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Goal Dollar Day

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By Max Hill

The call cometh, O volunteer,
From souls sinking in death and fear;
From dark jungles, from desert drear,
Awake! Listen! Their soul-cry hear.

Afar waiting, in Afric's lands,
With eyes pleading, the heathen stand;
Hear them calling with outstretched
hand;
Why wait longer, O mission band?

The day speedeth when comes the
King,
When all heaven and earth will ring;
O send workers the lost to bring,
That souls ransomed with joy may
sing!

So come greeting Goal Dollar Day,
A gift bringing while yet you may,
That brave workers may speed away
The glad tidings to tell to-day.

Our Goal and It's Meaning

By W. W. Ruble

It takes a little courage,
And a little self control,
And some grim determination
If you want to reach a goal.

What is the Missionary Volunteer
Goal, and what does it mean to the
young people of this union, these are
questions that are familiar to all, and
upon an intelligent answer rests the
success or failure of our work for
souls.

A goal is the final purpose or aim;
the end to which a design tends or
which a person aims to reach or attain.
Our goal then is our final purpose; the
end towards which our designs tend.
In other words the principles wrapped
in our goal are the principles which
should electrify our lives, and control
our actions.

Any goal that is worthy of the name,
must comprehend those features that
encompass all the energies of the most
active, and also stimulate the lagging
energies of those less enthusiastic. Do
the features comprehended in our goal
do this? Let us see.

The first item of our goal as a union
reads, Conversions 550. Rather cold
and unattractive in its first appear-
ance, isn't it? And yet what does it
mean to us as individuals? It means
that five hundred and fifty earnest,
praying young people have co-operated
with God in reaching the individual
lives of five hundred and fifty other
young people who were lost, eternally
lost, and have succeeded in seeing their
entire life's course changed, and five
hundred and fifty new workers added
to our working force; five hundred and
fifty young people happy in this truth
and started for the kingdom; angels
rejoice at the sight, and the young
people who did the work are happier

than they have ever been before in all
their experience. "We must reach
them one by one."

The value of one soul, who can esti-
mate it? The value of five hundred
and fifty, bright, talented, enthusiastic,
tireless young people saved in the king-
dom of God, who can measure the joy?
It is worthy of our best efforts.

One hundred and seventy-five Stand-
ard of Attainment certificates for this
entire union. Yes, I admit it is very
small for so important an item, and yet
we have issued only forty-three certifi-
cates so far this year. Of course every
young person should understand the
fundamentals of our faith, and the his-
tory of our denomination, else how can
he hope to teach others?

Then there are four hundred and
fifty young people who will read the
Bible through this year if the goal is
reached. Six hundred and sixty-five
started during the first quarter, and
some have started since. We are sorry
that there are young people who start,
but haven't the ability to finish. We
hope every starter will be a successful
finisher.

Six hundred is our Reading Course
Goal for the union. We have already
issued, from this office, nine hundred
and sixty-three Reading Course certifi-
cates, and one conference has multi-
plied its goal by four. Surely, some
young people of this union are reading
good books, and we must keep on, for
"Reading maketh a full man."

"Every Member a Working Member"
should be the motto of our Missionary
Volunteer societies, and we should fol-
low it with "Every Member a Report-
ing Member." Our goal is twenty-five
hundred reporting members, and we
have thus far out of three thousand
eight hundred and seventeen members
only one thousand three hundred

and ten who have reported. No, don't tell me you have been working but haven't reported, for when we work we love to report. There are two thousand five hundred and seven Missionary Volunteers somewhere who must not be in active service. The end is almost here, God calls upon all to work, don't let it be said to you "Why stand ye here all the day idle."

The fields beyond, as well as the home field, demands some of our attention, so until we can go we must send. The goal before us this year is \$9000.00 for Africa. During the two quarters already reported we have raised only \$2889.92. Only a little more than one fourth of our goal.

Today is Goal Dollar Day. We should to-day raise every dollar of our goal, and far surpass any effort we have ever made to send the truth to the souls in darkest Africa. The old chief said, "Why did you wait so long, my people are dying by the thousands without your Christ, why didn't you come sooner?" Surely we must do our best.

The goal is comprehensive, and we can use all our talents, and energy, and enthusiasm in its accomplishment. "And who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord."

It Can be Done

"Somebody said that 'it couldn't be done—'

But he with a chuckle replied
That 'maybe it couldn't,' but he would
be one

Who wouldn't say so 'til he'd tried.
So he buckled right in, with a bit of
a grin

On his face—if he worried he hid it;
He started to sing, as he tackled the
thing

That couldn't be done—and he did it!"

"Somebody scoffed, 'O, you'll never do
that,

At least no one ever has done it';
But he took off his coat and he took
off his hat,

And the first thing we knew he'd begun
it,

With a lift of his chin, and a bit of a
grin,

Without any doubting or 'quit it,'
He started to sing, as he tackled the
thing

That couldn't be done, and he did it!"

"There are thousands to tell you 'it
cannot be done'

There are thousands to prophesy failure,

There are thousands to point out one
by one

The dangers that wait to assail you.
But you just buckle in, with a bit of
a grin,

Then take off your coat and go at it—
Just start in to sing as you tackle the
thing

That couldn't be done, and you'll do
it!"

Possibilities of the Missionary Volunteer Work

By C. S. Prout

The possibilities of the Missionary Volunteer work are much greater than our conception of God's ideal for us. We at once think of that familiar statement in the Spirit of Prophecy which reads "Higher than the highest human thought can reach is God's ideal for His children." God's ideal for the young people of this denomination is infinite. He wants us to attain to possibilities we cannot now conceive.

We can hardly sense the vastness of the work before our youth, until we thoughtfully consider a few statements from the Spirit of Prophecy. Education, page 271, states, "With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world."

This statement not only means the education of the youth in our schools, but it includes proper instruction in missionary endeavor. This thought is made very impressive by the following, given many years ago, "When the youth give their hearts to God your care for them should not cease. Lay some responsibilities upon them. Make them feel that they are expected to do something. . . . Teach them to labor in a quiet, unpretending way for their young companions. Let different branches of the missionary work be laid out systematically and placed upon them."

Naturally young people aspire to accomplish great things. Their inherent ambition, youthful vigor and strength impels them on, and we might as well settle it once for all, that unless we tactfully direct this energy and zeal in proper channels, Satan will; and our lack of appreciating these facts, as parents and leaders, has enabled the Arch-enemy to steal a march upon us.

At the time of the last General Conference it was estimated that we have between three and four thousand young people in this Union Conference. With such an army, properly employed in missionary endeavor, under the leading of God's Spirit, what infinite possibilities could be attained.

Young people really enjoy being organized together for service. They appreciate the association of an experienced leader, whose heart is young. The secret of this fact is exemplified in movements like the Christian Endeavor, the Boy Scout movement, and other youth organizations that work upon this principle.

Where Seventh-day Adventist young people have caught the true spirit of the Missionary Volunteer movement, as it is outlined for us in the Spirit of Prophecy, great good has been accomplished. In fact, many of our successful workers in the field today, attribute much of their early training in the Young People's Society. It was here they received the first inspirations for missionary service. It was in their local society they first actually learned to do things.

So may God help us to realize that we may accomplish great things for Him, by humbly following His plans for us. May we catch a vision of our possibilities under God in finishing the work of the third angel in the earth.

Dialogue on the Standard of Attainment

By Mrs. H. E. Osborne

Mary—Good afternoon Ruth. We missed you at our Missionary Volunteer meeting yesterday. We had an interesting time, and wish you had been there to enjoy the meeting.

Ruth—I am sorry I could not be present. What was the nature of the meeting?

Mary—The entire hour was given to the consideration of one phase of the young people's work; namely, the Standard of Attainment.

Ruth—Standard of Attainment! What do you mean?

Mary—It is one of the educational features of our department, and it is a plan by which one may become familiar with the Bible Doctrines held

by us as Seventh-day Adventists, and also the history of the denomination. It is two lines of study, one on Bible Doctrines, and the other Denominational History.

Ruth—I do believe every Missionary Volunteer should be able to give a reason of his hope—why a Seventh-day Adventist, why believe in the second coming of Christ. I for one would like to be better posted on the different points of faith.

Mary—Then you will join our class?

Ruth—Yes.

Mary—We want to interest the entire church in the study. If all the members are to be workers for God, there must be a preparation for the work. We should be able to explain the truths believed by us, and give the Bible proof. We need to know the history of our denomination, and have a knowledge of the rise and progress of the Second Advent movement. This study is a stepping stone to a more thorough preparation for service.

Ruth—Did you organize a class?

Mary—Yes, with the Educational Secretary as Leader.

Ruth—What helps are required?

Mary—The Standard of Attainment Manual is the basis of study for both subjects. It contains questions and texts on Bible Doctrines. There are also 125 questions on Denominational History. The page and paragraph is given for the answers, which are found in the book, "The Great Second Advent Movement." The other books needed are, "The Year Book," "Outline of Mission Fields," and the Bible.

Ruth—What are the conditions for entering the class?

Mary—All who will study can become members. All the young people, and every Seventh-day Adventist should enroll.

Ruth—How often does the class meet?

Mary—Once a week. Lessons are assigned for home study, and reviews are conducted at the class meeting. Of course all who enroll will do thorough work for two reasons: First, that we may be qualified to give the message to others; Second, that we may be able to pass in the examination.

Ruth—Examination! When! Why!

Mary—Yes. Twice a year, in May and December, examinations based on

the Manual are given. The questions are prepared by the Missionary Volunteer Department. The examination is taken in the presence of the church elder, or some one appointed by him. The test need not be taken in both subjects at the same time; for example, one can take Bible Doctrines in December, and Denominational History the following May. We hope our class will be able to take both subjects in December, and receive our certificates so they will apply on the goal for this year. If a grade of 75 is passed, one receives a neat Standard of Attainment certificate, and becomes a member of Attainment.

Ruth—Well, it is worth while. Is any provision made for the Juniors as well as the Seniors?

Mary—Yes. There is a Junior Manual, cost, five cents, containing lessons on both subjects. Examinations are given at the same time. The grade for passing is 75. Junior certificates are issued to those who complete the work.

Ruth—Well, I will study and prepare for the examination in December.

Mary—I am glad. Let us try to interest all the church in the study and increase the membership of our class. Our society goal is eight Standard of Attainment certificates for 1919, but I believe we should raise it to twenty-five and strive to reach it.

Ruth—I do. I will be there next week, and do my part to arouse an interest in the class. Good-bye.

Mary—Good-bye.

Survey of Seventh-day Adventist Missions in Africa

By L. L. Moffitt

"Prepare ye in the wilderness the way of Jehovah; make level in the desert a highway for our God . . . and the glory of Jehovah shall be revealed." Isa. 40:3, 5. A. R. V.

From Cape Town, up through the jungles to the wilderness of Central Africa; and from Cairo along the skirting desert to the headwaters of the Nile is being extended a highway of steel into the very heart of the Dark Continent. Of whatever commercial value the Cape-to-Cairo railway has been or may be it is surely a way cast up of Jehovah—the highway of our

God to the kralls of the Ethiopians. Over its rails the missionary is going with the merchandise of Heaven. "The glory of Jehovah" is being revealed to the benighted villagers of darkest Africa. When completed this railroad will doubtless present exceptional interest to tourists also, but O! may it be to all the Christian world Africa's "Great White Way." The Dark Continent is to be flooded with light. May this highway be to the natives groping for the light, as the path of the just, shining more and more unto the perfect day through all those inland regions.

God is finishing his work in all the world. He is cutting it short in righteousness. And the Cape-to-Cairo railroad is beyond all doubt one of his agencies in accomplishing this quick work. For "Ethiopia shall haste to stretch out her hands unto God." Ps. 68:31 A. R. V. While the Ethiopian cannot change his skin, God can, and is changing his heart. He is writing the names of some of the blackest men of the darkest part of the earth, on the pure white pages of the Book of Life. "Jehovah will count, when he writeth up the peoples, this one was born there." "I will make mention of Egypt and Babylon as among them that know me: behold Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia; this one was born there." Ps. 87; 6, 4. A. R. V. margin.

The history of modern missions in Africa began with the efforts of the Moravians among the Kaffirs of South Africa in 1737. How slow the Christian world has been in giving the Bread of Life to Africa's starving millions! Why! at the time of this first missionary venture into Africa, George Washington was only five years old. Think of his growing to manhood. Think of him as the first president of the United States. Then think of the long line of presidents in this great republic, and of the stupendous advancement of the age! Then think of how little has been done in all these years for the evangelization of Africa.

Seventy-six years later, or in 1813, Robert Moffat began his noble work. In 1840, Livingstone entered Africa exploring and blazing a trail into Central Africa for the gospel and civilization. He died for Africa on his knees in 1873, attended only by his native boys. Other missionary enterprises

have followed slowly in the wake of these pioneers.

The work of Seventh-day Adventists began in South Africa about 1887, among the Europeans. Members of the Wessels family learned of the Sabbath, through reading the Bible, and of Seventh-day Adventists, from an old miner of the Diamond Fields who had accepted the truth in America. In response to their call for help, Elders D. A. Robinson and C. L. Boyd and their wives, and two canvassers were sent to Cape Town. Other missionaries followed. In 1892 the Cape Colony Conference was organized. Our educational, medical, and publishing work are all represented by prosperous institutions in this conference.

In 1903, the Natal-Transvaal Conference was organized with two churches, two companies, and a few scattered Sabbath keepers. Pietermaritzburg was selected as the conference headquarters. Here also were treatment rooms, a book depository, and a school. The work in this conference is also represented in Durban, Maritzburg, Johannesburg, Bloemfontein, Pretoria, and several other places.

The South African Union Conference, organized about this time, includes practically all the British Sphere of influence in South and Central Africa, with a population of 1,500,000 Europeans and 8,000,000 Africans in territory already entered, while millions more lie beyond. The local divisions of this union conference are: Cape Colony, and Natal-Transvaal conferences, and the Matabeleland, Basutoland, Nyassaland, and Barotseland mission.

Our first mission among the heathen was up in Matabeleland, Rhodesia, in 1895. This is the Solusi Mission located near Bulawayo on a twelve thousand acre tract of land. In 1909 the government inspector visited this school and pronounced it one of the best in South Africa. And when the late Cecil Rhodes, the great pioneer of South African development, was making the grant for the mission he said, "I am glad to give the land for the opening of an industrial mission in Rhodesia, for I have learned that missionaries are better than soldiers for keeping the peace among the natives, and it is much less expensive."

In 1901, Brother and Sister Armi-

tage opened another mission station about a hundred and forty miles north-east of Solusi, near Gwelo. The first baptism at this station took place in 1903 when eight of the mission boys were baptized by Elder W. S. Hyatt. The first church was organized in 1905 with nineteen members.

In 1902, the General Conference purchased a Seventh-day Baptist mission at Cholo in Nyassaland, southern part of British Central Africa. The name of this mission was changed to Malamulo which means "The Commandments." Two years later Elder Branch reported ninety acres in cultivation, all the work being done by the natives with the hoe. They raise potatoes, sweet potatoes, peanuts, corn, pumpkins, beans, maize, etc. In 1906, the first church was organized. In 1908, J. C. Rogers wrote of this mission, "The message is onward in the land of Livingstone. We now have a main station with a school of over one hundred, two out stations, five village schools, sixteen native teachers, and calls are coming for teachers to open new schools far and near." At the General Conference in 1913 he stated that two thousand were enrolled in the station schools and the thirty-eight village schools, sixty-three teachers being engaged. There were two native churches with a membership of two hundred.

The first Basutoland mission was opened in a little room thirteen by fourteen feet, where Brother Freeman lived and held his meetings. The beginning of this mission reaches back to 1896 when Elder S. N. Haskell visited Africa and toured through parts of Basutoland, gaining the favor of the chief who later granted the mission at Kolo Mafeteng. "Steps to Christ" was translated into the Basuto language by a native Brother Kalaka, who died in 1903. The second Basutoland Mission was established in 1910 about a hundred miles northwest of Kolo. This mission is located in a healthful mountain region where the laborers stricken with fever in other parts have been able to resort.

In 1903, Elder Anderson of Matabeleland Mission pioneered the way into Barotseland beyond the Zambezi River, securing five thousand acres near Kalomo for a mission site. The Cape-to-Cairo railway runs along this mission

farm. This is the Pemba Mission. Elder Anderson wrote in 1908, "Africa is stretching out her hands for the truth. I have boys in the school from the southern end of Lake Tanganyika, the head waters of the Zambezi, and from all along the Zambezi valley, on the Baroha plateau and on the Kafue. Soon they will go home to tell their people what God has done for them." Thus the light is being filtered back from this continental highway to all the inland regions.

And from the shores of the Atlantic and Indian oceans the gospel is finding its way from the seaport on into the interior of the countries that border the sea. Lack of space prevents even a resume of our rapidly developing missionary work in West Africa,—The Gold Coast, (The White Man's Grave), Sierra Leone, and Nigeria; and in German East Africa where are the Para and the Victoria Nyanza Mission fields; and in British East Africa, where from Gendia, the first mission station, a hundred native villages could be seen; and in Abyssinia, and in Egypt on the north, the land of the shades and shadows of the ancient pyramids, where believers in the third angel's message are being baptized in the River Nile.

A few statements gleaned from recent reports from the African fields will be of interest. Elder Andross, formerly the president of the Pacific Union Conference and now traveling in the interest of missions, writes from Beira, Portuguese East Africa. "I am now on my way to Nyassaland to visit the large work we are doing in that field. . . . I shall esteem it a great privilege to see the largest and the most prosperous work we have in Africa, and also to visit the largest mission conducted by any denomination in Africa, located at Blantyre. The Lord is certainly doing great things for the heathen world through our missionaries. Two weeks ago last Friday evening as I was preparing for the approaching Sabbath in the home of Brother DeBeer at Sombula Mission, Southern Rhodesia, my attention was called to music coming across the velt, and I stepped outside and heard clearly the singing of twenty-five or thirty of our native people. Soon I saw them coming along the winding path through the jungle, singing to a native tune

the words in Sentebele 'Onward Christian Soldiers.' For some time I listened to what seemed to me the most beautiful music I had ever heard in my life . . . it seemed to me that the angels of heaven must be singing with them. There they were, trophies of the abounding grace of Christ, rescued from the grossest heathenism, but now on their way to the heavenly kingdom from the hills and valleys of 'darkest Africa.'"

Joel C. Rogers writes in the Review of August 28 under the caption "The Dark Continent Still Waiting" of some of the post-war conditions, and in conclusion says "We need keen young men and women, of good education and training, to master these languages, and to go in every part of this land and occupy the strategic points in order that we may quickly put the truth into the hands of every tribe. In worldly enterprise there will be a scramble for these strategic places. I wonder if we, likewise, shall be alert with the last message of salvation."

W. E. Straw writes from Bulawayo, "Recently it was my privilege to visit the Nyassaland Mission field where we held our first camp meeting. At our camp meeting there were 731 present, some walking for a distance of a hundred miles or more. At this time there were 113 natives baptized and received into the church."

Mrs. S. M. Konigmacher gives us the cry of the jungle. "We want schools." She says, "This cry is coming from every part of the jungle. The magistrate of the district visited us, and when he heard our boys read, he said he was surprised that native boys could learn like that. In a year our boys have learned fifty songs, have finished four vernacular books, have learned some English, and can do sums up to short division. They have left off tobacco and beer. They can repeat the Lord's prayer and many texts. Our hearts are sad when we have to refuse to take in more boys because we have not the money to support them."

W. B. White, president of the South African Union writes that "During the past two years we have added two important stations to those already established. One is near the Indian Ocean, among the heather Red Kaffirs, while the other is two thousand miles inland, directly on the border of the

Belgian Congo, in Northwest Rhodesia. We are now entering the Congo, and have a site selected for a training school. The next dry season we plan to begin building operations there. Looking in every direction, the great need in Africa 'overwhelms us.'"

This is but a passing glance at our missions in the Dark Continent, and these are but a few of the echoes of Africa's crying need of men and dollars. And this is D-O-L-L-A-R D-A-Y. Let's send the big round dollars rolling into Africa to-day. Let's make it more than dollar day and give God our hearts for Africa if He sees best to call us thence as heralds of the cross.

The Need of Haste

They are dying by tens! don't you know it?

Dying without the light.
They know not Christ as their Saviour;
His cross is hid from their sight.

They are dying by hundreds! O hear it!

In the chains of ignorance bound.
They see not their need of a Saviour,
The Saviour whom you have found.

They are dying by thousands! Believe it!

O what are you going to do?
Your Saviour cares for these lost ones,
And longs to bless them through you.
They are dying by millions! Yes millions!

All over the world's wide lands;
In Africa, India, and China
Can you sit with idle hands?

Dying while you are sleeping,
Dying while you are at play,
Dying while you laugh and chatter,
Dying by night and by day.

Some do not know they are needy;
Some of them care not at all.
But some of them hunger for Jesus,
Yet know not on whom to call.

They grope for a light, in their darkness;
They call on their gods for aid:
There is no one to tell them of Jesus,
And the sinner's debt which he paid.

None, did I say? 'Twas an error;
For God has a few lights out there;
But when it's not three to a million,
O won't you begin to care?

—The Kingdom.

"To his children, and to their children, to the ninth generation, he (Adam) delineated the perfections of his Eden home."

A Letter from Africa

Solusi Mission, Bulawayo,
Rhodesia, South Africa,
May 12, 1919.

Dear Brother:

In a letter I received from Brother Kern some time ago he sent me a copy of the 1919 foreign mission goal assignment of the Pacific Union Conference. He gave me your address and suggested I write you something concerning our volunteer society here. I wanted to do this and fully intended to do so, but I have been so pressed with work that it is getting pretty late; however, I will write a little, trusting that it may be of use to you in some way.

I was much interested in the assignments to the young people of the Pacific Union. That Union Conference is the one from which I come, and it was the Missionary Volunteer work, in the Southern California Conference, which was about as big a factor as any in causing me to volunteer for the place I am now filling. I was born and brought up in the San Pasqual church near Escondido in that little out-of-the-way valley thirty-five miles north-east of San Diego. I got my first experience in the young people's work in that church. That of course, was before we had the present organization. At the age of eighteen I went to the San Fernando Academy and during the years I was there I got a much wider experience in the young people's work that prepared me to fill other positions, in a local way, in the volunteer work; and all of it together prepared me to fill the foreign position I am now filling.

When they talked of organizing a volunteer society here at Solusi and wanted me to take the leadership of it, I was very much opposed for there were obstacles in the way that I didn't feel capable of climbing over. But the society was organized and with the blessing of God, the experience we had had at home, and much hard work and perseverance, it has succeeded. For almost three years now the society has been operating and I am glad to say it has been a great blessing to these black boys and girls.

The society was organized with a membership of thirty-three, and the greatest obstacles that stood in our way were the lack of literature in the

Matabele language, and the absence of a word or words in the language for "volunteer." That meant that the native knew nothing of what it means to volunteer or give himself freely and willingly to help others. It took them a long time to learn what it means to volunteer, but when they did learn it there were two things they could do. Being in the midst of heathenism, there was no limit to the work they might do. And having the Bible in their own language they could learn the Standard of Attainment texts.

So we started out by encouraging them in every way possible to do different lines of work which we pointed out; then at the next meeting we gave time for the verbal reporting of the work they had done. The other part of the time was used in reciting the Standard of Attainment verses. So, while we have practically nothing to work with in our bi-weekly meetings, yet the whole hour's time is always taken up, and it is not uncommon to use an hour and a half.

No doubt one of the secretaries' reports would be of interest to the young people. I will copy the report of our first meeting in this quarter. It is only an average report.

"Record of Meeting of Missionary Volunteer Society of Solusi Mission held April 12, 1919.

"This was the first meeting of the new quarter, and there was a very good attendance to join in the opening hymn. Prayer was offered by Otis.

"The 104th Psalm was read as a scripture lesson. After the reading of the secretary's report, reports of work were called for. The reports were exceptionally good this week, and some time was devoted to an experience meeting. Report of work done:

Bible readings given 55.
Missionary talks, 34.
Kraal meetings held, 9.
Books sold, 100, value £15-10 (\$77.50).
Hours Christian help work, 88.
Meals given, 3.

"After the reports were all in, the membership list was considered—five were dropped, and seventeen added—bringing our membership up to sixty-six. Those desiring to study the Standard of Attainment texts now number thirty-eight.

"The doxology and silent prayer brought a good meeting to a close.

"R. P. Robinson, Leader,

"Agnes M. Sparrow, Sec."

I have copied the report just as the secretary wrote it. I might say that the books sold are those sold by Jim, our head native teacher, here on the main station. Jim takes a couple of weeks off occasionally, and goes to Bulawayo, and the mines, and sells Bibles, and the two or three small books and tracts we have in the Matabele language.

Trusting that this may be of some help to you in your work among the young people and that you may enjoy God's richest blessings in your work, I am

Your sincere co-laborer,
(Signed) R. P. Robinson.

"A Cry from Africa

"Why didn't you tell us sooner?"
The words came sad and low;
"Oh, ye who know the gospel truth,
Why didn't you let us know?
The Saviour died for all the world,
He died to save from woe,
But we never heard the story;
Why didn't you let us know?"

"We appeal to you, O Christians,
In lands beyond the sea;
Why didn't you tell us sooner,
Christ died for you and me?
Nineteen hundred years have passed
Since disciples were told to go
To the uttermost parts of the earth
and teach;
Why didn't you let us know?"

"You say you are Christ's disciples,
That you try his work to do;
And yet his very last command
Is disobeyed by you!
'Tis, indeed, a wonderful story:
He loved the whole world so,
That he came and died to save us—
But you didn't let us know.

"O souls redeemed by Jesus,
Think what your Lord hath done!
He came to earth and suffered,
And died for every one;
He expects you now to tell it,
As on your way you go—
But you kept the message from us;
Why didn't you let us know?"

"Hear this pathetic cry of ours,
O dwellers in Christian lands;
For the heathen stand before you
With pleading, outstretched hands.
You may not be able to come yourself,
But some in your stead can go;
Will you not send us teachers?
Will you not let us know?"

—Selected.

Forward, Youthful Workers

Tune: Onward Christian Soldiers.
Forward, youthful workers,
With a truth that's broad,
With a message, thrilling:
Coming of the Lord.
Christ, our King, is coming.—
Sun, and Morning Star,
Sound it to all nations,
Send the news afar.

Chorus

Forward, youthful workers,
With a truth that's broad,
With a message, thrilling:
Coming of the Lord.

Morning watch and evening,
Voices lift in prayer,
Angeles strong and mighty,
Round us everywhere.
Forward then, ye workers,
Forward volunteers,
Send the Advent Message
O'er the hemispheres.

Generations perish,
Passing soon away,
But earth's King is coming,
Coming in our day.
Love to him constrains us
Volunteers to be,
All the world shall hear us,
All the world shall see.

Like the rush of waters,
Like the wind that blows.
Silently it may be,
Yet it onward goes.
On it sweeps, straight onward,
On to every land.
God is in this movement,
Naught can stay his Hand.

By and by the glory,
And the time not long.
O, the holy rapture
Of redeeming song.
Jesus, Jesus coming,
Sweet the sound to hear,
Come, yes, come, O quickly,
Jesus, Jesus, dear!
—Eliza H. Morton.

FIELD TIDINGS

CALIFORNIA

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Ingathering Notes

"Jesus might have remained at the Father's side, wearing the kingly crown and the royal robe; but for our sake He chose to exchange the riches of Heaven for the poverty of earth. He chose to leave His station of high command, to leave the angels who loved Him. The adoration of

the heavenly throng He chose to exchange for mockery and abuse by wicked men. From love to us, He accepted a life of hardship and a death of shame." Christ Our Saviour, page 10, Edition of 1909.

Labor brings results; results cause joy; joy leads us to glorify the Lord by reporting, what he does, through us.

Your copy of the Harvest Ingathering Bulletin should be posted where all can read it.

Church missionary secretaries are requested to report to the Conference office the progress of Ingathering work in their church each week. Use the cards mailed to you for this purpose.

Do not overlook securing the names and addresses of interested persons. These are for the use of your church in further home missionary endeavors.

Under date of September 21, Brother H. S. Levis, missionary secretary of the Martinez church, writes: "I am pleased to announce that the Martinez church today passed its Harvest Ingathering goal at 8 o'clock P. M." Then after telling, that the young people's leader gathered \$6.00, a sister \$28.13, in which, was one \$5.00 gift, and of this sister's resolve to labor for an amount equal to the church goal herself; of the company's determination to keep right on with the work while harvest time is on; of how they never went out without sending up a petition to the Throne of Grace, he closed his not brief, but interesting letter by saying, "I must share with you my joy at our success."

J. D. Alder,
Home Missionary Secretary.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

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News Items

Miss Pearl Whitmore, of Montana, arrived in Fresno last week to take up her duties as teacher in the Fresno Intermediate School.

Mrs. H. E. Buchheim, our Bible Worker at Bakersfield, has been sick several days, but is now improving. She reports it to be an attack of influenza.

Brother L. M. Overholt, our Field Missionary Secretary, took his wife to Lodi to remain with relatives during the Big Week, while he canvasses in Mariposa County.

Brother Moon, our Tract Society secretary, has been very busy all week filling orders for school books, as a number of our schools have started, and the others start soon. September 26, 1919.

Professor M. E. Cady made us a short visit last week, and arranged to return Monday, September 29, and, with the Educational superintendent, visit a number of our schools. The prospects are better than ever before for our church school work in this Conference.

W. F. Field.

McFarland Tent Meeting

On the evening of July 6, we began meetings at McFarland. From the first the attendance was small, owing largely to the hot weather and the mid-summer work. Even though the

number was small, a few became regular in attendance.

Two families of our people live near McFarland. The husband of one family, although having given up the Truth, he still believes it is the Message for this time. This made the attendance practically from the outside. There is a Brethren (Dunkard) and Methodist Church in the town. Our congregation was composed mostly from the Brethren Church.

Two weeks before we closed the effort, one of their ministers, who lives there, and came almost every night to our meetings, preached on the "Covenant, not Covenants," taking the usual position of those who oppose the law of God. He said, "The Law of God was the Old Covenant, and was done away, abolished." After this sermon, the people seemed satisfied, and yet we know many of them are still troubled. Four took their stand for the Truth, two of one family are ranchers near Wasco. We praise God for these four.

When the brethren at Wasco asked us to come there, we were influenced by two factors. First, we desired that Brother and Sister Vogel should hear more of the Truth and become firmly established in all points of our Faith, and the second factor was, that we could have the help of splendid musical talent.

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Book Report, Week Ending September 5, 1919

Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Value	Del.
Arizona						
J. H. Ward	B.R.	42	36	\$ 2.10	\$ 144.10	
A. Sanchez	G.C.P.G.	40	32	28.00	174.00	
Mr. and Mrs. C. Chamberlain	O.D.	29	14	9.25	53.25	
4 Agents		111	82	\$39.35	\$ 371.35	
California						
Walter Harper	O.D.	30	64	\$	\$ 190.00	\$
Malcolm Graham	G.C.	34	13	3.00	69.50	18.50
2 Agents		64	77	\$ 3.00	\$ 259.50	\$ 18.50

WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 19, 1919

Central California						
Emma S. Hansen	P.G.	26	13	\$17.35	\$ 78.85	\$ 80.35
F. M. Bagley	G.C.	38	8	1.50	41.50	
Mrs. C. Hollenstein	Misc.	40			38.65	38.65
3 Agents		104	21	\$18.85	\$ 159.00	\$119.00
Southern California						
H. N. Brass	O.D.	40	19	\$ 1.10	\$ 59.10	\$
S. H. Coombs	P.G.	15	7		34.50	
D. A. Dale	P.G.	35	10		52.00	
F. B. Desmaretz*	G.C.P.G.	123	24		118.00	143.50
L. C. Parmelee	P.G.	22	3	.75	15.20	14.25
5 Agents *2 weeks		235	63	\$ 1.85	\$ 278.80	\$157.75
Totals 14 Agents		514	243	\$63.05	\$1068.65	\$295.25

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1919

Brother W. C. Raley left last Sunday for Phoenix, Arizona, where he will spend a few days getting in touch with the work in that field.

Elder and Mrs. Meade MacGuire were welcome callers at our office last week. As they have located in Glendale we hope to see more of them.

Elder Meade MacGuire, Professor W. W. Ruble and Elder C. S. Prout conducted a Missionary Volunteer convention in Santa Barbara Sabbath and Sunday September 27 and 28. They report a very profitable time.

Brother F. E. Painter spent the "Big Week" in the Southeastern California Conference. He, with Brother A. A. Reynolds, the Field Missionary Secretary, put in the week canvassing in Imperial Valley.

Most encouraging reports are being received from those who have been working with the Harvest Ingathering papers. We hope all our people will arrange to have a part this year in the Ingathering campaign.

The Yiddish Harvest Ingathering

We are glad to report to our people that the Harvest Ingathering, in the Yiddish, is ready for distribution. It is a nicely gotten up magazine, and it ought to appeal to the Jewish people. It is entitled, "The Messenger," being one of the regular issues of the Yiddish quarterly, only

adapted for the Harvest Ingathering issue.

There are many interesting things in it which will please the Jews, and much depends upon the manner in which they are approached. Their prejudices are rapidly waning, and it does seem as though the hand of God is moving upon their hearts to learn of the Messiah and His truths. This magazine will do much in still further breaking down their prejudices.

Please do not solicit the orthodox Jews on September 25 or 26, as these days are New Year's days, and the devout Jews do no business those days, nor handle any money. On October 4 is the Day of Atonement, and the Jews will not be solicited on that day. It is the most sacred day of the year.

Beginning with October 9-19 inclusive, is the Feast of Tabernacles, called among the Jews, the Feast of Succoth (pronounced Suk-koss). This was the time of the harvest with the Jews, when they gathered the fruits of the year. From October 8-17 will be the best time to meet the Jews with the Harvest Ingathering, and we hope that our people everywhere will make this period the time to interest these people in this work.

Send your orders* for papers through the regular channels; and ask the tract society secretary for leaflets giving information how to approach the Jews with the Ingathering papers. May God bless you in this work.

F. C. Gilbert,
Secretary for the Jewish Department.

McFarland Tent Meeting

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At McFarland we had the instrument, through the kindness of Brother and Sister Schneider of Bakersfield, but no one to play for us. During ten days of our stay at McFarland, Brother Miller was away. We had no music; and part of the time no singing. But, on August 9, Brother Miller returned, bringing a helper with him, who became a valued asset in the work.

We have now been in Wasco three weeks, up to last evening, and our congregation has been almost wholly

made up of our own people. Last evening about sixty from the outside were present. As we have visited in the town and country we found much prejudice manifest. We pray for wisdom, to know how to meet and overcome the stronghold of the enemy. We are utilizing the splendid musical talent we have here, and all are ready to help in order that the meetings may be effective and prove a decided success. Pray for us and the work.

B. L. Dieffenbacher,
W. F. Miller.

How the Lord Blessed

Along in the spring as school was nearing its close, Miss Grace Jenkins, of the Southwestern Junior College, decided to enter the magazine colporteur work and earn a scholarship. She had never had any previous experience but felt a burden for perishing souls in our cities. She set her goal at 5000 magazines, which seemed staggering to many of the girls, but undaunted by outside influence she pressed forward, visiting many of the larger cities in Texas. For three weeks she was sick, which might have discouraged many of less courage and faith, but believing that the Lord had called her to this work, she again resumed her duties and now at the beginning of school she returns to the Southwestern Junior College, having circulated into the home of the people 6,415 Watchman Magazines.

Miss Jenkins lived for several years in Mexico and has had many thrilling experiences during the stormy revolutions in that country. She has a fine Christian character and a very strong determination to press forward with the message which we love so well. We believe that many souls will be seen in the kingdom as a result of her summer's efforts, and may her success be an inspiration to other students to engage in the magazine colporteur work.

C. E. Cooper.

"Get into the habit of looking for the silver lining of the cloud, and when you have found it, continue to look at it rather than at the leaden gray in the middle. It will help you over the hard places."