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Keep Them Alive

Pastor Cyrus E. Albertson states that he has made a study of the many cases where church members have fallen into decline and gives the following suggestion as a workable plan to re-vitalize the members in the Methodist Episcopal church. The above title is given to an article appearing in their paper, the Christian Advocate, under date of September 15, 1938, and a few extracts from his letter read as follows:

"How can we keep the members of our churches alive? How can we promote their growth in Christian character and interest in the work of the church? These are questions that perplex us. Give the members more attention, is the common answer to the problem. If we will keep in constant touch with them, they will not drift away from the church, some folks say. There should be much more visiting in the homes of the people, but this will not keep church members alive. It may help some who are kept alive by flattery and continuous attention. If we want to keep our membership alive, we must keep them busy. Ways and means must be found by which every member can feel that he has some necessary part in the work of the church. The average church seldom has more than twenty per cent of its membership at work. Folk who fail to assume any responsibility are marked for an early death as church people. They can live and grow only as they get under the cross and help carry it. The cross must be carried. It cannot be ridden upon. Folk who unite with the church must be confronted with obligations to it, and urged to assume their share of its burden."

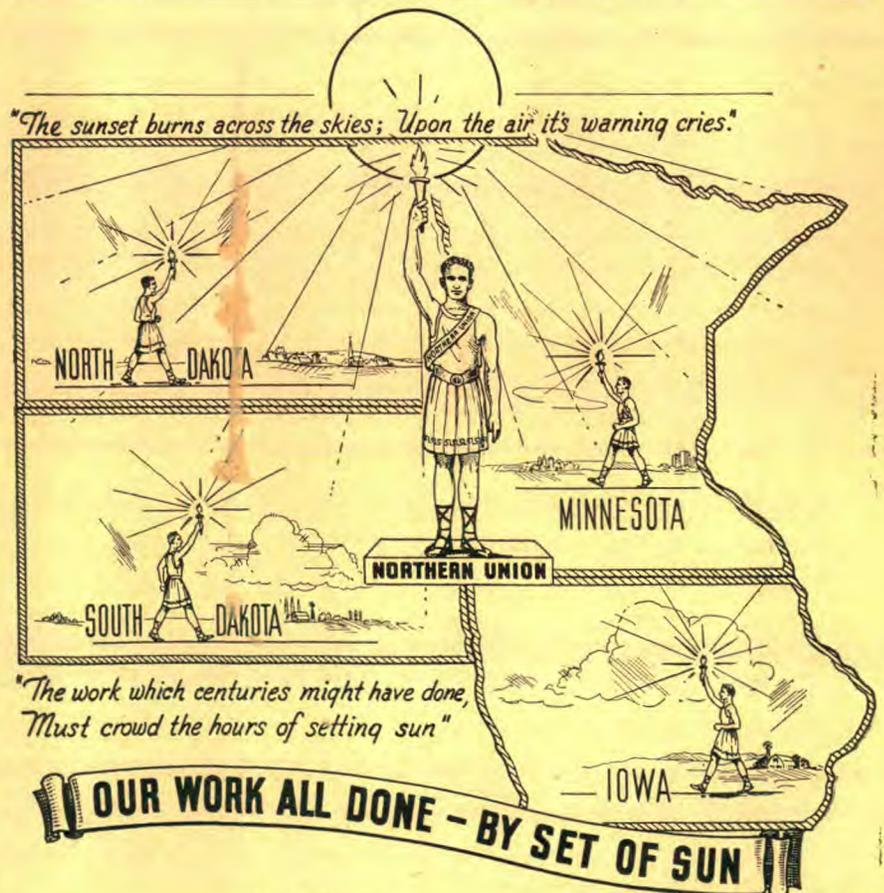
Time and again these men have given similar counsel, and issued such warnings which, after all, would be profitable for members of other churches to heed. In order that Seventh-day Adventists be saved from this dreaded malady, "inertia," God has ordained many departments within the church and has given to every

man his work; and at this particular season of the year more than usual opportunities are afforded our people to place within the hands of friends and neighbors our message-filled literature which is very suitable for Christmas gifts. Discounts are given those taking part, which means that a liberal remuneration is allowed for your endeavors. For further information, write your Book and Bible House secretary at once.

P. D. Gerrard

Union College Enrollment

The chapel at "Old Union" is crowded this year as are also both dormitories. To date, September 22, there are 180 women in North Hall and 165 men in South Hall including the annex, and 66 students from the village. The enrollment is 411 college students and 48 academy students making a total of 459. A few students are still expected. This enlarged attendance brings to the institution a genuine "Union" spirit. The chapel walls vibrate with the



	1937 Results	1938 Goals	1938 Results to date
Iowa	\$13,078.66	\$11,450.00	\$6,500.00
Minnesota	16,929.54	15,650.00	11,393.06
North Dakota	6,134.37	6,000.00	4,501.38
South Dakota	6,849.57	6,000.00	4,107.56
Union	42,992.14	39,100.00	26,502.00

volume of song and seats are almost at a premium. Some of the classes are truly capacity classes.

Not only are we happy to have a large student group, but we appreciate most the excellent spirit that prevails. The school year is young to be sure, but a good start is worth much. With the aid of the faculty and students, and with our Saviour's guidance, we want this to be a year of spiritual as well as scholastic progress.

Elder N. P. Nielson, vice-president of the South American Division, spoke to the student group at the first Friday evening meeting, on the character essentials of a missionary. He drew from the life of Paul certain practical examples that encouraged one to make resolutions to serve the Master wherever He should call. Elder Nielson gave opportunity to the student assembly to express their consecration to Christian service and the response was almost unanimous. Union must continue to fill the place God purposes for it in these days of lengthening shadows.

A. H. Rulkoetter

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INGATHERING CAMPAIGN



CHURCHES and COMPANIES

"We are laborers together with God!"

Churches having reached their super-goal:

Anoka, Mankato, Willmar, Sherburn, Chisholm, Richville, Winona, Owatonna, Hinckley, Sunnybrook, Blackduck, Fairmont, Beacon Light, Duluth English, Eagle Bend and Red Wing.

Churches having reached their goal:

Spring Valley, Brainerd, Aitkin, Palisade, Wahkon, Mahtowa, Swatara, Morgan, Drywood, Minneapolis Nor-Dan., Tamarack, Detroit Lakes, Glenwood, Moose Lake, Bath, Wells, Bruno, Wing River, Rochester, Pipestone,

Rock Creek, Red Lake Falls, Virginia, Littlefork, Duluth Scandinavian, Gilchrist, Barnesville, Good Thunder and Albert Lea.

Nearing The Goal

Minnesota now (September 24) has \$11,393 toward its goal and sixteen churches have reached their super goal, while thirty others have made their goal, totaling forty-six churches on the Honor Roll. Last week more than \$1,700 came in, which goes to show that as we near our goal the pace is quickening. Four districts have made their super goal. They are manned by Elder Hutches, Elder Edwardson, Elder Douglas and Brother Reed. By the time you read this Elder Smith's and Elder Hiatt's districts will have their super goals. Each lacks less than \$10 of this achievement. Elder Nelson's district and Brother Sundin's district have their goal. Others are crowding in fast.

Elder N. R. Nelson's district made a big advance this week. The Minneapolis Nor-Dan. church lacks only a few dollars of its \$1250 super goal. Maple Plain and St. Cloud are nearing their goals. Elder Reiner is helping at St. Cloud again. Minneapolis English reports \$1782.62 in cash (Sept. 24) and the membership is working hard toward their \$2,500 goal.

This week we welcome Duluth English, Eagle Bend and Red Wing to the super goal Honor Roll. We welcome Red Lake Falls, Virginia, Littlefork, Duluth Scandinavian, Gilchrist, Barnesville, Good Thunder and Albert Lea to the Honor Roll.

The work is making good progress and every district leader is working hard to help his churches reach their goals 100% this year. May God bless our faithful ministers and the lay members as we plunge into the finishing of the great task He has intrusted to our hands.

J. C. Christenson

Correction

An unfortunate proof-reading error was made in the article published last week over the signature of C. G. Cross and entitled "A Colporteur Experience." In the copy of this article sent to the printers the first three paragraphs were in quotation marks and followed by the signature of H. E. Preston, from whose letter the three paragraphs had been taken

and who had reported the experience. We very much regret the omission of the quotation marks and the signature of Brother Preston through oversight in the proof-reading, so feel that in order to be fair to all concerned this correction should be published. Editor.

Harvest Ingathering Song

Ecl. 11:1

Cast thy bread upon the water,
Throw it gently on each wave;
Many souls are drifting, drifting,
Jesus bids us seek and save.
Though our efforts may seem fruitless,
Our life labor quite in vain,
After many days of floating,
'Twill return to thee again.

Some are sailing toward the harbor,
Many drifting with the tide,
Out upon life's surging billows,
Without pilot, without guide.
Quickly grasp the helm of duty,
Ply the oar and spread the sail;
Gather in the struggling seamen
That are drifting, soon to fail.

Cast thy bread across the ocean,
Toss it o'er the deep blue sea;
Break it gently to the fallen,
'Twill impart blest liberty.
Give it kindly to the children,
Break it graciously for all,
And upon thy nearest neighbor
Let some precious life-crumbs fall.

Jesus is the guiding Pilot
O'er life's rough eventful tide.
He, the Beacon Light of heaven,
To the port will safely guide.
May we land and find there many
Souls, all happy, free, and safe,
Through the precious Bread of
Heaven,

We have lifted from the wave.

Paulina Alway Anderson

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Southern District

Some who read the OUTLOOK will doubtless be glad to hear about the work in the southern district.

This district includes nine churches: Mankato, Albert Lea, Good Thunder, Morgan, Fairmont, Sherburn, Pipestone, Bath, and Wells. All of these churches have reached the Ingathering goal set by the conference, and the district has reached its super goal.

Recently improvements have been made in several of the churches. The Bath church has just been newly painted and shingled. The Sherburn church has been painted and plans are on foot to shingle it also. The Mankato church has installed a new heating plant, and the Albert Lea church has equipped their church school room for their first church school. The school has enrolled seventeen pupils, and, under the direction of Miss Unterseher is doing excellent work.

The members of this district are faithful workers and loyal in supporting every phase of the cause. It is truly a privilege to be associated with such enthusiastic and willing soldiers of the cross.

We expect to begin evangelistic meetings soon. Prospects are good for a harvest of souls at several places in this district, and we hope to follow up the interests just as soon as possible. Pray for the work in this field that many sheaves may be garnered in for the kingdom.

Clarence E. Smith.

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Radio

Typical of many who have written to express their appreciation of the messages sent over WHO by the Radio Bible School each Sunday morning, at 9:15, is the following: "We are glad there are ministers that can stand for right. It was a wonderful message. I am glad that many will listen in over WHO, although our churches are begging for folks to fill our pews, and ministers have to preach to so many empty pews. I will enclose a little gift for the

work." (\$1.00) Signed, Mrs. A. J., Winfield, Iowa.

In responding to the three-fold, special, two-dollar offer made by the Radio Bible School, many have told of their thanks. A friend writes: "I am sending the \$2.00. I wish I had \$10.00 to spare. I could place the books in the hands of eager readers." Signed, M. D., Boone, Iowa.

It occurs to us that many of our people would like to avail themselves of this special opportunity. The three-fold offer includes: First, fifty different Radio Bible School lecture lesson sermons taken from the courses, "Basic Bible Truths," "Prophecy," "Daniel," and "Revelation." (These lecture lessons have sold for 10 cents a copy.) Second, a full year's subscription to the Present Truth. And third, the new edition just off the press of "Christ's Object Lessons," a beautiful, 444-page, cloth bound book, well illustrated and of unexcelled value. It is truly a classic. All these, a value of nearly \$10.00, will be sent postpaid for but \$2.00.

DeWitt S. Osgood



Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll

Church Co.	Sup.-Goal	Amt. Reached
Sidney	\$24.95	\$72.19
Audubon	35.48	36.30
Hawkeye	168.45	169.00
Brighton	12.50	13.40
Castana	12.00	12.00
Albia	12.50	21.00
Atlantic	69.97	85.06
Ladoga	57.31	68.00
Perry	28.88	45.75
Riceville	9.41	14.60
Ottumwa	122.86	122.97
Mt. Pleasant	110.73	112.06
Birmingham	34.10	44.85
Knoxville	81.16	82.41
Church Co.	Goal	Amt. Reached
Muscatine	\$249.95	250.00
Iowa City	38.08	110.00
Boone	150.00	150.75
Humboldt	94.15	98.40

We are thrilled, the way things are going in the Harvest Ingathering! Church after church reports to the office that it has reached its goal or super goal and many others assure us they will be over the top by October one. Excellent! We are over the half-way mark now, and we want to thank all the loyal workers for their cooperation and enthusiasm.

District No. 1 is going forward at the rate of a hundred dollars a week and we look for them to hit the mark before the first of October. Castana has already reached its super goal.

District No. 2 is hard at work. The leader was ill for a few days, but he just could not stay down for long, so he is right back at it, bringing in the dollars. They are doing good work there and we appreciate their enthusiastic efforts. Humboldt has reached its goal and will soon go over its super goal. Many of their other churches have very nearly reached the goal.

In District No. 3 the figures are mounting, steadily and surely. Brother Gerrard has been giving some very fine help in this district and brought some definite results. Elder C. H. Miller, with his willing helpers, has Waterloo well up toward its goal. Hawkeye and Riceville have already reached their super goal.

Elder Howe has been down in Davenport again working to bring up the figures for District No. 4. His return to the office is a little too late to get the news in this week, but we know they are pushing hard there and two of the churches have reached their goals.

Things are really getting hot in District No. 5. Brother Knecht is doing a fine work in the Harvest Ingathering. Four of his churches have gone over their super goals.

We are watching for the money to roll into District No. 6 this coming week. They are making a special drive and will have big reports at the end of the week. The leader of this district also lost a few days because of illness, but he is back at work again and making excellent progress.

Although the Philadelphia church was a little late getting started because of Brother Hudson's effort in Cedar Rapids, they write us now that they are getting up full steam and are pushing right ahead. They received \$4.70 on the first night out with the singing band. Watch them grow!

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER

RALLY—District No. 1

October 8, Ute, Iowa

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER

RALLY—District No. 2

October 15, Sioux Rapids, Iowa

W. A. Howe

District No. 7 has four churches over their super goals. Brother Petersen writes that they are working hard and will put on a special drive this coming week at Exira. We hope to have a fine report for you next week from this section.

The isolated believers are beginning to send in their offerings which help to swell the figures in District No. 8. This is very good and we hope they can continue to help us reach our goal in a very short time. Boone has reached its goal and Perry has gone over its super goal.

These are encouraging reports coming in from the field and we appreciate the very fine way in which the workers and church members, as well as the isolated believers, are taking hold of the Harvest Ingathering work this year. We are working and praying with you and hope to reach our goal "By set of sun, October one."

B. A. Scherr

Harvest Ingathering

Iowa speeds toward the Harvest Ingathering goal. We have made the half-way curve and are pressing down the home stretch. The annual conclave of our denominational leaders, known as the Autumn Council, soon will convene at Battle Creek, Michigan. The last Sabbath before the opening of the Fall Council is October 15. Last year Iowa was one of the first conferences to reach its Harvest Ingathering goal. The brethren sent a wire to the Fall Council telling them of Iowa's success. This year we wish to rally all our forces that the goal might be reached in time to report it at the Fall Council. We are urging all to make October 8-15 Harvest Ingathering Big Week and October 15 Victory Day. Let us speed a little faster to "Cross the Line by Fall Council Time."

Sunset Calendar

October 7, 1938

Des Moines, Iowa	5:46
St. Paul, Minnesota	5:42
Bismarck, North Dakota	6:12
Pierre, South Dakota	5:59

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God."

North Dakota Conference

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B. I. Schlotthauer, Secretary

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Missionary Volunteer Rallies

For the benefit of the nearby churches we are giving this little program. We are planning to hold M. V. rallies at the following places:

New Home October 8
Fargo October 22

The purpose of these rallies is to study ways and means by which we may carry on missionary work during the winter months.

Time is short and what we want to do for the Lord we must do soon.

George Loewen

ADVERTISEMENTS

Advertisements and business notices are not solicited, but are published only as an accommodation. They must be sent to the local conference office to be approved by the conference officers before being published in the Northern Union Outlook. For each insertion the rate is two cents a word with a minimum charge of fifty cents cash to accompany the advertisement.

Wanted.—An Adventist woman of middle age, who is neat and a good cook, also companionable. Work is light. Communicate with Mrs. J. W. Valentine, Greenfield, Iowa.

For Sale.—80 acre farm, with half interest in adjoining 80 acres, located in the heart of Wisconsin dairy section, 70 miles from St. Paul and 7½ miles from Clear Lake. Good heavy soil; has been my home farm for many years and has well-kept buildings; eight-room modern house, large basement barn, room for 45 head of cattle; two silos, large henhouse, machine shed, granary, sheep shed, and milkhouse. Fully equipped with electricity and water system. Adjoining this property is a two-room school house carrying ten grades. Farmers' cooperative creamery near. Price \$7000. Terms, \$2000 down, balance at 5 per cent. If not sold, will rent equipped, with cows and sheep. L. Dybdahl, 945 33d Street, Richmond, Calif.

For Sale.—120 acre farm, with good buildings. Fifty acres fenced. Some saw timber and abundance for fuel. Priced low. Write L. V. Craig, Park Rapids, Minnesota.

Wanted.—Elderly man deserving good home, more than big wages, for chores during winter on fifty-acre farm. State wages first letter. Mr. H. N. Hanson, Route 4, Owatonna, Minn.

For Sale, or will trade for property near church school, six acres good land, house, barn, henhouse, woodshed, fruit, good well. Frank Arnett, Bouton, Iowa.

Colporteur Report

P. D. Gerrard

Union Field Secretary

WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 24, 1938

	Bks.	Hrs.	Sales	Del.
Minnesota—C. G. Cross, Sec.				
Geo. Nielsen	BR	70	11.75	369.90
R. J. Jones	BR	50	32.00	22.25
Clare G. Rust	Mag.	45	15.80	15.80
Ed Gammon	Misc.	37	52.55	52.55

**Iowa Sanitarium and Hospital**

"The Health Center"

C. E. Pow-rs	Mag.	36	10.45	10.45
Karl A. Evenson	BR	25	35.25	61.40
K.C. Nichols	BR	25	6.75	94.55
Elsie Kivett	Mag.	19	4.50	10.50
Melvin Ward	BR	17		46.55
Nina Magnuson	BR	16	20.35	5.45
Mrs. F. Anderson	Mag.		30.50	30.50
Total			340	219.90 719.90

Iowa—G. H. Boehrig, Sec.

Elsie A. Bahr	Mag.	3	2.10	2.10
Roy Chamberlain	BR	44	15.25	12.00
Mrs. R. Chamberlain	H	12	4.50	6.00
A. E. Johnson	Misc.	17	4.00	4.00
*Ray T. Kroll	H	43	7.50	17.00
Mrs. Anna Kromer	Misc.		4.10	5.10
Hazel Messenger	H	40	12.45	1.50
*H. W. Niswonger	H	50	118.75	2907.15
Eva Ramesbothom	Mag.		9.50	9.50
Howard Strickland	BR	23	.50	4.75
Total			232	178.65 2969.10

South Dakota—R. H. Brown, Sec.

Charles Root	BR	40	40.25	12.25
Llewellyn Smith	BR	26	25.50	2.00
Total			66	65.75 14.25

North Dakota—Roger Baker, Sec.

Theo. Fischer	HG	61		282.30
Emma Beck	DND	29		91.00
Alvina Beck	DND	28		90.00
Oscar Heinrich	BR	21		170.35
Frank Christy	BR	2		12.40
Eileen Engeberg	DND	1		4.75
Gideon Haas	DND			3.50
Total			142	654.30

* Two Weeks

GRAND TOTAL 780 464.30 4357.55

Obituary

Hughes.—George Joseph Hughes was born April 5, 1886, at Duluth, Minnesota, and died at a Duluth hospital, September 18, 1938. He has been a resident of this community all his life. He united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Mahtowa a number of years ago and was faithful till his death. For some time he carried the office of deacon in the church. On July 13 he was hurt in an auto accident near Cloquet and never fully recovered from this injury. He leaves a wife, four daughters, two sons, one sister, also many other relatives and friends. Funeral services were held in the Mission church near Park Lake and he was laid to rest in the Mahtowa cemetery.

G. E. Hutches

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