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MY SAVIOUR'S LOVE

Oh, what joy! my Saviour loves me!
He has washed my sins away,
And I feel from heaven's radiance,
On my head a kindly ray.

Oh, what joy! my Saviour loves me!
Tenderly he leads the way;
Nevermore I'll fear or doubt him,
For he gives me strength each day.

Oh, what joy! his love is boundless!
Oh, that every one might know!
And I pray that in my conduct
Jesus' love I'll ever show.

Chorus.

Oh, the matchless love of Jesus!
Oh, the sweetness of his voice!
How it thrills his loved disciples,
How it makes their hearts rejoice.

—*Eloise Casc.*

The above poem was written by a girl fourteen years of age, who was baptized at the Central New England camp-meeting. It may be sung to the tune of—"Let the Lower Lights be Burning."

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"LEST THEY SLIP"

"THEREFORE, we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip." Heb. 2:1.

Do you ask, "How am I to abide in Christ?" In the same way you received him at the first. "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him." "The just shall live by faith."

Consecrate yourselves to God in the morning; make this your very first work. Let your prayer be, "Take me, O Lord, as wholly thine. I lay all my plans at thy feet. Use me to-day in thy service. Abide with me, and let all my work be wrought in thee." This is a daily matter, each morning consecrate yourself to God for that day. Surrender all your plans to him, to be carried out or given up as his providence shall indicate. Thus, day by day, you may be giving your life into the hands

of God, and thus your life will be moulded more and more after the life of Christ.

A life in Christ is a life of restfulness. There will be no ecstasy of feeling, but there should be an abiding, peaceful trust. Your hope is not in yourself; it is in Christ.

When Christ took human nature upon him, he bound humanity to himself by a tie of love that can never be broken by any power save the choice of man himself. Satan will constantly present allurements to induce us to break this tie,—to choose to separate ourselves from Christ. Here is where we need to watch, to strive, to pray, that nothing may entice us to choose another master; for we are always free to do this. But let us keep our eyes fixed upon Christ, and he will preserve us. Looking unto Jesus we are safe. Nothing can pluck us out of his hand.

All that Christ was to the first disciples, he desires to be to his children to-day; for in that last prayer, with the little band of disciples gathered about him, he said, "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word."

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

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"MINISTRY OF HEALING"

THIS book contains truths that God would have Seventh-day Adventists give to the world at this time. Many are becoming tired of drug-taking, and are losing faith in drug-healing; and Satan comes forward with his deceptive counterfeits in the various current forms of mental healing, spurious faith-cure; and the spirits of devils go forth with miracle-working power, and deceive poor afflicted souls.

God holds his people accountable to give to our neighbors the truth he has given us. "Ministry of Healing" contains the very truth that Satan is now counterfeiting. The author, Mrs. E. G. White, was moved to give this book to the sanitarium and medical missionary work.

The delegates and members at the camp-meetings held in the Southern Union Conference this past summer voted to endeavor to get our church-members to sell the equivalent of two books each during the year for the relief of our sanitarium at Nashville, Tenn.

All felt that this would be in harmony with the mind of the Lord, and be a great blessing to all. Those present at the camp-meetings took hold heartily, and pledged themselves individually to sell from two to twenty books, and to encourage the members at home to do what they could.

Now, the General Conference Council held at College View, Oct. 5-13, extended the call to all churches in America with the additional recommendation that each one also sell five or more copies of *Life and Health* during the year for the relief and encouragement of our medical missionary work. Now is a good time to do your part. Make arrangements with your conference office for the books, and ask God to work with you.

C. F. McVACH.

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IMPORTANCE OF TIME

At the close of 1908 did you not look back over the year with much regret that you could see so little that you had done, or even attempted to do, in advancing the cause of Christ? Call to remembrance the sadness of heart when you thought how much had been written opposite your name that you desired to have blotted out, and oh! how little had been written of good works and faithful efforts to win souls. Did you not then and there vow to the Lord that with his help the year of 1909 would bear more fruit?

Now, my dear brother and sister, we are well into the last quarter of 1909, and, all too soon, this year will be forever in the past, and another record will have been made up.

As we glance backward over the past months, can we say our vows have been faithfully performed? Would we be satisfied with the record our angels would make if to-day our names should come in review before the great court which is now sitting?

Do we fully realize that "ye are not your own, for ye are bought with a price"? 1 Cor. 6:19, 20. Are we daily manifesting before angels and men that we rightly appreciate the greatness of the sacrifice which was made, and the price that was paid for us?

Have we the Spirit of Christ? Rom. 8:9. Is his mind in us? Phil. 2:5-8. Does the

love for souls which was the impelling motive in Christ's life urge us on to a life of consecration and self-sacrifice for the advancement of this precious message?

Should our probation close to-day would we hear the words of commendation, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," or the words of condemnation, "Thou wicked and slothful servant"?

During the remaining days of this year let us, "redeem the time," "bring forth, therefore, fruits meet for repentance." Shall we not by faithful labor, convince the world that we truly believe the doctrines we profess?

Now let me say to those who have long been promising the Lord they would enter his work,—Begin now. And to those who have done little in the past,—Why not put in faithful time until the end of the year,—yes, until *He comes*?

I. T. REYNOLDS, *State Agent.*

Pineville, La.

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GOOD NEWS ABOUT "DANIEL AND THE REVELATION"

IN the place where I made my last delivery, the people were delighted with the book. One lady said she would not take anything for hers. She also has "Best Stories" and "Bible Footlights," and her daughter ordered "Steps to Christ." She says they are so good she cannot help ordering more. One man told me that he had become so much interested in the book that when he went home all his spare moments were spent in reading. I sent some books ("Daniel and the Revelation" and "Best Stories") out by Mr. Wyatt to his home, and when I went after them on Sunday I found that he had been reading them, and, as the result, he gave his order for both.

I visited another home where Brother Peeke had been in the morning and had given the lady some *Youth's Instructors*. She told me she knew that he was right in his belief. Her husband ordered "Daniel and the Revelation" also.

Dear brethren, the message is now being given, but it is not going fast enough. I notice in the *Home Office News* that outsiders have been calling for the agency of our books. My mind is called to Luke 19: 39, 40,—“Master, rebuke thy disciples. And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.” Just so with this third angel's message.

In Matt. 28: 20 the Saviour has given us the promise that he will be with us alway, even unto the end of the world. “Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?” H. E. BECK.

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If at times the work done seems small, remember that we are workers together with God, and the Scripture says, “I have planted, Apollos watered; but God . . . giveth the increase.”

"LIBERTY" AND THE PETITION WORK

We desire that the petition work shall be taken up and pushed vigorously. We desire also that it shall result in accomplishing the most possible good. Years ago when the Blair National Sunday Rest Bill, the Blair Educational Amendment, and the Breckinridge District Sunday Bill were before Congress, we secured something like seven hundred thousand signatures to the petitions which we circulated against these measures. These petitions were presented to Congress. This work and these petitions, together with the circulation of literature, the holding of meetings, and opposition at public hearings, had effect, too. The measures were defeated.

Religious measures are again before Congress,—the Johnston District Sunday Bill, and the proposed religious amendment to the Constitution. Both were introduced in the special session, the first in the Senate and the other in the House. Let the petition work be taken up again and carried forward intelligently and energetically. As long as such measures are introduced it is proper to petition and protest against them.

The petition work affords a splendid opportunity to meet with the people and converse with them upon important phases of the message. It also affords a splendid opportunity to circulate religious liberty literature and secure annual subscriptions to *Liberty*. We recommend that those who go out with the petitions take along with them a few sample copies of *Liberty*, and endeavor to secure annual subscriptions to this magazine. Twenty-five cents is not a large subscription price for any journal. In this way we believe that a large number of subscriptions may be secured to this excellent and important magazine, as well as a large number of signatures to the petitions. He is a wise hunter who kills two birds with one stone.

Numbers 1, 2, and 6 of our Religious Liberty Leaflets—"Principles Too Little Understood," "Sunday Laws," and "Religious Liberty—What Eminent Men Have Said"—are good leaflets to circulate in connection with the petition work.

Congress convenes December 6. Let all petitions be retained until that time, and then sent in, with appropriate letters, to one of the Senators of that State, or the Representative for that Congressional District, in which the petitions were circulated. The text of the two measures against which the petitions are especially aimed is printed on the back of every petition for the benefit of both those who circulate and those who sign them.

And let us not forget to sign the petitions ourselves.

W. A. COLCORD.

Cor. Sec. Religious Liberty Association.

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"We shall never be the 'light of the world' except on condition of being the 'salt of the earth.' You have to do the humble, inconspicuous, silent work of checking corruption by a pure example before you can aspire to do the other work of raying out into darkness, and so drawing men to Light himself."

A TIME TO BESTIR THYSELF

Most of the failures in this world are failures because of failure to recognize and seize opportunity when it presents itself. Likewise many Christians find themselves weak in faith and lean of soul because of neglect of their opportunities to work for souls. To move with God in his own time means success when other plans or the same thing at another time might not succeed.

David enquired of the Lord in his perplexity, and received this message, "And let it be, that when thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall the Lord go out before thee, to smite the host of the Philistines." 2 Sam. 5: 24.

Now is the time to move out by faith altogether with the missions number of the *Review* and double what we did last year by this means for the advancement of the message to all the world in this generation. The Mission Board is greatly in need of the means to supply the workers already in the field, to say nothing of new calls. Shall we not bestir ourselves with this excellent paper, and see what God will do by us? Do it on time.

C. F. McVAGH.

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ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Tithe for September, 1909

Individuals	\$46.16
Birmingham	45.73
Montgomery	35.00
Marlow	26.95
Mobile	3.94
Citronelle	7.25
Attalla	3.98
Elkwood	1.81

Total\$170.82

HELEN M. KEATE, *Treas.*

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THE PROTESTANT MAGAZINE

THIS is a new magazine, protesting against ecclesiastical error, and promoting gospel truth; also considering the fundamental principles of truth and false Christianity.

It will reveal the difference between genuine and professed Protestantism; also why popular Protestantism is dead.

It will reveal professed Protestantism stretching her hands across the gulf to Roman Catholicism.

It will reveal the meaning of Rome's control of political parties of the great cities of America, of the public press, public-school textbooks, etc.

It will reveal the time when Rome will again rule the world; also to what extent she is at the present time ruling.

It will reveal the contending forces that will be victorious—Roman Catholicism or true Protestantism; also how and when the victory will be won.

COMMENDATIONS

From the letter of a well-known professor in a leading theological seminary, we quote:

"I believe the *Protestant Magazine* is in position to render a distinct service to the citizens of the North American Republic."

A Baptist pastor in the State of Washington writes: "It ought to reach every man and woman in the world. I have not had such a feast of good old-fashioned Bible doctrine for a long time. It is too bad that it can be issued only quarterly."

The June, 1909, issue of the "Bible Student and Teacher" (organ of the Bible League of North America) says: "The *Protestant Magazine*, a new and anti-Romish quarterly magazine, has shown its appreciation of the present issue, as the abandonment of the fundamental doctrine of the Reformation by members and leaders in the Protestant churches."

The chief representative of organized labor in America says: "I think your magazine excellent."

A New York attorney accompanies several yearly subscriptions with the words: "All [articles] were good."

Rev. John H. Eager, financial secretary of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Baltimore, Md.), for fourteen years a missionary to Italy, and author of "Romanism in Its Home," writes as follows: "I am fully persuaded that there is not only a place for such a magazine, but a real need for it, and that much can be accomplished if it is properly edited and managed."

A leading Lutheran pastor writes: "I will do all I can to assist you in the widening of your circulation."

WHY THE PROTESTANT MAGAZINE IS NEEDED

In the year 1903, M. Urban Gohier, of Paris, a prominent French writer, said in his book on the American people (quoted in the *Literary Digest*, August 22): "The Catholic question in the United States is one of extreme interest. Within a few years it will be the 'Catholic peril.' . . . The Catholics, it is true, are a minority; but they are a minority that is homogeneous, organized, and disciplined. They form a solid block in the midst of a heap of crumbling Protestant fragments. . . . When there shall be an army of fifteen or twenty millions of Catholics, firmly united by a tyrannical faith, trained under the régime of the confessional, blindly committed to the will of their priests, and directed by the brains of a few high Jesuits, we shall see how much of a showing there will be for American liberty."

The extract just given, taken from a host of others, is a vivid word-picture of the steady purpose of Roman Catholicism in this and other Protestant lands, and clearly shows the urgent necessity for turning on the brilliant rays of a strong, clear searchlight such as the *Protestant Magazine*.

PRICES

Annual subscription, 25 cents; 10 annual subscriptions, one order, cash with order, 15 cents each. Annual foreign subscription, 35 cents. Single copy 10 cents; 5 to 20 copies, 5 cents each; 25 to 400 copies, 4 cents each; 500 to 800 copies, 3½ cents each; 1,000 copies or more, 3 cents each.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

For September, 1909

State	Agts.	Hrs.	Ord.	Va.	Det.	Grd. Total
Ky.	13	1394	402	\$711.05	\$768.70	\$1479.75
Ala.	16	1112	500	843.30	605.30	1448.50
Tenn.	9	949	756	544.90	479.75	1024.65
La.	10	737	526	874.65	148.40	1023.05
Miss.	6	799	242	689.05	156.33	845.38
Tot'l	54	4991	2426	3662.95	2158.38	5821.33

I am glad that the time has come for me to send in another report of work done in the Southern Union Conference.

How glad I am to see a steady increase. Notice how close the States are running. Kentucky once more takes the lead, but Alabama is very close behind. Then Tennessee and Louisiana only \$1.60 difference, while Mississippi stands at the bottom of the list. But when we consider that Mississippi has only six workers in the field, she makes a good pro rata showing.

I notice, too, that the grand total is \$5,821.33, or an average of more than \$100 worth of business done by each worker. This is quite good, but I trust that we will make a still better showing for October.

The year is fast passing away, and each one should do his very best, and not only that, but let each one plan to enlist one or more new workers to go out with him the first of the new year.

My address for three weeks will be Talladega, Ala., Box 124. A. F. HARRISON.



LABORERS WANTED

BEFORE me lays an application for the privilege of canvassing for "Daniel and the Revelation" from an entire stranger, and one not of our faith. In part he says:—

"I purchased one of your books, 'Daniel and the Revelation,' some months ago, and I would like to become an agent for the same. The people here have gone wild over the book. I know that I can sell a great many in this locality."

Brethren and sisters, if we fail to do our duty in giving this message, the Lord will raise up others who will give it, for it must go. Applications come continually from people not of our faith, but who have been so impressed by our books that they wish to sell them. The whitening harvest all around us is pleading with us for this message that we could give, if we would.

"Where are the reapers? O who will come And share in the glory of the 'harvest home'?"

R. I. KEATE.



CURIOUS OSCILLATIONS OF THE SEA.—Since there is no tide in the Mediterranean, the inhabitants of Marseilles were greatly astonished on June 15th, when the waters began suddenly to oscillate, and continued in movement for a quarter of an hour. Some observers say that the first waves were about two and a half feet in height, but others put their height to half that amount. Many thought that the

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For Week Ending, Oct. 8, 1909

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Name	Hrs.	Orders	Value
R F Thompson.....BFL	40	\$41 50	\$
Mrs P Thomas.....BFL		33 00	33 00
W G Ringgold.....BFL	22	32 50	15 00
W H Waite.....CK	50	25 25	3 55
Hugh Jones.....BFL	75	23 00	
T R Baugh.....BFL	28	19 25	
B F Harmon.....BFL	20	7 35	50 35
Geo W Brown.....BFL	25	50 95	
I W Peevy.....BFL	41	16 75	2 00
K Skidmore.....BFL	23		31 75
R Roberts.....BFL	40		17 10
C G Mann.....BFL	27		15 00

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

C F Dart.....BFL	15		18 00
H E Beck.....D&R	35	37 70	4 25
R W Harris.....BFL	15	9 50	2 50
M J Weber.....BFL	53	35 50	
W P Ethington.....BFL	30	18 50	

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Mrs A E Frakk.....HH BFL	16	23 50	39 65
C L Collision.....D&R BR	30	30 50	3 00
J N Steel.....GC	34	21 50	16 00
Jerhard Jorgenson 2.....BFL	31	15 00	12 00
W D Bush.....CK	34	15 00	3 00

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

Virgil Smith.....D&R	40		73 75
Cora Smith.....BFL	4	3 00	1 00
W H Haddon.....MOFN	26	7 25	41 50
J S Fry.....D&R	41	27 25	
J P Campbell 2 wks.sofp	76	87 25	43 50

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

H C Balsbaugh.....GC	47	51 50	
C H Chenault.....D&R	38		70 80
R H Hazelton.....MISC	30		19 50
Mamie Moore.....D&R	32	23 30	54 10
G W Powers.....CK	61	8 00	14 25
C D Wolff.....MISC	27	27 00	27 00
Mrs C D Wolff.....MISC	60	34 00	11 00

SUMMARY

Alabama Conference....	391	249 55	167 75
Kentucky Conference...	148	101 20	24 75
Louisiana Conference...	145	105 15	73 65
Mississippi Conference..	187	125 25	159 75
Tennessee River Conf....	295	143 80	196 65

Totals.....1166 \$724 95 \$622 55

cause was an earthquake, but Mons. Louis Fabry, after the study of the phenomenon, ascribes it to a sudden increase of the barometric pressure of the air on the surface of the sea in the neighborhood of Marseilles. The puzzling question remains, what produced the sudden increase of barometric pressure?—*The Youth's Companion*.

We should read Matt. 24:7, 8, 30 for a solution of this phenomenon.—*Ed.*



"CHEERFULNESS is not always spontaneous; it is greatly a matter of habit, and bears cultivation. One who can contrive to bear a smiling face through a world where there are so many troubled hearts may unconsciously be a public benefactor."

Report of Progress

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PERIODICALS WANTED

MRS. C. M. COPELAND, 801 South 19th St., Birmingham, Ala., desires clean copies of any of our denominational papers, including copies of *Life and Health*. This sister is an invalid, but wishes to do missionary work in distributing the papers from her window and porch, as she is unable to leave home on account of her feebleness.

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TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

For September, 1909

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Nashville	\$333.52
Memphis	192.63
Hazel	96.35
Individual	60.00
Cedar Grove	47.76
Paducah	11.49
Leach	5.35
Total	\$747.10

OFFERINGS

Tent and Camp-meeting Fund	\$52.50
Sabbath-school Donations	14.21
Hazel School	16.50
First-day Offerings	11.98
Scholarship Fund (Washington Seminary)	5.25
Southern Training School (Desk Fund)	5.00
Mid-summer Offering	1.15
Total	\$118.57

THOS. E. PAVEY, Treas.

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SELLING OUR MAGAZINES

LAST week a little girl of thirteen years in Great Bend, Kan., went out and sold one hundred and three of our magazines. This shows what can be done with our periodicals. In these uncertain times, the people are looking for something which they do not have. May the Lord impress upon others, both old and young, the importance and opportunity of getting our literature before the people. Think of the happiness to this little girl of seeing souls saved into the kingdom of God as the result of her work.

Brethren and sisters, what are we doing to impress this work upon the minds of our children and youth. May we not be able to do just what this little girl in Kansas did?

SUMMARY OF WATCHMAN SALES

For September, 1909

ATLANTIC UNION CONFERENCE

Maine	53
Vermont	20
New Hampshire	7
Massachusetts	209
Rhode Island	16
Connecticut	79
New York	419
Total	803

COLUMBIA UNION CONFERENCE

Pennsylvania	163
New Jersey	65
Delaware	—
Maryland	21
Virginia	16
West Virginia	211
Ohio	772
District of Columbia	85
Total	1333

LAKE UNION CONFERENCE

Indiana	181
Illinois	432
Michigan	358
Wisconsin	142
Total	1113

CANADIAN UNION CONFERENCE

Total	129
Alaska	2
Total	131

SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

Kentucky	94
Tennessee	564
Alabama	615
Mississippi	211
Louisiana	619
Total	2103

SOUTHEASTERN UNION CONFERENCE

North Carolina	71
South Carolina	110
Georgia	237
Florida	508
Total	926

SOUTHWESTERN UNION CONFERENCE

Arkansas	136
Oklahoma	251
Texas	1525
New Mexico	36
Total	1948

CENTRAL UNION CONFERENCE

Missouri	79
Kansas	314
Colorado	476
Nebraska	378
Wyoming	17
Total	1273

NORTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

North Dakota	82
South Dakota	181
Minnesota	107
Iowa	353
Total	723

NORTH PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE

Oregon	96
Washington	1219
Idaho	53
Montana	19
Total	1387

PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE

California-Nevada	336
Southern California	—
Utah	4
Arizona	9
Total	349

FOREIGN AND MISCELLANEOUS

Total	4246
Grand Total	16335

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OCTOBER NUMBER OF "LIFE BOAT"

THE October number of the *Life Boat* has come to our table full of good things.

Among the leading articles of this magazine is one by Elder Everson on the Italian earthquake, in which some timely truths are presented; experiences at Kimberly, South Africa, by J. V. Willson, are presented in a setting that is intensely interesting.

Some of the things that are accompanying revivals that are taking place in foreign fields, point clearly to the fact that the hand of God is seen in them. If that is so it means that he will soon make bare his arm in a special manner at home. Read, "A Great Revival that Came in Answer to Prayer."

The price of the *Life Boat* is kept at five cents so as to make it easy for the children to sell. Scores of the best canvassers among us began to sell the *Life Boat* when they were children.

Address, *Life Boat*, Hinsdale, Ill.

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"I AM only one, *but I am one*; I cannot do all things, but I can do something; that which I can do, I ought to do; and that which I ought to do, by God's help I will do."

Let us see that our children are encouraged to take hold of this paper work, and I know that God can bless it to the saving of the honest in heart.

We know he has all power, that he loves the people even more than we do; so if we empty ourselves of self, allowing God to come in, the honest in heart will be reached, and just through the efforts put forth by the children. The children take a delight in such work, and make it a success too. It was through the children that this paper work was first commenced, and then the older ones took it up from a financial standpoint. The New Zealand children were the first to lead out in this work.—Ed.