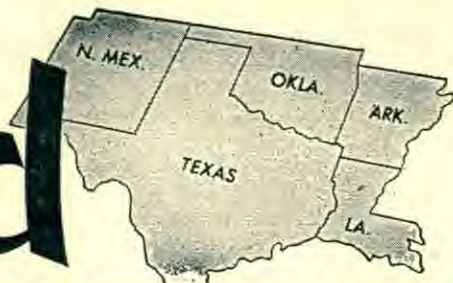


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Adventist TV "Highly Recommended"

MOST Seventh-day Adventists do not possess television sets and therefore are not familiar with the weekly Faith for Today telecast. So it will thrill your hearts to learn of the high regard in which our program is held by viewers who are of other faiths.

A recent letter from one in government service reported, "The TV set is in the lobby of the Detroit YMCA and quite a large group gather to hear and see your program. The desk clerk recommended it very highly, said it was one of the finest programs on TV."

The foregoing letter reminds us that the YMCA main executive office in New York City asked to be placed on the list to receive advance program information for posting on the bulletin board. The American Bible Society headquarters made the same request, as did also some departments of the National Council of

Churches. The executive director of the Department of Stewardship and Benevolence of the National Council wrote an appreciative letter referring to the Faith for Today tithing telecast of January 4, 1953. He said, "I wish to express . . . my very great appreciation for the contribution in the stewardship field which your program, Faith for Today, is making."

In addition to requesting the January gift recording of "In the Garden" and "The Old Rugged Cross," a minister wrote, "When I returned from church this morning your program was on the TV set here in the Methodist Episcopal Hospital of which I am chaplain. I enjoyed it very much as I always have when I have had the privilege of seeing and hearing it before. I would appreciate the favor of being placed on your list for Bible studies."

Glad as we are for these enthu-

siastic letters of approval from clergymen of other denominations, we are most thankful for letters of appreciation from our own ministers. Here is a note which came in this week's mail, brief but with a world of meaning and encouragement, "Just want you to know that we Adventist ministers are 100 per cent behind you."

As we approach Sabbath, February 28, the date set by the General Conference for the annual Faith for Today offering, we at the office are daily beseeching the Lord most earnestly that not only the ministers but every member of the family of God may join 100 per cent in supporting the Adventist evangelistic telecast.

FAITH FOR TODAY OFFICE STAFF.

Evangelism in the Muskogee District

BY G. I. GANTZ

FOR THE past two years an effort has been held in the spring and fall of each year, and it was planned to

hold one this past fall, but circumstances made it unpractical. Inasmuch as the public effort was not in progress, the district leader turned the minds of the people to personal evangelism. If you were in Muskogee



George Gantz

on Sabbath afternoon, you would see four to six automobiles filled with missionary workers going to a neighboring town to enroll people in the Bible Correspondence School. All the towns in the county have been covered. The percentage of enrollments in relationship to the contacts made has been very high.

Thank You! Do it Again in '53, February 28

"What Is a Seventh-day Adventist?"

The General Conference Press Relations Bureau sends word that "Look" Magazine is now announcing a 2,650-word article entitled "What Is a Seventh-day Adventist?" to appear in its March 10 issue—on sale February 24. This was prepared by Arthur S. Maxwell, editor of the "Signs of the Times." "Answers more than a score of questions about the Seventh-day Adventists and their beliefs on Christ, life after death, divorce, 'blue laws,' smoking, drinking, and many other topics."

Also, "Life" Magazine, February 16, is carrying the story of the gift made to the Adventist Church by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harris, with six pictures taken at the Harris Pine Mills plant, Pendleton, Oregon. This climaxes to date the very complete national and international press, radio, and television coverage the Press Relations Bureau began working on a month ago.

Several of our laymen have been engaged in holding meetings which have brought results. The members of the district have been made to realize that if they are to remain faithful to the end, they need to be engaged in active missionary work. They realize the truthfulness of this statement: "He who seeks to give light to others will himself be blessed. God could

have reached His object in saving sinners without our aid, but in order for us to develop a character like Christ's, we must share in His work. In order to enter into His joy—the joy of seeing souls redeemed by His sacrifice—we must participate in His labors for their redemption."

Pray for the work being done in the Muskogee district.

Red Cross Instructor Trainers' Course

ELDER W. A. HOWE, War Service Commission Secretary of the Southwestern Union Conference, and nine other church leaders of the Southwestern Union, recently completed a course as first-aid instructor-trainers at Midwestern headquarters of the American Red Cross in St. Louis.

The three-day course was planned by the Red Cross at the request of the War Service Commission to help augment the civil-defense training program now under way in all Seventh-day Adventist churches. A similar course was completed in 1950 by ten leaders from this Union.

The newly authorized instructor-trainers are Dale C. Aalborg of Okeene, Oklahoma; Wilmer L. Schoepflin of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Harold E. Haas of Little Rock, Arkansas; Leon E. Russell of Gentry, Arkansas; Clyde C. Blackburn of Keene, Texas; Charles C. Cunningham of Dallas, Texas; Boyd E. Olson of Ft. Worth, Texas; I. V. Stonebrook of Amarillo, Texas; and George Thomson of Keene, Texas.

Although authorized to give all kinds of first-aid instruction, these workers will primarily devote themselves to the training of first-aid instructors, who, in turn, will teach junior, standard, and advanced first-aid classes. It is believed that, within a year, there will be at least one first-aid instructor available to every district in the Southwestern Union.

It is the aim of the War Service Commission to have one person in every church family trained in first aid. Such training gives the individual valuable knowledge which may save his life or the lives of others and also makes him and, through him, his family conscious of the hazards which cause accidents in the home, on the highway, and in business.

The value of such training is shown by statistics of the National Safety Council which indicate that there is a serious accident in one out of five households every year. That this figure can be cut down significantly by increased safety consciousness is clearly indicated in the figures on accidental death rates in this country before and after 1913, the year in which the National Safety Council and the American Red Cross began their respective efforts to educate Americans in safer living and in life-saving techniques. The rate of accidental death from 1900 to 1913 was 85 per hundred thousand population. If that had continued to be the rate, 136,850 Americans would have died in accidents in 1951. Instead, the figure was approximately 94,000, a clear saving of 42,850 lives in a single year.

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SILVER SPRING, Md.—Three-year-old Roger Mason is alive today because his mother, Mrs. Leroy W. Mason, remembered her Red Cross first aid training and was able to revive him after he fell in a fish pond. Roger's comment: "I dranked too much water."

"Signs" Starts Search and Conversion to Truth

BY ELDER J. E. CHASE,
Conference Home Missionary Secy.

We present a picture of Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Nelson, and also the story of their recent acceptance of the faith.



"My mother-in-law, Mrs. E. A. Hanson, of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, had sent the *Signs* to the Nelsons for seven years at the time they were in Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson were interested in the Adventists at that time but did not take their stand. They then moved to the state of Washington but did not receive the *Signs*. One day, when Mr. Nelson was traveling from Pasco to Richland, he saw a sign advertising some evangelistic meetings. Upon inquiry, he discovered that the Adventists

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Nearing Victory

At the time of our workers' meeting very encouraging reports of the Ingathering were given. At that time the amount was \$64,266.40. The list of minute-man churches is growing, and at that meeting seven districts reported that they had reached the minute-man objective.

The Vinita district lacks just a little of being over, so by the time you read this no doubt they will have achieved. Other churches are working hard. If you are a member of a church not yet having reached the minute-man objective, continue to work in this great missionary endeavor. Some churches who are already minute-man churches are still at work "gathering up the fragments." It pays to do this. We wish to thank each church and company for what has already been done. It is by far the highest amount ever reached in the Oklahoma Conference. Tulsa and Oklahoma City, our two largest churches, have achieved more than any previous record. Oklahoma City lacks less than \$800 of reaching its minute-man goal, and both churches are still working.

Let us aim high and work toward that aim and the Lord will bless us in our endeavors. It was very much worth while to have a time set as Victory Day, but circumstances in some instances necessitated postponing Victory Day for a particular church or district. Let us keep this great Ingathering missionary objective before us of finishing this great task.

H. C. KLEMENT.

We Must Go Forward

In order to attain victory in Christ, we must go forward. The book work, properly conducted, is equal to that of the gospel ministry. Many of our brethren and sisters are well qualified to take up this line of work now. The question always arises, Can I make a living for my family can-

vassing? Yes, this is certain, for we will all agree that God calls no man to failure. All we ask is that you work at least forty hours a week and give two demonstrations an hour.

Just recently Brother Olen Gilliam started out canvassing. He launched out by faith and delivered \$157 worth of books the first week and \$130 the second. Many of our church members could do this also by stepping out by faith.

Do you want the experience of a real missionary? Why not write your Publishing Department Secretary today!

L. G. WHITTEN.

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1953 Oklahoma Laymen's Congress

"Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love." I am sure that the angels of heaven drew just a little nearer as the strains of that beautiful hymn of fellowship with God and man climaxed one of the most significant and beneficial laymen's congresses ever held in the Oklahoma Conference. Only moments before, each layman, with a prayer for God's guidance, had pledged his or her goal in souls to be won for Christ in the remaining months of 1953. Surely great things are in store for the work of God as Oklahoma's laymen accept the challenge to carry the message of a soon-coming Saviour to every corner of the conference.

Friday evening, the 6th of February, marked the opening meeting in the Oklahoma City church as one hundred and thirty laymen gathered to receive instruction in the ways of soul winning. Elder A. A. Esteb,

ATTENTION!

The first 1953 meeting of the Eastern Oklahoma Associated MV's will be held Sabbath, February 28, in the First Methodist church of Vinita. A full day of inspiration beginning at 9:30 a.m. and closing at 10 p.m. is planned.

W. L. SCHOEFFLIN.

one of the associate secretaries of the General Conference Home Missionary Department, challenged us with the fact that "this is no rocking-chair religion." We have a religion that calls for the "blood and sweat" type of work, and it is time for us to get out of our rocking chairs and go to work for God.

Sabbath morning at the eleven o'clock service Elder L. K. Dickson, one of the general vice-presidents of the General Conference, brought to us anew the importance of working now while we have the opportunity to win men and women away from the evils of this world. In the timely talks that followed, Elder Dickson told us that in many places Seventh-day Adventist churches and their members are far too obscure. He stated that we as Adventists are enjoying more favorable publicity than at any other time in the history of our movement, and that it is high time for us to take advantage of this and step out boldly in the work of soul saving.

Elder J. C. Christenson, the conference home missionary and Sabbath school secretary, had a well-planned program. Included were a number of panels comprised of ministers and laymen who brought to us many ways in which they have been successful in soul winning.

Following the laymen's congress, which closed about noon on Sunday, the conference workers met to discuss problems and to lay plans for furthering the work in this conference. Elders Dickson and Esteb gave us much counsel in this meeting, as they had in the laymen's congress. From the Southwestern Union office Elders L. C. Evans, H. C. Kephart, and H. M. Burwell were with us for both the laymen's congress and the workers' meeting. Elder J. J. Strahle

and W. A. Howe came later to meet with the workers. The counsel and advice that these men gave was greatly appreciated. Another vote of appreciation goes to the Dorcas ladies for the fine meals they served throughout the two meetings.

Let us, as laymen and workers, work shoulder to shoulder in the great task God has given us to do in finishing His work.

G. O. BRUCE.

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A Message

"The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." Psalm 68:11.

As we work together here in the Southwestern Book and Bible House, it is inspiring to behold the effects of the printed gospel and the large company of those that publish the "glad tidings of salvation." From the little girl to the man of years, we all have our share of responsibility in seeing to the spreading of the message. As periodicals, tracts, pamphlets, and books are scattered in the homes, a brighter light will shine in the hearts of the people.

We met with the people at the Church Officers' Convention, Sabbath, February 14, in Baton Rouge. Elder W. W. Fordham, conference president, gave a stirring message on "The Advent of Christ and Pioneers of Prophecy." The vivid picture of the soon return of Christ renewed the anticipation of all present.

During the social hour that evening we had a very successful book sale in the new schoolroom of the Baton Rouge church. Sunday, February 15, purchases of our books were made in the Shreveport church after the Officers' Convention.

It is gratifying to see how eager our people are to purchase what we like to call "righteous knowledge." We never will know the complete results of good books well read until

we get unto the kingdom. We shall do all in our power, through the help of God, to assist in spreading the "good news of salvation."

L. W. WILLIAMS, *Manager,*
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Church Officers' Meetings

We have now completed our annual round of church officers' meetings. Our church officers have received instruction which, if followed, will increase the effectiveness of the program of the church. The various departmental leaders should have a clearer vision of what the Lord and the church expect of them in this climactic hour. The need for greater efficiency and for a greatly speeded up program of aggressive evangelism is evident wherever we look through our conference and the whole world field. It is the hope of your conference officers and departmental secretaries that so much good shall result from the meetings that have been held and the instruction that has been given that the coming of the dear Lord Jesus may be hastened.

We wish to conclude these meetings with a most earnest appeal to all church officers and church members to be completely dedicated to the cause we all love. It is time for God's people to be holy. The coming of the Lord is soon to be a blessed reality, and we are longing for our people to be ready for it. May heaven's choicest blessings rest upon His church, its officers and members during this year, and may we all move forward to the accomplishment of greater things for His name's sake.

N. R. DOWER, *President.*

A Day With One of Our Colporteur Evangelists

The cold north wind was blowing, and it was not a good day for man or beast to be out, but going down the street from door to door was one of our Texas colporteur evangelists.

The people did not want to open their doors, and many would not listen. He was beginning to wonder if it wouldn't be better to go home and wait for a nicer day, but decided to go to one more house. A sweet little old lady came to the door and said, "Come in, young man. Are you selling something?" He told her that what he had to sell would help her to have a home in the New Jerusalem. She said, "I believe it will. How soon can you bring me one?" Today this lady is one of God's remnant children; and not only that, but she has won her husband and one of her friends to this truth.

Fellow believers, the harvest is ripe, but the colporteurs are few. I know that the Lord is calling many of you to lay down your carpenter tools or your paint brush, or typewriter, or whatever your job at the present is, to take up this heaven-ordained work. Won't you answer and say, "Here am I, Lord, send Me"? We shall be looking for a letter from you. Send it to your Publishing Secretary, 2838 Hemphill Street, Fort Worth, Texas. J. D. SPIVA.

Houston Floral School

The first year of the Pecan Park School was taught to the music of Elder Wearner's hammer and saw as our lovely school and church were built under his direction. How we wish now he had allowed a little more space so we could follow the instruction in Isaiah 54:2 and enlarge the place of our habitation, for our school has an enrollment of twenty-five pupils in grades 1 to 7. Due to lack of space for work tables and activities, we use the porch and Dorcas room.

Each year the children have shown a remarkably good school spirit in all the projects. How they work to sell Christmas cards to buy records, visual-aid material, books, and magazines! Our star salesman was Mazel Burlew.

Ingathering found the children eager to do their part—and more. They raised their goal in one week and kept on working to help the church. Vickie and Pamela Smith worked in their own neighborhood and were the first to raise more than the minute-man goal. Truly a little child shall lead them, for Vickie is only a very tiny, timid first-grader. Soliciting near the grocery store while I did

my weekly shopping was the favorite pastime of Carol Savage until she had over \$30.00.

Class activities form an important part of the school. The class in Texas history showed their enthusiasm by building a mission and settlement, and the little church with its imitation stained-glass windows was a work of art under the hands of Mazel. Two junior boys helped the first-and-second-grade Bible class cut out Noah's ark from cardboard boxes. When the film strips are shown, the little ones beg to write a story for language. The leathercraft classes under the direction of Elder Matar are an enjoyable feature each week.

After listening to the Inaugural program over the radio there was a discussion on patriotism, and one little eight-year-old remarked that she never knew before that you should stand when they sang the "Santa Banna." (I imagine that is the way some of the children understand the teacher, and we wonder why they don't have their lessons.)

We have an inspiring JMV society under the leadership of Barbara Repp. Each week we are sure of an interesting program.

The enthusiastic children and the cooperation shown by the parents truly make teaching one of the "nicest works." Mrs. T. R. HACKETT.

Literature Sales Increase

During the past year, 1952, the Texas Book and Bible House sent out for distribution in Texas homes over \$130,000 worth of literature. This is an increase in sales of \$25,000 over the previous year.

The colporteur evangelists were the leading buyers as a single group. These gospel workers purchased \$62,500 worth of books and magazines for use in their sales work. The balance of over \$68,000 worth of business came from the church missionary secretaries and individuals.

Bible Readings for the Home in the Christian Home Library edition high-activity among individual church lighted the 1952 missionary literature members. A missionary price of \$1.00 a copy was placed on this 700-page book, and between four and five thousand copies of this full-message volume were distributed for soul-winning purposes.

"God will soon do great things for us if we lie humble and believing at His feet. . . . More than one thousand will soon be converted in one day, MOST OF WHOM WILL TRACE THEIR FIRST CONVICTIONS TO THE READING OF OUR LITERATURE."—*Review and Herald*, November, 1885. ALTUS E. HAYES.



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District Changes

In the course of carrying forward the work of God, changes in personnel inevitably come. Those with whom we have worked and whom we have known for a period of time are called to other fields, and workers from other places are called to fill the vacancies.

So it has been recently in the Texico Conference. Elder A. L. May, who for nearly eleven years has worked faithfully in many parts of this conference and for some time has been pastor of the Clovis-Portales district, has accepted a call to the Colorado Conference and, we understand, will be located in Rifle, Colorado. We regret to see Elder May leave us, but our loss is Colorado's gain. We have appreciated the work that Brother May has done, and many souls are rejoicing in the truth as a result of his labors.

Elder J. W. Burgess has also worked many years in our conference, having begun his work in this field. His work has been of recent months in the Tucumcari, Fort Sumner, Field area. He has been called to serve as a district pastor in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference. His work in our field has also resulted in a number of baptisms.

To fill one of these vacancies, Elder C. C. Balser of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference has been called and has arrived to take up his duties. He will be in charge of the Clovis-Portales district to which, by conference committee action, the Hereford church has been added. We welcome

Elder Balser to the work in this important and interesting field.

Brother Carl Rose who has been assisting in the San Angelo district has been asked to take up the work in the Tucumcari district and will soon be locating there.

Let us remember in our prayers these workers who have left our field that they may experience heaven's richest blessings in their new work. At the same time we express a hearty welcome to Elder Balser as he takes up work in our field, and our prayers will be with him and with Brother Rose in his new work that they too might be blessed of God and may win many souls. M. D. HOWARD, President.

If a Colporteur Had Been on the Job

A short time ago the papers published the account of the marriage of a young Rockefeller to a Roman Catholic girl by a Catholic priest. The man had left the Baptist church and accepted the Catholic faith. This news stirred me deeply. If a colporteur had been on the job and delivered *Great Controversy* in the Rockefeller home, chances are that the book would have kept him from making the change. Here is food for thought. Awake, Laodiceans, awake! Many precious openings are lost every day. The harvest is ripe and going to waste for want of laborers.

Brother M. D. Starr, of Lubbock, says, "One family with whom I left a \$49.50 set of books is definitely planning to keep the Sabbath. They want studies as soon as we can arrange for them. It surely is encouraging to see results from our work."

Elder J. W. Burgess and Brother Joe Espinosa held an effort in Tucumcari the latter part of 1952. Five members of one family who had purchased *Our Day* twenty-four years ago had read the book a number of times, and had been searching for the people who believe the message of the book. Two members of another family who purchased one of our books in Tucumcari last year were also baptized, making seven who had been studying the message from our books. Our literature does win souls. There are scores scattered over these broad prairies and hills who are searching for the better way of living, waiting

for the colporteur to bring them a book, for we do not have enough ministers to reach them. How much longer will they have to wait? This is a mighty challenge to you and me.

J. D. LESLIE,

Publishing Secretary.

Can You Help Us?

We urgently need addresses for the persons named below. Last known residence is given to help in identifying. If you can give us any of their current addresses, please send them on a postcard to the Texico Conference, Box 1399, Amarillo, Texas.

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Special Notice

The Little Rock church at the present time is engaged in a very strong literature program, sowing seed that they hope to reap in a large city-wide evangelistic campaign later on this year. The repercussions of such an evangelistic campaign should reach throughout much of the state of Arkansas. Your cooperation may be helpful in influencing some souls even in your own community.

The Little Rock church has asked that we request two favors from the people throughout this conference. First, they are anxious to secure good clean copies of any of our evangelistic literature to be used in reading racks and in promiscuous distribution. Secondly, they are anxious to secure the names and addresses of any in this community who might be interested or who have relatives that are Seventh-day Adventists. Please note in the information sent just what relationship they are to you.

All of this information and material should be sent to W. H. Elder, Box 1821, Little Rock, Arkansas.

F. O. SANDERS.

Special Youth Rallies

FEBRUARY 28

S.D.A. CHURCH

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MARCH 7

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An all-day youth rally is planned for everyone within driving distance of the two churches listed above. Many surprises are in store for you. Youth leaders from outside our conference will be guest speakers; a special "SYF" afternoon program is

planned, as well as the showing of the Paris Youth Congress film in the evening. You will not want to miss these inspiring Youth Rallies! Plan now to attend. Bring your lunch and join the crowds!

Missing Members

In checking our Conference church membership list we find a few members whose present address is now unknown. We would appreciate hearing from anyone who could give us the correct address of the following list. The last known address is given.

Mrs. Hazel Baker, Evansville, Arkansas
Catherine Marie Cheek, Caraway, Ark.
Mrs. Mary Justus, address unknown
Mrs. W. Frank Mitchell, address unknown
Mrs. May A. McNamee, 923 Troost, Kansas City, Mo.
Mrs. Herman (Maybelle) Roberts, address unknown
Mr. and Mrs. L. A. West, Hooks, Texas
Mrs. Edna Westbrook, 2610 Washington Blvd., Venice, Calif.

F. O. SANDERS, President,
Drawer 1821, Little Rock, Ark.

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News Notes

★ Brethren H. E. Haas and J. H. Whitehead spent a recent week-end visiting the churches in Shreveport, Vivian, and Mansfield.

★ Elder F. O. Sanders visited the Russellville church on a recent Sabbath. He reports that they are busily raising money toward the purchase of a lot in this city. They hope some day to have a representative church home in Russellville.

★ Brother and Sister Gerald spent a recent Sabbath visiting the Benton, Arkansas, church and met with the young people's society on Sabbath afternoon. Brother Gerald reported the folk there of good courage.

★ Information recently came to the office indicating that one of the ancient "Sunday Blue Laws" has been enforced in the city of Baton Rouge. These are indications that there still are trying times as far as Religious Liberty is concerned. If you failed to make a contribution to the cause of Religious Freedom, why not give a liberal offering as soon as possible so that we may be able to send more literature to those who stand in responsible positions? Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated in order to enable us to do this.

The Gentry District

Responding to the call of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference to labor in this field as the pastor of the Gentry district, I arrived on November 20, 1952, in Gentry, Arkansas, with Mrs. Jameson and our son Kenneth. Our daughter Louise is attending college at Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Michigan. About an hour after we arrived at our new home the van with our household goods arrived from Eau Claire, Wisconsin, where for the past four years we were engaged in district and evangelistic work.

We deeply appreciate the untiring efforts of members of the local congregation in helping us find a suitable house in which to live. A truly cordial welcome was officially given us the first Saturday night we were in Arkansas. In the dining room of the Ozark Academy many members of the Gentry church and members of the Academy faculty gathered to welcome the new pastor and his family with a delightful program, cordial greetings, and the best of good wishes, characteristic of the people of this community.

It is very apparent that the Ozark Academy faculty and families are held in high esteem in the community and among the business people of this section of Arkansas. The fine student body attends our Gentry church each week. Brother Russell, the principal of the Academy, and the members of the faculty render invaluable help in the work of the church. The academy and junior choirs, under the direction of Mrs. Woodruff with Mrs. Russell at the organ, contribute much to the worshipfulness of the church services.

The church officers and the membership of the Gentry church have shown special interest in the work of soul winning. A definite home missionary program has been launched in which every member of the church is asked to distribute at least one piece of literature each week. It is suggested that each member contact his nearest neighbors with the truth-filled papers. The number of papers each may use is not limited but all are asked to adopt a regular plan in working for souls.

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Our Colporteur Evangelists

REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING
JANUARY 31, 1953

J. J. STRAHLE, Publishing Secretary

ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Name	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
Mrs. E. Alverdo	TTLH	11	42.50	42.50
Mrs. James Arthur BR		7	169.50	169.50
Ida Butler	TTLH	36	153.25	153.25
Alice Campbell	MAG	35	12.75	15.75
Glenn Cox	HS	104	552.60	305.45
C. L. Cutter	DRH	80	164.75	
Maude				
Delle Piane	TTLH	38	71.00	63.00
Mrs. Ira Ford	DA	12	33.75	
Luke Galfour	BRLH	151	856.75	118.00
Mrs. L. Galfour	BRLH	77	319.75	9.00
Annie L. Gifford	TTLH	29	83.25	83.25
Mrs. V. R. Guest	DA	4	20.50	
Hammond El. School	TT	10	12.00	12.00
August Harris	DRALH	140	555.75	149.32
Don Lemons	DRALH	3	52.50	42.00
C. W. Long	DRABS	141	540.25	429.05
Herbert Morgan	DRALH	143	1096.72	53.25
Mrs. Velma				
Robinette	LH	1	3.00	3.00
I. V. Ross	LISTEN	1	1.25	1.25
Clarence				
Sampson	BRDRABS	154	721.50	102.25
Mrs. M. L. Schilt	Mag.	30	54.00	54.00
Mrs. T. J. Shelton	DRALH	3	43.75	
Bill Sublett	BRDRA	70	99.25	47.75
Mrs. Pearl Uhrig	BRLH	108	276.50	160.25
Mrs. F. O. Ulrich	BTS	93	125.00	38.50
Hazel Welborn	MISC	8	19.25	19.25
Unreported Deliveries				3,100.00
TOTALS		1,489	6,081.07	5,171.57

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

Andrew Burton	LMETS	63	174.95	174.95
Rosa Caldwell	TT	8		10.00
Mrs. F. R. Cavin	MMCTT	66	81.25	49.50
H. S. Garza Jr.	MMCTT	14	27.25	
Mrs. Hulda Gilliam	BTSTT	8	7.50	7.50
Olen Gilliam	MMCDRA	90	327.25	327.75
Mollie Haffner	BRMMC	40	79.00	70.50
Mrs. C. S. Moreau	BTS	16	62.75	62.75
Mrs. F. G. Morrow	BTS	16	18.25	18.25
Mrs. Eden Neprash	BRTT	74	46.25	32.25
F. L. Okie	MMCB		17.50	17.50
Eva Pickard	BRBTS	65	168.25	108.75
Mrs. M. L. Schilt	MMCMAG.	24	53.00	6.75
Mrs. Effie Seasv	MMCB	79	62.50	66.00
Pat Williams	DRAMA	9	29.45	27.28
TOTALS		572	1,155.15	979.73

SOUTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE

N. Evans	MMC	175	359.00	359.00
S. Simmons	BRMMC	176	245.65	245.65
B. E. Andre	BR	54	167.00	167.00
C. Johnson	BR	87	110.25	110.25
C. Bolden	BR	100	100.00	100.00
C. Harden	BR	20	54.25	54.25
I. Wells	BR	20	25.00	25.00
G. Smith	BR	5	20.50	20.50
A. D. Young	Mess	155	264.50	264.50
A. Stevenson	Mess	100	150.00	150.00
L. Henderson	Mess	100	125.00	125.00
R. Whittaker	Mess	100	100.00	100.00
O. Marshall	Mess	75	75.00	75.00
M. Green	Mess	75	62.50	62.50
A. M. Harris	Mess	75	100.00	100.00
J. Davis	Mess	25	25.00	25.00
M. Smith	Mess	75	75.00	75.00
A. Chapman	Mess	75	75.00	75.00
J. Robinson	Mess	100	100.00	100.00
R. Holloway	Mess	75	75.00	75.00
N. Whitely	Mess	50	50.00	50.00
S. Snears	Mess	50	50.00	50.00
L. Brown	Mess	50	100.00	100.00
R. Washington	Mess	75	75.00	75.00
P. L. Jenkins	Mess	75	100.00	100.00
E. L. Wren	Mess	75	75.00	75.00
I. Bell	Mess	50	50.00	50.00
M. L. Booth	Mess	75	75.00	75.00
I. Randolph	Mess	25	25.00	25.00
K. Edmerson	Mess	25	25.00	25.00

H. Mullin	Mess	25	25.00	25.00
G. Sanders	Mess	25	50.00	50.00
A. Dabney	Mess	25	25.00	25.00
Misc.	Mess	100	200.00	200.00
TOTALS		2,392	3,233.65	3,233.65

TEXAS CONFERENCE

Leta Brown	BRBTS	103	545.75	252.90
Marion Brown	BRMMC	40	139.50	109.50
Arthur Burton	DRALH	62	252.95	47.00
Paul Davis	DRALH	86	294.25	
Mrs. R. Lee Davis	BPTTLH	69	91.25	48.75
H. E. Fenske	BR	188	423.30	285.30
Rodman				
Grismore	DRALH	94	298.25	99.50
Lee Hadley	DRALH	127	409.00	288.75
H. C. Holm	BRLH	55	271.25	75.50
J. A. Horton	DRABR	79	396.40	42.25
Mrs. J. A. Horton	GHTT	48	127.90	12.50
Mrs. A. H. Kelley	TTLH	138	231.25	231.25
Frank Kretsinger	DRALH	165	816.75	399.25
Mrs. Isabel Lindsey	TTLH	62	159.00	159.00
Mag. Workers	TTLH	371	1139.51	1097.26
Miscellaneous			155	617.50
M. L. Mooers	BRBTS	81	586.00	346.00
J. H. Nolan	BRBJ	144	812.45	521.55
Mrs. J. L. Rettig	BPDRA	60	294.05	178.35
Mrs. Edgar Sherrill	BRBTS	93	423.75	174.75
R. L. Spiva	BRMMC	81	485.75	224.00
M. L. Tidwell	BRMMC	97	301.75	280.75
Mrs. M. L. Tidwell	BRMMC	90	361.10	475.10
*Plez Underdown	DRALH	330	972.00	400.00
Robert Weaver	BTS	70	500.00	237.50
*more than one month				
TOTALS		2,888	10,950.66	6,105.21

TEXICO CONFERENCE

E. R. Blake	ConfSer	80	180.60	180.60
Mrs. Sam Brown	BRBTS	9	39.45	29.45
William Duce	Mag.		31.25	31.25
J. M. Garner	BRBTS	22	117.25	117.25
Mayme Halkins			7.50	7.50
Mrs. J. B. Harrison	DRABTS	79	209.55	209.55
Elsie Mae Lent	BR	1	10.25	10.25
Julia A. Marshall	PPGH	21	42.25	42.25
J. C. Martinez	Misc.	19	47.00	9.00
Mrs. Mabel McFadden	DRAMMC		24.00	24.00
Mrs. Helen Seerv BPGH		26	102.00	102.00
M. D. Starr	MHHDRA	150	336.25	336.25
Mrs. Neva C. Whaley	DRAGHPBS	26	18.75	18.75
TOTALS		433	1,166.10	1,128.10

UNION TOTALS
7,774 \$22,586.63 \$16,618.26

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SUNSET CALENDAR

Feb. 27 Mar. 6

Amarillo, Texas	6:41	6:47
Brownsville, Texas	6:32	6:35
Dallas, Texas	6:22	6:28
El Paso, Texas	6:02	6:07
Fort Worth, Texas	6:24	6:30
Galveston, Texas	6:17	6:22
Keene, Texas	6:24	6:30
Little Rock, Arkansas	6:03	6:09
Muskogee, Oklahoma	6:24	6:30
New Orleans, Louisiana	5:58	6:02
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	6:24	6:30
San Antonio, Texas	6:32	6:37
Santa Fe, New Mexico	5:57	6:03
Shreveport, Louisiana	6:10	6:16

Gentry District

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On Sabbath, January 17, this program was presented to the Gentry church. The response was encouraging. A large number expressed their purpose to take an active part in the work of distributing our truth-filled papers, work to enroll new members in the Sabbath school, the correspondence Bible school, arrange for and hold Bible studies, and work and pray that they may have the joy of having at least one soul to present for baptism in 1953. Now is the time every member should be a soul winner.

As an adjunct to our soul-winning program, a radio broadcast, "Ozark Academy Vespers," began January 31. This broadcast originates in the main auditorium of the Gentry church under the direction of the pastor. Special items of interest, special music, share your faith, and a series of evangelistic messages are included in the weekly broadcasts. We wish to acquaint the public with our church and Ozark Academy, while directing our listeners to the "Holy Scriptures, as God's Word of life and hope, in this crisis hour."

We invite our believers to tune in each Sabbath afternoon. May we suggest that it is good missionary work to place an announcement of this broadcast in your local paper, if you can get our station. We are anxious for thousands of those who would like to know more Bible truth to hear:

"OZARK ACADEMY VESPERS"

Sabbath afternoon, 5:00-5:30 p.m.
on Station KUOA, 1290 kilocycles
Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

You can do us a real service by writing a card to the station management, expressing your appreciation of the broadcast. Since this station reaches out quite a distance and a large area can get these broadcasts, some of our folk might like to contribute to the support of this larger evangelistic effort. You are invited to send your contribution to R. W. Merchant, Ozark Academy, Gentry, Arkansas, or to Pastor J. S. Jameson, Route 2, Gentry, Arkansas. We solicit the prayers of all who are eager to see the gospel reach every creature and Jesus return.

J. S. JAMESON.

Red Cross Course

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The value of first-aid training in the event of enemy attack on this country has been clearly calculated by the Office of Defense Mobilization, which states that we should have at least 20 million Americans trained in these vital skills.

Following an enemy bombing, every family would be, more or less, on its own as regards care of its wounded and injured, defense officials point out. In such a situation lack of first-aid knowledge could cause many needless tragedies. A thoughtless attempt to move a person with internal injuries, for example, can cause death when the injuries alone would not have proved fatal.

Furthermore, mass panic, resulting from the helpless feeling people have when they lack specific training for emergencies, can seriously undermine the defense of the country. This was a leading factor in the defeat of Germany in World War II, defense officials believe. Not expecting German cities to be bombed, Reich leaders had made no serious attempt to

train civilians in first aid. When bombs began falling and hospitals could not handle all the casualties, helplessness and panic made the people anxious to have peace on any terms.

Americans should not be lulled into a false sense of security, according to Melvin A. Buzzard, Red Cross director of First Aid in the Midwestern Area, by the size and preparedness of our armed forces. In the ultimate analysis, real security will depend upon the ability of some person in each house to deal with injury and prevent death. A hospital or a doctor five miles away will not do very much good in such a crisis.

Is there someone in your home who knows what to do in case of severe bleeding, asphyxiation, fractures, or shock? These are the major types of casualties which could be expected in any enemy raid.

Even without an enemy attack and disregarding the number of serious accidents in which lives may depend on first-aid training, the average family will find several dozen instances arising every year in which they will be grateful to depend on the assistance of a trained first-aid. Correct treatment of such common and aggravating occurrences as blisters, bites, foreign objects in the eye, heat exhaustion, nose bleeds, bruises, and minor cuts will make any family happier and safer.

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were conducting the meetings, so he and his wife attended, and in a few weeks were baptized in the Pasco church. They attribute their conversion and finding the way into the truth to the reading of the *Signs of the Times*.

"This past July my mother-in-law visited us in Washington and attended the Pasco church with us. She did not know that the Nelsons were Adventists, so you can imagine her joy when she learned that Mr. and Mrs. Nelson were now living in Richland, attending the Pasco church as full-fledged Seventh-day Adventists."