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Irreverence is a blight that robs people of a blessing at church services. Here are ten short rules that, if practiced by all, would help us make a church service what God intends it to be:

Come early.

• Never walk in the aisle during the Scripture reading or when someone is singing. This distracts others and destroys the effect of the reading and singing.

• Upon finding a seat, bow your

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head in prayer. If the service has not yet begun, open your Bible and spend the time in silent meditation.

• Be devout in every attitude—the church is not a theater, club, or fashion salon. You come to worship God, not to whisper, laugh, lounge, sleep, or chew gum. Sleeveless dresses and ostentatious clothing are out of place at a divine service. • During prayer, bow your head and clasp your hands in a reverential attitude. It is a sign of disrespect and ill breeding to thrust the hands into trouser pockets and stare around the church auditorium while prayer is being offered.

 Be thoughtful of others. Never make a haystack of yourself at the end of the pew, (To page 9)



"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you" (Matt. 7:7, 8).

Five Principles of Effective PRAYER

N REPLY to a recent survey asking what they liked best for sermon topics, 5,000 people indicated that they preferred sermons on "How to Make Prayer Effective."

The need for prayer has never been greater. Crisis follows crisis. Never has man felt so insecure. Nations fill the air with nuclear debris and threaten to destroy one another. The world is tense, fearful, apprehensive.

Jesus predicted just such conditions, in Luke 21:28: "When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." In this time when external dangers require internal fortitude, we need to lift our eyes and hearts to God and pray for inner strength that will give us calm and peace. Yet today, when prayer is so much needed, we find a drastic decline in its practice. In 1900, 45 per cent of American homes had regular family worship. Today the number is less than 5 per cent. The Lord's ap-

peal to us is to water the vast desert areas of the soul with the living water.

Listen to these divine invitations: In Matthew 11:28, Jesus says, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." In John 14:1, He says, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me." In Psalm 50:15, He cries, "Call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me." Again He assures in Jeremiah 29:13, "Ye shall seek me,

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and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart."

With all these wonderful promises, why do we not avail ourselves more often of the blessings of prayer? Certainly we need to learn the lesson Jesus taught His disciples, in Luke 11. After watching Jesus pray they asked, "Lord, teach us to pray." Jesus responded simply, "When ye pray, say, Our Father . . . ," and if we stopped right there, we would have the greatest lesson in prayer. We don't pray to ourselves; we pray to our Father. He is our closest and most important relative; He is our strongest and dearest Friend; He is the One who can help us in every time of need.

As soon as you enter the audience chamber of God, pause, remember who it is to whom you are speaking; hallow His name; you are in the pres-ence of the great God who rules the universe. Remember. He is not your policeman; He is not your fireman that you call only when the house is ablaze or a burglar enters. I suppose none of you have called the police this morning, have you? I haven't. You haven't had an emergency that would require a policeman's présence. But most of you have used your telephones; you have talked to a friend. And I have talked with my Father, my Friend in heaven. God stands ready to aid us in times of emergency, but He wants to be more than One we call only occasionally; He wants to be our friend.

A flier was shot down over the ocean. After a few days in a life raft under the burning sun, he became desperate and prayed earnestly, "God, if You will answer me now, I won't bother You again for 15 years." He thought God was someone to get him out of danger in an emergency but otherwise not to be bothered.

Take Time to Pray

The Lord says, "Come." He wants us to pause in His presence. There's too much rushing when we pray. Perhaps the plane is leaving; maybe school is starting; the bell is ringing; the whistle is blowing; it is time to go. So often we rush into God's presence and rush away with only a "Hellogood-by." Suppose you had an appointment with California's Governor Brown. You were ushered into his presence, and having something on your mind you wanted to tell him, said, "Good morning, Governor. We have smog in Los Angeles. I wish

you'd clear that away; and you know, we need more water here in Southern California. Can you please arrange that? Good-by." You would hardly treat the governor that way, would you?

Praying is not simply giving God orders or speaking a special set of words that we customarily repeat in a routine way. Praying is taking orders, too, and obtaining strength to accom-plish our task. Would you like to know Public Enemy No. 1 of prayer? The greatest enemy of prayer is hurry. And Enemy No. 2 is worry. Other enemies are pessimism, doubt, and fear. These things cripple our prayer life.

Too often we drop on our knees and immediately tell God all our troubles, all our cares and worries, our doubts, our failures, and our shortcomings. Though prayer is a good way to unload our perplexities, before we do that, we should approach God as "our Father," recognizing His greatness, His love, and His ability to answer our prayers.

An Antidote for Worry

Thus prayer becomes an antidote for hurry, worry, and pessimism; it carries away the insidious poisons of anxious haste from our heart and gives us freedom to approach God as our Father. It clarifies our confusion and makes us ready to inhabit His great and calm eternity; it heals our lostness and brings us home to our Father's house.

Prayer produces a dramatic expe-rience of harmony with self and with others, because God is not only my Father—He's your Father too; He's my neighbor's Father, my wife's Father, my son's Father, and my boss's Father. When a husband and wife say with meaning, "Our Father," there is oneness and peace. When a family prays with meaning, "Our Father, there is unity and happiness.

It was for this unifying experience that Jesus prayed: "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us" (John 17:21). A oneness of spirit comes when we approach God in the right way in prayer. The first principle of effective prayer, then, is: Pause as you pass through the veil into His presence to remember who He is; admire His goodness; adore Him for His love and power; reverence Him for His greatness and majesty; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness-not to get what you want, but to worship Him because of who He is. He is worthy.

The second principle of effective prayer is to "pray in pictures." Let your imagination join your will when you come into the presence of God. Picture God on His throne. Beside

Him is the Lord Jesus, at the right hand of the Majesty on high. Now, bring yourself into the picture and see yourself approaching the throne of grace in heaven. If you can, picture the beautiful face of Jesus and His outstretched hand, beckoning you to come, saying, "Come boldly to the throne of grace. I live to make intercession for you. I am praying with and for you. Whatsoever you shall ask in My name, believing, I will give it to you."

Many of the greatest Christians practice the presence of Christ like this, not only as they enter His presence through prayer but as they walk along the street, at their work, or wherever they are. They practice the presence of Christ-imagining that they are in His presence. Why not sanctify the imagination? After all, in most things the imagination rules the will.

The mind is a picture gallery. Often there are negative pictures. Many of you have started out on a trip and tried to picture what it would be like if you should have an accident. You pictured somebody getting hurt, perhaps even getting killed. This encouraged you to drive as carefully as possible.

So, why not sanctify our imaginations, picturing the good things that God has in store for us in answer to prayer. When we ask for them, why not believe that we have them; picture them as though they were ours. Pray for health; picture ourselves strong. Make a mental picture of what we pray for and hang it in the art gallery of our minds. Whatsoever we ask, believe that we receive it. This is the second principle-"Pray in pictures," in faith.

Pray With Surrender

The third great principle in prayer is to "pray with surrender." When Jesus taught us to pray He said, "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done ... He is our example in surrender. In the Garden of Gethsemane His human frame recoiled from the suffering and pain He knew were before Him, yet He prayed, "Father, not my will, but thine be done." Jesus surrendered to the greater will of His Father. Remember, prayer is not primarily to get the good things we want; prayer teaches us to want the best things we should have, to desire God's will for us. Prayer is not simply a means to escape the evil we foresee, it is to make us strong to overcome the evil that may come. True prayer makes God's will our will.

When we realize that God's will for us is much better than our own, then we will want His will. So, why

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Editorial Correspondence—

IN THE ANCIENT EAST

Beirut, Lebanon August 18, 1963

ODAY we visited Damascus, the famous ancient city toward which Saul the persecutor was pressing when God changed the course of his life and called him to be Paul the apostle. If you are a Sabbath school member (and I hope you are!) you know that the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow this quarter has been assigned to the Middle East Division for use in Damascus. Plans call for building a center in this city -an edifice that can serve as headquarters for temperance, welfare, educational, and other activities for the benefit of the community.

Having seen some of the needs of Damascus, as well as the enthusiasm for the center building project evidenced throughout the Middle East Division, I feel constrained to urge our people everywhere to make the offering on September 28 a recordbreaking one. Money given now can be used effectively, but no one knows how much longer this will be true. Already, in some parts of the world, doors that once were open are now closed. Let us give sacrificially while opportunity to work for God continues in the Bible lands.

Our Work in Egypt and Jordan

Last week I told you a little about our work in Egypt, particularly regarding the crisis facing the Cairo center. Let me add a further word. Our membership in Egypt is 800, with 200 in the Cairo area. The president of the Egypt Section (Mission) is Hilal Dose, and Habib Ghali is secretary-treasurer. These brethren carry heavy responsibilities and are giving excellent leadership.

I was pleased with the well-constructed, representative headquarters office in Heliopolis, a suburb northeast of Cairo. The three-story building erected about 11 years ago under the leadership of Neal Wilson, stands on a corner lot. Most of the offices are on the second floor, with three apartments on the third floor—for the president, treasurer, and guests. My wife and I stayed in the comfortably furnished guest apartment, Ye Oasis Inn.

Next to the office building is the Heliopolis church, built by the late E. L. Branson about 23 years ago. This attractive structure contains not only an adequate sanctuary but rooms for the church school.

One of the most interesting and worthwhile aspects of Adventist work in the Cairo area is the Matariah Mercy Home. This orphanage has been operated continuously since 1947 by Mrs. Erna Kruger. Until recently it was quartered in a building in Matariah. But now the old structure has been torn down to make way for a new orphanage. Sabbath school members around the world would be thrilled if they could see, as we did, the new building going up, for it was through Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow in 1961 that funds were made available for this project. If construction schedules are maintained, it is expected that the new building will be ready for occupancy early in 1964.

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By CLARK B. MC CALL

There's a quiet voice called conscience— No man escapes this fact; It measures every motive

And judges every act.

- Men may hide their thoughts from others,
- Their deeds no mortal see, But there's a sentinel within From which no soul is free.
- It acts as faithful watchman For the fortress of the mind;
- It guards against invasion From deceptive snares men find.
- With truth on trial before it
- It records man's every choice; It pleads for man's decision
- To be governed by its voice.

Then accept the soul's alarm clock And heed what it may teach, For to silence faithful conscience Is to step beyond God's reach. age is being carried on in a large house in Zeitoun, a Cairo suburb. Sixteen children live there—eight boys and eight girls. When the new building is ready, there will be room for another 34 children. During the delicious dinner that Mrs. Kruger provided for us on Sabbath, I learned that many of the children and young people cared for at the orphanage through the years have grown up to fill places of responsibility for the Lord. Some have obtained advanced educational degrees.

Another institution in the Cairo area is the Nile Union Academy. Situated on a fine piece of property east of the city and a few miles north of the Cairo airport, the school has an enrollment of about 45. Plans are being considered that may make it possible to offer training above the academy level.

In Luxor, about 400 miles south of Cairo, on the Nile, we visited our small chapel. Visitors unacquainted with local customs would be surprised to note that the women enter by one door, and the men by another. Further, a curtain divides the room down the middle. The young pastor, Hanna Gad Magar, can see both sides of his congregation as he preaches from the pulpit, but the men and women cannot see each other.

The membership in Luxor is small, as it is throughout Egypt and the Middle East. Only about ten members are on the books in this community of Upper Egypt (south is "up" in Egypt), probably known well to Moses more than three millenniums ago; but two branch Sabbath schools are being conducted, and about 30 children listen eagerly each week to lessons drawn from the Bible.

In chatting with R. A. Wilcox, president of the division, and V. A. Fenn, the treasurer, I learned that there are at least 10,000 villages in Egypt that have never been entered by the gospel. In this same land there are more than 1,000 Islamic mosques. In Damascus (Syria) a guide informed us today that there are 259 mosques in this city of one million, reputed to be the world's oldest inhabited city. What a challenge faces our workers, and with what pitifully inadequate resources they are endeavoring to carry the message of salvation to the unwarned millions! Over and over again on this trip our hearts have been stirred as we have seen our overseas and national workers doing their utmost to carry the three angels' messages to the people. Staggering problems face them, yet they press on. O that every Seventh-day Advent-

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ist could see what we have seen! The result would be more earnest praying, enlarged giving, and a willingness to respond, "Here am I, send me," if approached by the General Conference for mission service.

After leaving Egypt, we visited Jordan. The Jordan Section is headed by Harry Robinson, with headquarters in Amman. In this capital city of Jordan we have an elementary school attended by 115 children. Here, as in other mission fields, the majority of the children are from non-Adventist backgrounds. Our schools provide a good education for these youth, but they do much more—they bring the children into contact with teachers who hold high ideals and Christian principles. Through our schools many young people find Christ, and dedicate their lives to His service.

In Jordan we have only four churches, with a total membership of approximately 170. One of these churches is in Jerusalem, the city Jesus loved. At present the members meet for worship in a home, but plans are under way to erect a small church not far from St. Stephen's church, where the house of Caiaphas once stood. A lot has been purchased, and construction will begin as soon as authorization is granted. Our brethren are praying that this may be soon.

At Beirut, in Lebanon

Beirut, Lebanon, is an important center for our work in the Middle East. Here is the division headquarters office. Here, also, are Middle East College, the Middle East Press, and the Lebanon Section headquarters.

The college, with George Keough as president, has the important task of training workers for service throughout the division. The press prepares books and magazines in a variety of languages for missionary use and colporteur sale. William McGhee edits Hope magazine (which is similar to the Signs of the Times), and Call to Health (similar to Life and Health). The circulation of Hope is about 5,000 monthly. Brother McGhee informed me that 2,500 copies of Health are published each month, but that leaders are hopeful this number can be doubled within a year. As I talked with C. V. Brauer, division home missionary secretary, and D. L. Chappell, publishing secretary, and noted the enthusiastic leadership they are giving, I gained the deep and clear conviction that the best days for our literature work in the Middle East are just ahead.

Beirut is an interesting city, sometimes called the "Paris of the Near East." Although much of it is built on a nearly-sea-level area along the Mediterranean, with the growth in

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chairs).

We had the unique privilege at Sabbath school of hearing Maurice Katrib, president of the Syria Mission, make an appeal for a liberal offering on September 28, with which to build the Damascus center. Someone remarked, rightly, that this was the only Sabbath school in the world that was hearing an appeal in person from the man most deeply interested in, and closely involved with, the Damascus project.

It was a real privilege for me to open God's Word at the worship hour and present a message to this congregation gathered from so many lands. In Christ there are no racial or political barriers. And even language barriers do not prevent heart from being knit to heart. The great Adventist message unites people of all lands to one another and to Christ. What a wonderful day it will be when Jesus gathers all of us around His great white throne!

We have had many experiences on this trip that were new to us. One of these was eating *khubis al-Jebel* at lunch after the worship service. In line we noticed that the people ahead of us were picking up what looked like sheets of brown paper. This, we learned, was *khubis al-Jebel*, or mountain bread. Unlike the bulky loaves of bread in most Western countries, this bread is made of wafer-thin sheets of wheat dough. It is often used as a scoop to dip up soups and vegetables.

There is much more that I might report on about what my wife and I have seen, heard, and tasted in the four divisions in which we have traveled this summer-the Northern, Central, and Southern European divisions, and the Middle East. I have copious notes from which I have been writing, only a fraction of which I have been able to use in these weekly articles. Space limits are so rigid! But I must here pay tribute to our wonderful missionaries. We have greeted them at airport and train terminals. We have had close Christian fellowship with them in their homes. We have traveled with them from place to place. And then we have said Goodby as we have gone on our way with a real tug at the heartstrings.

Today we are saying Good-by, again. Today we board a plane to return to the United States, leaving our missionary friends behind. It brings a lump into our throats as we think of the dedication of these servants of Christ who have been so good to us. Though burdened with the heavy work of their routine responsibilities, they have taken time to help us smooth out complicated travel arrangements; they have prepared and served foods designed to soothe stomachs made tender by unfamiliar cuisine; they have put themselves under added pressure in order to render us help, and to remove pressure from us.

There are many sacrifices involved in serving overseas, not the least of which is to live away from homeland and loved ones year after year. The missionaries love their work and the people for whom they labor, but can the heart truly be at rest when it is far from home? How good it will be when Jesus comes and we shall all be at home forever. That that glorious day may be hastened, let us all give sacrificially, work untiringly, and pray earnestly. K. H. W.



plan, however, provided me with an

even better opportunity. Up in the

mountains, about one-and-a-half hours

away by car, a meeting of leaders from

all over the division was being held

under the direction of L. A. Skinner,

associate MV secretary of the General

Conference, and A. A. Haddad of the

division. Sixty representatives were

camping on the grounds, including

two from Cyprus, three from Iraq, five

from Egypt, four from Iran, two from

Turkey, two from Syria, six from Jor-

dan, and 18 from Lebanon. In all, 170

worshipers were present Sabbath

mats, rocks, stools, and a few folding

population the city is rapidly spread-

ing over the hills and mountains of

the Lebanon range that run north and south behind the city to the east. The

division office, as well as Middle East

College and the press, are situated on

one of these hills. At night the view

of the lighted city below is enchanting.

of speaking at the college. I was also

scheduled to speak at the church serv-

ice Sabbath morning. A change of

On Friday night I had the privilege



HIS month millions of American children are exchanging the freedom and relaxation of the summer's vacation for the regimentation of the schoolroom again. Most of these children are of an age that can take this change of program in their stride. The very young ones, however, will be sampling this kind of regimentation for the first time. Their limited background and their immature stage of development make the change more difficult than adults can fully appreciate. Fortunately, our well-trained teachers are aware of this strenuous experience, and they build the school curriculum on a pattern that allows for frequent change and a good variety of activity to satisfy the emotional requirements of these young children.

At the end of a grueling day in the classroom all of these children, the very young and those not so young, need more than anything else a break from the tensions of study and classroom. They need a break that permits them to use their muscles in running, playing, jumping,-completely forgetting the stresses of the classroom. All children have a minimum requirement of physical activity and recreation for optimum health. Many are inclined not to take this time for recreation, and parents should take the responsibility of seeing to it that their children get out of doors in vigorous physical activity an hour, or preferably much more, each day. Do not permit the TV to rob them of this time for vigorous physical activity.

Some fond mothers see their children as prospective Carusos or Heifetzes, and the moment the child arrives home from school he is bounced into the music room to practice the piano, the violin, or organ, and told he cannot get outdoors until he has completed so much time on the musical instrument. How much better for the child if told he cannot go to his musical instrument until he has had his minimum of at least an hour out

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on the playing field. The mother who crowds Mary or Johnny in study and in the schoolroom with the idea of his getting into some genius category by skipping grades, graduating from high school or college a year or two earlier than the average, little realizes the injustice she does her youngster.

When this fond mother begins to exude her pride and satisfaction over the phenomenal academic achievements of her brilliant offspring, it is not a time to extend compliments or congratulations but to point out the probable, very considerable injustices being done by the high-pressure program of this probably perfectly normal child. Do not urge your child on to remarkable, phenomenal achievements in his schoolwork. Be happy if he proves to be a normal, healthy, and happy child of good average mentality. It is this class that is by far the most successful in life generally—not the geniuses, not those who have been pushed through school faster than their fellow classmates, not those who have chalked up particularly brilliant records.

Like his parents, every child should have a physical examination every year. A good time to have this physical examination is before returning to school. Many people are inclined to ask why a healthy, vigorous youngster needs a physical examination once a year. The answer to this question is that a large number of young people find that they have physical defects that should have been corrected in their earlier school years.

Diabetes, defective hearing, defective eyesight, damaged kidneys, and anemia are but a few of the physical defects regularly discovered in the physical examinations of grade-school children. Some of these defects are such that, if neglected and not dealt with at an early date, may result in permanent physical and possibly emotional damage. Have your child carefully examined by a competent physician, and follow through with the corrective procedures he recommends. Ask your examining physician for the necessary vaccination and immunization program pertinent to your community. Some parents still do not recognize the tremendous injustice they do their children by leaving them unprotected from polio, smallpox, ty-phoid, diphtheria, and other danger-

ous diseases. Only ignorance of the tragic results of such neglect could lead parents to fail to give their children every possible protection.

The nutrition of your child at this age is of great importance. The foundation of his health for later years is being laid in the good nutritional support he receives during these early years. If there is one important concept that parents should well understand in regard to their children's nutrition, it is the importance of beginning the day with a good breakfast. Of all the meals of the day, breakfast should not have the appearance of a mere nutritional episode. The breakfast should be a well-planned, adequate and pleasant occasion. What better start for the day can there be than a thoroughly nutritious and pleasant breakfast in an atmosphere reflecting the love and loyalty of a well-oriented family? Despite all the cold-cereal TV ads to the contrary, the family is better served with a well-prepared hot cereal, with raisins, bananas, and other fruit and the accompanying milk and cream. Other foods may be added according to the family taste.



Mzuma By Josephine C. Edwards

The small African boy had never seen much of the world beyond the village where he was born. His village was high on a hill near a lake, where it could be seen from a considerable distance. Because his father was the big chief, he had a bigger house, a better loincloth, and more to eat than most of the other boys in the village.

Everyone highly honored his father. When they approached his kraal, they would cry out, "Bayete, Nkos," many times, and fall face down on the ground many more times.

But the great chief was very sad. His wife, the Nkosikhazi was sad also. Mzuma, their son, was sick, and it seemed that he would surely die. On his small leg was a great ulcer, a horrible sore that grew every day and got worse and worse as the weeks went by. His mother wept, and the witch doctor performed many ceremonies but nothing helped. It was plain that poor little Mzuma would not live long.

Then one day someone told the chief about a mission a day's journey away where they helped sick people, and the people at the mission healed ulcers like the one Mzuma had. It was amazing, and the king and his counselors talked long into the night. Many schools today provide hot lunches. This is a commendable plan. If it does not prevail in your community, see to it that your child has a well-prepared lunch with a good variety of food, including milk and seasonable fruit.

The evening meal should be eaten as early as the family's program will permit. The earlier the better, because it is so often not possible for the child to have a substantial meal at noon. Under such circumstances there is no alternative to a substantial evening meal. This should not, however, be a heavy meal, but one that is as easily digested as possible with emphasis on lighter dishes and fruit.

The younger children should have not less than nine or ten hours' sleep at night, the older grade-school children eight or nine hours', and high school children never less than a full eight hours' sleep. Adequate sleep and physical activity and recreation are fully as important to the child's growth and normal development as proper and adequate nutrition.

Are you and your children ready for school?

As a result, next morning four men, bearing a machila, or hammock, went forth with little Mzuma, and some gifts from the chief to the missionary, with a plea for him to save the small boy.

Mzuma was afraid for he had never seen a white man, and besides that, the witch doctor had hurt his leg so much that he did not want anyone to touch it. His father had the witch doctor put medicine on it just before they left. The medicine was warm cow dung. It had not felt so bad at first, but as it dried out in the hot sun the pain became so bad that Mzuma cried most of the way there.

The missionary told the carriers to leave Mzuma with them and come back in two weeks. When the carriers reached home again they told the chief that they had seen Mzuma in a clean bed, and that the missionaries had gone to work immediately on his leg. Before they left they had seen him asleep, with a clean cloth and medicine over the ulcer. Every time the bearers went to see Mzuma they returned with a good report. A long year later he came home with his leg well. A long, ugly scar was all that was left of the ulcer.

But Mzuma brought something else back with him. While at the mission he had learned to read, and he had some strange stories to tell about a different God—a strong God who had made all the trees, the rivers, the mountains, and the people.

"The missionaries told us about Him," Mzuma explained proudly, and I have learned to pray to Him. He is a great God, and He is before all the other gods. He is the one who made me well, for before the bwana worked on my leg each day, he talked with this God and asked Him to help make me well."

This was strange to the people of the village, and they talked about it for a long time. Finally they decided to send Mzuma back to the Christian school, so that he could come back and teach the village all about this new God who was more powerful than all the gods they knew about.

This is why Mzuma had such wonderful success teaching his people about Jesus—Jesus had made him well.



Five Principles of Effective Prayer

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not pray as Paul prayed, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do? I'm available for service." Surrender is not nullifying human initiative, it is an alignment of human initiative with the divine. The two together will then become much stronger and better than mine alone.

In 1951, Frank Laubach took a major part in establishing the new Union Theological Seminary in Manila in the Philippines. He spent much time on the project and hoped that he might be the first president of the institution. But when the board met and the votes were cast, he failed of election by just one vote. He was crushed; he felt he couldn't face another audience. His health began to fail.

Then one day, through prayer, he utterly abandoned his former ambition and gave up his desire for position. He prayed for a surrendered life—that God's will, not his, might be done. He prayed that God would lead him in what he ought to do.

God gave him an idea of how to teach poor, illiterate people to read and write. He was impressed to go to Mindanao and work for the illiterate Mohammedan Moros. In a few years 45,000 of these wild people had learned to read and write, an achievement that would never have been accomplished if his selfish will to be president of the seminary had been gratified. Through surrender to a greater good he found his greater self and accomplished infinitely more for God. Never forget, God plans more wisely than we can.

Our next great principle in prayer is to "make prayer personal." For whom should you pray? Well, who's closest to you? Pray for yourself. Personal prayers are most natural and most effective. Jesus taught us to pray, ". . forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation . . ." God says in Psalm 50:15, "Call upon me in the day of



The Twelfth Commandment

F THERE'S anything more exasperating, more guaranteed to test one's character to the breaking point (and beyond) than the habitual tardiness of friends and associates, then I have yet to find out about it. Some "enlightened" theorists would

Some "enlightened" theorists would have us believe that habitual tardiness is a sign of great individuality, of refreshing emancipation from the stultifying shackles of everyday living. To them, I'd like to reply: Fiddledeedee! It's nothing of the sort. It's plain, unadorned, unvarnished rudeness. It bespeaks a deplorable lack of organization, both in the mind and the physical environment. And probably it indicates a well-nourished, king-sized ego on the part of the transgressor.

Right at this point I'd better make it clear that I know there are times when, in spite of one's best efforts, one is late for an appointment. Most of us are pretty busy—lots of activities have to mesh, to dovetail, and sometimes they just don't. Then, there are unexpected emergencies (actually I guess one never expects an emergency) and of course a person who's aiming at even the most basic maturity and common sense accepts these inconveniences gracefully. Before long it'll be his turn to be unavoidably detained and his family and friends will need to make allowances.

So let's agree that the kind of tardiness we're talking about is this sort: A group is planning a cookout. Everyone must be in front of Kathy's house at 6:00 P.M.—not one minute later, because you have to drive to the park, and get the fire going, and it takes a while to fry all those potatoes . . . and a special *a cappella* choir practice has been called for eight-thirty.

6:00 P.M. Everyone's here—no, wait a minute, where's Betsy? And a chorus of groans ascends from the assembled throats.

"Betsy was never on time in her life. ... Didn't you tell her how important ...? Of course I told her and she promised faithfully" And the minutes tick by, and tempers begin to ravel out, and what was going to be so much fun becomes a great big awkwardness. Should you go and leave her? But she's bringing all the sandwich buns! And so at 6:26, just when everyone is ready to explode with frustration, Betsy drives up. Apologetically? Not at all. Apparently oblivious of the icy silence, she gaily trills, "Congratulate me, everyone! I'm reforming. Why, I'm usually 45 minutes late and tonight it's only 26 minutes!"

Of course the cookout is hurried and strained, because by then the parkway is full of traffic, adding complications to an already tense situation. Inanimate objects seem deliberately to "fight" at such times; the fire keeps going out, Judy steps on the bag of marshmallows, Joe tells Kurt to keep his opinions on grilled choplets to himself—and to top it off, everyone is late to choir, which is unforgivable in Mr. Leeds's eyes. And it all began with Betsy's tardiness.

Have you ever been in charge of a program (perhaps Sabbath school) and you badly wanted things to go well? You were really terrified about asking Paul to give the mission story, because he just can't get anywhere on time, but he's the best student speaker on the campus. And so, with fear and trembling, you sit in the room behind the platform. You must go onto the platform not one second later than 9:29. Why, it's already 9:27! Everyone else is here. Paul *promised* that *fust this once*... he knows how much it means to you ... he knows you're the nervous type who can't live through these tortures . . . but now it's $9:29\frac{1}{2}$ and nothing for it but to go onto the platform without him. What on earth will you do for a mission speaker if he doesn't show up?

by Miriam Hood

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You're hoping the congregation is unaware of the icy prespiration beading your forehead as you welcome them graciously, as you sing the opening hymn, kneel in prayer, listen to the special music—and there's Paul, unhurried, sliding into the last seat on the platform. His talk is brilliant. But you —you're limp, spent. And a little refrain keeps going round and round: "If he's the last speaker left on earth, I'll never ask him again."

There are so many occasions for habitually tardy people to function at maximum, we can't think of naming them all. Worship services, classes, meals, dental and physician's appointments—even dates. Don't think they don't use every opportunity. They're dedicated—to tardiness.

these people. It seems to me that your chances of success in life are so very much less if you are. Life's a competitive business; there are lots of people as bright and beautiful as you are who are never late. So then, if you want to live life successfully (and who doesn't?) and you don't want to inflict unhappiness and inconvenience on others, take any sort of extreme measures that are necessary. Carry an alarm clock around your neck-but be on time!

trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me." Again in James He says, "If any of you lack wisdom . . ." pray; ask wisdom for yourself. Jesus teaches us to offer personal prayers.

He teaches us that we should pray for forgiveness for our sins. Notice the beautiful prayer in Psalm 51. You remember, David had gone astray; he had forgotten God's commandments; he had committed a horrible sin; and now penitence filled his heart and he prayed: "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." "Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin." God heard this personal prayer and answered it, and He cleansed David. He will cleanse us too. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Sincere, personal prayer is always answered.

One of the petitions the Lord loves to answer is the personal prayer for salvation. Many of you have prayed this prayer and found an answer. Picture with me a humble, poorly clad man coming into church. He slips into a back seat, bows his head, and prays, "Lord, be merciful to me, a sinner." And the Lord, watching him, says, "This man goes away justified." His sincere, personal prayer is heard. And it's answered.

There are three men on a hill, condemned to die. They have been brutally beaten and punished. The criminal on the right is dying, but he looks at the Man in the center. He is dying faster. As he sees divinity in this Man in the center, he prays, "Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom"-one of the greatest personal prayers in the Bible. And immediately the Saviour answers. "Thou shalt be with Me in Paradise." Would you like to have your prayers answered that quickly and definitely? They can be.

There was a man named Cornelius who was a Roman captain. The Bible says that this man prayed daily, and the Lord heard his prayers and sent a man by the name of Peter to meet him and tell him what to do to be saved. And Cornelius gave his heart to God.

Prayer changes hearts when we ask help for ourselves. How eager God is to answer personal prayers, and how great is our need! Pray daily for yourself, then.

The next principle is to "pray for others." No one prays right who prays only for himself. A proud or selfish person cannot pray acceptably. He is likely to omit this part of prayer. He is like the Pharisee who paraded into the Temple and wrapped his robes around him and raised his hands to heaven and prayed thus with himself, "God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are." The Bible comments that this man prayed "with himself." He had a good eye on himself, a bad eye on others, and no eye at all on the Lord. God wants us to pray for others. He wants us to reach out in the realm of our prayer and take in those who need help.

"Pray for one another" we are told in James 5:16. Moses prayed for Israel, and God forgave their sins. Jesus prayed for Peter, and Peter was saved for the cause of God.

In the early church prayer was the most serious part of their task. James, the brother of our Lord, was said to have his knees calloused from long praying. And you and I, friends, are living in an age far more critical than was James's time. We are living in an age when the earth is on the brink of nuclear disaster. It isn't "just a little talk with Jesus," which tiny saintlets sing about, that will suffice for these times. We must pray without ceasing.

Church Decorum

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and expect others to stumble over you to reach a seat.

• When the hymn is announced, do not act as if you had a case of lockjaw. Open the hymnal and join in the singing. Hymn singing is an expression of praise to your heavenly Father, and you need not be an accomplished singer.

• When the sermon begins, center your attention on the speaker and what he is saying. Do not allow your mind to wander or be distracted by your week's work, the woman's hat in front of you, or the attractive infant in a mother's arms across the aisle. Incidentally, there is nothing particularly edifying about the noise of an infant that persists in testing its lung power in church. Such exhibitions should be confined to a soundproof mother's room.

• Always remember that visitors are the guests of the church members. Show them the same courtesy you would if they should visit your home.

• Never begin putting on your wraps during the last hymn—they will still be there after the benediction. Nor should you rush for the door after the benediction as though the church was on fire. Greet your friends in the church foyer, preferably outside the church, and thus keep the aisles open for those who wish to leave.

"True reverence for God is inspired by a sense of His infinite greatness and a realization of His presence. With this sense of the Unseen, every heart should be deeply impressed. The hour and place of prayer are sacred, because God is there. And as reverence is manifested in attitude and demeanor, the feeling that inspires it will be deepened."—*Prophets and Kings*, pp. 48, 49.

WHY I JOINED the Seventh-day Adventist Church

My childhood years were spent on a large stock ranch in eastern Oregon. My wonderful Christian mother faithfully took us children to Sunday school and church. When I was seven years old my Sunday school teacher had us memorize the Ten Commandments. I was much impressed with the fourth commandment. God's Spirit was speaking to my heart.

Perplexed, I went to mother, also to my teacher, asking each, "Why do we keep Sunday for the Sabbath?" Their answer was, "I don't know." They were quite sure all Christians kept Sunday for the Sabbath. I was not satisfied, but more confused. I kept searching, trying in vain to find someone who could answer my question.

At 22 years of age I was converted and joined a church. For 17 years I attended faithfully with my three children. Then one Sunday the minister informed us of meetings being conducted in our city by two evangelists. We were instructed not to attend. As I was returning home the Holy Spirit spoke to my heart. "Go attend those meetings."

The very next evening I attended. I was greatly interested; so I continued to attend. At the eighth meeting the Sabbath truth was wonderfully presented. My eyes were opened. With tears of joy I promised the Lord I would keep the next Sabbath, which I did and found peace. No tongue or pen can ever tell of the joy, peace, and happiness I have found by accepting Jesus and obeying God's holy ten commandments.

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For Homemakers 田 HH

By Mae Carberry Patton

Y DEAR, you are beautiful!" exclaimed a kind Christian man to his wife as he sat watching her patiently doing the family mending. She gave him a quick glance to be sure he was sincere, then flashed a smile of appreciation.

"You know I don't mean your face," he added. "It is your character that is so beautiful." Again she smiled, and her tired face lighted up with pleasure. The day had been trying, but these sincere words from her faithful companion thrilled her with happiness. He was always so kind, thoughtful, and loving. He never missed an opportunity to tell her of his love and appreciation. She knew she had never been considered physically beautiful. She also knew he appreciated her for what she tried earnestly to be, a sin-cere servant of God and an "help meet" for him. Theirs was a home God could bless, and an example of the fact that "hearts that are filled with love of Christ can never get very far apart. Religion is love, and a Christian home is one where love reigns and finds expression in words and acts of thoughtful kindness and gentle courtesy."—The Adventist Home, p. 94. If only there were more of this kindness and courtesy how different would this old world be!

What do the children see and hear in our homes? Do they get the impression little Lucy had when she told her teacher, "My mother and daddy don't love each other. When daddy comes in he asks about something he sees wrong in the house and mamma hollers at him. Pretty soon they are both hollering at each other. Really it's awful!" Of course, Lucy was admonished not to repeat to others what happened at home. She had dear Christian parents, but how much happier they and their children would have been had they used loving words always.

So much that is good can be said, and done. No human being is altogether lacking in good qualities, even though some are less appealing than others. Most people have far more good qualities than bad, but we are so prone to stress the bad and forget the good. An all-too-true illustration is



Who like a father can encourage and inspire his boy?

SAY SOMETAING GOOD

given on page 490 of volume 5 of the *Testimonies*. Here are described the loving words, praise, and commendation spoken of the loved one who has died. Do read it, but I want to quote a few of the thoughts:

"Had these words been spoken when the weary spirit needed them so much, when the ear could hear and the heart could feel, what a pleasant picture would have been left in the memory!... Let us now bring all the beauty, love, and kindness we can into our life. Let us be thoughtful, grateful, patient, and forbearing in our intercourse with one another."

There is a difference between sincere praise and flattery, the latter of which we must have no part in. Praise properly given is merely encouragement, which everybody needs. Flattery exalts the hearer. It is usually insincere and deceitful and is to be strongly condemned. We strengthen others "by encouraging words. We are too indifferent in regard to one another. Too often we forget that our fellow laborers are in need of strength and cheer. Take care to assure them of your interest and sympathy. Help them by your prayers, and let them know that you do it."— The Ministry of Healing, pp. 492, 493.

Every member of the household will benefit by sincere words of appreciation. The husband and father who toils day after day that his family may be happy and well cared for is too often just taken for granted. No man of this type is asking for praise, but loving words expressing our appreciation mean much to him. Children who are taught to plan for ways of bringing their father joy and comfort will be a blessing to him and to all others with whom they make contact. Here mother's influence means much.

If the children are to appreciate mother as they should, who but father can inspire them? If he is tender and loving, and encourages the children to be the same, no mother could ask for more. And, too, his love and courtesy will be reflected beyond the home.

In the church school where I was teaching I once had two brothers who certainly were not scholars, and who were a trial to teach even simple fundamentals of learning, yet they were a delight to have in the schoolroom. Their kindness, thoughtfulness, and respect were a blessing to me. These qualities are not too common in lively boys. I often wondered why I should be so favored. Eventually I was invited to their home for Sabbath dinner. There I learned the secret. Every thought, word, or act of their father seemed to be to express his devotion to the sweet, gentle mother. As I thought back over the kindness and courtesy of the boys toward their teacher I could see the reflection of their father's courtesy. These boys passed from my acquaintance years ago, but I have often wished all boys had that same influence at home and reflected it as well.

"The best way to educate children to respect their father and mother is to give them the opportunity of seeing the father offering kindly attentions to the mother, and the mother rendering respect and reverence to the father. It is by beholding love in their parents that children are led to obey the fifth commandment and to heed the injunction, 'Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right."—The Adventist Home, pp. 198, 199.

Children also need encouragement. Their inexperience makes them more sensitive than those who are older. If a child feels unloved or unwanted he is most miserable. Home is the place where he expects to find peace and comfort. "By giving their children love, sympathy, and encouragement at home, parents may provide for them a safe and welcome retreat from many of the world's temptations."—Ibid., p. 185.

"Praise the children when they do well, for judicious commendation is as great a help to them as it is to those older in years and understanding."— *Child Guidance*, p. 260.

Do we remember to say something good to the faithful workers in our church? Does the faithful elderly brother who so carefully cleans the church floors every week ever hear a word of commendation? The pastor often needs encouragement. At least let him know you are praying for him and have confidence in him. The Dorcas Welfare workers deserve sincere words of appreciation. The Sabbath school teacher, who tries so hard with your children, would feel well repaid by a few kind words. Many parents hasten to complain when they are displeased, but how few make any comment when all is well, even when they know much effort is being put forth.

Every church school teacher knows how little is said in appreciation of his or her earnest endeavors to guide the lambs of the flock along the straight and narrow way, yet how much is said if someone believes an error has been made! On the other hand, both Sabbath school and church school teachers should remember that, while it may at times be necessary to let parents know of the misdeeds of certain children, those same parents need to know that you see some good in their children. If they had no good qualities they surely wouldn't be in either Sabbath school or church school. If we must complain, let's mix some sweet with the bitter.

"Express gratitude for the blessings you have; show appreciation for the attentions you receive. Keep the heart full of the precious promises of God, that you may bring forth from this treasure, words that will be a comfort and strength to others. This will surround you with an atmosphere that will be helpful and uplifting."—The Ministry of Healing, p. 257.



By Carolyn E. Keeler

TEPTEMBER has been a long time coming. My summer has been divided into terms of casts. My first cast was put on May 4, the day I had my fall; the next was put on May 20; the third, June 17; and the fourth, or walking cast, on July 16. Between the second and third casts I lost my balance while on my crutches and fell backward, landing on the end of my spine. I learned to treat those crutches with more respect. I'll be so happy when I don't have to use them. But I have had a pleasant summer. Everyone has been so good to me, and I have made new friends. Two geraniums, one fuchsia, and a petunia plant have been added to my collection, and the neighbors have shared their flowers with me all summer.

I have found that I could do quite a few things in a wheel chair. I didn't manage too much canning. Little by little I lost my fears and found I was able to do more than I thought I could. I'm a regular Casper Milquetoast, or sometimes I think I am.

We have only a little two-by-four garden, and it is full of greens—spinach, chard, lettuce, and beets. So we have plenty of salad makings and greens for cooking. Frilly endive makes a good summer salad. If the flavor is a bit tart, combine some head lettuce with it, then some chopped onion, and your favorite dressing.

Tender new heads of cabbage are on the market now. I am very fond of cabbage, whether served steaming hot with a bit of cream and a dab of butter, or in a cold and crisp salad. A tasty sour cream sauce enhances the flavor of your cabbage dish.

Wash each celery stalk under cold running water and trim it as you wish to serve it. Don't throw away those tender inside leaves. They're good to eat too, and you can dry the larger leaves and use them in roasts and soups later. When the celery is washed and cut, put it in a plastic bag and place in refrigerator until time to serve. Celery can be stuffed with cream cheese combinations, or you may mash some of the light-colored health foods, add chopped olives and some onion, mix with mayonnaise, and use for stuffing.

In September we find the Thompson seedless and flame Tokays from California on the markets here in the East. The Thompson seedless, one of the smaller grapes, is probably the most versatile. It is an excellent table grape, and is used to make more than half of the raisins of the world. The flame Tokay is popular. Both of these grapes are fine-flavored, juicy, and tart-sweet. Use them in the fruit bowl and in fruit salads. Good to serve for party refreshments, good to put in the lunch box. Remove the pits if you are using grapes with ice cream. After the seeds have been removed from Tokays, use the grapes in fruit gela-tin molds. They add much to salad when combined with diced, unpeeled apples and grapefruit sections.

So many dishes are improved in appearance and nutrition if one adds some chopped or halved green or ripe olives. The stuffed green olives, of course, add more color. You can add them to a potato salad, to a macaroni casserole, to a cottage cheese dish. And olives with scrambled eggs make a pleasant and hearty breakfast.

Going back to my stay in the hospital and at home this summer, I think of all the lovely cards I received and the sentiments expressed in the cards. I wonder that the same thought can be expressed in so many different ways! If anyone can write a poem it seems as if this greeting-card business might bring in a little extra cash. I knew a young woman once who paid for a trip to Europe with money she made writing such verses.



From the Editor's Mailbag

A sister of mature years tells us that she has been a church member about 13 years. She feels very "confused and discouraged." She says there is much talk about what she should and should not eat! Then discussions as to Sister White! "Then do's and don'ts about Sabbathkeeping!" "We are told that if we don't overcome every fault we will never be saved." She inquires: "What is wrong! Why are we not a happy people?" Here is our reply:

Our Reply

Let me come at once to the heart of your questions: "What is wrong, Mr. Editor? Why are we not a happy people?" To which I reply without hesitation, that this is the first time I have been aware that Adventists in general are not a happy people. You say that every Sabbath morning when you go to church you are greeted at the door by an usher with a long face who grasps your hand and proclaims, "I'll never make it, I'm sure I'll never make it." Then you add: "This is the tenor of the people."

My dear sister, this is *not* the tenor of the Advent people. Far from it. Rather, you have cited an illustration of an exception, and there are always exceptions, as you well know. I have done a great deal of traveling to churches in my life, all over the world. But I have never yet been met by an usher at the door of any of our churches who poured forth a mournful message such as you relate here. I think that dear brother is spiritually sick, and perhaps also mentally, for certainly he is not a typical Adventist. The stories that onlookers write up about Adventists very, very frequently make special note of how happy and radiant we all are. Why shouldn't we be? Personally, I rejoice in the Lord every day, and often as I walk to work I sing the lines of a hymn, so happy am I in the Lord.

I know the kind of person that you are here describing. I have met this kind occasionally, though not as a greeter at the door of the church. I have always considered such persons anything but typical Adventists. In fact, I have told them that their doleful mood was a denial of their faith. And it is. But fortunately, I say, they are the exception. They are to be pitied. They have never grasped the significance of the doctrines they profess to believe. Our Lord said that when all the last dread things come upon the world, we are to lift up our heads and rejoice, for our redemption draws nigh.

Now let me pick up some other lines in your letter. You are distressed by discussions on food, for example, and you remind me that the kingdom of God is not meat and drink. You are correct on this. But, my dear sister, the Holy Word also says that "whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." Even the holy apostles instructed new believers about eating. In the brief message they sent out from the council at Jerusalem they declared that one should not eat of things strangled or of blood. So apparently it is proper to say something about food, and for the simple reason that what we eat can have a bearing on our health of body and of spirit. I freely grant that it is possible to discuss food in such a way as to generate a legalistic approach to salvation. Indeed, it is possible to discuss the matter of proper Sabbath observance in the same legalistic way—that is what the Jews did. But because of this danger, we should not therefore turn our backs on any consideration of how to eat or how to keep the Sabbath, for example. There is a right way and a wrong way to do everything.

You speak about simple belief in Christ, declaring that a joyous religious experience inevitably flows therefrom. You are right in a sense. But the joyous life does not necessarily follow automatically. The Bible speaks about a good fight of faith, and of enduring to the end, and thus being saved. The New Testament is filled with warnings against the works of the flesh and of how we should crucify them. There are also warnings against many other things. There is instruction on how we should be diligent in business, how we should work instead of loaf. Indeed, there are many specific pieces of instruction in the New Testament that it seemed necessary to give in addition simply to saying, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." And let us never forget that the only sermon God ever preached—the Ten Commandments—was filled with specific prohibitions. That law is still our guide.

You ask me: "How many Seventh-day Adventists do you know who are perfect?" And you add immediately: "I know of none." Neither do I, my dear sister. You think the reason why none are perfect and all lack the peace that accompanies perfection is "because they are warring within themselves over their own faults, so consequently they are at a continual unrest." No, my dear sister, I don't think that's the real explanation. After more than 40 years of ministering to our people, I think the greatest danger is that of being content with our state and feeling that we are better than we really are. Indeed, the warning to the Laodicean church is that it is under the delusion that it is rich and increased with goods and has need of nothing, when really it is in a deplorable state. Most of our people are not as conscious as they ought to be of their deficiencies and of their need to rise to higher ground. You know Paul enjoins us: "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith." So there is a proper place for self-examination, and apparently a lot of people aren't doing it, or the Bible wouldn't have to warn us to do it.

I'm aware, of course, that there are some, though certainly a very small minority, who seem to be constantly aware of their defects and how short they are of perfection. Now, within limits, that mood is good, but it can become pathological if it is not kept in control. The church usher of whom you speak is an exhibit of what I feel is a sad pathological distortion of the mood of concern for one's spiritual state. But because there are such people I'm not therefore prepared to make the generalization that *all* of our people are that way. They simply are not.

I don't know which state is worse, for a man to feel that he's ready for heaven in his present state, or to feel that no matter what he does he can't succeed in qualifying for heaven. Here is the way I view the matter in my own spiritual experience. First, I make a point day by day in my prayers to God that He will show me where I am amiss, for I know I'm not perfect. Then I pray that He will give me strength to overcome my defects. And then I like to go on from that to thank the Lord, in advance, for the assurance that I can be more than conqueror through Jesus Christ, who loves me, and that with every temptation He has prepared a way of escape. If I fail to win a particular victory, I thank God for the promise that "if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Hence, I never spend any time tormenting my soul with the thought "I'll never make it, I'm sure I'll never make it." To do that proves that one does not really believe God's promises.

There are some among us who meditate much on the fact that the day will come at last when there will be no more intercession for sinners. And they properly raise the question, How shall we stand in that day? But they sometimes improperly answer it. Indeed, this is the special point of emphasis that a certain little group among us are stressing. And because the rest of us do not become as exercised as they feel we should on this whole matter of perfection, they decide that we have fallen away. One such brother recently asked me what I was going to do in the great day when there would be no intercessor. I told him frankly that I was not going to do anything but trust in my Lord, claiming the promise: "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:6). Then I added this glorious word from Paul: "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day'' (2 Tim. 1:12). What I have committed unto Him is the keeping of my soul.

Now, my dear sister, I think that in what I have here said, I am expressing the mood of those responsible for trying to guide the spiritual destinies of our people. I don't think you'll say that it is a mood of distress, of darkness, or of despair. Certainly anyone generating the mood I've described and living within it, by the promises of God, will never be saying: "I'll never make it, I'm sure I'll never make it."

I'm glad for what you say in your closing lines: "Do not mistake me. I am not giving up my faith. I intend to go through to the kingdom in spite of myself. Not because I can pull myself up by my bootstraps, but because Christ died for me and He has promised to see me through." You and I are in complete agreement on this last point. That is why *I'm* not giving up my faith. And that's why any intelligent Adventist stays by the church. "There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" but the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I hope I have thrown a little light on your questions and given you a different idea of Adventism than you seem to have acquired in the particular area where you are living. Courage, my dear sister. The Advent Movement is going through to the kingdom. It is for us to go through with it, doing our part ardently, fervently, joyously, to promote the message that the world so greatly needs.

F. D. N.

A Church Adrift

In his keynote address to the Third World Congress of the Anglican Church at Toronto in August, Dr. Arthur M. Ramsay, Archbishop of Canterbury, declared that the ultimate goal of Anglicanism today is to lose itself in the peaceful oblivion of an ecumenical Nirvana. To be sure, he did not say it in just these words. But of late he and other Anglican leaders have been giving the world the distinct impression that nothing would please them better than the opportunity to preside over the liquidation of the Anglican Church. Their tone of voice is that of a man who feels that he has filled his days, that life has nothing more to offer, and that death would be sweet. They seem to be convinced that the manifest destiny of the Anglican Church is to submerge itself in the Church of Rome. Like a number of other historic Protestant bodies, the Church of England seems to have lost both its moorings and its bearings, and to be wandering about in a fog of ecclesiastical amnesia.

Also at Toronto, Dr. A. Leonard Griffith of the historic City Temple in London lamented that only 2 per cent of Londoners attend church on an average Sunday, as compared with as many as 65 per cent in some cities of the United States and Canada. In fact, he said, Christianity is actually on the decline everywhere in the world except in these two countries of the New World. Among other symptoms of England's low moral state he mentioned the hostility of English intellectuals toward religion, and the recent moral scandals that have shaken even the high and mighty. Little wonder that Archbishop Ramsay invited the African and Asian delegates at Toronto to send missionaries to England "to help convert the post-Christian heathenism in our country and to convert our English church to a closer following of Christ"!

Another clergyman of the same communion—Canon John D. Pearce-Higgins of Southwark Cathedral—unwittingly explained the low state of affairs in the Church of England when he told a church conference in Cambridge, England, in mid-August that much of the Bible, taken literally, "is just plain wrong." The Bible, he declared, is no more and no less the word of God than any other ancient holy book, or than the "inspired" writings of men who make no claim to supernatural insights. If the religious leaders dismiss the Bible in so cavalier a fashion, is it surprising that their parishioners cast off religion and all moral restraint as irrelevant to life in the modern world? Like priest, like people! Canon Higgins evidently remains in good and regular standing as a spokesman for his church.

Canon Rhymes, also of Southwark, called for "a new moral code based on sympathy for the different needs of individuals"—who may "need" at one time or another to break all the Ten Commandments in turn! He advocates that norms of conduct should be determined by the way men act, instead of vice versa. His "new morality" seems to assume that restraint and moderation are the sworn enemies of happiness, and that self-fulfillment can be achieved only through the untrammeled satisfaction of every appetite. He would save men from sin by redefining sin, not by transforming sinners.

In greater or lesser degree, though perhaps at a less advanced stage, the malaise from which the Church of England suffers today has infected a large segment of the Protestant world. In a state of progressive senility, Protestantism seems to have forgotten whence it came and whither it is going. It is adrift, and the winds of time are blowing it on a precarious course between the whirlpool of modernism and the rocks of Rome. We do not rejoice at this sorry state of affairs. Far from it! Instead let us gather warmth from the coldness of others. Let us take heed to ourselves, lest we forget whence we have come and whither God calls us to go. Let us not be unmindful of the fact that there are doubtless millions in these other churches who have not bowed the knee to Baal, and who long to hear the trumpet of salvation give a certain sound. Let us be faithful to our heritage and to the task to which God has called us. R. F. C.

Reports From Far and Near



Garo group baptized in the Assam hills. Pastor D. Nongtdu (center, in the water) officiated. On his right is evangelist K. Kharbteng, and on his left, Justin Momin, associate evangelist and translator.

Assam's Garo Hills

We RECENTLY made a mission expedition far back into the Garo Hills of the southwestern corner of Assam. We walked 43 miles, the first lap taking us 12 miles to a river crossing. Our quart-size water canteens soon ran low, and we were fortunate to be able to buy some juicy pineapples on the roadside to quench our thirst. After four hours we reached the river and found it a great relief to our blistered and swollen feet. Only 31 more miles to go.

Heavy monsoon rains had recently swept away a well-built bamboo bridge, and we had to cross in a small hollowedout log boat. We felt it wise to breathe in unison, lest we overbalance the boat and find ourselves in the fast-flowing, muddy water. Crossing safely, we picked up our packs and began to climb into the Garo Hills. In the dry season our road was suitable for government forest department trucks hauling timber, but now even a sturdy bullock cart could hardly get through. We encountered heavy landslides, huge rocks and boulders, fallen trees, and knee-deep mudholes in many places. The jungle was alive with beautiful birds and other creatures, and we were entering wild elephant country. At sundown we reached a little government outpost, where we took shelter for the night.

Early the next morning we were again on our way. As we reached a higher altitude we were able to walk with more comfort. By midafternoon we were on very narrow jungle paths that led up steep mountains and into narrow valleys. In late afternoon we reached our goal a village surrounded by rolling, wooded By C. A. Boykin, President, Assam Section

hills. The people saw us coming and came out to welcome us. With them were K. Kharbteng and J. Momin, who had been conducting meetings for these tribal folks for several months.

How the Seed Was Planted

Some years ago a Garo man from this village, while working in another place, heard one of our evangelists. In due time he accepted the Advent message, and was not satisfied to keep the good things he had heard to himself. He thought of his brother, and began sending him Garo tracts and other literature. His brother did not take to this strange teaching at first, but the more he read the more he was convinced that it was true; yet kept his thoughts to himself for some time.

Finally he began discussing these matters with some of his village friends, among them being the chief of that area. After counseling together, they decided to send a letter to the Adventist Garo district leader, Brother Kharbteng, requesting him to hold meetings among them. They promised to build a suitable bamboo meeting place and to provide living quarters. They expressed willingness also to carry any necessary equipment over the many hills.

In due time our men arrived at this village and were pleased with the preparations that had been made. The villagers were eager for the meetings to begin. One thing, however, caused our brethren some concern. They noticed that almost opposite the meeting place was a small chapel belonging to another Christian group. Our brother asked the villagers whether there might not be opposition from these good people. Immediately they replied, "No. The leader of those Christians is the very one who urged us to have you come and hold meetings here." This sounded reassuring, but it was with some anxiety that our two brethren began their series.

The first night there was a good number in attendance. The following night more were on hand. News began to spread to the neighboring hills, and soon the meeting place was packed every night. The people enjoyed singing songs and choruses—the same ones Adventists the world over delight to sing. The men and boys sit on one side, and the women, girls, and little children, on the other. Night after night they sat on bamboo benches without backrests, four or five inches off the ground.

The Interest Grows

For the first few nights the meetings continued for about an hour and 15 minutes, but it was not long before the people protested that they wanted to hear more, and requested that the meetings be lengthened to two hours. Even this did not satisfy many of them, for after the regular meeting invariably a large group would go over to the worker's bamboo hut and crowd inside to hear more and to ask questions.

Because most of the people were hardworking farmers, it was felt that four nights a week would be about all they could take. But soon they requested meetings every night, seven days of the week! This intense program, with visiting and special studies, continued for many weeks. When the testing truths were presented

our workers were amazed to see the determination of many to live in harmony with the precious light that had come to them. There were struggles, to be sure. It meant changing established habits and undesirable ways of living.

One of the hardest problems related to their market day, which in this particular section is held on the Sabbath. This is the most important weekly event in the lives of these people. Their market center is about eight miles distant. To this place they must carry all their salable products on their backs. Here they set up little stalls or spread their products on the open ground. They receive a very limited amount of cash for the things they sell, and with this they buy certain essentials for their own simple needs. Market day is not only a busy time but the occasion for happy social life, which means so much to villagers in remote areas.

Quite a number of these good people were beginning to count the cost, for they realized that keeping God's Sabbath would confront them with a serious problem. Our brethren prayed earnestly about this situation, and to their great joy a large group let it be known that they were determined to make other arrangements, even though they might have to walk many, many miles to other centers where market days are not on the Sabbath. With God's help, they managed to meet their problems wonderfully well.

Finally the baptism date was set. It was for this occasion that D. Nongtdu, our Assam Section Sabbath school and home missionary secretary, and I made that long trek to this village. Friday afternoon as we were preparing for the Sabbath we saw two men walking wearily toward our hut.

Sixty Miles to Witness a Baptism

"Who are these strangers?" I asked Pastor Nongtdu. His face brightened as he said, "The man in front is our Adventist brother who sent the first literature to this village." He had learned that his own brother was to be baptized on the morrow and had persuaded an Adventist friend to come with him. How far had they walked? About 60 miles! Think of it—walking all that distance through rugged jungle country in order to witness his own brother's baptism! This was to be a great Sabbath day for him. That evening as we were retiring we heard sweet, familiar songs over on the hillsides—a group of happy souls singing in Garo, "Welcome, welcome, blessed Sabbath day," and "To God be the glory, great things He hath done."

Sabbath morning following the special service we marched in single file across the paddy fields and up a valley to a quiet lake. Soon the baptismal candidates, made up largely of family groups, walked as units into the water. Pastor Nongtdu performed this sacred rite while many villagers stood on the shore watching.

villagers stood on the shore watching. It was an inspiring sight to watch 30 Garos follow their Lord in baptism. Three hearts were overflowing with special joy —Brother Kharbteng, the evangelist; his associate, Brother Momin; and the layman who saw his own brother and his family baptized. They felt well rewarded for their labors. Among those baptized was the president of the village council.

That is not the end of the story. The next morning one of the men, a former animist who had been baptized the day before, brought his wife to us and announced that she was now feeling well and strong enough to be baptized. We baptized her in a little stream in front of our hut. Her husband stood on a log that lay across the stream, with his hands on his chest and his head bowed, silently praying while she was immersed-a scene that must have touched the hearts of angels. This made a total of 31 precious souls in that faraway village who have become a part of the great Adventist family.

In many sections of this part of India the experience of this remote mountain village is being duplicated again and again. Our great need today is for more consecrated national evangelists to go and proclaim the truth. Where are the reapers to garner in these other waiting souls in the hills and valleys of beautiful Assam? The Garo Hills are ablaze for God and for this glorious message.

Left: Two Garo brothers (after the baptism) now happy together in the faith.

Right: A little Garo girl with a jungle palmleaf umbrella. Her father was the first to read the tracts that led the family to accept the truth.

Conference Sessions in Northern Europe

By Erwin E. Roenfelt, President Northern European Division

Union and local conference sessions and workers' meetings have made the past several months busy ones in the Northern European Division. It was a pleasure and a great help to have M. V. Campbell, of the General Conference, with us for most of these appointments.

The series began in Oslo, Norway, with the West Nordic Union session and workers' meeting, from May 16 to 22. The reports presented at this session revealed progress in every phase of the church's activities. Alf Lohne was re-elected as president and Trygve Asheim was elected secretary-treasurer of the union.

secretary-treasurer of the union. The meetings in Oslo were followed immediately by the Netherlands Union session in Utrecht, Holland. Here, too, from May 22 to 26 an intensive program was followed. The union session was followed by a large gathering of our people from all sections of the Netherlands. Many of our believers, especially young people, came from Belgium to join in these services. The session reports told of progress in the work. F. J. Voorthuis and A. C. Schmutzler were re-elected to the presidency and the secretary-treasurership of the union.

A meeting of HELFAS required the writer's presence in Copenhagen, Denmark, for May 27. HELFAS is an organization representing the interests of our health food factories in the Northern, Central, and Southern European divisions. Much was accomplished in this meeting to coordinate the plans and endeavors of the factories in the various countries of these divisions, and to inaugurate a larger and more effective program for the distribution of our health products.

The Swedish Union session and united gathering of our people was held in Stockholm from May 28 to June 3. The session, which was held in the central church, was most encouraging. J. P. Sundquist and Konrad Utterback were reelected president and secretary-treasurer of the union. Monday being a holiday in Sweden, a long weekend of meetings was held in a fine central hall of the city.



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These were well attended and proved a great blessing to our people.

Upon the conclusion of the meetings in Stockholm the writer proceeded to the West Norway session, which was held in the beautiful city of Stavanger on one of the breath-taking fjords of Norway. This too was a wonderful gathering of Advent believers. In the meantime M. V. Campbell had attended the West Den-mark session, at which his service was greatly appreciated. Adventist believers in these Nordic countries are warm-hearted and true, and it is always a pleasure and an inspiration to associate with them.

In Finland some of us had an unusually busy time, since the Finland Union session and the Finland-Swedish Conference session were held concurrently in the city of Helsinki. It was therefore necessary for some of us to shuttle back and forth between the two meetings. These sessions convened from June 12 to 16, and were attended by a large number of our people. The reports presented at the sessions were most heartening, and a keen interest was manifest in the messages presented. Onni Peltonen was re-elected president of the Finland Union, and L. J. Harju was elected secretary-treasurer.

Hastening back to London on the night of June 16, we were in time to begin the half-yearly meeting of the division June 17 to 20. A long list of agenda items required study and action. A great amount of constructive work was done at this division committee meeting, and many important decisions were taken to strengthen the work among the more than 200 million people who live in this farflung field.

On the morning of June 21 I left for meetings in Poland, returning to London late on the night of July 8. Next day I left for the North England Conference workers' meeting and session. The workers' meeting and session were held in one of our churches in the city of Birmingham, and a combined meeting of our members of that conference in the Central Methodist Auditorium. This is a fine building, and though its seating capacity is large, it was taxed to capacity by the large number of people who attended. The response of our people to the various appeals that were made was truly gratifying. It may be said that the people gave themselves first to the Lord, and then to us for the finishing of the work. Large sums of money were contributed for the support and expansion of the work.

E. H. Foster, who has served the North England Conference as its president for the past five years, was recently appointed home missionary secretary of the division. K. A. Elias, who was president of the Welsh Mission, was elected to succeed him. W. J. Griffiths was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

At all these sessions and special meetings our conference workers and church members committed themselves to a fuller and more energetic program of both public and personal evangelism. The hour is late, and we must hasten to bring God's message of present truth to those who know it not.

Michigan's Laymen of the Year

By W. M. Buckman Departmental Secretary Michigan Conference

Because we realize the vital role laymen of the Advent Movement are to play in finishing God's work on earth, and to inspire an accelerated program of lay evangelism throughout our territory, a program known as Laymen of the Year was inaugurated at the Michigan camp meeting in 1961. Leading laymen throughout the conference were recognized and honored for their distinguished service to the church. God has greatly blessed in this new effort to promote lay evangelism.

Twenty-nine laymen were featured in our Laymen of the Year program this year at camp meeting. N. C. Wilson, president of the Michigan Conference, presented awards, with Vernon Flory of the Lake Union and W. M. Buckman of Michigan assisting. A total of 265 new believers have been brought to Christ through their faithful, united efforts.

Taking top honors as Michigan's Lay-man of the Year for 1963 was Brother Carl Wooten, of Flint, Michigan. His pastor, Robert Kachenmeister, writes that "he is constantly seeking new ways to find people with whom he can study the Scriptures. At present he has three regular studies each week, with 26 people in at-tendance. He has just finished a series in a convalescent home, with 30 patients. He will begin studies with seven more persons, in two sessions.

"Since last camp meeting I have had the privilege of baptizing nine with whom he had studied. He is always ready to serve in any capacity in the church work, and has held positions ranging from head elder to deacon and temperance secretary. Through the years he has faithfully taught one of our Sabbath school classes. As temperance secretary he is planning a concentrated effort to show films on smoking and drinking in all schools in our area early next fall.

Various churches of the Flint area conduct a so-called Sabbath Observance Committee meeting each month, at which rules and laws regarding Saturday-Sunday closing have been discussed. Brother Wooten was our spokesman at these meetings. He and his wife have made more visits to shut-ins and new members than any other couple in the church. He is faithfully keeping in touch with many of our newest members, to encourage them in the Christian way and to begin Bible studies with their friends and relatives. This plan not only helps others but is also a strengthening factor to those new in the faith.'

Our conference officers and workers are happy and privileged to honor these distinguished laymen, who are blazing a trail of missionary zeal and soul-winning activity.

Manila "Friendship in Christ" Crusade

By L. E. Tucker

Departmental Secretary North Philippine Union Mission

As the first fruits of the Friendship in Christ crusade conducted in the evangelistic center in Manila, Philippines, 195 new believers were baptized into Christ by Clinton Shankel and Carmelito Galang and their associates.

Beginning in January, members of the 22 churches of greater Manila began making weekly visits to backsliders; Bible correspondence school interests; Voice of Prophecy, Quiet Hour, and Faith for Today listeners; readers of Signs of the Times and Your Health and Home; and business and social friends. Friendship was the idea—uplifting Christ in every visit. More than 1,000 church members visited some 2,000 persons in these groups.

On the opening night, February 17,

W. M. Buckman, home missionary secretary of the Michigan Conference (left), Carl Wooten, 1963 Layman of the Year, of Flint, Michigan (center), and Vernon Flory of the Lake Union home missionary department, converse together in the home missionary booth featuring lay evangelism throughout the conference. Brother Wooten holds in his hands the Layman of the Year award, the SDA Bible Dictionary presented to him by N. C. Wilson, conference president.





The 195 persons seated in the center section of the Manila Evangelistic Center were baptized on May 4, as the first fruits of a city-wide evangelistic effort that began in February. Standing in the aisles are the workers who participated in the campaign.

the center was filled twice to hear Clinton Shankel, director of the new evangelistic center in Jakarta, Indonesia. Each Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night the message was translated by Carmelito Galang, the Tagalog Voice of Prophecy broadcaster. The five church pastors of Manila, four ministerial interns, 12 ministerial students from Philippine Union College, and one Bible instructor completed the evangelistic team.

Guardian Service

On May 4 nearly 200 were buried in the sacred rite of baptism. A colorful guardian service immediately followed the baptism, where each new member received a flower presented by his guardian, an experienced church member of the same sex and approximate age who will visit the new member weekly for six weeks, encouraging family worship, Bible reading, and missionary endeavor. Following this ceremony, P. H. Romulo, president of the Central Luzon Mission, and A. J. Robbins, president of the North Philippine Union Mission, gave a stirring challenge to the new members to remain faithful. To close the service, the writer offered a consectation praver.

offered a consecration prayer. On May 5 Pastor Shankel gave his farewell message at Manila Center, which was also the graduation address for the 180 graduating students of the Voice of Prophecy Bible Correspondence School. Since the departure of Pastor and Mrs. Shankel the local pastors of Manila— A. P. Constantino, F. G. Dabu, J. S. Vitto, and P. B. Gonzales, C. A. Galang, Voice of Prophecy broadcaster, and H. L. Reyes, head of the evangelism department of Philippine Union College—have continued holding Sunday-night meetings.

Two additional baptismal services have since been conducted, bringing the total number of new members to more than 250. Since the Manila Evangelistic Center opened in January, 1960, more than 800 persons have been baptized. The center was made possible by a large Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow a number of years ago. Your offerings have proved to be a worth-while investment.

Chained "Patriarchs" and Changed Hearts

By J. N. Hunt, Departmental Secretary Southern African Division

J. J. Coss, literature evangelist of Natal, South Africa, tells this interesting story:

"I came to a farm in Zululand occupied by a young couple with children. They eagerly received Uncle Arthur's Bedtime Stories, but hesitated when I presented The Bible Speaks. The young farmer said that much had been written on the New Testament but very little on the Old, so didn't feel his need for The Bible Speaks. I pointed out that this book incorporated both the Old and the New Testament. He was adamant in his decision, and went on to explain.

"When he was a student at a Catholic school in Pietermaritzburg he had learned to love a large book on the



J. J. Coss, veteran literature evangelist of Natal, South Africa. He learned of a farmer in Zululand who treasured a copy of *Patriarchs and Prophets* chained to a table in the library of the Catholic school he attended as a youth.

Old Testament, which was literally chained to the table in the school library. The teaching staff and the principal regarded it so highly that no one was allowed to remove it. It could be consulted in the library only. He could not remember the title, but said that if I could offer him a book like that he would order one immediately.

"I asked whether it was Patriarchs and Prophets by Ellen G. White. 'Yes,' he cried eagerly, 'that is the book. It is the most magnificent book on the Old Testament! Can you get it for me?' I told him I would be happy to order a copy of the latest edition for him. He was greatly excited and ordered immediately, paying cash on the spot. The teachers, he said, had told him the book was out of print, and considered it the most valuable book on the Old Testament in the school."

God watches over these inspired silent messengers, which are making indelible impressions upon the minds and hearts of people throughout the world. Speaking of *The Great Controvesy* and *Patriarchs* and *Prophets*, Sister White declared, "These books contain God's direct appeal to the people," and "They will have an influence upon minds that other books do not have."—*Colporteur Ministry*, p. 129.

Literature Evangelist G. L. Foxcroft tells about another interesting customer from the vast, arid plains of Cape Province in South Africa:

"Old Oom (Uncle) Koos had a rather unenviable reputation in the community. The neighbors warned me that he was a bad man. I determined to see him anyway and arrived at his home one evening. After a considerable amount of persuasion I eventually sold him a copy of The Desire of Ages.

"One year later I called to see him again. I could see immediately that he was a different man. He was so happy to see me that he almost embraced me. He told me that he had bought the book last year just to get rid of me, then added, "That book has made a wonderful impression upon my heart, and great changes have come into my life." He said that he

loved The Desire of Ages so much that he would not lend it to anyone, even for one day. But he would ride 50 miles to read it to a friend.

"Uncle Coos spread the knowledge of his book throughout the entire area. It made a deep impression, for his neighbors could see the change it had made in his own life. On my second visit to the homes of that area, many who had refused to buy the book before were now clamoring for a copy of their own.

"Since that time old Uncle Koos has died, but it was with hope in his heart and as an elder of his church. Some of his relatives are now studying the Voice of Prophecy and are deeply interested in the truth."

There is no more permanent or more powerful witness than these inspired masterpieces God has entrusted to us to give to the world. Perhaps that is why Sister White wrote, "God would be pleased to see *The Desire of Ages* in every home," and, "The Lord has declared that these books are to be scattered throughout the world."—Colporteur Ministry, pp. 126, 125.

A Hundred Years of Health Work

By Wesley Amundsen, Secretary-Treasurer Association of SDA Self-supporting Institutions

One hundred years ago (June 6, 1863) in Otsego, Michigan, God gave Ellen G. White the first of a series of visions to help members of the remnant church live healthfully. The pen of the messenger of the Lord was laid aside many years ago, but through the pages of the many Spirit of Prophecy publications she "being dead, yet speaketh," perhaps more eloquently than when she was alive.

How have we fared through these hundred years? What do we see as we look back? What do we see as we look at ourselves today? Have we advanced? Have we retrograded? Where do we stand? What more should we do than we have done with respect to the counsels from Heaven?

In order to commemorate this centennial of health education entrusted to the "remnant" by the Lord God, a special day has been set apart for a gathering at the site of the old landmark church of Battle Creek, October 2, 1963. It will be a high day. Under the combined auspices of the Medical Department of the General Conference and the Association of SDA Selfsupporting Institutions, a program has been arranged beginning at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, October 2. Featured in this commemorative service is to be a repre-sentative of the Ellen G. White Estate, who will refer to high points in the counsel on health given through Ellen G. White to the church. George T. Harding, M.D., of the Harding Hospital, Inc., one of the oldest of our private-enterprise hospitals, will review God's leading in private medical enterprise. A leading exponent in the field of human nutrition will review Seventh-day Adventist philosophy through the century in this health feature. There will be witnesses to the



Construction progresses on the new wing being added to Portland Sanitarium and Hospital.

efficacy of the counsels of the Spirit of Prophecy in various fields of medical ministry, both self-supporting and denominationally operated. In the evening Francis D. Nichol will sum up the hundred years of health education in the remnant church with an address, "A Century of Our Health Work."

October 2 will also witness the opening of the ASI Biennial Convention, which will be in session October 3-5. Then, from October 6 to 12 Arthur White, grandson of Ellen G. White, will conduct a denominational history tour.

Yes, it will indeed be a time to be remembered! Best of all, anyone who desires to attend is invited to partake of these wonderful meetings and to enjoy the tour.

Let us thank God for the counsels on health which He has so generously given to His people in these latter days.

Portland Sanitarium Erects New Wing

By Shirley Burton

A \$2.5 million-dollar building program is now under way at the Portland Sanitarium and Hospital, one of Oregon's oldest medical institutions. Scheduled for completion before the end of the year, the new wing will provide space for 138 hospital beds, a new obstetrical department, laboratory extensibilities, an enlarged X-ray department, intensive care unit, and new kitchen with improved dietary facilities.

Community businessmen are spearheading the \$835,000 capital funds campaign. The community drive, necessitated by skyrocketing costs of hospital capital development, is the first in the 70-year history of the Portland Sanitarium. Sixty campaign workers from the Portland business public and an advisory committee of 25 State business, civic, and religious leaders will assist James W. Breman, assistant vice-president of the United States National Bank. A. L. Schmidt is the sanitarium's development director.

Founded as a private enterprise in 1893, the Portland Sanitarium became a conference institution in 1896. In that year a nurse's training program was begun It originally operated strictly as a health sanitarium, but added hospital facilities about 1902, when the present site was secured. Last year Portland Sanitarium and Hospital admitted more than 10,000 patients and treated more than 11,000 cases in the emergency department, which is one of the largest on the Pacific Coast.

The sanitarium's instructional departments include a school of collegiate nursing (in association with Walla Walla College), a school of practical nursing, a school of medical technology, a school of radiological technology, and intern training service.



Dr. Genevieve McWilliams left Los Angeles, California, on August 18 for India, returning from furlough and a residency. Dr. McWilliams will be at the Giffard Memorial Hospital, Nuzvid.

Dr. and Mrs. Vernon C. Sparks and daughter, of Los Angeles, California, left Miami, Florida, on August 16 for Nicaragua. Dr. Sparks will connect with the Nicaragua Adventist Hospital, at La Trinidad.

Mr. and Mrs. Eduardo E. Weiss and two children, of Takoma Park, Maryland, left Miami, Florida, on July 24 for Medellín, Colombia. Brother Weiss, recently graduated from Columbia Union College, has accepted a call to teach at the Colombia-Venezuela Union College.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Eugene Gibson, Jr., and son, of Loma Linda, California, left Los Angeles on August 15 for Guam. Dr. Gibson will join the medical work in the Far Eastern Island Mission.

Mary Alice Grove, of Takoma Park, Maryland, left Los Angeles, California, on August 19 for Korea, where she will teach church school at Seoul.

Martha Ellen Jones, a recent graduate of La Sierra College, La Sierra, California, left San Francisco, on the SS Ohio on August 12 for Tokyo. Miss Jones is going as secretary-accountant for the Japan Union. W. P. BRADLEY

Dorcas Welfare in West Fiji

By M. M. Stewart, Departmental Secretary Central Pacific Union Mission

General Conference and Australasian Division home missionary department secretaries C. E. Guenther and H. F. Rampton, together with the writer, recently visited West Fiji, where the Dorcas Welfare work equals in extent and equality—and in some instances excels—what is being done in Australia. Our destination, in company with B. L. Crabtree, president of the mission, was Waiyala, where we were to conduct a school of lay evangelism. Peni Tavodi, home missionary and Sabbath school secretary and assistant president of the mission, a Fijian, was in charge.

Waiyala, in the center of the island, is almost inaccessible. We covered the last five miles afoot and on horseback through three swollen rivers, trudging through mud that was often ankle deep on the way. At our destination we were met by no less than 70 uniformed Dorcas Welfare workers. This welcoming committee greeted us beneath a flower-decked archway that led to a fine meeting place which had been erected especially for the school of evangelism. On every hand we could see evidence of the consecrated influence of Mrs. Norma Crabtree, an ardent and active Dorcas Welfare worker.

After the welcome ceremony we were treated to a sumptuous repast of island foods in the home of Pastor Elisha, the district worker. The spotless linen and sparkling cutlery were one of many surprises that awaited us.

Nearly 200 laymen and laywomen left their homes and gardens in order to attend this training school, which continued throughout the month of June. Some traveled many miles on foot to be present, carrying food and other supplies with them. The tightly packed daily program provided instruction in many phases of lay evangelism, Dorcas Welfare evangelism, and other subjects, such as church organization, church administration, and healthful living. There were also periods devoted to studying the books of Daniel and the Revelation.

Each evening an evangelistic service was conducted. The model programs included sound films, with power provided by a portable generator, and excellent music. At these meetings the average attendance was approximately 500. Many of those who attended had to walk as far as 12 miles, wading through fast-flowing rivers in order to be present. It would be night before some of them reached home again. Thirty of these earnest people responded to Pastor Peni's appeal to keep the Sabbath. More than 40 have joined the baptismal class.

The work of God is onward in the Central Pacific. Additional schools of evangelism modeled after those already pioneered by Pastor Crabtree are planned, not only for West Fiji but for the other island groups of our vast union.

After Many Days

By M. S. Prasada Rao, President North Andhra Section

Gangayya was a young man when the Advent message first came to the village of Lakkavaram more than 40 years ago. He was a Hindu. Passing by the Adventist school often, he wondered what this new religion might be, but he never seriously inquired into the matter. Occasionally he came in contact with our workers and believers, and he was on friendly terms with them. As a result of these casual contacts he learned a little now and then about the fundamentals of Christianity.

Two years ago Gangayya attended one of our services for the first time, and was thrilled with what he saw and heard. From then on he attended church regularly, and our evangelist gave him Bible studies. A few weeks ago he was baptized.

On the day of his baptism Gangayya gave a wonderful testimony to his faith, and mentioned that his two grown sons had threatened to disown him and kill him if he became a Christian. He was not even sure that it would be safe to return home after the baptism. With tears in his eyes he said that he was determined to take his stand for the Lord, who had suffered so much for him and given His own life for the remission of his sins.

Gangayya is the first Christian in his community. The church had special prayer for him, and when he returned home the members of his family would not talk to him. But slowly the prejudice wore off, and today he is living peacefully and letting his light shine.



Gangayya Thatha being baptized by Pastor Prabhudas.

The Cairo Evangelistic Series

By C. E. Moseley, Jr. General Field Secretary General Conference

The Cairo evangelistic campaign is now history. R. A. Wilcox, of the Middle East Division, had invited me to hold these meetings. When I arrived, the people in Cairo gave me a cordial reception.

With ten fellow ministers, three Bible instructors, and the office staff we plunged immediately into plans for action. The Center was ready, and more than adequate funds were waiting. After two weeks of intensive preparations, including a combined ministerial and evangelistic institute, the meetings began. On Sunday night, April 14, our Evangelistic Center overflowed with Coptics, Catholics, Armenian Christians, and a sprinkling of Moslems. Seven hundred and fifty persons found seats, and 50 more stood throughout the service. Our average attendance throughout the campaign was 500.

Left: Seventy uniformed Dorcas Welfare workers welcomed the visiting missionaries to Waiyala, in the remote interior of West Fiji. Right: This building was erected especially for the school of evangelism at Waiyala. It served as the main classroom for the 200 lay men and women in attendance.



Interest ran high during a lively question period, and then the preaching of the gospel. The Holy Spirit worked wonders in the hearts and lives of the listeners. The meetings ended with a refreshing in spiritual things for both of our two church groups in the city. Thirteen persons who had been receiving Bible studies were brought to a decision and baptized, and another group of 57 entered the baptismal class. A strong follow-up effort by the local brethren was begun, together with house-to-house work for the remaining interests.

Britain's First Five-Day Plan

By Victor H. Cooper Departmental Secretary British Union Conference

Britain's first Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking was held in the lecture room of the municipal offices in Cardiff, Wales, from May 27 to 31. It was conducted by Bernard F. Kinman, secretary of the British Temperance Society, and Dr. Z. Mera, a respected surgeon and member of the Cardiff Seventh-day Adventist church. The city health department, through their medical officer of health, Dr. Powell Phillips, offered the lecture room for the course.

Owing to public demand, two sessions were held each evening with some 80 attending. Among these was Peter Kane, a *Western Mail* reporter who wrote daily of his progress. His concluding article after the clinic ended setting forth the dangers of smoking, appeared on the front page. It closed with these words: "Now that I know the facts I shall never smoke again."

Gareth Bowen of the South Wales Echo and Welsh contributor to B.B.C. television, who took the course, reported to his TV audience each evening, and at the close he too announced personal victory.

David Bevan, producer of the program "Focus" for the Welsh program of the BBC, attended the first night as an observer, but in a 15-minute report in the Welsh Home Service he commented: "I came as an observer; I stayed as a patient; I am now a nonsmoker."

K. A. Elias, president of the Welsh Mission, who organized the clinic, reports that of the 80 students who began the classes, 70 continued right through, and of this number between 55 and 60 were successful. Adventist observers were thrilled to see the minister-doctor combination working effectively with an audience containing journalists, health visitors, doctors' wives, managers, a physiotheraptist, a schoolteacher, and many others.

Other city health departments have now invited the British Temperance Society secretary for consultation, with a view to conducting a similar plan in their cities. It is expected that the next clinic will be conducted in Belfast. As they did in Wales, the Temperance Department expects to make many friends in Northern Ireland, where Seventh-day Adventists have not always been well understood.



Some of the seventy who completed Britain's first Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking, which was held in Cardiff, Wales, May 27 to 31.





On August 6 newspapers throughout Australia published a story under such headings as, "Doctor's Bravery at Sea Wins High Praise" and "Doctor's Action Wins Praise." Reference was to Adventist Dr. Ray Swannell, a resident physician at the Launceston Hospital in Tasmania. He made a heroic ship-to-ship leap in Bass Strait in mountainous seas to assist three men injured when a fierce fire had swept through the crew's quarters of the Norwegian freighter Porthos while the ship was at sea and battling a severe storm. Three members of the crew had lost their lives in the accident. Veteran seamen who saw the leap said he should be awarded a medal for bravery, as any slip or mis-judgment would have meant certain death.

► With the cooperation of Adventist doctors, nurses, and evangelists, E. H. J. Steed, temperance secretary of the Australasian Division, has completed pilot programs of the Five-Day antismoking plan in Warburton and Melbourne in Victoria, and in Sydney and Wollongong in New South Wales. These courses have met with unqualified success. Of the 250 smokers who took the course, 80 per cent were successful. As a result of good publicity scores of inquiries have come from people wishing to enroll. Five-Day Plan courses are scheduled for Hobart in Tasmania, Newcastle and Sydney in New South Wales, and Perth in Western Australia.

► The ministerial association secretary of the Australasian Division reports 62 major evangelistic efforts being conducted in the home field during 1963. Laymen and mission school students report in the mission field outstanding success in their evangelistic endeavors. Five young men from the East Fiji district formed a laymen's group and walked distances of up to 18 miles to contact and study with interested families. This group of five has baptized 22 people in 18 months, and has raised up four companies of believers.

Middle East Division Reported by W. R. Lesher

► L. A. Skinner of the General Conference and A. A. Haddad have been visiting in the Middle East Division during July and August, giving counsel and assistance in the MV camping program. They have participated in MV camp programs in Egypt, Iran, Turkey, Jordan, and Lebanon, and have conducted a division Master Guide leaders' training camp in Lebanon.

► Dr. D. C. Ludington and Dr. M. T. Oliverio have recently arrived for service in the Benghazi Hospital in Libya. Dr. Oliverio is a staff physician specializing in internal medicine, and Dr. Ludington will serve as the medical director of the hospital and medical secretary for the Middle East Division.

E. W. Dunbar of the General Conference visited in the division during June and early July. Elder Dunbar was in attendance at the midyear meeting of the division committee, giving special attention to new locations for overseas workers.



► W. F. Storz, president of the Northeastern Union, informed the members of the division committee at the midyear session held from July 28 to August 3, that his field has made an all-time Ingathering record. He stated that donors in Calcutta have contributed approximately Rs. 40,000. He reported that 18 members have been added to the Mynso, Assam, church through the village evangelistic effort conducted by K. E. Tariang, and that 31 candidates were recently baptized at Rongiri in the Garo Hills district following an effort conducted by K. Kharbteng and Justin Momin.

• Reporting for the South India Union, A. J. Johanson, the president, said that evangelistic campaigns during the first half of the year had yielded 360 accessions to the church. The Ingathering goal for the union had already been exceeded by 10 per cent.

► O. W. Lange, president of the Northwestern India Union, writes that the evangelistic campaign conducted at Ludhiana by B. M. Isaac and P. G. Mathews, has resulted in the baptism of 18 persons, and that 12 others expect to be ready for church membership before the close of the year.

► E. A. Streeter, principal of the Roorkee High School in Northwestern India, has made a much-needed addition to the school farm by the purchase of 20 acres of fertile land adjacent to the property.

• C. H. Hamel, president of the Pakistan Union, anticipates that the next Ingathering campaign will be by far the best ever,



Hanson Place Church in Brooklyn Opens

The congregation of the Park Place church in Brooklyn moved to its new church home on Hanson Place, Sabbath, July 20.

This church, which has been a landmark of downtown Brooklyn for more than 100 years, is in excellent condition. It has a seating capacity of 1,250 and has ample room for all church activities.

The Park Place church was organized as a small mission early in the fall of 1958, when Roy L. Hoyte and a group of believers began to meet in a hall on Pacific Street. Later, this mission was organized as part of the Ephesus church, and R. T. Hudson was the first pastor. This mission was organized as a full-fledged church of the Northeastern Conference in December, 1959, with A. R. Haig as pastor. There are now 222 members.

F. L. JONES, Treasurer Northeastern Conference

because the excellent work of the Loma Linda University Heart Team at the Karachi Seventh-day Adventist Hospital in the month of May continues to be a

New Health Book in Arabic

With God's blessing and the cooperation of his loyal staff, Robert E. Anderson, manager of the Middle East Press in Beirut, Lebanon, had our new health volume ready for the student literature evangelists to begin their summer work, July 1. This fine volume in Arabic, Your Way to Health and Happiness by Clifford Anderson, M.D., was only a dream back in January when Brother Anderson returned from his furlough. His promise, "We'll have it ready by vacation time," was made in faith. This new health volume is being sold in Lebanon, Jordan, Syria, Kuwait, and Egypt. Pictured are Robert E. Anderson, manager; Samuel Nassimian, factory superin-

Pictured are Robert E. Anderson, manager; Samuel Nassimian, factory superintendent; Yervant Mahsoudian, pressman; and Naim Awaiss of the editorial staff. D. L. CHAPPELL, Departmental Secretary Middle East Division



source of friendship and good will throughout the country. Upon learning that the actual cost of the special equipment left with our hospital by the Heart Team was Rs. 16,500 a Parsee woman voluntarily raised this amount by soliciting personal friends. A Karachi businessman expressed his appreciation by contributing Rs. 25,000 to purchase operating room equipment.

► W. F. Easterbrook, principal of the Kottarakara High School in Kerala State, writes that one member of his staff travels 20 miles by bus and seven miles by foot each Friday afternoon to conduct a branch Sabbath school with a group of people who already have begun observing the Sabbath and paying tithe.



► M. L. Mills, president of Southern New England Conference, was interviewed on a two-hour program over Station WEEI in Boston on July 12. He discussed the history and beliefs of Seventh-day Adventists, on the program, "Conversation Piece." Osborne Smith of the Middleboro church was instrumental in getting Elder Mills on the program.

► F. L. Jones, secretary-treasurer of Northeastern Conference, reports that the summer of 1963 has been a most profitable



Sao Francisco do Sul Dedication

This modern structure was dedicated in São Francisco do Sul, Santa Catarina, Brazil, on May 25. Siegfried Hoffmann, former president of Santa Catarina Mission, gave the history of the church's progress. The Act of Dedication was led by the pastor, Athaliba Huff. Enoch Oliveira, ministerial secretary of the South American Division, preached the sermon, and the dedicatory prayer was offered by Joao Wolff, president of the mission.

CURTIS H. CARR, JR.

of evangelism for students of Andrews University and Columbia Union College.
A health and welfare center was opened in the city square of Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, on July 18. Dr. R. B. Brown, mayor of the city, was present to extend his best wishes at the ribboncutting ceremony.

• Another faculty member to join the Columbia Union College staff is Melvin K. Eckenroth, former president of the New Jersey Conference. He began his duties as director of religious activities and instructor in evangelism on September 1.

A number of district changes have been announced by F. W. Wernick of the West Pennsylvania Conference. Marlo Fralick, pastor of the Greensburg-McKeesport district, has accepted a call to teach Bible at Union Springs Academy in the New York Conference. The new pastor of the Greensburg-McKeesport district is William Carey, formerly of Sharon-New Castle-Beaver Falls district. Replacing William Carey is Nobel K. Shepherd from the Altoona-Everett-Six Mile Run district. Joseph Krpalek of the Ohio Conference has been appointed new pastor of the Altoona-Everett-Six Mile Run district.

one in evangelism. The second quarter's statistical report has just been closed and there were 145 baptisms for the second quarter. The conference membership now stands at 7,795. Seven major tent efforts in New York City and Rochester, New York, were held, together with four church and hall meetings. They hope for no less than 500 baptisms as a result of the many summer activities.

► By the first week of August, applications for South Lancaster Academy have reached an all-time high, with 308 applications received. With the large potential junior and senior enrollment, several upper-division classes will be divided into extra sessions for the 1963-1964 school year.

► Mrs. E. R. Maas will be secretary to R. E. Cleveland, academic dean of Atlantic Union College. She is replacing Mrs. Lilya Wagner, who has moved to Platte Valley Academy in Shelton, Nebraska, with her husband, John Wagner, a recent graduate of Atlantic Union College.

► W. W. Smith, former Bible teacher at Union Springs Academy, is now connected with Adelphian Academy in Holly, Michigan, as counselor. His wife, Flora, who taught English while at Union Springs, is teaching the sixth grade in a Holly public school.



More than 100 decisions for Christ were made at the Holley-Speyer evangelistic series in Columbus, Ohio. This was held in connection with a field school

British Columbia Ordains Two

Edward L. Wilson, of Oliver, British Columbia (second right), and Elmer E. Littman, of Nelson, British Columbia (second left), were ordained to the gospel ministry Sabbath afternoon, July 20, during a special service at the Hope annual camp meeting. Elder and Mrs. Wilson have served in the British Columbia Conference for the past six years, and Elder and Mrs. Littman for five years. Participating were J. W. Bothe, president of the Canadian Union associate secretary of the General Conference, for Prophecy, and G. O. Adams, president of the British Columbia Conference (left).

Attendance at the British Columbia camp meeting passed the 3,000 mark on weekends. Our people in this beautiful western province of Canada gave unmistakable evidence of unity in the faith and generosity in support of the gospel work as we fellowshiped together during these meetings. Elder Adams and his working force in British Columbia are leading the constituency in a year of soul winning that promises to be the best ever.

> DUANE S. JOHNSON, Associate Secretary General Conference



► Conference workers and laymen in New Jersey have been spending Sundays, as well as two weekdays, at the new Garden State Academy, in Tranquility, getting the buildings in shape for the beginning of school.

► Wilbur C. Neff from the Michigan Conference has been appointed pastor of the First Philadelphia church in the East Pennsylvania Conference. In Michigan he pastored churches at Bay City, Ferndale, Gobles, and Bloomingdale. He replaces Jon Hamrick, who recently accepted a call to San Diego in the Southeastern California Conference.

Forty-six Years of Teaching

Lorraine Fankhouser, of Pontiac, Michigan, was recently honored by her pupils and friends in commemoration of 46 years of continuous teaching in Adventist schools. A native of Iowa, Miss Fankhouser took her teacher's training at Washington Missionary College (Columbia Union College) and Andrews University. She has taught church school at Kokomo, Jasonville, and Indianapolis in Indiana; at Takoma Park, Maryland; at Mount Vernon and Toledo in Ohio; and at Pontiac, Michigan. For the past 14 years she has been at the Pontiac Junior Academy.

Miss Fankhouser estimates that 600 to 700 young people have been pupils of hers over the years. Among her former students are B. E. Leach, president of the Texas Conference; Arthur R. Corder, of the chemistry department, Philippine Union College; Dr. Ralph F. Meinhardt, staff physician, Adventist Medical Center, Okinawa; and Robert W. Olson, of the religion and Biblical languages department, Pacific Union College.

Though not a young woman and past the normal retirement age, Miss Fankhouser plans to continue teaching as long as her health permits.

B. G. BUTHERUS Departmental Secretary Michigan Conference



The Offering Plate in the Highlands of Bolivia

In the highlands of Bolivia it is common to find produce in the offering basket Sabbath morning. It reflects a spirit of unselfishness even when cash is not available. KARL H. BAHR, Treasurer Inca Union Mission





Lake Union Reported by Mrs. Mildred Wade

► Family music was the vogue in Battle Creek Academy's summer music program, conducted by instrumental director Adell Haughey. The summer band, 60 in number, is composed of students, alumni, and "playing parents." Some joined the group from Kalamazoo, Burlington, Andrews University, and Adelphian Academy. On July 29 they presented a summer concert.

► Twenty-four Andrews University ladies, representing seven States and nine foreign countries, recently completed a five-week course in nutrition sponsored by the University's Graduate Guild. Taught by Mrs. Alice Marsh, professor of home economics, the course showed how to meet nutritional requirements in everyday meal planning on a vegetarian diet. Certificates were granted qualifying the ladies to give nutrition courses to lay members in their own communities.

► On June 29 a new church with 44 charter members was organized at Three Rivers, Michigan. Jere D. Smith, president of the Lake Union Conference, delivered the morning message. N. C. Wilson, president of the Michigan Conference, officiated at the organization service. Others participating were Eugene A. Crane, the pastor, and H. E. Bisel and James Roberts, elders.



North Pacific Union

Reported by Mrs. Ione Morgan

Elder and Mrs. Rolf Lindfors and their two small children have arrived in the Tillamook-Nestucca district of the Oregon Conference. They came from the Southern New England Conference. ► On July 13, during the Oregon Conference camp meeting, E. V. Unterscher was ordained to the gospel ministry. Participating in the service were A. F. Tarr, associate secretary of the General Conference; C. A. Scriven, president of the North Pacific Union Conference; H. L. Rudy, president of the Oregon Conference; and George E. Knowles, Oregon Conference evangelist. Elder Unterscher is pastor of the Sutherlin-Yoncalla district.

► Two 1963 graduates of Walla Walla College have gone on to the White Memorial Hospital on American Dietetics Association internships—Verla Jean Olson of Pendleton, Oregon, and Clyde Sample of Salem, Oregon.

Reported by L. H. Netteburg

► On Sabbath afternoon, June 29, approximately 300 young people from the Twin Cities area gathered at beautiful Lake Phalen in St. Paul for an outdoor singspiration. Youth song leaders Arne Lanz and Donald Keith led the audience in many old hymn favorites.

► The members of the Lisbon, North Dakota, church met in Little Yellowstone Park for their first annual outdoor Sabbath school. About 60 people gathered on the banks of a lovely creek to study God's two books of revelation, the Bible and nature.

► On July 13 the Schiffbauer-Anderson evangelistic team launched into a threeweek tent revival in Belle Fourche, where we do not have a church. H. F. Anderson, pastor of the Spearfish church, is associated with Dan Schiffbauer, the conference evangelist. Thirty-five nonmembers were present on the opening night, and at another meeting more than 40 nonmembers were present.

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Eleven juniors were baptized on June 8 in a service held on the shore of Lake Hiddenwood near Selby, South Dakota. H. E. Preston, district pastor, officiated.

► More than 170 literature evangelists and their families and many members of the local publishing committees met at the North Star Camp in Brainerd, Minnesota, for the annual midsummer publishing rally.

► There is an increase in sales of gospel literature in the Northern Union of more than \$30,000 over 1962.

C. E. Larsen, pastor of the Burlington, Iowa, district, has transferred to Knoxville, Iowa, and M. H. Thames of the Knoxville district has moved to Burlington.



Pacific Union Reported by Mrs. Margaret Follett

► Paul C. Heubach has been appointed professor of applied theology in Loma Linda University's Division of Religion. Elder Heubach has been dean of theology and pastor of the college church at Walla Walla College, Washington. He has also taught in the department of religion at La Sierra College, and served on the pastoral staff of the White Memorial church in Los Angeles.

• Robert G. Beck, of the Nebraska Conference, has been invited to become the youth pastor of the Lynwood church in the Southern California Conference.

► Dr. J. Lloyd Mason, for five years director of the Monument Valley Mission Hospital, has left the mission post to take a year's residency in surgery at Hadley Memorial Hospital in Washington, D.C. Dr. Dail Lodge, who has been working with him at Monument Valley, will be the medical director in Dr. Mason's absence. He will be assisted by Dr. Alvin Gaines, who is joining the staff.



At the forty-fifth North England Conference session, held July 11 to 13 in Birmingham, England, three outstanding Ingatherers were presented. Samuel Morgan of Birmingham (center) had collected the equivalent of \$1,980 in the current campaign while Mrs. M. Handysides and Miss J. Wear, both of Newcastle (left and right), had each collected \$1,470 during the five-week period allowed by the government each spring. Samuel Morgan has collected well over \$8,400 in the past seven years for overseas missions. These are outstanding personal achievements.

E. W. Pedersen, Northern European Division secretary, stands at the left, and A. Norman, North England Conference home missionary secretary, at the right, ALLAN NORMAN, Departmental Secretary

North England Conference



► Arthur Mitchel succeeds Harley Boehm as principal of the Calexico Mission School. Brother Mitchel has had 15 years of experience in teaching and administration, part of this at Lake Titicaca. Brother Boehm is now teaching Spanish and history at Loma Linda Union Academy.

► John Schleifer arrived in Honolulu, Hawaii, August 14, and has assumed his, new responsibilities as mission cashieraccountant. He has been serving as accountant at Orangewood Academy in southern California.

Seventeen seniors of the Paradise Valley School of Nursing graduated in mid-July exercises held in National City.

Banga, Philippines, Home Training Course

Pictured are the graduates from a Parent and Home Training Course conducted in the Banga, Cotabato, church in the Philippines, June 26 to 29. Mrs. C. A. Llaguno, parent and home secretary of Southern Mindanao Mission (seated, center), led out in the instruction and demonstrations. The three men are Cezar Granado, church elder; R. S. Villaruel, district worker; and Paterno M. Diaz, secretary-treasurer of the mission.

> PATERNO M. DIAZ, Secretary-Treasurer Southern Mindanao Mission



Southern Union Reported by Mrs. Cora Kindgren

► During July ground-breaking ceremonies were held for new church buildings in Lakeland and Palatka and a new church school building in Tallahassee all in Florida.

► R. H. Wood is continuing the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking crusade begun in Jacksonville, Florida, by Orley Berg. The fourth clinic in the city featured Dr. Alton Ochsner, specialist in chest surgery, who appears in the film One in 20,000. He is a resident of Jacksonville and has probably treated more cases of lung cancer than any other physician in history.

Glenn Fillman has come from Phoenix, Arizona, to succeed H. E. Fagal, former pastor of the Miami Temple church. Elder Fagal has taken a year's leave of absence to obtain his Bachelor of Divinity degree at Andrews University.

► Filling the vacancy when W. B. Johnson left St. Petersburg to become president of the Carolina Conference, is R. W. Numbers, who has been pastor of the Kress Memorial church in Winter Park, Florida.

► Dr. W. E. Westcott, who has been connected for several years with Forsyth Memorial Hospital, has accepted a call to the Cameroun Mission Hospital in Equatorial Africa. During his absence his responsibilities will be carried by Dr. Jack Facundus of Tallahassee.

► Four person were baptized at the conclusion of the Millet-Baldwin evangelistic crusade in Johnson City, Tennessee. A. C. Becker, pastor, reports that these tent meetings were the first to be conducted there in nearly ten years.



Brazil Youth Raise Up New Group

This new group at São Caetano, a suburb of Salvador, capital of the state of Bahía, Brazil, was raised up recently as a result of Voice of Youth meetings held by young people of the Salvador Central church. Juanita Kretschmar (left) was sponsor for the series.

MERLIN KRETSCHMAR, President Bahía-Sergipe Mission

► Ellijay, Georgia, church members recently raised \$127.07 as a memorial for the late L. A. Edwards, who had been pastor of the Ellijay and Postell churches, and sent it to the Voice of Prophecy.

► New secretaries in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference office are Mary Lou Sullings and Lolita Townsend.

► Don Welch, administrator of the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital, was given membership in the American College of Hospital Administrators at a recent convocation ceremony in New York City, in connection with the American Hospital Convention. Membership in the college is granted those who have completed both oral and written requirements for each classification and who have given distinguished service in the field of hospital administration.





► W. J. Cleveland, pastor of the Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Regional church, has been asked to assume the responsibilities of the New Orleans church, filling the vacancy left when R. L. Woodfork transferred to Miami, Florida.

► W. C. Jones, pastor of the San Antonio, Texas, Regional church, has been asked to be home missionary and Sabbath school secretary of the Southwest Region Conference, filling the place vacated by J. C. Smith, who has transferred to the Lake Region Conference.

Other personnel changes in the South-

Union President "Hits the Ceiling"

The literature evangelists of Korea— 150 strong—welcomed C. H. Davis, president of our Korean Union Mission, back from furlough by working extra hard during "Davis Month." They delivered more than 100,000 pages of truth a day, in addition to all the free literature they gave away. Many of those visited also signed up for the Bible course.

The bookmen could not have said "Welcome back" in a more eloquent way. Their sales went over 250 per cent above the same month of the previous year. In the union publishing department office a sales graph pictured the results of their month's sales; at the end of the graph line appeared a star and Elder Davis' picture. The line went to the top of the wall and onto the ceiling.

R. C. THOMAS Departmental Secretary Korean Union Mission west Region Conference are R. F. Warnick, to be pastor of the El Paso, Texas, district; C. M. Bailey of Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Lake Charles, Louisiana, district; E. D. Rudley of Muskogee, Oklahoma, district to the Albuquerque, New Mexico, church; J. A. James of the Lake Charles, Louisiana, district to the Houston, Texas, church; and Van Runnels of the Houston, Texas, church to the Baton Rouge, Louisiana, district.

► L. G. Newton, pastor of the Fort Worth, Texas, Regional church, has been conducting successful evangelistic meetings. Attendance has been exceptionally good for several weeks, and he is praying for at least 100 baptisms.

Following up a Voice of Prophecy interest in a new area at Coushatta, Louisiana, L. D. Henderson is conducting an evangelistic campaign and expects to raise up a new Regional church.

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Adventist Relief for Skopje, Yugoslavia

As reported in the REVIEW several weeks ago no bodily harm or loss of life was suffered by any of our church members in Skopje, Yugoslavia, as a result of the earthquake that took 2,000 lives in that city and left thousands homeless. The Southern European Division has made a remittance of \$2,000 to the Yugoslavian embassy in Bern, Switzerland, to help alleviate the suffering of the stricken population of Skopje. With this, the division expressed to the embassy our deepest sympathies.

E. W. DUNBAR

Evangelistic Meetings in Dar es Salaam

R. H. Pierson, president of the Southern African Division, reports from Dar es Salaam, where E. E. Cleveland, of the General Conference Ministerial Association, is conducting an evangelistic series and holding a school of evangelism:

"Recently I was in Dar es Salaam and spent several days with Elder Cleveland and the effort there. They have 32 or 33 workers in the school of evangelism and are conducting two meetings a day, one at 4:30 in the afternoon that is translated from English into Swahili, and the other in the evening, in English. The last Thursday night I was there, 205 marked cards indicating that they plan to keep the Sabbath. This is most encouraging. We greatly appreciate the fine help Elder Cleveland is giving us."

W. P. BRADLEY

GC Religious Liberty Department Adds to Staff

D. A. Neufeld, formerly home missionary and religious liberty secretary of the Washington Conference, has joined the Religious Liberty Department of the General Conference. Elder Neufeld will be responsible for *Liberty* magazine promotion. His leadership will greatly strengthen the cause of liberty. We know our conferences and churches will welcome his ministry.

M. E. LOEWEN

After Many Days

During the reoccupation of the Philippine Islands toward the close of World War II Harold S. Johnson, then a GI in the U.S. Army but now a teacher at our Middle East College in Beirut, Lebanon, was stationed with the 600th Army Air Force Band at Clark Field in the Philippines. One day the first sergeant asked if anyone wanted to go into Manila with him for supplies. Along with ten other men, Private Johnson accepted. Of what happened, he wrote recently:

'As I was walking down the street, looking at the different shops, I heard someone speak to me. I turned to see who it was, and there stood a girl about 13 years old. She asked if I would like to buy a book, and I inquired what kind of books she had. She showed me several small books, and I immediately recognized seeing books similar to these at the home of one of my aunts just before I sailed for the Philippines. I asked the price, and the little girl replied, 'Fifty centavos each.' I bought three books from her. One was titled Our Paradise Home. It was from this that I feel my search for truth began. I now rejoice with you and all of God's children throughout the world in the hope of our Saviour's soon return. I am now teaching here at Middle East College, and am also associate pastor of our College Park church.'

Please pray for the consecrated literature evangelists as they ply the highways and byways of the world.

GEORGE A. HUSE



The following news items are taken from Religious News Service, and do not necessarily express the viewpoint of the REVIEW editors.

CHICAGO—American Catholic bishops would favor a statement by the Second Vatican Council dealing with religious liberty after it resumes its sessions September 29, it was said here. This was among the subjects discussed by 149 members of the U.S. hierarchy who gathered in Chicago to brief themselves on the council, a spokesman said.

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Dr. Glenn L. Archer, executive director of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State (POAU), called the action of the House of Representatives in voting funds for church-related colleges "sad and disheartening for those who believe in separation of Church and State."

TORONTO—African Christians who dutifully abandon polygamy at the insistence of Western missionaries are now finding the white man practicing "progressive polygamy," an African bishop declared here at the Third World Anglican Congress. Criticizing divorce rates and immorality in the West, Bishop S. O. Odutola of Ibadan, West Africa, said: "The missionaries have been telling us 'one man—one woman,' or what you call monogamy, but when we come to your universities, we find you don't live like that." He maintained that the practice

The Spanish Work in Miami

Five years ago Elder and Mrs. Ernesto Santos began work among the thousands of Spanish-speaking people in Miami. From 37 members the church has now grown to 106. Two were baptized August 31. A new advance is a two-teacher church school, which opens this year.

To this small church has been assigned the monumental task of rendering aid to the thousands of Cuban refugees. Thus far they have assisted 300 Seventh-day Adventist Cubans and approximately 4,000 non-Adventists. A Roman Catholic priest said to Elder Santos that he expected the Seventh-day Adventists would be doing much more in Miami, for "you people have a wonderful welfare organization." WESLEY AMUNDSEN

Australasian Division Adopts MV Target 500

Thrilling reports continue to come in to our world headquarters concerning the new worldwide program of youth evangelism. R. A. Vince of the Australasian Division writes that they have accepted MV Target 500 as their goal. This means that Australian Missionary Volunteers are out to win 500 persons for baptism in 1964. LAWRENCE NELSON

of having more than one wife is more honest than following the course of marriage, divorce, and remarriage.

GENEVA—An appeal here by the World Council of Churches to its members for \$500,000 to build prefabricated housing, two churches and a school in earthquake-shattered Skopje, Yugoslavia, drew prompt response from around the world. In New York, Church World Service announced it would make available \$100,000 for the relief effort. The National Council of Churches aid agency earlier airlifted blankets, tents, drugs, and water-purification tablets to the disaster area and said other emergency supplies were available for diversion to Yugoslavia from other parts of the world.

NEW YORK—American Bible Society participation in a new worldwide effort to triple Scripture distribution in the next three years will be launched with publication of a pocket-sized Spanish edition of the First Letter of Peter for distribution throughout Latin America and to Spanish-speaking residents of the United States.

THESSALONIKI, GREECE—A group of 13 Jehovah's Witnesses, seven women and six men, were arrested by police and charged with holding a service in the home of a sect member here without obtaining a permit as required by Greek law. They were taken to the local attorney general's office and later released pending a trial.

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI-St. Louis University, a coeducational institution conducted by the Jesuits, will train 32 Peace Corps volunteers for a health and community development project in Panama, it was announced here.