue to prosper in this important part of the Lord's vineyard.

Elder F. A. Osterman, receiving a call to take the pastorship of the Atlanta, Georgia, No. 2 church, Elder J. F. Crichlow, who was the former pastor of the Atlanta church, has come to Florida and taken the pastorship of the Tampa No. 2 church. Elder John Thomas, coming from Columbus, Georgia, has been doing pastoral-evangelistic work in Jacksonville. The Lord has, indeed, been blessing these brethren in the change they have made.

Church Organizations

There are thirty-two white churches and thirteen colored in the conference, besides four or five companies, making about fifty places where meetings are held on the Sabbath. Two of these white churches have been organized this year, and will apply for membership at this conference session.

Church Buildings

The Florida Conference has twenty-five white church buildings and nine colored. Miami No. 1, Sarasota, Palmetto and Miami No. 2 have been

completed since last camp-meeting. With very few exceptions these buildings are out of debt.

Due to the financial situation that has come, it is very necessary that we give careful consideration and secure the proper counsel before any attempt be made to build any manner of church or school building. We should avoid debt, and not enter into any arrangement that is going to tie up means or involve us in some embarrassing money complication. We should exert every effort to have proper church buildings to house our church companies and congregations, but all should work to one end that there be no debts.

(To be continued)

SOUTHERN JUNIOR COLLEGE

H. H. Hamilton, President
OOLTEWAH, TENNESSEE

A SCHOOL OF STANDARDS

COLLEGEDALE NOTES

Brother F. W. Schmiehl, of the Southern Union, was a visitor at Collegedale early last week. His earnest chapel talk on the power of personal influence made a deep impression on his hearer's minds.

Miss M. Bessie DeGraw, of Madison, Tenn., was also a visitor at S. J. C. last week.

In response to our recent call for a printer to work in our Print Shop, Mr. Don Garrett, of Jamestown, Tenn., responded, and is now employed here. He will work up a credit with a view to taking up school work a little later.

From time to time, neat and useful products of our Woodwork Shop appear about the school. Miss Kirk, as leader of the orchestra, has a tasty stand mounted on castors, and a convenient music rack to match. In the front lobby of the main building appears an artistic bulletin board, the center part occupied by a sheet of slate, for crayon announcements, with space at the sides for posting type-written notices, etc.

The morning of Armistice Day, Nov. 11, a special program was rendered at the chapel hour. Professor Hamilton

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and Elder Field gave short addresses, in which they sought to impress the lessons to be learned from the great World War. The rest of the program consisted of various musical selections. There were vocal and instrumental solos, and several selections by the orchestra. "Old Glory" occupied an honored place on the rostrum. A movement was started to erect a suitable flag pole for displaying the flag out of doors on appropriate occasions. The students of S. J. C. believe that Christians are naturally the most true and loyal citizens.

Y. P. M. V. PLANS FOR 1927

Our Missionary Volunteers will appreciate the special help they are to receive for their band work in 1927. The January number of the *Gazette* announces the new plan which will be the special feature for the new year. This plan provides for a meeting of the bands in connection with every society meeting. One-half of the hour is to be devoted to general topics. The other half will belong to the bands. The society does its most important work through the bands, so the helps for band meetings to be given in the *Gazette* will be especially appreciated.

The society leaders will want to watch for the January number of the *Gazette*, and read at once the section dealing with the new plan. Our department manual, "Missionary Volunteers and Their Work," will give you full information in band work. It tells you how to organize bands and outlines

many lines of work the various bands can do. If you do not have this manual, you can get it from your local tract society. You will need it in your work.

The society officers should meet and discuss the new plan early in December. If you will carry out the simple plans suggested in the *Gazette* from week to week, 1927 will be a banner year in our Missionary Volunteer movement.

J. F. Simon.

THE SUNDAY LAW CRISIS

The crucial hour for the enactment of a national Sunday law having apparently come through the strong, persistent efforts of the organized forces favoring such law; and, in compliance with the recommendations passed at the last Fall Council, "Present Truth," aided by the Religious Liberty Department, is preparing a strong Special Sunday Law Number to be ready for circulation December 1st.

For a full statement of the present situation, the need of the hour, and the plans proposed for defeating the reform forces, read the article entitled, "The Sunday Law Issue Before Congress," written by the secretary of the Religious Liberty Department and printed in the *Review* October 28, or, send to "Present Truth" for copies of this article printed in circular form, with a full announcement of the forthcoming Sunday Law Number, of "Present Truth" and prices in large quantities.

GET YOUR HOME MISSIONARY CALENDAR NOW

The Home Missionary Workers' Calendar for 1927 is ready. It is as beautiful as well as a very useful article for the home. It is beyond doubt the best that ever has been printed. The new daily Bible study is a strong missionary feature; the sunset diagram and tables are a great convenience to every Sabbath-keeper; and the Morning Watch texts will be a welcome feature in many thousands of homes. In addition, the suggestions offered by the "Balanced Diet" column will be of great help for the housewife. The front cover is suitable for framing, as well as the illustrations each month.

Order from the Book and Bible House before they are all gone; 25 cents each.

J. C. Klose.

OBITUARY

Graham—Mrs. Jennie Graham was born in North Carolina, January 25, 1862, and died at her home north of Cleveland, N. C., October 10, 1926.

Sister Graham was a member of the Methodist Church for many years before she accepted the third angel's message under the labors of Elder C. E. Boynton in the effort he held in the old "Maple Grove" church north of Cleveland, N. C., two years ago. She was faithful to the end and died expecting to come forth in the first resurrection.

She leaves to mourn a sister and four brothers, besides other relatives and a host of friends. Funeral services were conducted by the writer at the Ebenezer Methodist Church, where she was laid to rest.

C. E. Boynton.

"It is the privilege of every Christian, not only to look for, but to hasten the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Were all who profess His name bearing fruit to his glory, how quickly the whole world would be sown with the seed of the gospel."

"Some, when in poverty, are generous with their little; but as they acquire property, they become penurious. The reason they have so little faith, is because they do not keep moving forward as they prosper, and give to the cause of God even at a sacrifice."