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## THE CHRISTIAN'S HIGH--WATER MARK.

"Choose poverty, reproach, separation from friends, or any suffering, rather than to defile the soul with sin. Death before dishonour or the transgression of God's law should be the motto of every Christian."



"None will ever be called to perfect Christian character under more favourable circumstances than of our Saviour. The fact that Christ lived thirty years in Nazareth, from which many thought it a wonder if any good thing could come, is a rebuke to the youth who consider that their religious character must conform to circumstances. If the surroundings of youth are unpleasant and positively bad, many make this an excuse for not perfecting Christian character. The example of Christ would rebuke the idea that His followers are dependent upon place, fortune, or prosperity, in order to live blameless lives. Christ would teach them that their faithfulness would make any place or position, where the providence of God called them, honourable, however humble.

The life of Christ was designed to show that purity, stability, and firmness of principle are not dependent upon a life freed from hardship, poverty, and adversity. The trials and privations of which so many youth complain, Christ endured without murmuring. And this discipline is the very experience the youth need, which will give firmness to their characters, and make them like Christ, strong in spirit to resist temptation."



"The heavenly intelligences will work with the human agent who seeks with determined faith that perfection of character which will reach out to perfection in action. To every one engaged in this work Christ says, I am at your right hand to help you.

As the will of man co-operates with the will of God, it becomes omnipotent. Whatever is to be done at His command, may be accomplished in His strength. All His biddings are enablings."

Extracts from *Messages to Young People*.  
MRS. E. G. WHITE.

## THE BIBLE STUDY

### GOD'S WAYS.

1. Q. May we measure God's ways with our own?  
A. Isa. 55: 8. No, His ways and thoughts are not like ours.
2. Q. How much difference is there?  
A. ibed. vs. 9. It is as high as heaven is above earth.
3. Q. How did Paul regard God's ways?  
A. Rom. 11: 33. They are beyond our comprehension.
4. Q. Who alone can reveal Divine ways to us?  
A. I Cor. 2: 10, 11. The Holy Spirit.
5. Q. What becomes of our own ways when we are converted?  
A. Isa. 55: 7. We forsake them entirely.
6. Q. Where do we go when we persist in having our own way?  
A. Isa. 53: 6. We go astray.
7. Q. Suppose in spite of God's Word, our own way seems to be better, and we follow it, where will it lead?  
A. Prov. 19: 25. It will lead us to destruction.
8. Q. Is this illustrated in God's Word?  
A. Yes, many times. In I Kings 13: 7-10, we are told how the Lord gave a certain prophet definite instructions. At first, though tempted to disobey, he resisted and did exactly as the Lord said. Later, being deceived by another, he chose a different way, which, no doubt looked to be alright, though he knew it was contrary to the Lord's counsel. He yielded to the temptation and suffered a shameful death for his disobedience. See verses 1-28.
9. Q. When we are in trouble through doing God's will, does He raise up help from unexpected and unusual agencies?  
A. Jer. 33: 1-13. Yes, Jeremiah was rescued from persecution by an Ethiopian who used rotten rags and old clothes to ease his suffering in deliverance.
10. Q. Does the Lord bring about great results from apparently little and even accidental things?  
A. I Kings 22: 34-38. Yes, a man shooting an arrow at a venture delivered Israel from a very wicked ruler.
11. Q. When Elijah was in need and without help, how did the Lord care for him?  
A. I Kings 19: 4-8. Angels were sent to feed and guide him.

12. Q. What precious promise is given to us all?  
A. Isa. 41: 17-20. The Lord will open up resources on every hand for the benefit of His own children.

13. Q. Why not now surrender our way to Him, and accept His way for us? He will receive us graciously and abundantly pardon.

### NEWS FROM THE FIELD.

The Spanish Town young people are worthy of congratulation for the choice and select programme they rendered Dec. 20. The large attendance was well merited, each item helping to increase the interest and receiving deserved appreciation. The proceeds were devoted to the choir fund. Music is one of the pleasures and pastimes of Heaven, and its cultivation is ennobling and refining on earth.

Mrs. R. Harriott the wife of our esteemed colleague in the office, returned to Kingston Dec. 20, from New York, after an absence of about a year.

Not having quite succeeded in reaching their Harvest Ingathering Goal, the Regent St. Church choir gave a miscellaneous programme of Music, December 20, for the purpose of augmenting their collections. Admission was by ticket, and a very orderly and appreciative audience rewarded the efforts of those responsible for the enterprise. The music was interspersed by recitations that were very touching.

While at Spanish Town, we were interested in the H. I. device, which showed that their goal was almost reached. Some of the bulbs were already burst, and the clock-hand revealed a deficit of only £3. "The sum which the conference Team will add will make this up," we suggested to the indomitable leader, Bro. Gibson; but, his face beaming with smiles, he replied, "We are going to reach the smashing point ourselves; then what the conference team gives us will be extra. The whole church is now helping the less fortunate to complete their smash." Really that is the spirit that wins. We enjoy meeting it, and we always do meet it at Spanish Town.

Professor and Mrs. Crawford spent a few weeks during school vacation with their friends at Southfield. They were not idle, and the baptism of five new converts testifies to their zeal. The Week of Prayer meetings were held at four o'clock a. m. daily and were well attended, an average of fifty persons being present. Brother Crawford reports that much of the Lord's blessing was realized, and a Spiritual

revival is being experienced. The Annual offering amounted to £2.

During the month of December, Prof. R. E. Shafer accompanied Pastor B. A. Meeker on his Harvest Ingathering trip. The plan included a stop with our Church Schools for the purpose of conducting the annual examinations. It will doubtless take a little time to bring our church schools up to our denominational standards, but a start has been made. One great difficulty met in many places, is the irregular attendance of the pupils, whose parents must yet learn that no teacher or pupil can ever reach a standard that marks out studies for every school day, when the attendance averages less than three days per week. Then too, no church should expect their teacher to do thorough work without money enough to buy necessary food and clothing. We shall look for the Educational Secretary's report with much interest.

The Week of Prayer brought many blessings to our Kingston churches, which held the meetings from five o'clock to six o'clock a. m. and were attended by very large congregations.

The readings created a strong spirit of consecration and love, and many precious victories were gained. It is very gratifying to have these annual messages from our leaders at Washington, and those of this year were not behind those of the past in spiritual power and uplift.

The little company at Cooper's Hill went to a village four miles from the church and held interesting meetings. They are rejoicing in the gain of a new member through this activity.

The question is asked, If the Lord blessed His people so manifestly all over Jamaica during the Week of Prayer, why not make the year 1932 a year of prayer? Yes, why not? Prayer brings power, Prayer moves the arm of Omnipotence. Prayer changes things. Let us pray.

After a short furlough with her friends in the United States, Mrs. Bertha Peake has returned to the Mandeville College to resume her duties. She was met by the Conference Executive with a number of happy friends.

That S. D. Adventists can command employment by making themselves indispensable is demonstrated by the case of Bro. Brown of Balboa. He is a brown man with an honest white heart. We first met him several years ago in the cash desk of

the Government Cafeteria at Balboa, and on our recent visit, we found him still there. His reputation for honesty, efficiency, and reliability—three traits that always recommend a man—have destroyed all racial and religious considerations, and Brother Brown witnesses daily to the sacred principles held by this people. His absence every sabbath is a silent but forcible preacher to the government officials and other patrons of that institution.

Just a word about the last number of the VISITOR. Professor Rathbun was unfortunately almost incapacitated by an accident from attending fully to the printery. So he handed it over to Brother Colin Pitter and his two helpers. The paper was in our hands by Xmas, and it was a very creditable production, for which we congratulate Brother Colin and his aides, and also Professor Rathbun for his good training. We are glad that Professor Rathbun's burns are steadily healing.

December 22 was a high day with the North Street Church School, when the great Tabernacle in the yard was well filled with interested spectators who had assembled to witness a Cantata-drill given by the pupils. Sisters Gordon and Murray are the teachers, under whose skill and patience the little ones had prepared to entertain the grown-ups with credit. Pastor L. L. Hutchinson occupied the Chair, and gave an address on the subject of "Flowers." The children were as happy as they made their audience, giving evidence of careful training. Little paper dresses were worn, representing various pretty flowers, and were very striking. Admission was by ticket, and the funds were used to help the Church in its duty to its teachers. North Street has been able to carry their church school another year without debt, and we congratulate teachers, scholars, and members for the success of the enterprise. The fruits of such will be seen in the Kingdom, when the sacrifices involved will afford infinite compensations as our dear children revel amidst the glories of the happy land. The Lord bless the children!

One of the most worthy missionary enterprises that ever found expression in this Island, has just been completed. The old Mahogany Grove church edifice was situated for years far away from the habitations of its unsaved neighbours. To reach the old building we had to climb slippery and often precipitous pathways. It was all very pleasant, and the church came behind no other in the warmth and kindness of its reception and hospitality.

But Oh! it was an isolated spot, out of touch with outside friends, and without a Mission field.

Realizing this, the church decided to move their building. They had no money and they asked no help. They just went ahead and got land and built on the main road where the people live, and the splendid report following this, by Pastor Rashford is the result. Well done!

#### Dedication of the Auctembeddie Church.

On Dec. 27, the Auctembeddie Church was dedicated. There was a very large gathering, and the little Church was filled to its utmost capacity, many having to stand on the outside, others forcing an entrance, filling the aisles and every space possible. Brethren from several other churches were present, as also the President of the Conference and his wife, Elder and Mrs. Meeker and Mrs. Rathbun, who added very much to the importance of the gathering. Mrs. Meeker sang two melodious songs. The Waterloo brethren helped with some lovely singing. The Corner Stone was laid last year April, and although it has been a hard long period of sacrifice in time, labour, and money, yet I am sure that it would be just as hard to find a single soul who regrets having made the sacrifices.

The President gave a very interesting talk on the rapid progress the cause is making in foreign lands, and not only so, but in our own Island field. The people listened with great attention.

Elder Meeker offered the dedicatory prayer. We give God the glory and praise for what has been accomplished, for after we have done all that was our duty to do, we are still unprofitable servants.

Much unlike the day when the corner stone was laid, we had beautiful weather, making the occasion very enjoyable. We hope and pray that ere long we shall see many souls coming into the Message as a result. Three were baptized in the morning of the same day.

LIN RASHFORD.

"There shall be showers of blessing." So said the prophet of God 2,500 years ago. Now Pastor A. C. Stockhausen writes that the showers are falling; and so say we all. Here is an extract from his letter. "God is lighting a candle here at Morant Bay that bids fair to become a great big lamp in the near future. Oh! how I wish you could have been present at the Baptismal service at Seaforth yesterday morning. I have never seen such a crowd of interested and orderly spectators at an open air baptism. I am making a conservative estimate when I say that I believe

the number present to have been seven or eight hundred, to witness the baptism of eleven persons. I have names of twenty more who are preparing for baptism in the near future, thirteen of whom have taken their stand between Sabbath and yesterday.

Some of the most wonderful experiences have come to me since the beginning of the Week of Prayer. I can hardly find words to relate them. The Time of Refreshing is here, and the Spirit of God is being poured out in the Eastern end of the Island." Dec. 28, 1931.

#### Baptism at Regent Street.

Since the baptism at Regent Street by the writer some time ago, the meetings have been very favourably attended, and a remarkable interest has developed into the baptism of eight candidates on December 30.

The vicinity is now alive to the fact that at such baptismal services, there is always enough proof to establish the importance of the rite, and to suggest the eloquent need that others take their stand for the truth. The large gathering and those that crowded the windows, paid rapt attention; and the usual courtesy and order that has characterized our meetings was very appreciating.

There are others in the Bible class who will be prepared to go forward in the near future. There is an atmosphere of triumph over sin, and the reported victories gained at the closing of the year bids fair to a better christian activity for 1932, and for this we pray.

J. A. REID

Fruits of the Kingston Efforts, conducted by Pastor and Mrs. L. L. Hutchinson continue to ripen. On Sunday, Dec. 27, seventeen more converts testified by baptism to their acceptance of the Third Angel's Message. Again the building was packed, and the interest was keen as the candidates stepped down into the font in solemn consecration. If each of the churches to which these dear people will be united will give them their place in the Missionary activities of their church as the Lord has instructed, then Kencot will have five workers more to help build up the Kingdom; Rollington Pen will have six and North Street the balance.

During the festive season, Pastor and Mrs. Hutchinson have been busy assisting the various charitable societies in their distribution to the poor, and their labours have been much appreciated.

Pastor H. Fletcher has found a good way to spend the Festive season. Going over to spend Xmas at Ocho Rios, he was

"working with the saw, and plane, and hammer." No doubt he was seeking an appetite for the proverbial pudding that is usually associated with dinner on that day. But his last letter conveys information concerning even better things. He says, "We have passed the 100 mark of additional new believers in my district. Of these 87 were received into full church fellowship. The others were hindered by sickness and other circumstances from being baptized at the last hour. These have had months of preparation and will form a nucleus for 1932." This is truly an encouraging report. We appreciate the laying of a solid foundation rather than rushing new converts to the baptismal font without full instruction and surrender. Mushrooms spring up in a night and wither with the rising sun. The oak grows slowly, but deepens its roots and stands the tempest. So, well established converts stand true through everything.

Let us sing the Doxology. Our Harvest Ingathering collection this year has passed £1,000 (\$5,000). This is the Lord's doing, and we are happy and thankful. May the Lord bless all who have helped so nobly.

The Tabernacle Effort at Dias, Riverside P. O. came to a happy climax on Sunday December 27th when fifteen adults were organized into what we trust is the nucleus of a strong, growing church.

The day before, the Spirit of the Master came preciously near and many more desired to go forward in baptism, but caution had to be exercised, so it was decided that thirteen adults, with one each from March Town and Mount Peace, members who lived nearby, should begin the new Company.

Sunday a. m. was a beautiful day, we had representatives from March Town, Mt. Peace, Flower Hill, and Axe and Adze and fully three hundred of the friends at the river to witness the ordinance; splendid order was maintained and the writer spoke for half an hour on "The Lord's Expectation of Adventists in Holy Living by His Grace." The Baptism was solemn and impressive and was first to be witnessed in a river in the neighbourhood for over twenty years.

Two hours later the candidates assembled for the reception and the ordinance of the Lord's house. Representatives from each of the visiting believers joined in the after service.

In the afternoon the March Town church school and members rendered a very good programme which was well received.

The next morning found willing hands, who had come to wish Sister Haig good

bye, ready to help remove the Tabernacle from the rented site to our own lot which was secured in spite of much opposition.

The Tabernacle will rest temporarily where it is removed as plans will soon be on foot to take it to Bethel Town to give birth to another new company of believers.

To God be the Glory for all He has done.  
G. A. E. SMITH.



### LET EVERY MEMBER BE A WORKER IN THE ORGANIZED WORK OF THE CHURCH.

The missionary organization of the church holds the same relation to Christian service as the Sabbath School does to the study of the Word. The Sabbath School is the church at study. The Home Missionary organization is the church at work. The meetings are the times when plans and reports are considered and promoted.

How can the church strengthen its cords? There is but one answer, namely, by working for the salvation of the lost. To accomplish this task plans have been laid which, if carried out, will be productive of great good.

In order that you may understand the plan, we will ask some questions as they appear on our quarterly report blank?

1. Does your church use the regular service hour the first Sabbath day in each month for a Missionary service, as outlined in the *Church Officers' Gazette*?

2. Does your church conduct the ten minute church missionary service immediately following the close of the Sabbath School each Sabbath day? The object of this service is to secure the weekly reports and to announce plans.

3. Does your church conduct a weekly missionary meeting other than the ten minute service? You will realize the need of this if the church is well organized for service.

4. Is your church organized into regular bands? If so,

5. How many bands do you have?

NOTE. The Church officers should organize these bands, and the number will depend upon the size of your membership and the talents of your members. Many churches adopt the plan of having the bands composed of the Sabbath School classes, though keeping their Missionary work distinct from the Sabbath School, and separate.

6. Does your church hold a regular Band-leaders' meeting? In the multitude of counsellors there is wisdom.

7. How many copies of the *Church Officers' Gazette* are received by the members of your Church Board?

NOTE. The *Church Officers' Gazette* contains much helpful information for every department of the Church and its missionary activities. It gives suitable programmes for senior and M. V. meetings, and there should be at least two copies for each small company or church, and more for the larger.

It is recommended that the following should be among the standing bands of each church: Bible Training, Home Nursing, Home Bible Study League, Dorcas, and Literature.

The Bible Training Band will give Bible studies, and hold gospel meetings; the Nursing Band will search out and assist the sick. The Home Bible Study League will distribute Bible Studies systematically. The Dorcas Society becomes useful in various ways, such as sewing, cooking, and helping neighbours, and the Literature Band will distribute tracts and papers, and loan books.

May the Lord grant that every member of your Church will catch a vision of the Harvest Field, answering God's call, and saying, "Here am I, Lord, send me." Let every one join in the move for more and better service for the Master.

The following churches have reached their goal of 10/- per member in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign for 1931: Spanish Town, Port Maria, Kencot, Mandeville, and Porus. We congratulate them.

The list of those who have passed the 12/6 goal, and who are thus entitled to a Diploma of Honour:

AXE AND ADZE, Edward Wallace and Alice Wallace; BAGBIE, A. A. Butler; COLBYVILLE, Elder F. Hall, Gilbert Hall, and Arthur Hall; GOSHEN, A. M. Brandon; GUYS HILL, Anna Newman, Rosa Smith, and David Walker; GAYLE, Huntly Carson, and Abram Boyd; KENCOT, Rosa Morgan, Mrs. C. E. Auld, Mrs. M. Eastwood, Mrs. C. F. Carter, Mrs. R. Whittington, Mrs. McDougall, and Mrs. Ida McCalla. NEWELL, E. A. Gayle, Olive Dwyer, and L. Brodie; NEWMARKET, J. Richards; NORTH STREET, Mrs. H. J. Stockhausen; ORANGE, Clifford Thorpe, Peter Grant, and John Downer; PORUS, D. Crosbie; PORT MARIA, T. A. Gray; ROLLINGTON PEN, Virginnia Perry, Mrs. G. M. Francis, H. Webber, and D. Walwin; ST. ANN'S BAY, D. A. Barnes, C. Tracey, C. S. Edwards, T. A. Rowe, and Maude Rowe; SPANISH TOWN, G. L. Campbell, Joseph A. James, C. W. Gibson, Nellie Folkes, Mrs. Albertha Folkes, Lilly Price, Mrs. J. A. James, Mrs. Lily Philpotts, Mrs. M. Lewis,

Mrs. Virginia Francis, Mrs. E. E. Bartholomew, and H. G. Miller; SPRING GARDEN, G. S. Gouldbourne; SEAFORD TOWN, Fred. Kissendal; SPRINGFIELD, Ivy Brumley, Edith Black; VAUGHNSFIELD, Henry Hines; HOME DEPARTMENT, Mr. Austin Hyatt, and Mrs. H. J. Hylton.

The Conference Team set its goal for £300 and has gone considerably over £400, but in the total of all, which goal was set at £1250, for the Conference, we have come short. At the time of writing, Bro. Grounds, the Conference Treasurer, reports receipts of over £1000, which we consider very satisfactory in view of the times and the prevailing financial distress in the Island.

We regret that we do not have all the names of those who merit the Diploma. If the Church Treasurers will send the names we will gladly send the certificates.

Now is the time to send in the names of members who have completed the Reading Courses and Bible Year, and also to take the Standard of Attainment examination. The questions will be furnished to you on receipt of your request.

### Sabbath School Department

MRS. H. J. EDMED

#### Items of Interest.

Riversdale has won the "Pennant" for the past quarter after persevering efforts. Congratulations!

Montego Bay increased their names for Honor cards 100 per cent. That school and Jointwood are heading toward the "Pennant."

Our "Pennant" schools now are Hart Hill, Hector's River, Mandeville, Spring Garden, Old Harbour, Porus, Orange, Everton Park and Riversdale. Mandeville retains it with an average of 105 per cent. The average required is 65%.

Manchioneal, Beverley and Reeves Mountain increased their offerings 100 per cent for the fourth quarter of 1931 and Gayle the same for the third quarter. Bagbie has increased theirs 82 per cent, Regent St. 58 per cent. Craig, Southfield, and Spring Garden 50 per cent. Rollington Pen and Newell over 40 per cent. Kencot surpassed all other quarters of 1931.

The following schools also show some increase for the past quarter: North St.,

Montego Bay, Cornwall Mt., Belfield, St. Ann's Bay, Port Maria, Carron Hall, Bryant Hill, Watermount, Santa Cruz, Petersfield, Darliston, Springfield, Spanish Town, Bird's Hill, Dalvey, Ballimony, Port Antonio, Seaforth, Brittonville, Moore Park, Flower Hill, Linstead, Bluefields, New Market, Cumberland, Mt. Providence Florence Hill, Fruitful Vale, Duxes, Glengoffe, Goshen, White House, Mile End, Waterloo, Blue Hole, Vaughnsfield, Sherwood Forest, Sligo Ville Newport, Croft's Hill, Comfort Valley, Mt. Peace, and Sherwood Content.

The superintendent of Bamboo, one of our new schools, has a year's perfect record and receives a Bookmark.

Mrs. A. A. Plummer of Old Harbour receives her eighth year Book-mark. Bro. W. E. Langley of Blue Hole lacks just one quarter of having the same record. Sister L. Henriques of North St. and Sister P. Henriques have a six year and five year record respectively.

Flower Hill is increasing their names for Honor Cards each quarter. Axe and Adze reported 82 per cent of their church membership having reached the Daily Study and Perfect Attendance Goals, and Aucembeddie 66 per cent.

Letters expressing appreciation for the 1931 Teacher's Training course have come in from Mandeville, Kencot, and Glengoffe. Sister Crawford was the first to complete the course. All names will be reported when certificates are issued. Some have begun the new course for 1932, and are enjoying it.

We are pleased to have 90 Sabbath school reports "On Time" for the past quarter, but why not every one?

Remember our soul winning Goal. Each member win one for 1932. We are hoping for a record year in membership, as well as in all the other Goals.

### Publishing Department

W. S. NATION

#### Notes for the Colporteurs.

A Chinese gentleman recently stole a march on us by coming from Cuba where he had been canvassing for our cause, and after working ten hours sold out his books, having disposed of £80 worth. He then left the country. Maybe the Lord permitted him to show what can be done

in Jamaica, and that we are letting some opportunities slip by.

Sometimes when orders fail to mature, and sales are slow, Satan whispers a suggestion that we give it up. Sometimes we accept this subtil view and leave the work. But the right and most sensible decision to make is to stick to it. Maybe we should try another plan. The apostles once got discouraged, and went back to their trade. They looked at conditions until they forgot the true character of their work and the promise of their master. At their old trade, they toiled all night with just as disappointing results, and if Jesus had not come to their aid, we can't say what might have happened.

But Jesus came and showed by ocular demonstration that failure did not lie in prevailing conditions. They were not working on the right side. A little change in their policy brought in a tremendous haul—so large that they could scarcely take care of it. Then the Lord turned their thoughts to their work for Him. "Lovest thou me?" was a new consideration of the question which they had forgotten for the moment. "Feed my sheep!" It was like saying, "Get back to your work." John, chapter 21.

Then the only sensible thing to do, they did. They got to grips with that serious question, "Lovest thou me?" For many days they fasted and prayed together until the real cause became very evident to them, and they said nothing about conditions *around* them. They could only think of conditions that were *in* them. Those were cleaning up days. They washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb until they were clean, and then got to grips with their work. The first day's haul was 3,000. Then came 5,000; then multitudes, then whole cities. Oh, it was so wonderful that none of those men ever thought of giving up then. They stuck to it at the cost of life itself, and every one died at his post.

If failure stamps itself on our work, let's get to grips with the facts of our own heart and life. Root out the cause that lies within us, and go ahead. But do not give it up.

While the recent Balboa Committee was sitting, Pastor C. E. Wood reported that a colporteur had sold a book to a Presbyterian minister. He had accepted the truth and brought his congregation with him, and now the old church building echoes the sound of the Third Angel's Message! This was in Mexico. Days of colporteur conquests are not yet over.

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Thus far the Lord has brought us safely through another year of toil and labour. This is another year with one extra day to work for the master. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might" is our resolution for 1932.

If I should seek for one word which expresses the aim of our loyal colporteurs, I would choose the one word "service." Not how much one can get out of the world for himself but how much helpful service he can render to others. In a service well performed one finds his greatest satisfaction and happiness. In *Colporteur Evangelist* page 5 we are told that "Many who are hungry for the Bread of Life have not the privilege of hearing the word from God's delegated preachers. For this reason it is essential that our publications be widely circulated." Again we are told that "We can not too highly estimate this work, for were it not for the efforts of the canvasser many would never hear the warning."

Some of our colporteurs are worthy of emulation for their willing, indefatigable, trustful service rendered in scattering the printed page. Only eternity will reveal the wonderful results of their service."

The letters from our colporteurs for the New Year are filled with hope and courage. I quote from Brother B.A. Ricketts. "I have cause to rejoice, because the Lord is blessing Brother Miller and myself. The thing that gives me greater joy is that I have made full settlement with the Book and Bible House, and still have an amount of books on hand. Through God's grace I am going to keep clear all through the year 1932 with the B. and B. House, and you can also be assured of my co-operation as long as I am in the work."

Brother Dawkins also writes: "To God be the glory, I am finding patrons from some of the very best people of the parish for the *Great Controversy*, to the extent from one of the leading executives of our government. Never has the work appeared so interesting to me as now. I am determined to lay all on the altar for service."

Brother Wallace writes—"I thank the Lord for His sparing mercies over me through 1931. Although I am not able to reach the Conference Goal, for which I am sorry, yet the Lord has helped me out of bankruptcy."

And here is a word from Brother Dillon—"With renewed consecration I give myself to the Lord, promising Him to be more faithful and earnest and sincere. Somehow, Brother Nation, I feel I will not be able to canvass here (Kingston) through before the seven plagues begin to fall, and my determination is to throw out the Lifeline and save the perishing." I might add here that Brother Dillon sells

more of our religious books than any other colporteur.

Some might be wondering who is the Chinese colporteur whose record appeared in the December VISITOR. He is a student of the Pacific Union College who called in the Island for a few hours and sold the book *Health and Longevity* to his own country men.

### Colporteur Report

December, 1931.

NAME	HOURS	SALES	DELIVERIES
Cousins, C. S.	7		1.10. 0
Dawkins, A.	47	16. 6. 0	7. 4. 0
Destoe, K.	13	2. 6	1.18. 6
Dillon, L.	165	47.10. 0	50. 0. 0
Miller, H. G.	91	46.12. 0	3.14. 3
Mullings, L. G.		14.10. 0	14.10. 0
Ricketts, B. A.	124	97. 0. 0	2. 0. 0
Ricketts, C.	37	7. 3. 0	16. 5. 0
Wallace, R.	33	4.19. 0	6.14. 0
9	517	£234. 2. 6	£103.15. 9



The 1932 term of school opened January 12. The enrollment at this writing has reached seventy-six. This is not quite as high as at the beginning of last year. However, the success of a school is not measured by the number of students but by the quality of students. I am glad to report that we have a very promising group of young people in school this term. They are settling down to their various tasks admirably and in a business-like way. Never in my experience have I seen a group of students get under way with their studies and work as quickly and quietly as ours are doing this year. We greatly appreciate the earnestness with which all are taking hold of things.

There are still a few who are definitely planning on entering school within the next week or two. There are many others who should be here and who would very much like to be here, but finances will not permit. There is ample opportunity for those who are financially able to do some real practical missionary work by assisting some of these worthy young people in getting a Christian Education. The school is offering work to as many as possible, but of course our resources are limited. Practically all the students enrolled are working a part of their way.

If there are those who would like to help in this way, kindly correspond with me and I will put you in touch with some really worthy young people who are very desirous of bettering their services in the Lord's vineyard.

I solicit the co-operation and prayers of

our believers throughout the field for the success of the school.

R. E. SHAFER,  
Box 22,  
Mandeville.

### Students enrolled to January 19, 1932.

1. Obed Anderson, 2. Maria Arguellas, 3. Dita Auld.

4. Clifford Bent, 5. Stanley Bent, 6. Mildred Bignall, 7. Donald Boyd, 8. Edith Boyd, 9. Gladstone Bramwell, 10. Dell Brodie, 11. Doris Brown, 12. Julia Brown, 13. Gwendolyn Bruce, 14. Alfred Burton, 15. Ivy Burton, 16. Kenneth Burton, 17. Livingstone Burton.

18. Owen Campbell, 19. Nellie Carlson, 20. H adly Carson, 21. Jose Casas, 22. Emma De Pass.

23. Viva Ebanks, 24. Cebert Edwards. 25. Samuel Farrell, 26. Earl Fletcher, 27. Wilbur Fletcher.

28. Ralph Galliano, 29. Thomas Galliano, 30. Hughenna Gauntlett, 31. Lee Gouldbourne, 32. Ethline Griffiths.

33. Aston Hamilton, 34. Earl Hamilton, 35. Viola Hamilton, 36. Septimus Harris, 37. Clayton Henriques, 38. Cleve Henriques, 39. Frederick Henriques, 40. Lilian Heron, 41. Florence Hutchinson.

42. Icy Jones, 43. Susan Jones.

44. Alberga Laing, 45. Ualee Lawrence.

46. Viola McFarlane, 47. Gerrick Mckay, 48. Jose Mir, 49. Eric Morgan, 50. Thelma Murray.

51. Melvin Nembhard, 52. Elva Newman, 53. George Nicholas.

54. Cyrus Ogilvie.

55. Alwyn Parchment, 56. Curtis Parchment, 57. Edna C. Parchment, 58. Edna W. Parchment, 59. Joyce Peake, 60. David Pitt, 61. Colin Pitter.

62. Mymis Randall, 63. Doris Reid, 64. Mervyn Roache.

65. Joyce Sailsman, 66. Luella Shafer, 67. Iris Smith.

68. Hansen Waller, 69. Lucille Waller, 70. Ruth Walters, 71. Timothy Walters, 72. John Webb, 73. Enid Wellington, 74. Kenneth Williams, 75. Leila Wilson, 76. Melbroe Willis.

Of the students listed above, 18 have come to Jamaica for the specific purpose of attending school at W. I. T. C. They come from Cuba, British and Spanish Honduras, Costa Rica, Canal Zone, Guatemala, and Bermuda.

Chapel at night! That sounds strange, but it is a part of the program for the 1932 school year and it is working well. Everyone has the privilege of attending as no one needs to be absent on account of work.

The second Chapel period of the new year was used by Professor Shafer in administering a mental ability test. Both teachers and students had their thinking powers measured.

During the year 1931 a total of £1553. 5. 11 was earned by our students in work provided them by our industries.

For the first time in several years we are able to offer a class in Agriculture as one of the vocational subjects. This class meets at night with Brother Parchment as teacher, and a number of the young men, particularly those who are working on the farm for a part of their expenses, are availing themselves of this opportunity.

Among recent visitors on the hill we were glad to see Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Gouldbourne of Spring Garden who came to bring their son Lee to school; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. W. Auld who brought their daughter Dita; and Mr. F. T. Boyd of Lucky Hill who brought back his daughter for another year, also his son Donald

and another new student, Headly Carson. Pastor H. P. Lawson also paid us a brief visit.

Once more we have cause for gratitude for the Big Week plan that has done so much to provide needed equipment for our schools. This time \$1000.00 has been received to enable us to erect a new Bakery building. For years past our young men have laboured under considerable difficulties in the old building which was long ago condemned because of its proximity to the laundry. A few months ago we were ordered by the Sanitary Inspector to nail up the door nearest the laundry. This did away with effective ventilation and greatly intensified the trying conditions already existing. The roof of the old oven is just ready to fall in also, so it was with great joy that we hailed the receipt of the Big Week appropriation a few weeks ago. Work was started at once on the new building which is located just across the road from the main entrance to the campus, and at the present time the framework is all up and the roof on.

E. M. EDMED.

## Young People's Page

Here's a letter from someone. I wonder who! It contains quite a suggestion, but unfortunately, no name is given as a signatory. In editorial circles it is unusual for an unsigned letter to be noticed. Such missives are consigned to the waste paper basket. But we take it that the writer of this letter did not know the rule, so we will give our answer.

This letter makes the following suggestion: that the conférence, "opens some industry to keep us young people from having to mix with the world for the cause of seeking a livelihood. If such should be done," says the writer, "there would not be so many of us gone astray through want."

The healthful employment of our youth is a problem that has weighed heavily upon the Executive of the Conference for a long time. We realize the difficulty many have in obtaining employment, and frequently pray that the Lord might open some way for them, and help them to solve the problem of life.

However, we also feel that the Lord has already provided resources that would meet the situation if our youth could only muster up courage to seize opportunities that have been created. For

years, at great sacrifice, our people have contributed thousands of pounds for the creation and upkeep of the industries at the College at Mandeville. This opportunity is unique, in that it enables an industrious and ambitious young person of either sex to obtain a high grade education and a trade. We know of no other school that attempts to reach such a standard. Should one get his education at that institution, and be unable to obtain other work on leaving school, his intelligence would give him a standing socially and he would command a patronage that would make his living sure, while at the same time he could keep the Sabbath unhindered.

To enter this school, one who does not have the money can obtain it through avenues of missionary activity by earning a scholarship. That is, sell our literature and deposit profits in the Book and Bible House until you have £19. Then the B. & B. House and the Publishing House together will add to your deposit enough to complete the first year's cost of your education. Then, during the long term vacation, September to December, there are three months to repeat the plan until you have won your honours through the fourteen grades.

Of course, we know there is a family known by the name of Can't who never benefit by this plan. But we rejoice in hundreds over the world whose name is, "Will Persevere," as Pastor Meeker says, who not only can, but have done it. Some are in this Island, too.

One thing about these sales of literature that is too good to be overlooked is, that in helping one's self, we are helping others into the truth. No wonder the Lord has set His seal of approval by help in the plan!

Now, just a word about the idea contained in the letter that our young people should not mix with the world. Jesus said, "I pray not that Thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that Thou shouldst keep them from the evil." John 17: 15. Worldly friendships (James 4: 4), love of the world (I. John 2: 15), conformity to the world's wickedness and folly (Rom. 12: 2), and yoking up with the world (2 Cor. 6: 14-18),—these are forbidden. But while in the world we are "the light of the world," (Matt, 5: 14-16), "blameless and harmless the sons of God, without rebuke in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world: holding forth the word of light . . ." (Phil. 2: 15, 16). My dear young friends, the purest and most spotless life ever lived in human flesh was lived in constant contact with the world. But He never yielded to the world. The world was yielded to Him. YOU are His follower and He lays His success at your heart's door and invites your acceptance of it by the energy of faith.

Then the letter suggests an awful thing. We will just whisper it softly—"so many of us gone astray through want." ". . . but they that trust in the Lord shall not want for any good thing!" Psalm 34: 10. "There is no want to them that fear Him." ibed. vs. 9. Then again, "No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." Psalm 84: 11. Then read the whole of the first Psalm and see how success will come into your life. Have you ever studied Hebrews chapter 11? If not do so now. The wages of *sin* is *death* not life. Hush, my dear young friend, never suggest that a person must sin to escape want. True, many are in want to-day, for they are seeking support in some other way than that which the Lord has marked out. What is needed by all of us is to recognize the leadings of our unerring Master, and then to step into them.

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EDITOR, - - - - PASTOR H. J. EDMED

### LITTLE FOLKS' CORNER

My dear Little Folks,

When I was at Bolboa, Pastor C. E. Wood made us feel very happy when he told us about hundreds of the Indians in Mexico who have lately become Christians. I have been reading their history, and how they used to be such wicked idolators many years ago. They worshipped many ugly and dreadful looking idols which they made with their own hands and then called them gods. Thousands of their little boys and girls were caught and killed and given to these gods, and they never knew who might be next to be eaten. There was one god they called Tez-cat-le-po-ca, very ugly, whom they said was the second highest god, or the highest one of those they could see. Each year they had a time set apart for this special honour, and they spent days of feasting and dancing, and doing wicked things to please the God.

At these feasts some special boy was offered for a sacrifice, and this was how they did it. A year before the feast they sought out the best looking and most attractive boy. His body had to be perfectly free from any marks or sores, and well formed. Having found such an one, they took him to the priests of the temple, and he was instructed in all the magic and craft of the wicked religion. He was also trained to act as if he himself was a god. They dressed him up in most beautiful clothes, and decorated him with pretty bird's feathers, and gold. Then when he walked down the streets of the city, the people would fall down before him and worship him, and he would play music on a little instrument that he had. He was given wicked companions to lead him deeper and deeper into sin, and this for a full year. But there came a day when all this was to end. In the morning he had to bid "Good bye," to his friends, as he saw crowds of people gathering up the mountain side to the great pyramid temple of the god. Soon, five priests came to him and seized him, and quickly bound his body so he could not escape. Then he was

carried up to the temple, and laid upon a large jasper stone, another priest plunged a knife into his body, took out his heart, and threw it to the god. The boy was then cut up and eaten amidst great and wild excitement, and the people called upon the god to bless their land and their country.

Those poor people knew no better until the dear old Bible came to them. It taught them how Jesus had died to redeem us, and that by simple faith in Him we could have all the blessing of a God of love—the true and only God. Now all that idolatry is gone and these dear people are calling for someone to go and teach them more about Jesus. I am so glad we can give our pennies in the Sabbath School to send missionaries to those people, aren't you? We must try and give lots this year, for there are so many to teach. Then too, we must read the Bible through, and take the Junior Reading Course. It will help us to know more about Jesus, and to live pure and holy lives. Shall we try hard this year? Jesus will help us.

#### Thinking-Cap Questions

1. Where was John when he wrote the Revelation?

2. Where does the Lord say the Seventh Day is His Sabbath?
3. Who was Jeremiah?
4. What brother of Jesus was an apostle?
5. How many chapters are there in the New Testament?

#### Names of Little Folks answering Thinking Cap Questions:

Lucille Jones, Chester Jones.  
Where are all the other Little Folks?

#### OBITUARY

HUTCHINSON.—Mrs. Mary Hutchinson was born at Mountainside, St. Elizabeth, May 6, 1879, and died Sept. 16, at Coleville, aged 52. She and her husband accepted the truth at Mahogany Grove in 1897, under the labours of Elder H. H. Hall and the writer. For some time they removed to Central America to enable their children to attend our denominational school from whence one of the daughters moved to Brit. Guiana. Sister Hutchinson returned to Jamaica and lived a triumphant Christian life until she passed away. Her last words were, "Saved in Jesus," and she was buried in the Coleyville church yard leaving her husband and six children with other relatives to mourn her loss. To these we extend our sincere sympathy.

F. HALL.

#### "BLESSED ARE THE DEAD, Which Die In The Lord . . ."

It is with very sincere sympathy and deep sorrow that we record the demise of Sister Ogden, the wife of our esteemed President of the Antillian Union Mission.

For several years Sister Ogden has been stricken by Bronchial troubles. With noble fortitude and unwavering confidence in God she has battled with the malady, often rising above what seemed impending defeat and death. Though needing the loving ministry of a husband, and his helpful companionship in hours of pain and weakness, her interest in the Cause of God was unselfish, and she willingly sacrificed her own desires, that Pastor Ogden might be of service to the work.

Satisfactory medical reports recently strengthened the hope that Sister Ogden might soon be able to stand the journey to Florida, where she could be nearer and more easily accessible from this Union field, but these hopes have been suddenly blighted by an attack of pneumonia, and on December 20, she fell asleep in Jesus, being comforted in her last hours by the presence of her daughter, Mrs. Squiers and her

husband, her son, Orland, and little Dolores.

As we attended the last General Conference meetings, Mrs. Edmed and I enjoyed the privilege of spending several hours with the family. Sister Ogden was then in a very weak physical condition, but we were impressed with her sweetness, her genial disposition, and her patient resignation to the will of God. Brief as this association was, it created in our hearts a warmth of affection that has never diminished.

We admired the loyal devotion of Sister Squires and her sister Dolores, whose attention and help were ever responsive to their mother's need. We are glad that Brother Orland could be home at that time of grief, for he too was a mother's joy.

We fervently pray that the Lord may grant to Pastor Ogden and his family all the consolations which He alone can impart, and that they may find in the Blessed Hope a stimulus to the exercise of Christian fortitude and resignation.

" 'Tis but a little while,  
And we shall meet again."