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CO-OPERATION OF HEAVENLY AGENCIES

"We need to understand better than we do the mission of the angels. It would be well to remember that every true child of God has the co-operation of heavenly beings. Invisible armies of light and power attend the meek and lowly ones who believe and claim the promises of God. Cherubim and seraphim, and angels that excel in strength, stand at God's right hand, 'all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heir of salvation.'"

Acts of the Apostles, p. 154.

"Remember that the Lord Jesus is the Master worker. He waters the seed sown. He puts into your minds words that will reach hearts."

Testimonies, Vol. IX, p. 41.

"Consecrate yourself wholly to the work of God. He is your strength, and He will be at your right hand, helping you to carry on His merciful designs."

Testimonies, Vol. IX, p. 41.

"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.'"—*Christ Object Lessons, p. 332.*

"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 enabling."

Christ Object Lessons, p. 333.

"In working for perishing souls, you have the companionship of angels. Thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand angels are waiting to co-operate with members of our churches in communicating the light that God has generously given, that a people may be prepared for the coming of Christ."

Testimonies, Vol. IX, p. 129.

"In this work all the angels of heaven are ready to co-operate. All the resources of heaven are at the command of those who are seeking to save the lost. Angels will help you to reach the most careless and most hardened. And when one is brought back to God, all heaven is made glad; seraphs and cherubs touch their golden harps and sing praises to God and the Lamb for their mercy and loving-kindness to the children of men."

Christ Object Lessons, p. 197.

"He who called the fishermen of Galilee is still calling men to His service, and He is just as willing to manifest His power through us as through the first disciples. However imperfect and sinful we may be, the Lord holds out to us the offer of partnership with Himself, of apprenticeship to Christ. He invites us to come under the divine instruction, that, uniting with Christ, we may work the works of God."

The Desire of Ages, p. 197.

Think you not that Christ values those who live wholly for Him? Think you not that He visits those who, like the beloved John, are for His sake in hard and trying places? He finds His faithful ones, and holds communion with them, encouraging and strengthening them. And angels of God, that excel in strength, are sent forth by God to minister to His human workers who are speaking the truth to those who know it not."

Testimonies, Vol. VII, p. 17.

"All heaven is in activity, and the angels of God are waiting to co-operate with all who will devise plans whereby souls for whom Christ died may hear the glad tidings of salvation. Angels who minister to those who shall be heirs of salvation, are saying to every true saint, 'There is work for you to do. Go, stand and speak . . . to the people all the words of this life.' Acts 5: 20. If those addressed would obey this injunction, the Lord would prepare the way before them, putting them in possession of means wherewith to go."

Testimonies, Vol. VI, pp. 433, 434.

"In such a time as this, every child of God should be actively engaged in helping others. As those who have an understanding of Bible truth try to seek out the men and women who are longing for light, angels of God will attend them. And where angels go, none need fear to move forward. As a result of the faithful efforts of consecrated workers, many will be turned from idolatry to the worship of the living God. Many will cease to pay homage to man-made institutions, and will take their stand fearlessly on the side of God and His law."

Prophets and Kings, p. 171.

"The man who says, 'It can't be done,' is liable to be interrupted by somebody doing it."



SPREADING THE MESSAGE

In Daniel's prophecy we read, that in the time of the end, "many shall run to and fro and knowledge shall be increased." The whole world today is conscious of an awakening. Bible students see in the events now taking place a direct fulfillment of God's word. Seventh Day Adventists believe that "the time of the end" has come.

There is abundant evidence all about us to show that we are in the last days of the generation that is to witness the close of God's work in the earth. There is much work, however, to be done, but God has placed within our reach various means whereby we may quickly do the part He would have us perform.

At this special time we wish to emphasize the literature ministry, as is being promoted through the Big Week Campaign. This plan has been devised to give church members an opportunity to place the truth in the homes of their neighbors and friends.

The plan has been made very simple by the preparation of small books which sell at a shilling each and papers which sell for only 3d each. Surely every member of the church will feel it a great privilege to have a part in this great campaign, and everyone who takes a part may be assured that holy angels will attend him as he goes forth on his mission as God's messenger.

PERSONAL MISSIONARY WORK

Personal service is the most effective way of advancing the gospel. The Layman's Missionary Movement is especially adapted to the individual development of talents. To every one is given at least one talent. It is vital to the advancement of the cause that the talents of our church members shall be put to use.

We read of the early apostles that "daily in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Christ." Acts 5: 42. There was opposition to their work. Listen to the accusation of the high priest: "Did we not straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? And behold ye have filled Jerusalem with

your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us." Acts 5: 28.

The disciples went everywhere preaching the gospel and the message was in those early days spread throughout the world. The divine plan for God's people today has not changed. He desires every member of the church to be a personal soul winner.

We have this timely instruction from the Spirit of Prophecy: "Consecrate yourselves wholly to the work of God. He is your strength, and He will be at your right hand, helping you to carry on His merciful designs. By personal labour reach those around you. Become acquainted with them. Preaching will not do the work that needs to be done. Angels of God attend you to the dwellings of those you visit. The work cannot be done by proxy. Money lent or given will not accomplish it. Sermons will not do it. By visiting the people, talking, praying, sympathizing with them, you will win hearts. This is the highest missionary work you can do."—*Test. Vol. 9, p. 41.*

SUGGESTIVE CANVASS

"Good morning. This is Mrs. or Mr. —, I believe. My name is—." If you do not know the name simply introduce yourself thus: "Good morning. My name is—. I am very glad to meet you. May I have the pleasure of your name, please? (Offer the hand cordially). I am engaged in a line of Christian work, Mrs.—, and would like to step inside and talk with you a few moments." It is better to be comfortably seated with your prospect than to stand outside the door. However, you must be ready for any emergency and act accordingly.

In talking to your prospective buyer be natural just as when you visit a friend. When you turn to the object of your call avoid any abrupt reference to the fact that you are selling a book. First secure interest, and then the friend will want to know the price. If you state the price first, many will be too quick in deciding that they will not take the book. (When continuing the conversation).

"I am calling on you today in the interest of every member of the home. You know Mrs.—, we are living in a time of great peril to the moral welfare of society. Good literature has always had an influence to raise the standards. At this time I am introducing some very valuable little books. They will instruct us in truth. They will inspire us with confidence in God. They will give us food for thought, so that we may grow strong in our spiritual life." (Explain the contents briefly).

"We are placing these splendid books in the homes of our friends at only 1/- each.

You will have one or some I know. You may have the book today. Thank you."

In case you are not successful in selling a book try a paper if you have one at only a 3d. Do some business if possible. Should you fail to sell anything, be sure to leave at least a good impression.

BIG WEEK INTERESTS

The time of the year has come again for the annual BIG WEEK Campaign. This has come to be one of the regular denominational activities for the promotion and extension of our ever growing and enlarging work. In this now well established plan our people the world around are asked to unite in a special literature sale campaign devoting the proceeds to the extension of the work. In the United States and some other countries the entire amount received from this fund is contributed to the foreign work but in our mission fields just the reverse is true and that is we are privileged to use the proceeds for the promotion and building up of the work within our own territory.

At the recent Inter-American Division Council it was voted to allow each field in this Division to use the entire receipts of the campaign for local interests as might be arranged by the local and union committees. So in the campaign for Jamaica it has been arranged to use this fund gathered in this conference in the interests of educational work,—first for strengthening the church schools and to give some help for some greatly needed improvements at the College. The action of the Jamaica Conference Committee has been approved by the Union Committee and we join heartily with the workers and people in Jamaica in making this the very best and most successful campaign ever conducted in this field, first, because the needs were never greater, and second, because the people of the island need the literature that our dear people may be instrumental in distributing. Thus a twofold purpose is accomplished; first, the people of the island will be supplied with a large quantity of truth-filled literature carrying the message of truth to their homes; and second, the educational work will be strengthened for the better training of our dear children in our Christian schools established in the providence of God for the safeguarding of these lambs of the flock.

A. R. OGDEN

DON'T BE A JONAH

A great city was in heathen darkness, and so wicked that God must destroy it. But the good news of salvation had not been sufficiently proclaimed in the streets.

God would warn every soul first, but He would not Himself proclaim His message from heaven, nor would He commission His angels to do it.

All through His experience with the children of men He has chosen to proclaim His message through lips of clay. Accordingly He called one of His chosen servants to go to Ninevah and proclaim His awful warning of impending doom.

It is a great honor to poor frail human beings to be called by the great King of Heaven and Earth to be His representative, His mouthpiece, to warn others of their evil ways, to give the gospel invitation.

Jonah was acquainted with Ninevah. He knew the wickedness of that pleasure-mad populace, and how their hearts were so centered on sports and games and a sensual life that they had no ear for a preacher of righteousness.

And "As the prophet thought of the seeming impossibilities and difficulties of this commission, he was tempted to question the call. . . . While he hesitated, still doubting, Satan overwhelmed him with discouragement."—*Prophets and Kings, p. 266.*

Also, "All these things happened unto them for ensamples, and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." 1 Corinthians 10: 11.

Then, if God is calling you to colporteur evangelism, heed the "admonition" and don't be a Jonah. W. L. Kinder.

Southwestern Union Record.

New Waldenses

"The Archbishop of Palermo, Italy, recently warned the city with these words, 'Beware of these new Waldenses which have come to Palermo. Read not their books and papers which they have written under the titles *Present Truth, Herald of Truth, Glorious Appearing, Marked Bible, Steps to Christ, and Our Day in the Light of Prophecy.*'"—*Southwestern Union Record.*

AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST BELL

I was manufactured some thirty-five years ago in the United States. Those who made me soon found a place for me to begin my work. I was transferred to a public school belfry in the northern part of the State of Indiana. It was there for about twenty years that I carried on my work under varied and sometimes lonely days. At the close of every school term, the youth and teachers deserted me for months at a time. Even my home was a desolate place for three months or more each year.

Then one day those who owned me decided to sell my home. How it did pain me. They decided, too, that they would be able to get along without me altogether. As the direct result of this drastic decision, I spent almost ten years in loneliness and idleness.

About five months ago, a Seventh-day Adventist neighbour climbed up into the cold room where I was kept, and began to take me all apart. He looked very kind to me, and the way he handled me, was information enough to know that soon I should take up my work again. I was put into a large box, and my members were put into another box, and then this kind man, Jesse E. Dunn, for that is who he was, loaded me into his small truck, put my name on the box and left me in charge of the railway company. Every one testified that I was pretty heavy, for I weighed fully a half ton. I moved on through cities and states, until I reached the eastern seaboard of my country. My passport was fully prepared, and in due course, I spent five days on the Atlantic travelling southward to my present Island home.

On being received formally into my new found work, all have expressed their delight with my presence. Those who look after me have given me a fine new coat of paint, and I am determined to rust in idleness no more.

I take great pleasure in calling every Seventh-day Adventist to the West Indian Training College, for that is my home since becoming an Adventist. Every day my work is a joy. Everyone listens to my ring and moves at my commands. Each Sabbath I testify to all far and wide that we are ready to worship.

It gives me real joy to meet L. L. Dunn, who at one time used to ring me daily. I take this opportunity to thank all who have in any way made it possible for me to be here.

NEWS NOTES

A Sabbath School and Missionary Volunteer Convention was held in Montego Bay beginning Friday evening, March 8, and continuing through Sabbath and Sunday of March 9 and 10. Professor W. L. Adams, the secretary of the Sabbath School Department for the Inter-American Division, was present to lead out in this convention. Other workers present and assisting were Pastor Stockhausen, Mrs. M. R. Edmed, Mrs. C. E. Andross, and the writer. Sabbath School and Missionary Volunteer officers were present from Mt. Carey, Montego Bay, Salt Spring, Axe and Adze, Orange, and Camrose. There was a splendid

interest manifested in all of the meetings and a good attendance from the opening session, Friday night, to the closing session, Sunday night. Professor Adams' inspiring studies Friday evening and at the 11 o'clock service Sabbath were greatly appreciated, and the technical instructions given in the two departments should be of real help to the schools and societies in their future work. All were specially pleased to have Sister Edmed with them again and instructions which she gave on the Sabbath School programme were followed by the closest attention of all. Mrs. Andross demonstrated the use of the sand table for the teaching of the lesson to the small children. Saturday night Professor Adams with the aid of his projector showed a number of pictures on the screen bringing graphically before all present the progress of the work in different parts of the Inter-American Division, emphasizing particularly our various training schools. We trust that the inspiration and instruction obtained may result in increased interest and activity in the various Sabbath Schools and societies represented.

Monday, March 11, Professor Adams, Mrs. Andross and the writer visited the March Town church school and in the evening Professor Adams addressed the March Town church on the subject of Christian Education. Plans were laid for the better equipment of the church school. The following day the church school at Seaford Town was visited and a service held with the church at that place. A broken rear axle prevented our meeting with the New Market church that same night, but a short service was held at New Market the next evening.

A splendid interest is being manifested in the evangelistic meetings being conducted by Brother A. R. Haig in the New Market church. A large baptismal class has been formed and others are expected to join.

During our visit to Montego Bay Pastor Stockhausen took us to see the progress being made on the erection of a tabernacle at Montego Bay where it is planned to hold a series of evangelistic meetings beginning about the last day of March. The tabernacle is being erected in a very prominent location and we bespeak the prayers of all that the Holy Spirit's presence may be manifested in a large measure for the salvation of souls.

Brother R. B. Campbell reports the erection of a tabernacle at Rosewell (about half-way between Old Harbour

and May Pen). He plans to begin a series of evangelistic meetings about the last day of March. An interest is solicited in your prayers that the blessing of God may attend this effort.

All will be glad to know that Pastor Lawson, who had been greatly weakened by a severe attack of influenza, is now making rapid progress toward the complete recovery of his normal strength. Pastor Lawson's illness has necessitated the postponement of a number of baptisms and delayed contemplated visits to a number of new churches which have recently been added to Pastor Lawson's district. Pastor Lawson reports that a number of the members at Spring Garden suffered from severe attacks of influenza but that the lives of all have been spared. A large baptismal class at Spring Garden is preparing for the sacred rite.

A recent letter from Pastor Fletcher tells of the illness of Sister Fletcher. Let us remember Sister Fletcher at the throne of grace, praying that the Lord may grant her an early recovery.

On March 15 Pastors J. R. McWilliam and I. G. Knight arrived on the *Cimboco* from the Cayman Islands, the former reporting a rough passage and the latter a smooth passage. How relative such matters are! After many years of service in various parts of the Inter-American Division, Pastor Knight is now on his way to the homes of his children in the Western part of the United States of America for a well earned relaxation from the strenuous duties of his years of untiring service in the proclamation of the Third Angel's Message. Pastor Knight reports the baptism of four more candidates just prior to leaving the Cayman Islands, and the development of two splendid interests—one in Grand Cayman and the other in Cayman Brac.

Immediately upon his arrival Pastor McWilliam accompanied Brother Nation to the West Indian Training College where he spent a few days prior to the holding of the Colporteurs' Institute.

Within the past few weeks land has been acquired at three different places for church buildings. These places include Cumberland in Clarendon, Cooper's Hill in St. Andrew, and Petersfield in Westmoreland. The members at Cooper's Hill are desirous of moving their building to a more central location now purchased. Our church at Petersfield was erected on rented land, a portion of the same land now having been purchased.

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Pastor H. Fletcher reports a baptism held the early part of March at Linstead, at which time eleven candidates followed their Lord in baptism. This makes a good addition to the membership of the Linstead church and we trust that with the added impetus given to the work in this district it may make still further progress.

A recent report from Pastor L. Rashford tells of his return to the parish of Portland in which he and his wife had laboured a number of years ago. He says, "I was pleased to see the changes made especially in Port Antonio where the membership of the church has grown materially. Manchioneal gave me the biggest surprise as it now boasts of a neat little wooden church about a quarter of a mile ere you reach the town from the west." Pastor Rashford recollects the difficulties and persecutions encountered in the early establishment of the work in Manchioneal, and then adds: "God has watered the seeds sown, and I have met two men who reminded me of the meeting held on the wharf some twenty-nine years ago. My crossing the Rio Grande and back rivers with the water almost arm-deep holding my belongings over my head, came back to my mind, and the climb up the steep, slippery, muddy hills to reach John's Hall with just a few believers, returned in a vivid form. This little church is no more but others have taken its place. Fever is still the foe of the minister in this place but God who promised never to leave nor forsake His people is my stay."

In keeping with the general call to our young people throughout the world to engage in special prayer and devotion, the young people of the North Street Church celebrated the Spring Week of Prayer, March 9 to 16. Early morning meetings were conducted at 5:30 (Sunday to Friday) at which there were very good attendances. Special leaders were appointed for these devotional services, and the Spirit of the Lord came very near to all. Many reconsecrated themselves and others decided to turn from the world and its follies, and accept Jesus as their personal Saviour. Hearts were so greatly stirred that there was absent that spirit of reticence which at times is manifested among young people at such gatherings.

The closing meeting on Sabbath afternoon the 16th, will long be remembered. Pastor A. R. Ogden in his usual forceful manner addressed the youth and there was a happy response to the appeals he made. With the president of the Conference, Pastor Andross, directing, a large number testified of the spiritual blessings

they had received, and expressed their determination to be true and faithful in the God-given responsibilities laid upon them.

The fruitage of this wonderful season of prayer is already seen in redoubled efforts in missionary endeavour and a greater devotion to the things that are high and noble. R. HARRIOTT

CHEERING NEWS from O. P. REID NASSAU

"I am pleased to report to the VISITOR family that the work is onward here in this part of the vineyard. The writer has just closed a series of meetings in a rented hall with the result that nearly thirty have already taken their stand for the message.

This large interest has stirred up the ministers here in Nassau to the boiling point. I have just heard that they are planning to get me out of Nassau; however, the Lord being my helper, I hope to continue as long as He so desires.

It was of intense interest to me that while the battle was raging, the Lord sent additional help in the person of our veteran Superintendent, Pastor Ogden, who joined us in putting in nearly two weeks every night in both churches.

As a big cannon, we know by the help of the Holy Spirit that every shot fired has made the mark and in time we hope that they shall redound to God's glory with abundant fruitage. The Lord is blessing me in a marked way in giving me souls for my hire. I therefore solicit an interest in the prayers of the VISITOR family."

The past ten days have been busy ones for the conference officers as well as for our visitors, Pastors Gilbert, Ogden, Knight, McWilliam, and Brethren Mohr and Adams, and our workers here in Jamaica and the church members taking part in the various services held. During the latter part of this time we also enjoyed the presence of Pastor Ruskjer, president of the Southern Union Conference, who paid a brief visit to this island. Beginning with Monday evening, the 18th, and continuing through to mid-day, Thursday, March 21st, the annual meeting of the West Indian Training College Board was held at the college. Pastor Gilbert's timely studies morning and evening were greatly appreciated by workers and students and also by the church members and friends from the community who attended. Careful study was given by the Board to the work of the College and plans laid for the further strengthening of the good work being carried forward in this institution.

Preceding the return of the members of the Board to Kingston Pastor Gilbert began a series of night meetings at the North Street church; Wednesday night, the 20th. Friday morning the 22nd the meeting of our church elders and leaders from our churches throughout the island opened with a splendid attendance. These meetings continued daily until the following Tuesday night, March 26. The large attendance from 9 o'clock in the morning until between 4 and 5 o'clock in the afternoon (aside from recess at noon) and the packed house every night with large numbers having to stand outside the church bespoke the deep interest taken in the meetings held. Pastor Gilbert and Ogden together with Pastor Ruskjer, on his arrival, carried the main burden of the meetings. Of special interest was the long-to-be-remembered series of studies on the Sanctuary by Pastor Gilbert. Pastor Ruskjer was able to remain with us for service for one night beyond the closing of the elders' and leaders' meeting and there was a splendid attendance at the North Street church for this final service Wednesday night, March 27. We believe that the inspiration and instruction gained by our church elders and leaders will be carried to the churches and companies throughout the island and result in a great good and a real advance in the work.

Immediately following the close of the of the elders' and leaders' meeting the Colporteur's Institute opened at North Street at 9 o'clock, Wednesday morning, March 27. Pastor McWilliam, field missionary secretary of the Antillian Union, and Brother Nation, field missionary secretary of the Jamaica Conference, led out in this institute. We are glad to report a very good attendance at this institute. A number of new recruits joined in studying the principles of Christian Salesmanship. At the time of writing this institute is still in session and is scheduled to continue until April 2. Our colporteurs made a splendid gain in the sale of books during 1934 over 1933, and we are trusting that there will be a still further gain during 1935. Let us remember these men in prayers that they may be given strength and courage for their heaven-appointed task.

HONOURING GOD IN SPIRIT AND IN SUBSTANCE

A Bible Study

1. There are many degrees of service which we may render to God, but undivided service is the only kind that is acceptable to Him.

"And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master,

what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. And He said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do and thou shalt live." Luke 10: 25-28.

2. We are indebted to God for all we possess. Gratitude, based on love for these gifts should be shown by us to the Giver. "He giveth to all life, and breath, and all things." Acts 17: 25.

3. Love is always expressed in some tangible form. Pure religion is founded on love; and loving in obedience to God's will and because of His great goodness, is essentially practical. It shows itself in doing, not merely in thinking or saying.

"If ye love Me, keep My commandments." John 14: 15.

4. God tells us that one way in which we may please Him and show our gratitude to Him and our love for Him is by giving Him one-seventh portion of time, namely, the Sabbath day.

"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour Him not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." Isa. 58: 13, 14.

5. Another way in which we may honour Him and bring His blessing is by giving Him one-tenth of our increase, or the tithe.

"Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Prov. 3: 9, 10.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3: 10.

Close Connection Between Sabbath and Tithe

As we study the Bible, we find a close connection between the giving of holy time, the Sabbath, representing one-seventh of our time, and the giving of holy tithe, representing one-tenth of our increase.

We notice first the Sabbath.

(a) The Sabbath is based on God's ownership. He made it.

"For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day, wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it." Ex. 20: 11.

(b) The tithe is likewise based on God's ownership, for all things are His.

"The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." Psalm 24: 1.

"For every beast of the forest is Mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains; and the wild beasts of the field are Mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is Mine, and the fulness thereof." Psalm 50: 10-12.

"The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine, saith the Lord of hosts." Haggai 2: 8.

(a) The Sabbath is holy.

"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words." Isa. 58: 13.

(b) The tithe is holy.

"And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." Lev. 27: 32.

(a) The Lord gives of His Spirit that we might keep His Sabbath.

"And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep My judgments, and do them." Ezek. 36: 27.

(b) He gives us the power to get wealth.

"But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore unto thy fathers, as it is this day." Deut. 8: 18.

(a) The Sabbath was given before there was a Jew, and was observed by Adam in Eden. It existed before the Jewish dispensation and was therefore not abrogated when that dispensation ended.

"And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made." Gen. 2: 2.

"To these heathen writers prior to Abraham may be added the testimony supplied by the tablets recovered from Assyrian ruins during the last forty years and interpreted by modern scholars. From them it appears that a day called Sabatu and enjoined as a day of rest for the heart was observed at intervals of seven days from the first of each lunar month by a people known as the Accadi-

ans, who preceded the Assyrians in the occupation of Mesopotamia. This observance was long antecedent to Moses and even Abraham."—"Lord's Day," by Bishop Wilson, p. 19.

(b) Tithing was recognized before the Jewish dispensation and, like the Sabbath, was not abrogated when that dispensation ended.

"And Melchizedek . . . was the priest of the most high God . . . And he (Abram) gave Him tithes of all." Genesis 14: 18, 20.

"Traces of the tithe as something old and well understood appeared; in the earliest historic times among nations having little or no intercourse with the Jews or with each other. To suppose that so many people all hit upon the tenth is out of the question, and the only reasonable conclusion is that they all got it, like the altar and sacrifices for sin, from a common source; that was part of God's immortal law, originally revealed to man, and as such was obeyed by Abraham and afterwards incorporated by Moses in the Levitical cult."—J. P. Hobson in "What we owe."

(a) Keeping any of the Sabbath for our own use profanes God.

"Her priests have violated My law, and have profaned Mine holy things; they have put no difference between the holy and the profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them." Ezek. 22: 26.

(b) Keeping any of the tithe for our own use robs God.

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings." Mal. 3: 8.

"The tithe is sacred, reserved by God for Himself. It is to be brought into His treasury to be used to sustain the gospel labourers in their work. For a long time the Lord has been robbed because there are those who do not realize that the tithe is God's reserved portion."—"Gospel Workers," p. 226.

(a) There is promised a blessing for proper Sabbath keeping.

"Thus saith the Lord, Keep ye judgment and do justice: for My salvation is near to come, and My righteousness to be revealed. Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the son of man that layeth hold on it; that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil." Isa. 56: 1, 2.

(b) There is also promised a blessing for faithful tithe-paying.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith

the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3: 10.

All through the centuries since Christ, there have been Sabbath-keepers and tithe-payers. Upwards of a score of writers between the second and thirteenth centuries agree that tithes were paid in Egypt, Carthage, Spain, Italy, Britain.

As the true Sabbath became obscured, so faithful tithing became covered. With the revival of the Sabbath, there is seen among true Sabbath-keepers the revival of the tithe.

Summary

1. Both tithing and Sabbath-keeping are based on God's ownership.

2. Both the Sabbath and the tithe are holy unto God.

3. Both were given before the Jewish economy, and thus were not dependent upon it nor ended with it.

4. Violation of either is sinning against God.

5. God promises a blessing in obeying both the Sabbath and the tithe.

6. Both have ever been and still are inseparably connected.

Shall we not worship the Lord in spirit and truth and substance?

"And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted Him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. And He said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live." Luke: 10 25-28.

May the Lord help us each to be true Sabbath-keepers and faithful tithe-payers.

W. G. TURNER, in *Australasian Record*.

REPORT OF TITHE AND OFFERINGS For Month of February, 1935.

Churches and Companies	Tithe	S. School Offerings	Missions
Amity	1 2 11½	0 12 6½	
Aughtembeddie	1 9 7½	0 8 11½	
Axe & Adze	1 6 6½	0 4 9½	0 0 8½
Ballimoney	0 4 11½	0 1 6	
Beverley	1 4 9	0 6 11½	
Bird's Hill	2 16 5	0 14 0	
Bryant Hill	1 12 3½	0 10 10½	0 0 3
Blue Hole	0 17 1½	0 3 9½	
Beeston Spring			
Bellas Gate	0 9 5	0 2 11½	
Bagbie	1 15 11½	0 11 4½	
Brittonville			
Bamboo		0 7 9	
Bonny Gate	0 12 0	0 11 4	
Broadgate	0 15 6½	0 14 8½	
Cave			
Clermont	3 4 5½	1 8 2½	
Carron Hall			
Campbell's Castle	1 6 6½	0 4 11½	0 2 2
Cornwall Barracks	1 8 6½	0 4 2½	0 0 3½
Contented Hall	0 12 0	0 5 5½	0 1 3
Coléyville	4 11 10½	1 14 2½	
Robin's Hall		0 5 4	
Cooper's Hill	0 8 1	0 4 10	

Cornwall Mt.	0 11 3½	0 3 7½	
Craig	1 2 8½	0 14 1½	0 1 3
Croft's Hill	0 9 2		
Conference & Isolated	36 10 9	0 6 8	0 3 0
Wigton			
Blackwoods			
Green Castle			
Milk River			
Prospect			
Brown's Town	0 11 5½	0 5 3½	
Cross			
Sandy Bay	0 3 1½	0 1 5½	
Devon			
Darliston	2 5 1	0 17 8½	
Dalvey	0 4 6		0 0 6
Dallas Castle	1 1 2½	0 5 4½	
Dias	0 10 10½	0 2 11½	
Everton Park			
Flower Hill			
Florence Hill			
Glengoffe	1 5 4½	0 14 7½	0 0 5½
Goshen	0 11 8½	0 6 0	
Grove Town	1 16 6½	0 10 10½	0 0 6
Gayle	4 4 7½	0 19 10½	
Guy's Hill	1 17 0½	0 19 11	0 0 3½
Hart Hill	2 0 11½	0 17 6½	
Hector's River	0 6 7½	0 3 11½	
Huntley	1 0 1	0 2 7½	
Jointwood	4 13 3	1 11 1½	0 1 5
Coker			
Kingston	44 19 3½	8 9 2	0 10 11
Kencot	3 1 5½	1 6 2½	
Linstead			
Long Bay	0 3 10½	0 2 11½	0 0 2½
Little London	0 9 0½	0 2 7½	
Manchioneal	3 0 4	1 2 7½	0 0 11
Moore Park			
Mandeville	13 9 9½	6 14 7½	0 4 7½
March Town	2 19 2½	1 1 11	0 0 6
Mill End	2 5 2	0 9 2½	
Montego Bay	6 17 0½	1 6 10	0 3 5
Morant Bay			
Mt. Carey	3 9 5	0 7 3	0 3 1
Mt. Peace	1 13 8½	0 10 5	0 1 0
Mt. Providence	2 4 8½	0 6 10	0 0 9½
Newell			
Newport	0 18 6½	0 9 2½	0 1 2½
New Market	1 13 9	0 6 11½	
Old Harbour	0 19 6	0 15 4½	
Orange	1 4 7½	0 8 10½	0 0 9
Ocho Rios	0 14 8	0 8 7½	
Petersfield	1 5 0½	0 10 5½	
Port Antonio	3 0 8	1 0 5½	0 0 2½
Olive Mt.			
Porus	0 13 9½	0 7 9½	
Richmond Park	0 10 0		
Port Maria	0 15 10½	0 14 3½	
Riversdale	1 12 6½	1 8 3½	
Williamsfield			
Regent Street	7 2 2	1 1 5	0 0 5½
Rollington Pen	8 4 8½	1 10 7½	0 0 1
Maryland	0 1 0		
Race Course	0 3 0		
Santa Cruz	2 16 11½	0 12 1½	
Sav-la-mar	2 15 7½	0 9 7	
Sheffield	1 2 11	0 7 6½	0 1 3
St. Ann's Bay	2 6 5	1 4 4	0 0 6
Sherwood Content	1 0 5	0 6 0½	0 0 9
Sherwood Forest	1 0 7½	0 13 0½	0 1 3½
Southfield	1 19 1½	0 15 5½	
Spanish Town	5 13 10½	1 17 4	0 4 2½
Sligoville			
Reeves Mt.			
Swift River			
Fruitful Vale	0 5 5	0 1 6	0 0 3
Trinityville	0 2 3½	0 2 4½	
Spring Garden	2 9 8	0 15 9½	0 1 6
Seaford Town			
Springfield	0 14 5½	0 3 0½	0 0 2
Troy	0 16 11	0 4 6	
Vaughansfield	1 19 6½	0 19 4½	
Waterloo	0 12 5	0 7 9	
White House	0 1 2	0 4 1½	
Watermount	2 0 3	0 14 1½	0 1 4
Duxes			
White Hill	0 4 5	0 3 11	
Totals	229 1 1	60 8 3	2 11 6½

J. W. GROUNDS,
Treasurer.

OBITUARY

Brother Philip Porter passed from life's stage on Sabbath morning the 16th of March 1935, at the ripe age of 68 years. Born in July 1866, his whole life as it were was marked by an unusual religious fervour and devotion.

Forty-two years ago, in the pioneer days of our work, he embraced the Advent Faith, and was among the first converts who were baptized in Jamaica. No one ever showed forth greater zeal and Christian devotion to the cause of truth, and at a time when our Message was unpopular and the few believers were exposed to great persecution. The new found Faith inspired his soul, and he immediately entered the colporteur work. His endeavours were so successful and fruitful that he was sent out as a missionary and engaged in self-supporting colporteur work in the islands of Trinidad and Tobago. The seeds of truth were sown in those islands, and today a rich harvest of precious souls is the result. Brother Porter subsequently returned to the Island of Jamaica, and, with a zeal that astonished every one, continued his missionary endeavours. There are members throughout the length and breadth of the Island who are rejoicing in the Third Angel's Message as a result of his untiring labours. Many churches and companies owe their existence to the self-sacrificing and enthusiastic efforts of Brother Porter. He was consecrated, and God blest his work in a remarkable manner. Such a great passion possessed his soul for lost humanity that he forgot his own comforts, and gave his life unreservedly to the work he loved so much.

About six years ago our Brother was sorely afflicted, and had to retire permanently from active service. The General Conference fittingly acknowledged his years of faithfulness, and there will be general regret felt at his passing. A star of hope dispels the gloom, however, and we look forward with glad anticipation to the glad reunion day when Christ the Life-giver comes again.

Funeral services were conducted on Sunday afternoon the 17th of March, first at the home of the deceased, 53 Gold Street, and at the North Street Seventh Day Adventist Church—Pastors B. A. Meeker and I. G. Knight officiating. The vast concourse of people that attended and the floral tributes which they paid bore testimony to the love and esteem in which he was held.

Brother Porter leaves a wife, three sons, and two daughters and many relatives and friends to mourn their irreparable loss. To all who mourn, the VISITOR extends its deep sympathy and pray that the Consolation of Isreal will comfort and sustain.

Our Brother has passed from this world of suffering and disappointment. His voice is hushed in death, his work on earth is ended; but the memory of a life of sacred devotion and unceasing toil for the lost, will never fade or grow dim.

R. F. HARRIOTT

NOTE: Other obituary notices to hand which for lack of space do not appear in this number will be included in the next issue.—PRINTERS.