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# Every Seventh-day Adventist a Harvest Ingathering Worker

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"For the King knoweth of these things, before whom also I speak freely: for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him; for this thing was not done in a corner." Acts 26:26. (Paul before Agrippa.)

The knowledge of Christ's resurrection from the dead and ascension to heaven was heralded to the ends of the then known world in Paul's day. The good news of a risen Lord was carried to the emperor's palace as well as to the humblest cottage.

Just as surely is this last message of mercy, announcing that the judgment hour has come and that God calls for honest souls in every land to fear God and keep His commandments, to be brought to the attention of earth's rulers today, as well as to the masses in all lands.

The angel that comes down from heaven to unite his voice with that of the third angel, is to lighten the whole earth with his glory. This last message is not to narrow down as it closes, but is to continually grow and expand until the close of probation.

One of God's chosen ways of extending the knowledge of this truth throughout the length and breadth of the land is through the Harvest Ingathering. This going forth from door to door on such a large scale, by our churches everywhere, telling the people about our work as a denomination, is causing this message and people to become known the world around. Thousands are coming into faith as the result of this the Ingathering work who otherwise would never have heard of this message. It is cementing the believers in our churches together in love, fellowship, and service. We hear very little of dissension in a church when its members are out in Harvest Ingather-It brings blessings to the ing. individual member who participates, for it holds him to the movement and creates within him a spirit of lovalty that each one needs in these days of perplexity.

Everyone in a church should take part in the Harvest Ingathering, whether you raise much money or only a little money. There is something that comes into one's life when he answers the call to duty and goes forth to do his best, that never can come to those who do not take part. We all need the experience that only Harvest Ingathering can bring. Then, too, when we know that our

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Official Harvest Ingathering Opening Date, August 12

work in foreign lands is suffering because of insufficient funds, how can we remain unconcerned? God has told us through His servant, Sister White, to approach our friends and neighbors, tell them of our work, and ask them to help us. The Lord says He will give us favor with the people and that they will help us. Each one is to do this very work. Over onethird of our foreign mission offerings comes in through Harvest Ingathering. It is a mighty factor, ordained by God for the finishing of the work. The Psalmist says, 'Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." Ps. 110: 3.

We are entering the Harvest Ingathering campaign of 1939. The goal for the Southern Union is \$87,000. It does seem that if our more than 12,000 white members and nearly 4,000 colored believers would all go forth, that this goal could be reached quickly. One of the happiest moments that will ever come to a Seventh-day Adventist who is saved in God's kingdom, will be the remembrance that when God's cause needed funds in the earth, that he went forth doing his best in the Harvest Ingathering.

#### FORWARD WITH HARVEST INGATHERING

Sometimes the question is asked as to whether or not workers and church members in the mission fields engage in the Harvest Ingathering work. Apparently some of our people in America wonder if our brethren and sisters in mission lands leave this work for the folks at home to care for.

Perhaps a few recent experiences and reports may serve to answer the question.

One of our church elders living in the city of Torreon, Mexico, discovered that the mission superintendent had set for himself a Harvest Ingathering goal of three hundred Mexican dollars. The church elder, a faithful lay preacher, was impressed by this fact. and he reasoned that if the superintendent, with his many other duties could find time to raise such an amount of money, he himself ought to do as much, although he had never engaged in the Ingathering work. After careful study as to how to go about the work, he started out to solicit. In four afternoons he raised the same amount as his superintendent had pledged-three hundred dollars, Mexican.

The example of the church elder made a deep impression on the church members. One brother, who had only been able to raise a very small amount, came to the church elder and asked for counsel and help in doing more. These two brethren prayed for guidance, and felt that they should go to a certain village and as they expressed it, "take the village for Christ." They started out, and the first man they called on gave them twenty dollars. The priest kindly gave them a statement commending their philanthropic work, and this helped in securing the interest of the people. They did not stop until they had covered the town with literature. As a result, a Sabbath school with twentyone members has been raised up in that town, and the interest has spread

from there to an adjoining village, where another Sabbath school, with forty members has been organized. This is all the result of Harvest Ingathering work.

From this little church where Brother Morales is the elder, thirty coloorteurs have gone forth.

It is clearly evident that God's special blessing has rested upon the Ingathering work in all lands. Even wars and serious difficulties are unable to deter its progress. Advances are reported in the most unpromising places. From China comes the word that the Ingathering in that war-torn land brought great surprises even to the brethren there. The total amount of funds gathered is expected to go beyond anything in times of peace. Germany has reported a gain of more than 16,000 marks over 1937. Α beautiful Ingathering magazine for 1939 has just come to our desk from Germany, indicating that an even stronger effort is contemplated this vear.

Of the total Ingathering funds reported for the world field last year, amounting to \$1,327,291.32, 43% was raised by the overseas Divisions, while North America contributed 57%.

Yes, the believers in mission fields take a most active part in Harvest Ingathering. Seventh-day Adventists everywhere are a willing people. Like true minutemen, they stand ready to spring into action in all lands, regardless of color or race, in behalf of the cause of God which W. H.BERGHAM, they love. Associate Sec., H. M. Department

## Every Member an Ingathering Worker for God

#### Can the Lord Depend on You?

B. M. PRESTON

#### H. M. Sec., Southern Union

We are now entering upon the greatest single soul-winning missionary program of the entire year, the Harvest Ingathering. This program is ordained of God as one important way every man, woman, and child can have some part in helping to finish the work. Our people are a loyal people, and can be depended upon to do their part.

A Greater Work in a Shorter Time in 1939 is our aim. Already many churches have a splendid start on the Ingathering. All over the field there is the sound of a going. With a willing people, the blessing of the Lord, and better business conditions we should have the shortest Ingathering effort we have perhaps ever had with larger net returns in funds for our mission work.

#### **Minuteman Goal**

Hundreds of our people will want the pleasure of having raised at least enough to support our world mission program for one minute. Our work is constantly expanding, and this year the Minuteman goal is \$11.89. Those who reach the Minute-man goal

#### SOUTHERN TIDINGS

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will be presented with a very neat button given by the General Conference, and an attractive bookmark presented by the local conference. To those who have raised the Minuteman goal for six successive years, totaling \$67.22, will be given a special button.

#### **Bookmark Ribbons**

As a little token of appreciation for faithful service in the Ingathering, the conferences in the Southern Union decided to give attractive bookmark ribbons to all who raise the Minuteman goal, or more. We are printing a sample of what is printed on these ribbons, so you may have some idea of what they are like. It is hoped many of our believers will be entitled to one or more of these ribbons. These are in various colors, according to the amounts raised, as follows:

Amount Color

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Primary Minute-man Goal									
			\$3.00	Canary					
Junior	,,	Goal	5.95	Blue					
Adult	,,	Goal	11.89	White					
**	,,	,,	25.00	Sapphire					
"	,,	"	50.00	Cardinal					
,,	,,	,,	100.00	Gold					

#### **Goal Charts**

The General Conference has sent direct to each church an attractive goal chart to be hung up in the church during the Ingathering. Church elders and missionary leaders should see that this is put up in every church by Sabbath, August 12. It should be explained to the church on that day, and kept up-to-date from week to week as the campaign progresses.

#### Ingathering News and Goal Device

The last page of the TIDINGS will bring to you each week the latest Ingathering news. Ministers, church elders, and missionary leaders will help us in securing the latest news items by sending to your local conference or direct to the writer any interesting items that will encourage others. We will endeavor to keep you informed each week on the exact standing of your conference. You will be anxious to know where your conference stands so we are putting the goal device on the front page each week. You can see at a glance what progress your conference is making. Florida is not included in this device because they



do not start Ingathering until their tourist season.

#### Success When Everyone Lifts

The advent people can be depended upon. A more loyal, self-sacrificing, faithful people cannot be found. When the Lord calls upon His people to rally to any soul-winning or financial program which involves either giving of their means or giving service, they can be depended upon. The present call is for every loyal Seventh-day Adventist in the Southern Union to do his part in this important Ingathering program. If we all lift, success will come. Can the Lord depend on you?

#### THE 1939 HARVEST INGATHERING FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE

The Jewish department greatly appreciates the splendid work the churches in the conferences of the Southern Union did with the Harvest Ingathering during the 1938 campaign. The Lord greatly blessed the efforts our workers and believers put forth in the circulation of the 1938 "Gift Number" among that people. One hundred five thousand copies of the magazine were circulated, and the demand for more could not be supplied.

The response of the Jewish people was most encouraging. Many new friends were made during the campaign, and these became still better acquainted with the world endeavor God's people are putting forth to enlighten all nations.

Many sent for further literature, and never before were there as many calle for our literature as resulted from the circulation of the 1938 magazine. Many of our church members who had not before visited among that people had a precious experience, and they were waiting for the next magazine to appear so as to again visit their Jewish friends.

The 1939 "Gift Number" in the Yiddish and English is an interesting magazine. We believe with the blessing of the Lord and the hearty, faithful cooperation of workers and believers many added new friends will be made to our cause. The children of Abraham, we believe, will be happy to receive a copy of this year's issue.

Please do not discuss missions or missionary work with them. Tell them the work we are doing in all the world among all peoples in hundreds of languages. Do not solicit on Wednesday evening, Thursday, and Friday, September 13 to 15. These are the New Year Holy Days. Do not visit themon Friday afternoon, September 22, as this is the preparation for the Day of Atonement. They may be called upon the night after the Sabbath. September 23, as the Day of Atonement will be at an end. They are inclined to be liberal at such a time.

Any person desiring a canvass of the 1939 magazine may secure it by writing to the Jewish Department, care of the General Conference, Takoma Park, D. C. Remember that the Yiddish magazine is just the opposite of the English and reads in the opposite direction from the English.

May God bless our people as they again present the message to these lost sheep of the house of Israel. In Behalf of the Jewish Department.

F. C. GILBERT, Sec. Jewish Department.

# FRAGRANT WITH THE PRESENCE OF GOD

During the next six weeks Seventhday Adventists will, in a special sense, become a "spectacle unto the world," as they take part in the Harvest Ingathering work. Regardless of the financial returns, it is earnestly desired that Christian principles of earnestness, sincerity, courtesy, gratitude, truthfulness, and faithfulness be manifested.

The eves of the world are upon us. Some will donate to God's cause because they are approached in a Christian business-like manner; others will give because their hearts are touched by the Ingathering appeal. Still others will respond because they know Seventh-day Adventists and believe in their work and are sure that the money is rightly used; or it may be that the donation is forthcoming because the solicitor manifests a sincere interest in the spiritual welfare of the person interviewed and inspires new hope and courage to Every Ingathering trust in God.

worker should bear in mind that his words, his conduct, his actions are witnessing for or against the cause he represents.

In one of the cities of the middle west the Harvest Ingathering singing band had been hard at work. One morning a letter came to the office of the conference headquarters, enclosing a fifty-dollar bill. The letter was brief, but clearly told its story in the following words: "Last evening your singing band was on my street. I gave a small sum of money to the middle aged lady who solicited. Your work is done in such an orderly way, and the cause you represent is such a worthy one, that I wish to pass on this fifty dollars as an expression of my deeper appreciation. (Signed) The Solicited." Many very small initial donations have been followed by generous amounts, because of the Christian conduct of the solicitors and the impressions made.

"It is the purpose of God to glorify Himself in His people before the world. He expects those who bear the name of Christ to represent Him in thought, word, and deed. . . The religion of Christ is to be interwoven with all that they do and say. Their every business transaction is to be fragrant with the presence of God." 9T 21. W. A. BUTLER, Associate Sec. H. M. Department.

## **A Tremendous Responsibility**

STEEN RASMUSSEN Gen. Conf. H. M. Secretary

Upon Seventh-day Adventists rests the tremendous responsibility of making known to the entire world the last gospel message of a soon-coming Saviour. This responsibility is not limited to workers and church officers, but each individual member shares in the burden of this enormous task.

The annual Harvest Ingathering effort presents one of the very best opportunities for individual contact with people who need the light of present truth. Calling at the homes of the people and soliciting their interest and personal investment in missions, affords an unusual opportunity to talk with them about the marvelous truth God has given for these last days.

Many people are longing for light, and if we are but prepared "to give an answer to every man that asketh . . . a reason" for the hope that is within us, the Lord will use us as effective witnesses for Him. Let Harvest Ingathering visits be made to count more and more in this endeavor of personal witnessing for the Master. "Many are on the very verge of the kingdom, waiting only to be gathered in."—6T 71.

It is impossible to get an accurate report of the number of people accepting the message as a result of Ingathering contacts, but the number runs into thousands. Therefore as we go from house to house, let us watch for souls as those who must give an account of their stewardship, improving every opportunity to speak a word in season for our Lord.

Our business is to sow the seed. There our responsibility rests. God has promised to give the increase. Thus, let us all unite in making this, the thirty-second Ingathering endeavor, the greatest soul-winning enterprise which has ever been launched in North America. And then the means so greatly needed will flow into the treasure house of God, and workers will go out to earth's remotest bounds to gather in the ripened grain.

#### EVERY MEMBER DOING HIS PART

"Woe to them that are at ease in Zion." Amos 6:1. There is to be no inactivity in the church of God. Inactivity is activity on the wrong side. We have reached the eleventh hour of the world's history and it is not the plan of the Lord that there shall be any idlers in his vineyard.

The other day my attention was directed to a large hive of bees and as I watched them, I was deeply impressed with their intense activity and the fact that every single bee was doing its part in the work that was to be accom-

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plished. There must be no drones in the finishing of God's work in this world.

The slogan in Great Britain is "England expects every man to do his duty." We are now approaching the time when we shall soon start the thirty-second annual Harvest Ingathing campaign and surely the Lord is expecting every church member to do his duty in this time of crisis. The Ingathering campaign is a definite plan of the Lord, and those who love Him will want to have a very definite part in His work. He might have given this work to the angels and they could have spread the gospel message to every land in a few minutes. He could have given it to the stars of heaven and they could have twinkled the story of the second coming of Christ to every nation, tongue, and people, but He did not see fit to do this. He has committed the greatest work in the world to mankind, and He is expecting that His people have a definite part in this great program. The coming Ingathering campaign presents a mighty challenge to every Seventh-day Adventist believer. Those who really believe the message for this time will not be satisfied to take their "ease" in the armchair of indifference and let someone else do their work.

The nation's sun is sinking and the bounteous day of grace will soon be over. Mobilization of armies is seen everywhere and the present world picture is one that speaks in audible and forcible tones to us as Seventhday Adventists. We dare not falter or fail in doing our part in the coming Ingathering campaign. Let us put our shoulders to the wheel instead of our backs to the wall.

L. E. LENHEIM, *President*, *Florida Conference*.

#### **Rich Spiritual Blessings Await Those Who Engage in the Harvest Ingathering**

## When the Leaders Lead

H. W. WALKER President, Ala.-Miss. Conference

# Are You a Member of the Church Board?

If you are a member of the church board of your church, then you are one of a group that the General Conference has designated as the Church Missionary Committee. In an action of the General Conference published in the *Review and Herald* June 19, 1930, we find this recommendations

"We recommend, that the church board constitute the Missionary Committee...to lay definite plans for the missionary work of the whole church." In other words, the responsibility of organizing the church for mission activity rests on the church board as a whole, and upon you particularly as a member of that board.

# You Bear a Major Responsibility as a Church Member

The missionary organization embraces the entire church membership. As a church member you are responsible to God to be a part of the missionary organization. You have a duty to perform in the ranks of God, and you should rejoice because of this privilege.

No matter what church you are a member of, or if you live in some remote corner of the conference where there is no group of believers to meet together, nevertheless, as a Seventhday Adventist you owe it to God to line up with His leaders when they lead.

#### **Definite Plans to be Laid**

The Church Missionary Society right now, should, with their pastor or elder, be laying definite plans to organize the whole membership of the church for the swiftest, and most spiritual Ingathering campaign ever put on in Alabama-Mississippi.

A great consecration service should be held first, followed by a week of earnest prayer that God will lead us this year to the homes of liberal people, and people who will listen to this last message.

The committee should organize the church into bands, (and each individual should join a band) and as a committee lead the church to victory.

#### A Successful Plan

"One of the new plans for reaching unbelievers is the Harvest Ingathering campaign for missions. In many places during the past few years, this has proved a success, bringing blessing to many, and increasing the flow of means into the mission treasury. As those not of our faith have been made acquainted with the progress of the third angel's message in heathen lands, their sympathies have been aroused, and some have sought to learn more of the truth that has such power to transform hearts and lives. Men and women of all classes have been reached, and the name of God has been glorified."-MS., "Consecrated Efforts to Reach Unbelievers," June 5, 1914.

"Some may question the propriety of receiving gifts from unbelievers. Let such ask themselves: 'Who is the real owner of our world? To whom belong its houses and lands, and its treasures of gold and silver?' God has an abundance in our world, and He has placed His goods in the hands of all, both the obedient and the disobedient. He is ready to move upon the hearts of worldly men, even idolaters, to give of their abundance for the support of His work; and He will do this as soon as His people learn to approach these men wisely, and to call their attention to that which it is their privilege to do."---Southern Watchman, March 15, 1904.

#### HOUSE TO HOUSE INGATHERING

We should do far more house-tohouse Harvest Ingathering than we do. Harvest Ingathering is definitely and positively a soul-winning program. We should work it with this conviction inspiring our every effort. We should realize that as we solicit funds to save souls abroad that we are hunting and fishing for honest hearts at home. The solicitation address is designed to impress people with what God is doing through His children to bless humanity physically, intellectually, and spiritually. When we discover evidence of real interest in the things of God we should follow up this interest in the effort to win that soul. There is no better way to find interested people than in houseto-house Ingathering.

We should do much more house-tohouse work, for that constitutes by far the greater part of our territory. When we work the business sections only, we do a skimming work. The gospel commission is to "go to every creature." As far as that is possible we should go to every individual. This gives every individual the opportunity to learn of the message and to make a contribution to the work of God. Often we are surprised at the large amounts that we receive from people from whom we did not expect much.

House-to-house work is the most economical way of doing Harvest Ingathering. When we work the business sections only it necessitates a lot of traveling to find sufficient territory to reach our goals. This takes much time and a lot of expense, often too much expense. Then our work is among strangers who do not know who we are or where we are from and are skeptical of the work we are doing. Often the question is asked, "Are you local people?" or "Where are you from?" When they learn that you are from out of their town many will not give. On the other hand, when you work among your neighbors and friends, they know who you are and what you represent. The largest donations we get are from people who know us and of our work.

There are times of the day and of the week that are better than others for doing Harvest Ingathering. After the men are home in the evenings or at night is better than through the day. Frequently the men have or control the pocketbook and as a rule larger donations are reeived from the man than from the lady of the house. Then Sunday is the best day of the week for this kind of work. Sunday morning the men are often at home. they have time to look and to listen; then many feel religiously inclined and it is not an uncommon thing to gather in a nice sum of money Harvest Ingathering Sunday morning.

It is much easier for most people to work among their neighbors and friends than it is to work among business people. Therefore we should resolve that we are all going to do our share in this great soul-winning campaign and that we are going to do more house-to-house work than we have done in the past.

#### HONOR ROLL Over-the-Top Churches

Starting with the August 23 issue of the TIDINGS we plan to have the Ingathering HONOR ROLL for churches over-the-top, showing the goal of each church listed. We will all watch with interest to see this HONOR ROLL. The August 23 issue will list all churches over-thetop on or before August 12, the official Ingathering opening date.

Most of our members are better qualified to do house-to-house work than they are to work the business section. Therefore, because this is a great soul-winning work, and because the gospel commission is to go to. every creature, and because the greater part of our territory is composed of the residential sections, and because it is easier for the majority of . our people to work this class, we should make plans for thorough house-to-house work in the territory of each church. This will bring in a greater amount of money with less. expense and will be by far the mostsuccessful method of soul winning in R. I. KEATE. our territory. President, Ga.-Cumb. Conference

## **Working Unentered Territories**

# C. V. ANDERSON President, Ky.-Tenn. Conference

The Ingathering migazine is one of the best ways of convincing the world that a message of God is going to every kindred, tongue, and people. Hence, this magazine should be placed in the hands of every family in our Southern territory. We have much unentered territory in the Southland which means counties upon counties where not a single representative of the advent message resides.

In the Kentucky-Tennessee conference I find 169 counties comprising our field, but only thrity-five have organized churches within their boundaries, and seventy-six other counties have isolated members living there. That means that fifty-seven counties of our conference have no living representative of the message whatever. I presume that other conferences have the same situation approximately. Therefore, an enormous responsibility rests upon us.

The Ingathering work should reach every person. It has a two-fold mission, that of reaching the soul and winning that individual to the message, and relieving him of some of his means for the furtherance of that cause. The great question is how to work that unentered, uninhabited section, as far as Adventists are concerned, successfully. In a county

where a church lives, the problem of working that county should be comparatively easy. Where an isolated member dwells within the county that family should somehow feel the responsibility. They should feel that the Lord has raised them up for such a time as this, that their light should shine to the whole county letting men and women know that the cause of God should triumph in every heart. Where no representative of the message lives, churches and isolated members of other counties should feel a burden. Churches can make field trips into these counties, working both city and country territory. A correspondence could be carried on by those who may not be able to visit. It is possible to get the names and addresses of every land owner in the county, and an Ingathering magazine might be sent them with a personal letter telling them of the cause we represent, and request their aid. Then, again the conference may organize field trips sending some of their workers or others into these unentered territories to work them as thoroughly as advisable.

I feel that the term "unentered territory" might be used more specifically because I realize it to be a fact that some quite large cities where a

It Is Estimated Approximately 30,000,000 Are Contacted Each Year in North America Through the Ingathering good church is in existence, the church members do not work their own city, but go far and wide working the surrounding territory. Probably some of us should look closer home and work that unentered territory first, thus saving expense of travel, and warning those nearest home.

Suffice it to say that we are out to get the money for foreign missions in this Ingathering campaign. On the other hand, a balanced plan should be kept in mind, realizing that the soul we contact will, in many instances be won or lost, through our brief Ingathering contact. This Ingathering work has in thousands of instances been the entering wedge to the hearts of men. When they realize that we as Adventists are so interested in missions that we are willing to donate our time and call on them, their hearts are touched and they wish to investigate the message that changes men and women and makes them do these things.

May the unentered territory of our union be worked more fully this year, 1939, than ever in the past. The night cometh when no man can work. What we do must be done quickly.

#### POSSIBILITIES FOR ISOLATED MEMBERS

There are two hundred forty-two white, and forty-four colored conference church members in the Carolina Conference, and perhaps a similar proportion of isolated members in other conferences of the Southern Union, and what the possibilities are in Carolina, they are elsewhere.

Just because a person is isolated, and not under a preacher's voice every Sabbath is no reason why he should not engage in every type of missionary work that our members engage in who are congregated together, and also, they should have a part in every regular offering that Seventh-day Adventists are called upon to take part in.

#### **Harvest Ingathering**

What would it mean if every conference church member of the Carolina Conference would be responsible for carrying our world mission program for one minute? All it takes to do this is to raise \$11.89 in Harvest Ingathering, and if every conference church member, white and colored,



would become a Minute Member, we would have \$3400.00 toward our \$14,000 goal.

We believe it is possible for every isolated member to do at least this much. In some respects the isolated members have an advantage over the local church members, for they are not so restricted in territory, they have a wider scope of territory in which to labor.

May the year 1939 prove to be a year when all isolated church members will individually do their full share in raising their Harvest Ingathering money for the world-wide mission field. H. E. LYSINGER,

President, Carolina Conference.

# **Marching Unitedly Together**

#### F.S. KEITTS

#### Union Secretary Negro Department

One day a little boy was lost. The news reached the neighborhood, and the neighbors began their diligent search for him. Fruitless hours had passed and the boy had not been found. One of the thoughtful neighbors called together all the earnest searchers and said, "let us clasp hands with one another and march together, and soon we shall find the lost boy." By joining their hands and marching together with united efforts, they soon reached their goal—the lost boy found. What joy there was among them!

Today, thousands of men, women, and children are lost who are to be found. These are scattered throughout the world among every nation, kindred, and tongue. They are to be searched out from their place and pointed to the Saviour, Jesus Christ. The responsibility of searching for them has been placed upon every one who has been saved. May God help us to search for them.

We are approaching the time of the year when all the members in our churches are to clasp hands with one another and march together in a campaign that will be the means of finding many of these lost souls, who will be saved in the kingdom of God. That campaign is the Harvest Ingathering. The money that comes in through this united effort of the members is used to rescue lost souls. Let all unite and march together in this campaign that the lost may be found. There is a blessing and great joy that comes when they see the desire of their hearts fulfilled.

The Lord said through the prophet Isaiah: "Thou shalt see and flow together, and thine heart shall fear and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee." Isa. 60:5. In this verse the Lord tells us that we shall flow together-march unitedly together in all the activities of the church, and in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Further, He states that we shall see and our hearts will enlarge. This experience comes because of the abundance of the sea or people who are converted-led into the light of truth, and for the forces in money which come in during the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

The conditions in the world today are telling us that Jesus is soon to come. There are thousands of souls who are yet to be warned. Brethren and sisters, let us march unitedly

Write a Letter to a Friend or Business Acquaintance Telling Him About the Ingathering

together to reach our Harvest Ingathering goal that the lost souls will be saved and the work move on to its finish. The churches of North America are asked to raise \$713,735. The Southern Union is to raise over \$80,000 of this amount.

Again may I say, let us march unitedly together until the goal is reached. The Lord, the brethren in the fields beyond, who are in need of means, and the souls who are in darkness are counting on us. Let us not disappoint them. We appreciate what the churches did last year, and shall be glad of their reaching the goal this year.

The official date of the campaign is August 12 to October 7. Minute Man goal \$11.89.

May the Lord bless and help each to reach the goal this year.

#### Soliciting the Business Section

#### W. H. WESTERMEYER

#### H. M. Sec., Ala.-Miss. Conference

After taking part in 28 consecutive annual Harvest Ingathering campaigns and enjoying a fair degree of success working among the business men, I have not so far discovered any magic secret of success but perseverance in hard work. Hard work, burdensome toil, and steady perseverance when done in the spirit of the Master will win many a valiant battle for the advancing of the kingdom of God, and will also bring rich rewards in the Harvest Ingathering work.

That orange-colored folder, "The Call," which is put out by the Home Missionary Department of the General Conference and which undoubtedly is in the hands of all of our Harvest Ingathering workers throughout the conference, is brimful of excellent information and instructions for a successful campaign. Every word of it is important and inspiring.

It is always well to bear in mind that you are an ambassador commissioned to carry the last message of reconciliation to the world. As I go forward in this work, I endeavor to maintain this attitude: "I am doing a glorious and honorable work; I am glad to have a part in it; though all are not glad to see me come and hear my appeal, yet there surely are some who are hungering for the bread of life and will appreciate having a part in helping others to know of the love of Jesus, and perhaps I can arrange definite follow-up work." We must also continually watch for souls when working among the business men. God holds us accountable for every contact we make among this class of people.

To appear well dressed and smile goes a long way in getting an offering from a business man. In doing any kind of soliciting, it is well every morning to look over your assortment of smiles and put on, yes clamp on for the whole day, the very best ones. It is very easy to smile in this work when we bear in mind that angels long to do this, but are not permitted.



The earlier the prospective donor is approached in the day the better; soon after the office man has looked over his morning mail is an excellent time, that is around 9:00 or 9:30. During other hours of the day success can also be attained. Invariably two can accomplish more than one, and if at least one of the two is acquainted with the people you approach, that helps a great deal.

Much is gained if our solicitors succeed in getting into the large office buildings. There are the money people, and I have made it a practice not to pass by the office helpers. If they have money with them they will give. I find that two ladies gain access easier there than men, or I have had excellent success to accompany a lady. Besides the easy money there, the elevators will do your walking, and it is usually quite comfortable in these buildings. The devil will do everything he can to prevent us from getting into these places, but the God of heaven can help us.

A little Christian psychology will often forestall small offerings. Of course any amount is acceptable and appreciated, but even the business man is influenced by what others give, and suggesting some of the larger amounts that others have given will avoid small donations.

The one who travels the road of Harvest Ingathering should ever be willing to travel the second mile. Do more than you promised to do. If you have signed the loyalty pledge for a Minute Member goal, \$11.89, for the sake of Him who gave Heaven's all to make man's redemption possible, work for more. This will greatly encourage those who think that Harvest Ingathering is "not in their line."

#### INGATHERING A SOUL-WINNING AGENCY

We have now come to the beginning of the thirty-second Harvest Ingathering campaign for the expansion of the gospel message in all the world. There is no doubt that the Harvest Ingathering is the most farreaching, united missionary endeavor of the church. Within the next few days thousands of men and women will have the opportunity of giving to this worthy cause. But should we lose sight of the main objective of this work, watching for souls who are longing to know Christ, watching for opportunities to witness to His saving power, then our efforts will have been in vain.

Our main objective in the campaign, then, should not be the dollars and cents raised, but the winning of precious souls to Christ. And what an opportunity we have of acquainting men and women with the greatest piece of missionary work ever undertaken in such a limited time. And what a wonderful opportunity we have of acquainting men and women

#### The Total of Minute-Man Goals For Past Six Years, \$67.22

with the great commission, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations." "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness. . .and then shall the end come."

I firmly believe that if we will enter into the Harvest Ingathering campaign this year with the right mental attitude, with hearts made tender by the subduing influence of the Holy Spirit, then our work will be a success, not only in souls won to Christ, but in reaching the financial goal as well.

The members in our churches are neglecting one of the most fruitful fields that we have, house-to-house soliciting. The evening is the very best time to do this kind of work. At this hour the day's work is ended. The family has time to sit and listen. A deeper impression can be made on the heart by these visits than can be done by visiting people during business hours. Business soliciting is important, but few men are willing to give you the time to prolong your visit. Shall we not give more time and attention to the house-to-house work again? I believe God will abundantly bless this endeavor.

"God will do the work if we will furnish Him the instruments."—9T 107.

"God will accept the whole-hearted service, and will Himself make up the deficiencies."—MH150.

With these promises in mind, let us go forth, determined to do a greater soul-winning Harvest Ingathering work than ever before. And if we do that, God will abundantly bless and our financial goals will be reached much easier. J. M. Cox,

H. M. Sec., Carolina Conference.

#### ALL WORKING

"Many hands make light work." This is an old, true saying. Many more hands would make much lighter work in so far as *Ingathering is concerned*. What a wonderful record would be ours if every member worked at least ten hours in the program.

United action accomplishes wonders. We are told that if our people were to move in concert that we could move the world. So let's have everybody at it altogether for a speedy task well done.

There is a growing number of churches throughout the United States that achieve their goals in one day. A much larger number get it in one week. We hope to see some of these in our own field. any excuse for any church not going over in the official time? Let us as individuals determine under God to lift where we are. Let no one consider that he has done his full part until the church where he has his membership has its full goal.

We are able—God helping—to do the task. Let's go forward.

In view of the foregoing is there

R. E. CRAWFORD, H.M. Sec., Ga.-Cumb. Conference.

#### **Organizing For Harvest Ingathering**

#### H. E. MCCLURE

#### H. M. Sec., Ky.-Tenn. Conference

Four magic words spell success in any undertaking for God: Spiritualize, Organize, Deputize, Evangelize. If there is any work above all other in which success depends upon the use of those four magic words, it is Harvest Ingathering. You cannot dispense with a single member of that quartet and still conduct a successful Ingathering campaign. Together with spiritualizing, deputizing, and evangelizing, careful planning of every detail in advance of the opening date of activities will bring victory. In this way, churches which formerly were occupied until December 31 in reaching their goals, now complete their work successfully in two, or three weeks, or less.

Concerning the importance of careful organization, we read the following in the Spirit of prophecy: "Time is short, and our forces must be organized to do a larger work." -9T 27. "All who desire the cooperation of heavenly messengers, must work in unison with them. Those who have the unction from on high, will in all their efforts encourage order, discipline, and unison of action, and then angels of God can cooperate with them. But never, never will these heavenly messengers place their endorsement upon irregularity, disorganization, and disorder."-1T 650.

A noteworthy Biblical example of results when organization is linked with spirituality is witnessed in the experience of Nehemiah. After having spent the entire night in prayer, he met with the people early the next morning and "presented such arguments as were calculated to arouse... and unite" his forces. After having earnestly prayed for wisdom and guidance and success, he organized his forces. Then there followed a successful campaign of "ingathering" and building.

When the leaders in God's cause today manifest the same spirit of prayer and perfect the same careful organization in the work of Harvest Ingathering, we believe that similar results will be seen in our churches. We are told in "Gospel Workers" page 351, that "The leaders in God's cause as wise generals are to lay plans for advance all along the line."

Due to the wonderful system of organization which is operating in the remnant church, the work of leaders in organizing the Ingathering campaign is made more simple than was the work of Nehemiah in organizing his building campaign.

Beginning with the General Conference officers, and including the Division, Union, and local conferences, organization is worked out and plans are laid, which ultimately reach the district and church, and each member of the church. For the successful working of this complete system of organization it is important that church boards, which are the last connecting link of this chain, meet at an early date and work out details of the program which will include every member and plan for the use of all assigned territory. This will require careful study and forethought on the part of the church leaders. Following are a list of items that should receive consideration:

1. The Ingathering goal for the church, based on suggestions from the conference, should be accepted, by official vote of the board.

2. The church membership should be studied, and every member assigned to a band. It may be thought best to group the membership into two large bands and redivide these into smaller bands, or in cases the church will simply be divided into small bands composed of 8, 10, or 12 members each.

3. Place an energetic leader at the head of each band, and see that each leader is supplied with class-band cards. They should read carefully the instruction on the back of these cards.

4. Apportion the church goal among the various bands, including the Missionary Volunteers and church school.

5. Assign territory to be covered by each band.

6. Select a group of solicitors who are qualified to work the business district.

7. Decide the number of singing bands which the church can conduct, and appoint leaders to organize and conduct this work.

8. Choose the definite dates for the regular field days during the campaign, and place leaders in charge of that work.

9. Carefully consider each item of the supplies which will be needed and place upon the missionary leader or secretary the responsibility for securing supplies before the opening date.

10. Make special plans for Consecration Week—August 5-12.

11. Plan for the Rally Day service, August 12. Make it interesting and inspiring.

12. Place upon the missionary leader and secretary the responsibility of working out the details of the campaign.

# INGATHERING FOR "SOULS"

It should be with a keen sense of the responsibility vested in us as workers for the Lord, that we approach once again the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

We should be thrilled however; when we think how wonderfully the Lord has blessed us as a people, since the last campaign, in raising up many new churches and giving us many new workers for the great campaign which is about to be launched.

I for one have determined, God being my helper, to work harder than ever before, for I see as never before the real significance of the Harvest Ingathering campaign. It should be not only the raising of funds for missions but for the saving of souls for the kingdom.

#### **INGATHERING NOTE**

We hope that all who read these lines have already done something in connection with the Ingathering. We wish that all might aim not only to do something themselves quickly, but also to inspire the church to finish in a day, a week, or a month. By all means finish before Oct. 7.

Read the following quotation thoughtfully, then take a definite aim:

"An aimless life is a living death." Vol. 4, page 417. R. E. CRAWFORD.

I am reminded of a statement recorded in Volume 5 page 383 of the "Testimonies," which reads as follows:

"Human agencies are to be employed in this work. Zeal and energy must be intensified. Talents that are rusting from inaction must be pressed into service. The voice that would say, 'Wait; do not allow yourself to have burdens imposed upon you' is the voice of cowardly spies. We want Calebs now, who will press to the front, chieftains in Israel who with courageous words will make a strong report in favor of immediate action.

"When the selfish, ease loving, panic stricken people, fearing the tall giants and inaccessible walls, clamor for retreat, let the voice of the Calebs be heard, even though the cowardly ones stand with stones in their hands, ready to beat them down for their faithful testimony."

This plain statement coming from the servant of the Lord, is a direct challenge to our people today and should arouse every member in every church in the union, to enter into the spirit of the campaign, with a deep conviction that God has appointed him a Caleb, to go forth in his community and not only raise his goal, but with God's help, "save souls."

Many precious souls are even now rejoicing in this wonderful truth, who had their first contact with a faithful worker during Harvest Ingathering.

We have determined, with God's help, here in Knoxville as well as the other churches in my district, to shorten the time of our campaign to five weeks.

The response of faith, of God's people today, will be, I am sure, the response made by Nehemiah, "Our God shall fight for us," for God is in the work and no man can prevent its ultimate success.

> C. A. WILHELM, Pastor, Knoxville Church.

#### ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI ADVENTIST RELIGIOUS SOCIETY

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the society will be held at the Pine Forest Academy, Chunky, Mississippi, Thursday, August twenty-four, at nine a. m. The purpose of the meeting is to give a deed of trust, and to secure a thirty-year lease by the operating group. Such changes as may be deemed necessary will be made in the by-laws.

G. B. McClure, *Chairman*, T. D. Strickland, *Secretary*.

BIBLE STUDY LEAGUE Box 4929, Atlanta, Ga.

Several weeks ago we sent a post card to the entire membership requesting copies of our 25-cent books. Hundreds have come in already and others are coming in right along. We wish that all might check over their books to discover if they have any to spare. Mail all such in at once. Remember the rate is one and one half cents per pound.

#### NO TIME TO LOSE IN HARVEST INGATHERING

Another Harvest Ingathering campaign is here. Every year we are learning more and more that the earlier we get our goals, the easier they are reached. Even though there may be sections where business does not pick up until late in the fall, we have found that oftentimes we fare better to do our soliciting a litltle early rather than wait until the Salvation Army, Red Cross, Community Chest, and other campaigns are on. Seventh-day Adventists do not have the popular pull with the public that these other organizations do, yet if we are the first in presenting our needs and in making our appeals, many are glad to give to our cause who otherwise would not respond with an offering if we came late in the season.

It is said of the children of Issachar (1 Chron. 12:32) that they "were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do." And should not God's people today be wise enough, and know the times and the seasons well enough to know when is the best time to solicit money for God's cause?

In no uncertain terms the Lord has told us that "There should be thousands who know the time in which we are living, and who wait not to be urged, but who are constrained by the power of God to diffuse light, to open to others the truth that is so distinctly revealed in the word of God. There is no time to lose." — "Sowing Beside All Waters," pp. 38, 39.

"Unless we understand the importance of the moments that are swiftly passing into eternity, and make ready to stand in the great day of God, we shall be unfaithful stewards. The *Watchman is to know the time of night*. Our time is precious. We have few, very few days of probation in which to make ready for the future, immortal life." —6T 407.

Surely, most of our churches, especially those of South Carolina and Western North Carolina should have their Harvest Ingathering goals by the close of August. A few churches raised their quota in July. Churches that have good August territory and fail to raise their money in August will feel the "pain" of the campaign instead of the thrill and the blessing that comes when we do the King's business with haste. Old Fort, Salisbury, Durham, and Sumter have already reached their goals. Which church will be next? We have no time to lose. H. E. LYSINGER.

#### "GOD GIVETH THE INCREASE."

We sow our fields and till them well, And leave to God the rest; And then, whatever He doth send, We feel by Him is blest.

We daily gain from Him the strength To toil in mart or field;

Of proceeds which He gives for this, A part we gladly yield.

We share with Him as He directs, Although all things are His; And He in turn gives back to us For faithfulness in this.

Obedience to Him is shown

By every act of life;

In loving trust we rest in Him, Secure from this world's strife.

We praise Thee, Father, for Thy love So lavishly bestowed,

And look to Thee for joy and rest In heaven's blest abode.

Burton Castle.

#### PREACH BY BOOKS AND PERIODICALS

"We have been asleep, as it were, regarding the work that may be accomplished by the circulation of well prepared literature. Let us now, by the wise use of periodicals and books, preach the Word with determined energy, that the world may understand the message that Christ gave to John on the Isle of Patmos. Let every human intelligence who professes the name of Christ testify, 'The end of all things is at hand; prepare to meet thy God.'"-CE 101.

As our magazine workers in Atlanta are meeting with such success, it is our prayer that other sisters in the other cities of the conference may do likewise and through the avenue of our periodicals help to spread the message. If you are interested in the magazine work, drop the writer a card at 547 Cherokee Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia. J. R. MCWILLIAM.

#### TREASURES

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth. . .but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven. . .for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Mat. 6:19-21. Early one morning last week, Brother Warren Oakes and I called on a man, who though poor in this world's goods was seemingly happy. We learned that he had lived half a century a bachelor, but then had married and now had a family. As we gave the canvass to "Our Times" he and his family listened with interest, and as we closed to take the order, he said, "I would rather spend money for that good book than in some other way. The Bible says, 'Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven.' I do not care about treasures on earth.'

Many more canvassers are needed to search out the honest ones who are waiting to be gathered in. "Church members, awake to the importance of the circulation of our literature, and devote more time to this work. Place in the homes of the people papers, tracts, and books that will preach the gospel in its several lines. There is no time to be lost. Let many give themselves willingly and unselfishly to the canvassing work, and thus help to sound a warning that is greatly needed. When the church takes up her appointed work, she will go forth 'Fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners.' "

-"Counsels on Health," p. 464.

Milton Norrell, one of the studentcolporteurs, tells of calling at a home where he found the mother an invalid. She had no one to care for her except a grown son. Her pitiful appeal was touching. For eight long years she had been confined to her bed. The doctor gave no hope for her recovery. After receiving an order for books that will give them a message of life, the colporteur knelt and petitioned the great Physician for healing in behalf of the sick one. Surely there can be no higher type of missionary work. May God bless the faithful colporteurs. Is God calling you, dear reader, to enter His vineyard today and work?

V. R. JOHNSON.

#### SOUTHERN TIDINGS



Elders J. E. Shultz and M. V. Tucker, our editor and general manager, are attending camp meetings in the Southwestern Union.

In a recent issue of the *Pittsburgh* Courier on the church page, reference is made in big headlines to an article entitled, "Has the Saloon Silenced the Church?" which was written by Elder O. A. Troy of St. Louis, Missouri, and appeared in a recent number of the Message Magazine. The same article also appeared in the St. Louis Argus and has been released by the Associated Negro Press for publication in 70 Negro papers throughout the country. We are glad to see such timely articles as this one receiving so much publicity.

We have just recently had the pleasure of shipping 50 "Guide to Health" to the Alabama-Mississippi Conference. Reports from students using this book indicate that they have had excellent success.

This week we shipped 50 "Hope of the Race," 50 "Return of Jesus" and 30 "Bible Readings" to the Carolina Conference. A letter just received from Elder Deyo, field missionary secretary of that conference, reveals a courageous and optimistic spirit and tells of the splendid success colporteurs working in Carolina are hav-We're looking for some big ing. deliveries in that field this fall!

Colporteur William Speight of Robersonville, North Carolina, will receive 35 "Bible Readings" for his delivery he is to make very soon. We pray that he will have a 100 per cent delivery and that the readers of this splendid publication will accept the truths contained therein.

Miss Bernice Hasty, canvassing in Jackson, Mississippi, received 16 Guide to Health" to be delivered in her territory. We are glad to see our student colporteurs having such good success with this new book.

#### **Obituaries**

**Coppage**—Sister Jessie May Coppage was born on May 5, 1885, in Sparks, Georgia, and died June 23, 1939, at the Jackson Memorial Hospital as the result of a sudden heart attack.

Sister Coppage had been a faithful member of the Miami S. D. A. church for the past twenty-seven years and was a living witness of this message in her home. It may be truly said of her, "blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from hence forth, yea saith the Spirit. that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

Words of encouragement were spoken by the writer. Interment was made at the Miami Memorial Park.

C. R. GIBBS.

Armour-Mrs. Vera Marie, died June 20, 1939, after undergoing a major operation. She had been a faithful member of the church for the past twenty years and leaves to mourn, her husband, two sons, Claude and Eugene, and three sisters, Mrs. Gibbs of California and Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Cianciola of Memphis. Words of hope to the bereaved were spoken to the sorrowing friends and relatives based on the hope of a joyful resurrection in that day soon to come. G. E. LEFFLER.

Durham—Chas. Brantley, born May 22. 1866, and died June 27, leaving his wife, Ida May Weaver, a member of the Dyersburg, Tenn., church, and six children. While it is hard to give up this dear one, yet the hope of the fulfillment of God's promises keeps us true to Him until we are all happily united in that land where there will be no death.

G. E. LEFFLEF.

#### THE COLPORTEUR EVANGELISTS

#### I. M. Evans - - - Union Field Secretary **Report for week ending August 5**

AlaMiss., V	R. Jo	hnso	n, Field	Sec.
Name	Book		Sales	Del.
Milton Norrell	GH	106	186.75	.50
Mr. & Mrs. The	omas			
		89	24.25	.25
A. J. Jones	HR	84	127.75	19.75
Miss B. Hasty	ĜĤ	56	32.00	1.00
Warren Oakes	OT	53		.50
J. D. Norris	ŏŤ	45		.00
R. J. Cook	HR	41	140.50	.25
	HR	37	140.50 114.50	.40
Preston Seard				1 775
Harold Beaver	OT	34	48.75	1.75
B. H. Ewing	BML	9	1.00	.80
Susie Kelly	HR	7		20.70
M. Billingsley	HR	6		6.50
Total		568	878.15	52.00
Totai		000	010.10	52.00
Carolina, A. E.	Devo, l	Field	Secretar	v
R. Reynolds	BR	84		18.25
R. Wadsworth	BR	84	140.00	
Ethel Bowen	Mag	63	42.10	42.10
B. H. Patterson		60	54.00	10.10
W. H. White	HRM		166.25	
A. C. McKee	OT	52	167.00	.25
John Wilson	BR	51	81.25	.20
Paul Saxon		50		
	OD			0.00
John Caslow	OD	45		3.00
Kermit Brown	RJ	44	71.25	
L. R. Maddox	HRM		162.85	6.00
Herman Davis	RJ	43	59.00	.75
W. B. Wynn	BŘ	43		
Walker Oliphan	tBR	42	138.90	
R. A. Tyson	OD	42	167.40	.90

D Andorson	ъī	40	90.7E	
D. Anderson T. Flanagan	RJ BR	$\frac{40}{38}$	89.75 100.75	52.75
Francis Scott	OT	37	48.75	.25
Silas McClamb	HRM		150.00	
Ed. Sumpter Fred Meister	HRM	35 29	166.95 88.50	2 50
M. Richardson	RJW HRM		5.80	3.50
			24.30	
K. Percelle Mildred Dentor		25	21.20	21.20
Luther May	OT	17	23.75	0.00
Joyce Denton B. Watson	Mag RJ	14 5	8,80	$8.80 \\ 1.50$
Faith Potter	BR	5	31.00	1.90
Thelma Collier	ÕT	4	12.25	1.25
Ethel W. Meek	Mag		9.85	9.85
Total	1	184 2	2534.35	170.35
Florida, Nathan D. & C. Waldo W. E. Bidwell R. E. French	Russe	ll, <i>Fi</i>	ield Secr	etary
D. & C. Waldo	BR	60	52.75	63.75
W. E. Bidwell	RJ	49	27.60	15.50 101.50
H. T. Barnhart	BR	35	38.25	17.00
Robert Wieland	IĞĈ	25	49.05	11.00
W. E. Phelps	Mag	23	22.50	22.50
Charles Newell	BR	19	22.25	.25
Nathan Russell		. 8	1 50	125.00
Sallie Smith M. Worker	MM MM	$\frac{40}{21}$	$1.50 \\ 11.40$	$1.50 \\ 11.40$
Mrs. Smith	OT	17	29.75	8.95
P. T. Worker	Mag	<u>1</u> 6	13.75	13.75
P. T. Worker P. T. Worker	Helps	15	32.50	32.50
Beginner	OT	14	29.50	11.25
W. N. Eckert	BR	10	13.50	
Total		435	446.00	424.85
GaCumb., J. Bowman Deal	R. Mc	Willi	am, Fie	ld Sec.
Bowman Deal	GHW	112	91.50	3.25
Edgar Echols	OT FÇW	109	97.25	1 50
W. L. Wellman S. W. Stovall	RJ RJ	$\begin{array}{c}103\\43\end{array}$	76.00 55.75	1.50
Walter Echols	OT	43 82	165.00	
L. Mauldin	BR	40	21.75	
Gladys Hicks	BR	37	39.00	
Arturo P. Perez	FC	31	11.50	.50
A. J. Sharpe B. F. Harrison	BR	$\frac{29}{26}$	$13.15 \\ 31.50$	2.80
Mrs.L.E.Tabor	BR Mag	25	17.80	17.80
Carmen Turner	Mag	61	51.90	51.90
Mrs. Sharpe	BR	20	28.50	14.25
Mrs. Crawford	Mag	10	44.80	44.80
E. F. Fenner Mrs. Smith	OT Mag	10 5	$4.75 \\ 6.20$	6.20
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Total		774	756.35	143.00
KyTenn., A. N			ld Sec.	
R. B. Sheets	BR	105	229.50	71.75
Mrs. Johnson	RJ RJ	48 58	23.50 53.00	24.75
Oliver Foust Geo. Hooper	RJ	74	180.00	.25
M. L. Howard	BŘ	69	69.50	11.00
J. O. Tanner	OT	34	98.00	27.50
L. B. Huffaker	GC	$\frac{20}{42}$	8.75	1.00
Mrs. E. Mabry E. Hammond	BR W	$\frac{42}{29}$	$23.75 \\ 30.00$	17.00 30.00
Carmen Dotson		$\tilde{22}$	18.25	7.50
Pearl Davis	ĹĤ	65	79.90	79.90
Mrs. F. Ashby	LH	5	5.00	5.00
Mrs. Fant		2	2.00	2.00
Jimmy Starnes K. Shropshire	W W		$19.60 \\ 25.40$	$19.60 \\ 25.40$
A Worker	ŵ		17.50	17.50
R. E. Wilson	ŴМ	41	28.00	11.00
Willard Knight	GC	25	38.25	
Marian Satterle		9	7.20	7.20
Carl Huth	WLH		53.60	53.60
Total	6	548 1	010.70	409.95

Total 648 1010.70 409.95 3609 5625.55 1200.15 Union Totals

# **Every Church School Pupil an Ingatherer**

MARION G. SEITZ

Edu. Supt., Ala.-Miss. Conference

This morning I have been reading some of the timely counsel found in the Spirit of prophecy regarding the work of the church schools, and I am impressed anew that when these schools are rightly conducted they will be the means of giving our children a Christian education which will enable them to be witnesses for Christ.

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Jesus at the age of twelve solved mysteries too deep for the priests and rulers and through divine inspiration we are told that, "In the closing work of this earth, children who have been rightly educated will in their simplicity speak words which will be an astonishment to men who now talk of 'higher education."

Is this not true today? Are we not living in the closing days of earth's history, and will not the children rightly trained do their part in the work of proclaiming the truth to this last generation?

"Our church schools are ordained by God to prepare the children for this great work," and Ingathering is one established plan approved of heaven to spread the message at home and abroad. For this reason every church school pupil should be an Ingatherer. He should be taught the word of God, trained how to give it to others, and be well-chaperoned.

In my mind's eye I see scenes such as the following:--- A group of church school boys and girls with their teacher on a Sunday morning singing hvmns and gospel songs on a street corner, while two go from door to door to receive the offerings for the Ingathering work; or a school day set aside when parents and friends take the children two by two and visit the business district returning with forty or fifty dollars for the morning's work; or still another view is mine of seeing children two by two again with a chaperon go out in a residential section and return with a goodly amount for two or three hours' work.

These scenes will be re-enacted again this autumn and the boys and

girls in the church schools will be privileged to do even a greater work for the Master. Because time demands it, because prophecy is fast fulfilling we must hasten, and because God's commission is to "Go into the vineyard," we must arise and work.

"As children sang in the temple courts, 'Hosanna! Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord' (Mark 11:9), so in these last days, children's voices will be raised to give the last message of warning to a perishing world."

Then let us as leaders and teachers where there are schools designed of God, resolve that our motto in '39 shall be, "Every Church School Pupil an Ingatherer," that our children and youth may have a share in the work for this day and hour and truly be led into service for their King.

#### A FORWARD MOVEMENT

The Children of Israel had been delivered by God from bondage and the plagues of Egypt, and with high hopes, had set out for the promised land. But soon, to their great amazement, they found themselves shut in by mountains, with the angry Egyptians behind them, and the Red Sea in front of them. In their dilemma they cried to God for deliverance. Then came the command from the One who never lost a battle---"Say unto the Children of Israel that they go forward." Ex. 14:15. As they obeyed and stepped into the water, a great victory was gained, a mighty deliverance from Egypt took place.

"Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." 1 Cor. 10:11.

Our 1939 Harvest Ingathering campaign calls for a forward movement on the part of God's people today. God is speaking to us today just as verily as he did to ancient Israel; "Speak unto the people that they go forward." If we will step into this campaign by faith, God will give us a great victory over Egypt, a mighty advance toward the promised land. This is no time to bemoan the mountains of difficulty, the enemies behind us, or the Red Sea before us. We are headed for the promised land and our Captain says, "Go Forward!"

Think of the great part our Har-Ingathering campaign will vest have in helping to finish the Lord's work at home and abroad. Remember "The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising ourchurch membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers." Then buckle on the armor and with the sword of the spirit join the Israel of God in this advance step toward the promised land.

W. S. LAWRENCE, *Pastor*, *Greensboro Church*.

# A REAL OPPORTUNITY TODAY

Ancient Israel faced a wonderful opportunity as they started on their journey from Egypt to Canaan. They were putting their all into the project, —their homes, their families, their very lives. They had very little wealth because their labor for many years had been that of slavery.

God sent them all out in a great Ingathering to which the Egyptians willingly contributed a large part of their wealth. Thus the necessary funds were provided which aided Israel in building and maintaining the sanctuary and its services during the period of their wilderness wanderings.

Today God's modern Israel, the remnant church, must not only carry on the service of the sanctuary for themselves, but they must take it and its blessings to all lands and languages. They must leave behind the opportunities which modern Egypt affords, and consecrate their all to God's service, and with unwavering faith press on until the sanctuary and the atonement have brought their hallowed influence to bear upon "every nation, kindred, tongue, and people."

After giving of our own means as God requires, we have the privilege of greatly increasing our missionary operations by the financial assistance given by those outside the church. These men hear our appeal for aid and give us a part of that which really belongs to God but they have failed to return to Him.

Harvest Ingathering gives all a wonderful opportunity to make religious contacts with many people who otherwise would never listen to any presentation of our message. Many are today rejoicing in "that blessed hope," who had their first contact with it through Ingathering solicitation. Many thousands will be contacted during the next few weeks. They may never see another Seventhday Adventist. Let us make the most of this opportunity by seeking, through the aid of the Holy Spirit, 'to win and hold their interest in this glorious message.

B. F. KNEELAND, Pastor, Charlotte, N. C., Church.

#### **ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY**

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Here we are again, on the verge of another Harvest Ingathering endeavor. For many years we have carried on this wonderful work! Untold good has been done and many souls have been won as a result.

Let us, one and all, join in this effort whole heartedly at this time and carry forward the work untiringly while we may; for all too soon the day will come when we can no longer work as we do now. May the Lord stir our hearts as never before to come up to the help of the Lord and finish the work.

When we look around us, also across the seas to other lands, we are compelled to say, "We are living, we are dwelling in a grand and awful time." We must now work the work of Him that called us, while it is day, for that night cometh when no man can work.

"Hark! the voice of Jesus calling, "Who will go and work today?

Fields are white, the harvest waiting, Who will bear the sheaves away?'

"Loud and long the Master calleth, Rich reward he offers free;

Answer quickly when He calleth, 'Here am I, O Lord, send me.'"

May the Lord richly bless and sustain you as you go forth to make new conquests for Him in this soulsaving effort. Remember I am counting on and praying for you.

ANNA KNIGHT, Asst. Edu. Sec., Southern Union.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE to all Church Treasurers

Each church treasurer in all the conferences except Florida, is being asked to send in Saturday evening, the twelfth, after the Sabbath to the conference office the total Harvest Ingathering turned in to date. This is very IMPORTANT, for each conference will want to know exactly how much Ingathering is in to date, and will be sending a report on to the union conference, which will appear in the Tidings. Be sure, church treasurers, to send this report to your conference office right after the Sabbath, August 12. You will, of course, follow this practice each week thereafter until the close of the campaign.

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#### ONE SOUL IS OF MORE VALUE THAN THE WORLD

Think of what it would mean to have someone step up to you in heaven and say, "I am here because you raised your Harvest Ingathering goal in 1939." And do you realize that "One soul is of more value to heaven than a whole world of property, houses, lands, and money?"— 6T 22. And now "While the angels hold the four winds, we are to work with all our capabilities. We must bear our message without any delay." —page 21.

Certainly it is high time for us to "Sound an alarm throughout the length and breadth of the earth. Tell the people that the day of the Lord is near, and hasteth greatly." -page 22. As we study world conditions today we are persuaded that "We have no time to lose. The end is near. The passage from place to place to spread the truth will soon be hedged with dangers on the right hand and on the left."-Ibid. While we can work to spread the blessed message of truth without molestation, we should gladly do all within our ability and strength to bring the last warning message to all who are yet in darkness. And what better way is there to do our part to send the message of salvation to the honest in heart all around the globe than to do our honest part in the Harvest Ingathering campaign?

A. C. GRIFFIN, Pastor, Northside Church, Atlanta.

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#### HARVEST INGATHERING PEBBLE

To stand on the shore of a lake and look into the peaceful, clear water and watch the reflection of the clouds, is indeed an enjoyable way to let the time slip by. Then, if one would throw a small pebble far out into the water, he would see waves form in circles, and as he watches, there is another and still another wave. As the waves increase, the circle widens until it reaches the shore on which he stands, and the same circle will reach the other shores of the lake. So it has been with the Harvest Ingathering money pebble.

The Ingathering pebble was first thrown into the lake of humanity about thirty years ago; the everwidening circle of influence has grown from year to year, until it has, under the blessings of God, won thousands on every shore and in every land and country to a saving knowledge of the Christ who died for us.

In Matthew 24:14, our Master says, "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come."

The money that is being gathered in through the Ingathering program, is truly rushing this gospel of the kingdom to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people.

We are interested in the finishing of this gospel commission, for as soon as this work is finished, the end will come, which means the return of our Saviour. And now that another opportunity is presented to God's people in the Southern Union Conference to gather in money through the Harvest Ingathering way, let us labor faithfully, soliciting our neighbors and friends, giving to them an opportunity to help finish God's work. F. L. BLAND.

A Greater Work in a Shorter Time in 1939

#### SOUTHERN TIDINGS

#### Everybody Can Do Something in the Ingathering

#### CAROLINA'S JUNIOR CAMP

Kings Mountain, S. C. The historical spot of the South August 17-27

Juniors, all aboard for Camp! Next stop, Kings Mountain. This special train will bring you in contact with God's great out-of-doors for ten days, from August 17-27. Special conducted tours by the way of hikes, swimming, nature trips and so forth will be enjoyed. Stop-over privileges will be granted each night in screened-in cabins where there will be plenty of fresh air and comfortable cots. Among other features will be good meals and plenty to eat.

On this trip we are expecting to carry about 75 passengers. All you will need to do to become a passenger on this tour is to send in \$1 with your application ticket and pay the remaining fare of \$7 when you come aboard this special train. All applications must be in by August 10. Remember, that the date has been changed from August 18-28, to August 17-27. In other words, we want to reach the Camp Thursday noon instead of Friday noon. If you have not received an application, fill in the Kings Mountain Application that you find in the TIDINGS. Be sure to have this mailed in to the office before August 10. REMEMBER ALL APP-LICATIONS MUST BE IN BY THAT TIME.

For sometime we were afraid that certain of our group could not take the tour with us, but on July 29, the infantile quarantine was removed in the state of South Carolina so that all of our passengers with the exception of those from Charleston County, South Carolina, may have the privilege of joining us.

Just a word concerning clothing. Several have asked what clothing will be needed for Camp. All that will be required will be the clothes that you wear every day and your regular Sabbath clothing for Sabbath.

Those having musical instruments, please bring them along as we will have to depend upon them for our music. If any of you have a bugle kindly notify me at the office and take your bugle to camp with you.

Juniors of Carolina, rally to this your first camp and by so doing express your appreciation to the conference for giving you the privilege of enjoying this occasion. The success of the camp will determine to a large extent whether or not we will have a camp next year. So parents, if you have been planning to send your child, do not fail to support us now. Many applications have come in thus far and we are expecting a goodly number of others to come in soon. Hurry, or it may be too late. All juniors plan to come and join the "good times ahead." A. D. KAELIN.

#### THE ATLANTA EFFORT

The every-night series of this effort opened on April 2 and continued until July 2. One hundred seventeen were baptized in these meetings and two were added on profession of faith. The interest was large and widespread over the city. Over 1200 people turned in their names as being interested.

The results would have been considerably larger if we could have continued the work for a longer period and if the personal workers in the effort could have staved longer. Many additional persons will take their stand for the truth as the work is continued.

The total cost of the tabernacle, including the rent on the land, the use of the piano, the freight and drayage on chairs, etc., amounted to \$1,985.18. The direct expense of operating the meetings as expended by the evangelist amounted to \$2,452.94, making the total direct expense of \$4,438.12 for the meetings themselves.

The total receipts on the effort amounted to \$4,180.17, leaving a difference of only \$257.95, which is far more than covered by the value of the tabernacle itself. In fact one gentleman is desirous of buying the tabernacle for \$1,000 which would leave a nice balance above these direct expenses.

Three items of these receipts are worthy of special mention: The Atlanta church nobly cooperated in raising money for their effort by giving \$1,803.75 toward the building of the tabernacle. The profits from the sale of books amounted to \$175.64. This is the largest amount that we have ever cleared for the conference in the book stand in an evangelistic effort. The offerings received toward the expense of the meetings aside from the amount given by the Atlanta church as mentioned above, amountted to \$2,171.33. Pray that many others may walk in the light in this great southern city.

J. L. SHULER.

APPLICATION			
I wish to apply for enrollment in the Kings Mountain Junior Camp			
of the Carolina Conference, August 18-28. If I am accepted as a camp			
junior, I agree to abide by all camp regulations. Attacted is one dollar			
entrance fee. I will pay the balance of \$7.00 when I register at Camp.			
Signed			
AgeChurch			
We, the parents or guardians, hereby grant the above junior per-			
mission to attend camp with the understanding that the conference			
and camp management shall not be held liable in case of accident or			
illness that may occur during the camping period.			
Signed			
Address			
Phone			
Recommended by			
(Church Elder or Pastor)			
Mail to A. D. Kaelin, Carolina Conference, Box 930, Charlotte,			
North Carolina.			

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# Southern Junior College and Harvest Ingathering

J. C. THOMPSON President, Southern Jr. College

It is a fine thing to be a part of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination -to have it back of us and to be back of it! We especially appreciate this relationship here at Southern Junior College, for where would we be if we did not have the full support of our organized body-the General Conference, the Southern Union Conference, the local conference! Conversely, what would become of the work of God on earth if our believers were not organized, cooperative, and willing to sustain it? The difference between an army and a mob is organization and discipline.

Southern Junior College is proud to be the denominational training school of the Southern Union, receiving the moral and financial support of our people. We recognize that with this privilege is a responsibility--that of supporting the cause in all its phases. This we are glad to do. We accept it as a part of our educational responsibility to keep before our students and staff all major objectives and plans of the church. We want all of our school family not only to believe the fundamental principles of our truth, but to unite in every good work which has for its objective the carrying of these principles to the world.

With this thought in mind, Southern Junior College enters heartily each year into the Harvest Ingathering work. We organize our school family into bands, we district the city of Chattanooga, we include certain outlaying territory, and we go to work to reach our goal. Last year more than \$2200.00 were gathered in within a very few weeks of time. Of course this means hard work, the expenditure of several hundred dollars of expense money, and the neglecting of certain matters at the College; but we are happy to do our part.

The public receives us kindly. One of the nice things about working at Southern Junior College is the esteem in which we are held by the public. We constantly see evidences of this. For instance, only yesterday a Chattanooga banker called. His conversation ran about like this: "Mr. Thompson, is a man by the name of connected with your denomination and is it his desire to engage in certain evangelistic activities? He has appealed to us for help and influence in getting a certain location and meeting certain restrictions of the city. We are glad to do anything we can for the Seventh-day Adventists. I only want to make sure that this individual is an Adventist and one you can recommend."

#### FLORIDA'S HARVEST INGATHERING

It is hardly necessary to inform the field that Florida does not begin their Harvest Ingathering campaign until later in the year, during the tourist season. For this reason, it would hardly be fair to include an arrow for Florida, when they really are not yet in their campaign. For this reason, no arrow will appear until Florida begins.

Southern Union Conference.

Calling on the public as we have done through the years, they have come to expect us each fall and many are prepared with contributions. would not wish to imply that the work is not hard or that the money rolls in without any effort. This is not the case. We must organize carefully, work hard, and stay by it until our goal is reached. There are some forbidding aspects to the work; all is But like most other not roseate. duties in life, it has its compensations, and we receive our share from the public with whom we deal.

Last fall two of our girls were soliciting on a down-town street corner. One of our male staff members was keeping watch from the other side of the street. He saw a man turn the girls down when they approached him for help, only to turn back from the middle of the street and give them a coin. Upon crossing the street a second time, he approached a stranger who seemed

casually to be supporting a lamp post and said to the watchful staff member: "Do you see those two girlsacross the street with their boxes? Those girls are students of Southern Junior College at Collegedale. Each year their school puts on a campaign for funds for church work. I want to tell you that is a fine school and they have some splendid young women representing them." He continued his journey not knowing to whom he had spoken.

As we look forward to another Harvest Ingathering campaign, it is with the determination, as a school and as individuals, to do our full part. We hope and pray that success will crown the efforts of us all.

#### STUDENTS NEED THE EXPERIENCE

The Harvest Ingathering is part of God's organized plan to carry forward and finish His work in the earth. The school which graduates a student from a college, academy, or even a church school without properly training him to do this type of work is neglecting part of his training and heritage.

Over and above the actual work accomplished from the money raised. definite benefits accrue to both the student and school represented. The field day and singing band calls for a valuable type of organization, planning, cooperation, and team work. The student learns the message as he tells it. The participating student develops tact, perseverance, and courage as he contacts a cross-section of humanity in his locality. It helps him to realize how very, very fortunate he is to be in a school such as he attends and to make him better able to count his blessings.

A successful Harvest Ingathering endeavor builds up a school spirit and enthusiasm that is of mutual benefit to both students and school, and best of all, it makes everyone who will take part a potential winner of souls, because every paper and leaflet has in it a germ of truth which will lead the honest in heart to a knowledge of the Saviour and the eternal kingdom.

Again I say Harvest Ingathering is a part of our Adventist curriculum! KENNETH A. WRIGHT, Principal, Forest Lake Academy.