

# SOUTHERN TIDINGS



"Give All to God You Would Keep for Eternity"

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## "Prayer Changes Things"

By V. G. ANDERSON, *President, Southern Union Conference*

**T**HE General Conference has by the following action set aside a special day that will be of interest to every man, woman, and child connected with the Advent Movement.

"VOTED, That in view of these serious times, and the threatening dangers to our work in many lands, we appoint Sabbath, May 14, as a day of special prayer, to be observed by our people in all parts of the world, suggesting that earnest prayer be offered that the restraining hand of God may be over the affairs of the nations in such a way that we may be enabled to finish the work He has committed to us."

We can think of no better message concerning this for our people than to present a few excerpts from the pen of inspiration on the subject of prayer.

### THE NECESSITY OF PRAYER

"Prayer is the breath of the soul. It is the secret of spiritual power. No other means of grace can be substituted, and the health of the soul be preserved. Prayer brings the heart into immediate contact with the Well-spring of life, and strengthens the sinew and muscle of the religious experience."—*"Gospel Workers,"* page 255.

### THE CONDITIONS OF ANSWERED PRAYER

"There are certain conditions upon which we may expect that God will hear and answer our prayers. One of the first of these is that we feel our need of help from Him. He has promised, 'I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground.' Isaiah 44:3."—*"Steps to Christ,"* page 99.

"When all known wrongs are righted, we may believe that God will answer our petitions."—*"Steps to Christ,"* page 100.

"Another element of prevailing prayer is faith. 'He that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.' Heb. 11:6. Jesus said to His disciples, 'What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.' Mark 11:24. Do we take Him at His word?"—*"Steps to Christ,"* page 100.

"There are conditions to the fulfillment of God's promises, and prayer can never take the place of duty. 'If ye love Me,' Christ says, 'keep My commandments.' ... Those who bring their petitions to God, claiming His promise while they do not comply with the conditions, insult Jehovah."—*"Christ's Object Lessons,"* page 142.

"If we are unfaithful stewards of earthly things, how can we expect Him to entrust us with the things of heaven? It may be that here is the secret of unanswered prayer."—*"Christ's Object Lessons,"* page 143.

"God does not say, Ask once, and you shall receive. He bids us ask. Unwearyingly persist in prayer. The persistent asking brings the petitioner into a more earnest attitude, and gives him an increased desire to receive the things for which he asks."—*"Christ's Object Lessons,"* page 144.

### THE RESULTS OF PRAYER

"We need to have far less confidence in what man can do, and far more confidence in what God can do for every believing soul. He longs to have you reach after Him by faith. He longs to have you expect great things from Him."—*"Christ's Object Lessons,"* page 145.

"Prayer is not to work any change in God; it is to bring us into harmony with God. When we make request of Him, He may see that it is necessary for us to search our hearts and repent of sin."—*"Christ's Object Lessons,"* page 142.

"Prayer does not bring God down to us, but brings us up to Him."—*"Steps to Christ,"* page 97.

"Our heavenly Father waits to bestow upon us the fulness of His blessing. It is our privilege to drink largely at the fountain of boundless love. What a wonder it is that we pray so little."—*"Steps to Christ,"* page 98.

"The victory is not won without much earnest prayer."—*"Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing,"* page 204.

"To those who in days of darkness feel that God is unmindful of them, this is the message from the Father's heart: 'Zion said, The Lord hath forsaken me, and my



Lord hath forgotten me. Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? Yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee. Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of My hands.' Isaiah 49:14-16."—*Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing*, page 190.

"What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer!"

As our people throughout the Southern Union unitedly lift their hearts to God in a special way on May 14, for cleansing and surrender to His service of hearts and hands, and for the withholding of these last-day threatening dangers to His work, until we have faithfully completed our commission, I would leave with every

member this soul-stirring message from the servant of the Lord:

"The gifts of Him who has all the power in heaven and earth are in store for the children of God. Gifts so precious that they come to us through the costly sacrifice of the Redeemer's blood; gifts that will satisfy the deepest craving of the heart; gifts lasting as eternity, will be received and enjoyed by all who will come to God as little children. Take God's promises as your own, plead them before Him as His own words, and you will receive fulness of joy."—*Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing*, page 191.

Through this number of the SOUTHERN TIDINGS I call upon every Seventh-day Adventist in the Southern Union to join us in earnest prayer on May 14.

## Gathering Report

| Name of Conference        | Minuteman Goal | Amount raised to April 23, 1949 | Raised Per capita |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Alabama-Mississippi ..... | \$46,210.40    | \$48,675.62                     | \$19.80           |
| Florida .....             | 92,759.20      | 92,759.20                       | 18.80             |
| Carolina .....            | 53,316.80      | 43,257.10                       | 15.25             |
| Georgia-Cumberland .....  | 78,640.40      | 58,806.01                       | 14.05             |
| Kentucky-Tennessee .....  | 76,873.20      | 40,000.00                       | 9.78              |
| South Central .....       | 50,666.00      | 23,595.29                       | 8.75              |
| South Atlantic .....      | 82,287.60      | 33,000.00                       | 7.54              |
| UNION TOTAL .....         | \$480,753.60   | \$340,093.22                    | \$13.29           |

## Write Calendar Letters Now

Now is the time to write and talk against blank-day calendar revision and to distribute far and wide the leaflet *Why We Do Not Need the Blank-Day Calendar*. Here is what we are asking of you.

1. LETTERS. Two bills have been introduced in the United States Congress recommending that the blank-day calendar become effective January 1, 1951. Please write to the U. S. Senators from your state, and to the Congressman in the U. S. House of Representatives from your district, asking them to oppose the blank-day calendar bills. Your county clerk or town clerk can tell you who these men are. In your letters, state your reasons for opposing blank-day calendar revision to be: it would disrupt

the historic week, which has never before been effectively broken; it would disturb all sorts of anniversaries, both sentimentally and legally; it would confuse all kinds of records, historic, commercial, and legal, and is therefore impractical; it would destroy the religious liberty of millions of conscientious Christians by putting man-made false sabbaths in place of the weekly holy days, and thus would compel them either to observe the original genuine holy days of the week at immeasurable personal inconvenience and sacrifice, or to break their conscientious scruples by observing the false days of the new week. Do not copy these reasons; put them in your own words.

2. NEWSPAPERS. Write letters to

## CHURCH CALENDAR

May 7—Medical Missionary Day, Home Missionary-Evangelism Offering

May 14—Foreign Missions Offering

May 21—Church Expense or Budget

the editors of your local newspapers setting forth the calendar issue. We are eager to arouse as much discussion of the question as possible.

3. LEAFLETS. Distribute as widely as possible to influential businessmen, professional men, and men of political standing the leaflet *Why We Do Not Need the Blank-Day Calendar*. This leaflet can be obtained through your conference Book and Bible House.

GENERAL CONFERENCE  
COMMITTEE ON  
CALENDAR REVISION

## Florida Sanitarium and Hospital

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## Florida Sanitarium and Hospital

### MANAGER'S REPORT

For the Two-Year Period Ending  
January 1, 1949

(Presented at the constituency meeting, March 27, 1949)

We are happy indeed to greet so many of our constituent members and friends at this biennial session of the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital, and to bring to you reports of progress for the past two years. We have abundant reason to give gratitude and praise to God for the blessings that have come to us individually, and to the institution to which we have dedicated our lives.

In all departments of the sanitarium and hospital, marked advancement has been made, and we are pleased to record the largest net income from patients in the history of the institution. It has increased from \$567,000

for 1946 to \$704,000 for 1948. Ten years ago the income was only \$149,700 for the year.

The average net weekly income from our patients during 1948 amounted to a little more than \$13,500, and the average weekly payroll for the same period was \$7,525. There have been many increases in cost during the past two years, and it has required very careful planning to operate within a safety margin of our income. We are glad, however, to report that for each of the past two years we have had an operating gain of a little more than \$34,000. During this same period we have served large numbers of patients who, for one reason or another, could not pay for their hospitalization; and the free work, including special discounts, charity, and accounts which have not been collected, amounts to \$151,773.56.

During the period under review, 7,865 guests were admitted as house patients, who remained with us an average of ten and one-half days. These people have come to us from twenty-six states outside of Florida and from 116 cities of our own state, also from three countries outside the borders of the United States.

Never in the history of our sanitarium work have there been so many opportunities where new institutions can be started as during the past two years. We have had representatives from four communities come to us offering buildings and equipment, if we would only come and operate hospitals for them. All these requests have come because of their contacts with our institution here. One of these four hospitals that has been offered to us during the past year is now operating at full capacity, located in one of the large cities of Florida. It has 135 beds, and is very modern in every respect. The investment in this institution alone is between three-quarters of a million and a million dollars. This entire institution was offered to us without cost. When we read the instruction that has been given to us that we should have an institution near every large city in the United States, we feel impressed that the Lord is opening up these places to help bring the light of truth to them. Our greatest need along this line is for enough consecrated doctors, nurses, and other workers, so that we may be able to accept these providential openings.



We are very happy that two new sanitariums have been born into the sisterhood of our sanitarium family during the past year, and that they are located in the state of Florida.

We believe that many of our patients have been divinely guided to us that they might have the opportunity to learn the truth of the third angel's message, and we earnestly solicit your prayers that many whom we have had the opportunity to serve may find their way to the kingdom of God. We are encouraged to believe that this will be so, from a statement penned through inspiration: "When the future tests come, when enlightenment comes to them, not a few of these will take their stand with God's remnant people." We are also reminded through the same pen that "Our sanitariums are one of the most successful means of reaching all classes of people," and again, "Our sanitariums have been presented to me as the most efficient means for the promotion of the gospel message."

We want to pay a tribute of honor to the faithful workers who have worked in the institution continuously for many years. We have with us Brother Harvey, who is our chief accountant and cashier; he has been with the work here since 1911. Brother Hall, my able assistant, has a record of twenty-one years of continuous service. It was these faithful workers and those who preceded them who laid the solid foundation under this institution which has been built upon by those who have followed them in service.

You will be interested to know that our new building is now completed, with the exception of a few

minor items, and is now occupied. The rooms have been in great demand during the past winter, and we feel this will help to show a more favorable operating statement for the present year. The building has cost somewhat more than we originally estimated, the total cost being a little more than \$400,000. It is modern in all its appointments, the two top floors being fully air-conditioned. Provision has been made for other portions of the building to be air-conditioned at a later time. We are now remodeling the old kitchen and dining room, converting them into doctors' offices and examining rooms.

Five duplex cottages have been built during the past two years to replace the small cabins which have been used for patients ever since the institution was started. The new cottages are proving very popular, and have also served as a revenue-producing department of our institution. Some of these cottages were built by friends of the institution, without cost to us.

We must present an outstanding need in our institution. Most of you are already familiar with the fact that our nurses are being housed in the dormitories that were used by the Winyah Lake Academy for many years. They were abandoned by the academy more than twenty years ago. These buildings are entirely inadequate and unsatisfactory for the housing of nurses who have come from modern colleges where they have had modern dormitory facilities. We feel that the board of trustees must continue to develop plans for a new nurses' home within a reasonable length of time.

In closing this report, we want to thank our union and local conference officials and all our people for their loyalty and faithfulness to our sanitarium interests. To the sanitarium family, who have worked long hours untiringly to meet the demands placed upon them, we express our heart-felt appreciation.

We are living in a war-troubled, stricken, sinful world. There is no security in temporal things. Our hope is in God. We believe our first duty is to get ourselves ready for the coming King, and do what we can to help others.

We face the year 1949 with courage, and believe that with the blessing of the Lord it, too, will be a year of real progress. A. C. LARSON

# Walker Memorial Sanitarium

(Reports presented at the constituency meeting on March 28.)

## MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By CARL J. LARSEN, M. D.

I would like first of all to pay tribute to the workers in the Walker Memorial Sanitarium. We have had a loyal group of workers, some who have gone through the growing pains, a condition from which we have not fully emerged; and there have been many things to cause discouragement at times, but in spite of all this, they have been loyal, have helped to carry the work along, and have built it to the present status.

I would like also to thank the board, the union, and the Florida Conference for their interest and help in the beginning days of this institution. We appreciate very much your loyal support, as well as the financial aid that has been given us.

One year ago last November 7, my family and I arrived in Avon Park, with some misgivings and a great deal of expectation. Gradually the hospital took shape, and before we were ready we were having to care for patients, some of whom were quite ill.

The work has grown, and we are becoming better known throughout this part of Florida and also by northern people, thanks to the Florida Sanitarium. And here I wish to thank the Florida Sanitarium family for its help and cooperation in getting our institution ready and carrying on the work.

In our out-patient department up to January 1, 1949, we had around 1,200 calls. Up to the present time in 1949 we have had approximately 600 calls in this department.

Our surgery has slowly increased and will be a real factor in the future operation of the institution.

It was my thought that we would have very little obstetrics, but we have had sixty-four babies, including two sets of twins, to the present time.

The best of all, and to close this report, I wish to say that the people in this area are most appreciative and lavish in their praise of our work here. From the business report you will observe that the patients from this area have done well in paying their bills, especially when you consider that we have many poor people.

The workers here have recently received a new inspiration since coming into possession of our chapel across the lake, and we are grateful to the Southern Union and Florida Conference for making this possible. I feel confident that with your help and that of our loyal workers here, the future for the Walker Memorial Sanitarium and Hospital is bright, and we have every reason to anticipate that many souls from this area will join our ranks under the blessings and guidance of God.

## MANAGER'S REPORT

By H. M. BALDWIN

The Walker Memorial Sanitarium and Hospital has completed its first year of operation and is now one year old. I wish to acknowledge first the wonderful blessings of the Lord which He has so liberally bestowed upon the work and workers in this institution. We have definitely seen the guiding hand of God in the work here. We have had many problems, but with the Lord close by our sides much has been accomplished for His work.

The efforts of one individual through the Ingathering campaign made possible our enjoying this our first constituency meeting. Elder Medairy, in contacting a lawyer in Avon Park, learned of the city's plan for a hospital and was asked if the Seventh-day Adventists would be interested in operating a hospital in this area.

The local conference and union conference were contacted and the subject discussed quite thoroughly. The union committee met in the Jacaranda Hotel in February, 1947, to hear the complete case and make some decision. After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed that if it were the Lord's will that we should open a hospital in this area, He would make it possible for us to obtain the present hospital building, also that the community would raise \$150,000 to remodel and equip the institution.

Much work had to be accomplished before the building could be used as a hospital, and on October 22, 1947,

carpenters, painters, plasterers, and others began their work of renovation. The elevator shaft was made, partitions torn out, operating rooms made, delivery room and nursery, nurses' work rooms, utility and sterilizing rooms, and other facilities had to be arranged for. Floors were sanded and a new roof was added.

On January 6, 1949, we held our dedication exercises. Three high school bands from the near-by cities furnished music for the occasion. Senator Pepper was the principal speaker. Mr. Nathan Mayo unveiled the plaque in memory of Mr. Charles Walker. After the program, guided tours were conducted through the building. Approximately two thousand people were shown through at that time. Our remodeling was far from being completed then, and we were unable to show the third floor.

On January 18 we received our first patient, Mr. William White from Washington, D.C. Our first few patients were admitted under various handicaps. The elevator had not been installed. Carpenters were still hammering, there was plaster under foot, and floor sanders were grinding. We had no hydrotherapy department. However, the patients all seemed to be well pleased with the services rendered. The response of our local patients has been most gratifying, and we feel that many seeds of truth have been sown in this community, and they have all seemed to appreciate the Christian influence here. We now have available fifty beds on the second floor. This floor is completely finished and modern in every detail. There is a well equipped operating room in the south wing of the third floor. The rest of this floor is not being used for patients. We do have, however, a few rooms equipped for transients. We are looking forward soon to the use of this floor for sanitarium guests.

We have been able to purchase through the War Assets Administration approximately \$17,000 worth of equipment. Our X-ray department is adequately equipped for diagnostic work, this equipment being obtained through surplus channels at a saving of about \$8,000. Our X-ray laboratory and out-patient departments are showing a steady financial increase. During the summer of 1948 we completed a hydrotherapy department which cost \$5,432. This figure includes charges for some work already completed in

## Camp Meeting Dates

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| Alabama-Mississippi, Meridian, Miss. ....                | May 26 to June 4 |
| Carolina, Blue Ridge, N. C. ....                         | May 29 to June 4 |
| Florida, Forest Lake Academy .....                       | June 2 to 11     |
| Georgia-Cumberland,<br>Southern Missionary College ..... | June 9 to 18     |
| Kentucky-Tennessee, Highland Academy .....               | June 16 to 25    |
| South Atlantic, Jacksonville, Florida .....              | June 2 to 11     |
| South Central, Oakwood College .....                     | May 26 to June 4 |

### PLAN FOR CAMP MEETING!

large areas we are not touching, and many others that we are not covering adequately. Our needs are great. We need more men, but we can't call the men because we do not have the money to pay them and support them when they arrive. Opportunities are plentiful, but the supply to fill the opportunities is a long way from being adequate, mainly because we can't afford to call some we know would come.

Some of us still remember the constant appeals for more and more funds for missions we used to have to promote back in America. Once having been out here, however, we have learned that those appeals for funds are toned down to the absolute minimum—yes, even less than the minimum, before they are passed on. We don't ask for more than we need. In fact, we don't ask for what we really do need, because we know we can't have even the bare essentials in many cases. Anything our people can do during this coming quarter to assist the Southern African Division will be much appreciated.

We greatly appreciated your Elder V. G. Anderson's visit out here. In connection with Elder Read, we had a very fine combination which was a real blessing to the work of the Southern African Division.

in actual promotion, or for your per-

I hope this letter will give you something you can use in your promotion of the next quarter's work. It must be hard to promote mission giving from just the stories that come out this will be of any value to you, either in the *Missions Quarterly*. If any of

sonal interest, I shall feel that something good has been accomplished.

Very cordially yours,  
EDWARD A. TRUMPER

"No one can give place in his own heart and life for the stream of God's blessing to flow to others, without receiving in himself a rich reward."

"If you cling to self, refusing to yield your will to God, you are choosing death."

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May 8—"Free Grace."

May 15—"Man, What a Chance!"

### ONE MILLION FROM ONE

Five thousand people were hungry. For the most of the day they had listened to the words of Jesus, and as it was a desert place they could not buy food. The Saviour looked over the great throng, and He was moved with compassion toward them. As the sun was setting, the disciples suggested that He dismiss the multitude so that they might try to find something to eat.

Jesus said, "They need not depart; give ye them to eat."

"We have here but five loaves and two fishes," said the disciples in dismay.

"Bring them hither to Me," said Jesus. Then the Saviour commanded the multitude of people to sit down. He took the five loaves of bread and the two small fishes and blessed and brake them and gave them to the disciples. The disciples took the food and began to pass it out to the people. Then an amazing thing happened. As they carried the food and passed it out to the multitude, there was always more in the basket. As they passed on to each group sitting on the grass, the disciples found that they had an abundance of food. Everyone had all he could eat, and when the meal was finished the disciples gathered up twelve baskets full of fragments.

The Saviour multiplied those loaves and fishes to care for the physical needs of approximately twelve thousand people. In that desert place, He spoke to one of the largest congregations that ever heard Him. Christ multiplied the bread to care for the material needs of that great concourse of people, but this miracle was symbolic of His power to give the bread of life to all who will partake of it. He was teaching the people that the Bread which came down from heaven was for their benefit, for He said, "I am the bread of life." John 6:35.

In this miracle of the five loaves and two fishes, there is an illuminating lesson for us today. It was indeed a mighty miracle, but according to Christ's own words, His followers would do greater works than that. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father." John 14:12.

*And that very thing is happening today!*

What a feeling of awe must have gripped the hearts of the disciples as the loaves and fishes were miraculously broken into thousands of pieces, but think of what takes place every Sunday when The Voice of Prophecy sermon is sent out over the network of radio stations! That one sermon is instantaneously divided, not into twenty thousand parts, but into millions of parts. It comes from hundreds of thousands of receiving sets in homes, hotels, busses, and automobiles, telling the listeners of Christ, the Bread of Life.



Walker Memorial Sanitarium Constituency Meeting

the second hydrotherapy department. This is a very busy department, and they are working under adverse conditions trying to care for the needs of both men and women in one department.

We have had unusually fine comments from our guests relative to the products of our culinary department. Miss Tavoukdjian, in charge of the dietetic work, and Mr. Schmidt, our steward, with their co-workers, are doing excellent work with the inadequate kitchen set-up they have at present.

Since the beginning of this institution, we have all felt the necessity of obtaining the large building across the lake. The many prayers of our constituency have been answered. We secured this edifice at the close of 1948 and are now in the process of reconditioning it for use as chapel, church school, and recreational purposes, and a limited amount of housing. Thinking of our needs for the future, we cannot over-emphasize the urgency of completing during the summer months our second hydrotherapy and also the electrotherapy department. Inasmuch as nothing has been done in the culinary department, we feel that for more efficiency and better working facilities it is urgent that we give prompt attention to this department.

The housing of our employees has been a definite problem, and it has only been through the consecrated, pioneering spirit of our faithful

workers that we have been able to cope with the situation during the past year. Although we have such a splendid building as the annex, it is inadequately arranged for the number of families now living there. Therefore it is necessary that we plan definitely for the near future the remodeling of adequate apartments in this building. We have a fine family of forty-two employees, one which is unsurpassed in loyal, faithful devotion to the Lord's work. In closing this report, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all my fellow workers for their untiring efforts and devotion to service in support of this new institution.

### *A Picture of the Needs*

(Since we are studying the needs of the Southern African Division this quarter, to which the overflow from the next Thirteenth Sabbath Offering will go, we felt that many people would like to read this thrilling letter which comes from the pen of a missionary in that field. R. H. Wentland.)

Solusi Mission Training School  
Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia, Africa

February 20, 1949

Dear Elder Wentland:

Probably you have long ago forgotten the Trumpers of Michigan, but we have not forgotten you. We have had many occasions in the past few

years to remember some of the counsel you gave us when you took us back into the little room after the farewell for us at the Michigan camp meeting. How different is the mission setup from that of the conference setup with which we had experience back in the States! One could hardly believe the difference until he has experienced it for himself.

Recently I was asked to write you in time for you to make use of any material you might think usable in promotion of the second quarter's Sabbath school offerings. Isn't it strange that I should be asked to write to you, for I don't think there is a soul over here who knows that we know each other?

What I write will have to be very largely limited to the Zambesi Union, for I have had very little experience elsewhere.

Our work in the Caprivi Strip isn't going very well because of the strong prejudice of the local administration which is strongly Catholic. In fact, we were forced to close our Katima-Malilo Mission, and the Catholics are now operating on the same site. Elder P. W. Willmore and I made a difficult trip through the area last August and found our people still faithful, though very much in need of shepherding, which we are unable to give them at present. I am happy to tell you, however, that we are making strong plans to get natives located on the borders so they will have only to cross the Chobe River to get in touch with our needy and faithful brethren there. There must be some good to come from the present situation there, and it may be that the Lord will remove the present administration in His own good time.

It is of interest that I am now scheduled to hold a large effort at Ruia in June. A worker in Africa has to work for the results he gets, the same as one in America—only there is more work and there are fewer workers to do the work!

Far to the south in Bechuanaland is our Kanye Medical Mission. We do a strong medical work there, but the religious work is difficult in the extreme. I was there during September and October, holding a large evangelistic effort.

You see, Elder Wentland, we have a very extensive work in the Zambesi Union Mission, but there are still

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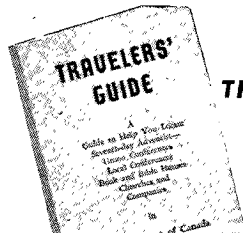
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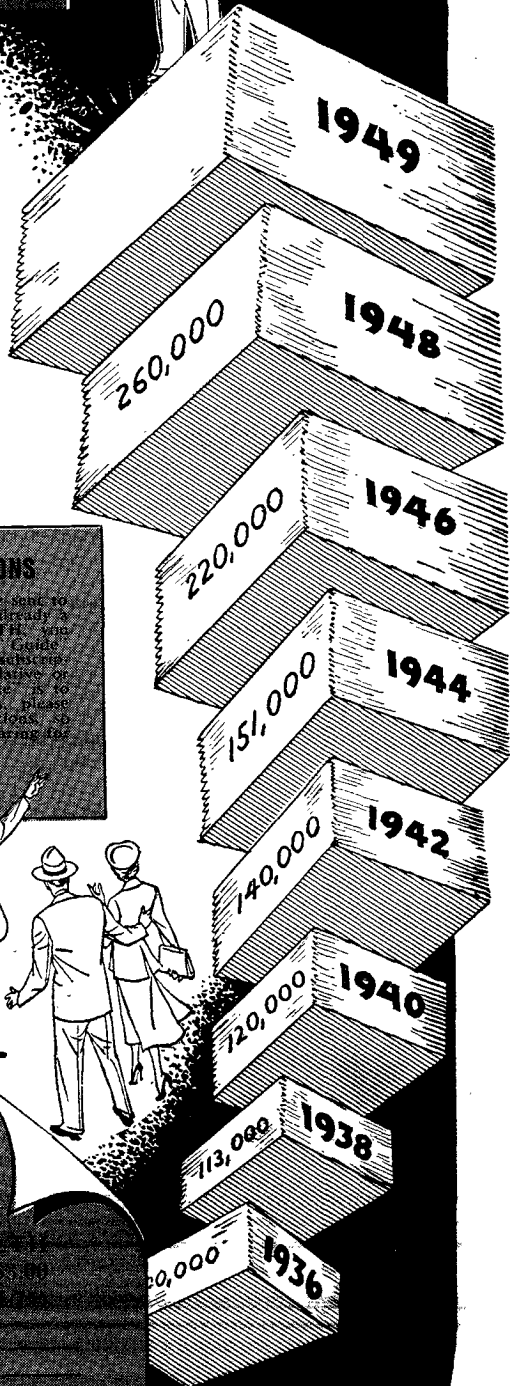
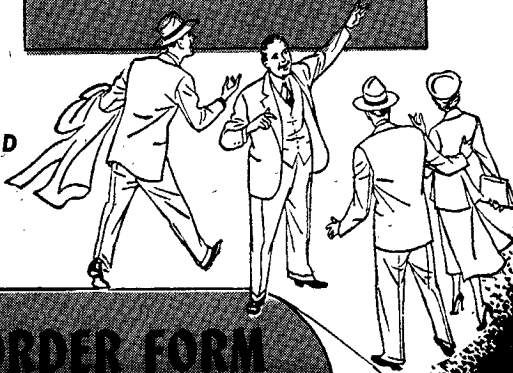
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By T. W. STEEN,

*Director of the Summer Session*

Everything at Collegedale is going forward these days. Some of these activities are directed toward the next school year, as for example the sub-surface work on the new science building and the engagement of additional members of the teaching staff.

But one big project now under way on the campus is the preparation for the 1949 summer session. Class work will begin on June 22 and close on August 23. These nine weeks are the equivalent of exactly one half of a regular semester. Classes meet twice as often in the summer so that a full semester's work is completed in each course. In several courses the classes will meet four times as often as during the regular session, and in these cases a full year's program will be completed.

Twenty members of the regular college faculty are being retained for the summer session, and over thirty courses are being offered. The library will be in a position to provide much individual assistance as well as its regular services, and both the Student

Counseling Service and the Health Service offices will function as usual.

Nearly every teaching department will have something to offer, and some will provide several unusually attractive courses. In the Division of Education and Psychology classes will be taught in both Child Psychology and Educational Psychology, Tests and Measurements, Principles of Education, Educational Administration, Elementary School Subjects, Elementary Arts, Crafts, and Geography of a Continent will also be offered.

The Division of Natural Science is offering such courses as General Biology, Anatomy and Physiology, Nature Study, Plant Pathology, Health Principles, Pre-Nursing Chemistry, College Algebra, Trigonometry, and Calculus.

Various other courses in Bible, history, English, and music are also being provided for.

As a special feature of the teacher education program the primary school will provide a six-weeks' session, which will begin two weeks after the opening of the summer session.

A summer school catalog is now ready for distribution. A large number of applications have already been received. Rooms are still available, but application should be made as soon as possible. We anticipate a larger enrollment for the summer session than at any time heretofore. A cordial welcome awaits all prospective members of the summer session.

## Alabama-Mississippi

Box 1311, Meridian, Mississippi  
H. J. Capman, President  
M. J. Harvey, Secretary-Treasurer  
Make wills and legacies to the Alabama Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, Incorporated.

### COME TO CAMP MEETING

Among the guest speakers who will visit the Meridian camp meeting will be Elder D. A. Delafield, assistant editor of the *Review and Herald*. For several years Elder Delafield was associated with the Voice of Prophecy group. Writing about his experience while serving in the mission field, Elder Delafield says:

"I am at your service, Elder Capman, prepared to cooperate with you in any way that I can to make the meetings helpful to the people and to bring about a camp meeting revival. Mrs. Delafield and our two small chil-

dren, Corinne, aged ten, and Bobby, aged eight, will accompany me, and I am sure Mrs. Delafield would be happy to tell mission stories to the kindergarten, primary, and junior children. We spent six years in the Hawaiian Islands and were there at the time Pearl Harbor was bombed on December 7, 1941. In fact, I was broadcasting on the radio at the time. That is ancient history now, however, but the mission experience may prove helpful to the folk. Mrs. Delafield wants to do what she can to help, at least as far as telling stories is concerned."

We have requested Brother Delafield to show pictures of the mission field and tell these thrilling stories of the Pearl Harbor bombing.

Come to camp meeting from May 26 to June 4.

H. J. CAPMAN, *President*

### MUSCLE SHOALS DISTRICT

The Muscle Shoals district comprises the tri-cities of Florence, Sheffield, and Tuscumbia, located on the banks of the Tennessee River flowing westward across northern Alabama. There are numerous cities and towns in this area where we have no established work. Also in the rural areas there are many people who have become interested in present truth by means of the Voice of Prophecy, the Twentieth Century Bible School, and the colporteur work. About sixty persons scattered throughout this district have expressed their desire to live for God and keep all His commandments. Twelve of these interested ones have been baptized, and others will be baptized soon.

The new church building at Sheffield will soon be completed, and we plan to have a church school next September.

The colporteur work is going forward with Brother Bert Benson finding more interested people who desire Bible lessons. Pray for the work of God to advance here in northwest Alabama. E. L. MARLEY,

*District Superintendent*

### NEWS NOTES

★ The summer season is already attracting colporteurs to our territory. Brother Morris Barringer began his colporteur ministry in Crenshaw County on May 1.



1949 CAMP MEETING ORDER BLANK

★ Elder H. J. Capman spoke three times in the Gulfport, Mississippi, church on Friday night and Sabbath, April 22 and 23. The Sabbath afternoon sermon was titled "The Nail that Jesus Drove." It was of special interest to the members of the Missionary Volunteer Society.

★ Elder W. L. Mazart and his building committee deserve commendation for the rapid progress in evidence on the new Government Street Seventh-day Adventist church in Mobile, Alabama. Contractor Nass is doing very acceptable as well as economical construction work, which should be completed by September. The glass windows and doors are being installed, and the plastering will soon be finished. Elder H. J. Capman, and Brother M. J. Harvey, conference treasurer, inspected the building on April 19.

★ Elders H. J. Capman and L. D. Pratt spent Sabbath, April 30, with the believers in Panama City, Florida. On Sunday, May 1, the Gulf Shores Dorcas Federation meeting was conducted in the Panama City church.

★ Come to the Meridian camp meeting in Cameron Grove from May 26 to June 4. This old-fashioned, all-tent camp meeting will be an occasion of good fellowship where one can meet old-timers and acquaintances of yesteryear. Pray for the spiritual uplift of every family who attends.

★ About ten auto loads of young people from the various churches of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference visited Southern Missionary College on April 24 and 25. They report a very interesting visit on the occasion of College Day.

**Florida**

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**PREPARATION FOR  
 CAMP MEETING—  
 SPIRITUAL AND PHYSICAL**

As these words are read, very definite preparations will be under way to care properly for the many detailed arrangements for the annual camp meeting from June 2 to 12 on the Forest Lake Academy grounds.

The physical preparation is needful and important, such as the pitching of

Locating Committee  
 Florida Conference  
 Box 1313  
 Orlando, Florida  
 Brethren:

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please make the following reservations for me for the 1949 camp meeting at Forest Lake Academy:

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| _____ Room in Boys' / Girls' Dormitory (\$10.00 to \$15.00 dependent on location and accommodations—equipment extra) ..... | \$ _____ |
| _____ 12x14 tent, not floored, \$5.00 each .....   | \$ _____ |
| _____ 12x14 tent, floored, \$7.50 each .....   | \$ _____ |
| _____ Cots, \$1.00 each .....  | \$ _____ |
| _____ Pads, \$.50 each .....   | \$ _____ |
| _____ Chairs, \$.25 each .....   | \$ _____ |
| _____ Shelf for tent, \$1.00 .....   | \$ _____ |
| _____ Electricity for tent, \$1.00 .....   | \$ _____ |
| _____ Trailer space including electricity, \$5.00 .....  | \$ _____ |

Tables are not available.

TOTAL CHARGE .....

Deposit enclosed .....

A deposit of 50% of the total order should accompany each reservation.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor \_\_\_\_\_

tents, and so on, but above all else, the spiritual preparation must receive first consideration.

"I have been shown that some of our camp meetings are far from being what the Lord designed they should be. The people come unprepared for the visitation of God's Holy Spirit. . . While preparing for the meeting, each individual should closely and critically examine his own heart before God. . . Humble yourselves before God, and make an earnest effort to empty the soul temple of all rubbish,—all envyings, all jealousies, all suspicions, all fault-findings. . . Here is a work for the families to engage in before coming up to our holy convocations. Let the preparation for eating and dressing be a secondary matter, but let deep heart-searching commence at home. Pray three times a day. . . I have been shown that for the want of this preparation these yearly meetings have

accomplished but little."—*Testimonies*, Volume V, pages 162-165.

"Would that I could impress upon ministers and people the necessity of a deeper work of grace in the heart, and more thorough preparation to enter into the spirit and labor of our camp meetings, that they may receive the greatest possible benefit from these meetings. These yearly gatherings may be seasons of special blessings, or they may be a great injury to spirituality. Which shall they be to you, dear reader? It remains for each to decide for himself."—*Testimonies*, Volume V, page 167.

These are solemn words of counsel and admonition which should be heeded. Plan to be with us at our camp meeting this year, prepared to enjoy the afforded blessings. We are looking for your order for accommodations.

W. F. MILLER

# Carolina Camp Meeting

May 29 to June 4, 1949

Blue Ridge Assembly

Blue Ridge, North Carolina

We are looking forward to the best camp meeting in the history of the conference. Start planning now to be present at the first meeting on May 29, 1949, at 7:45 P. M., and plan to stay and enjoy every meeting to and including the last night meeting on June 4, 1949, at 7:45 P.M. We are sure it will be a spiritual feast for all.

## CONCERNING ROOMS

1. A ten dollar deposit is required for each room desired reserved.
2. Please give us two choices for rooms. We will do our best to accommodate you.
3. Again this year we are reserving types of rooms instead of a certain number of a room. *For Example:* Lee Hall, room without bath, or room for three, no bath, etc.
4. Notification of a room reservation and receipt for your deposit will be sent back to you in plenty of time before leaving for camp meeting.
5. *No cooking in rooms permitted.*
6. THE FIRST FLOORS OF THE BUILDINGS ARE RESERVED FOR THE AGED AND THOSE UNDER MEDICAL CARE.
7. If you desire a COT IN YOUR ROOM, please bring the cot and the linens and blankets for it.
8. Rooms with private baths will not be available for very many. Only about one room in twenty-five has a private bath.

We expect a full attendance this year, so make reservations promptly.

SABBATH MEALS—Tickets can be purchased by mail now before camp meeting, or at camp meeting Friday afternoon.

*Meals will be served for those with tickets only.*

Price for each ticket— \$.50

Send your orders and cash today.

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## ORDER BLANK

I herewith enclose \$10.00, for which please reserve for me the following:

|                |  |         | 1st choice | 2nd choice |
|----------------|--|---------|------------|------------|
| LEE HALL       | Rooms with private bath, (for two people)        | \$20.00 | _____      | _____      |
|                | Rooms without private bath, (for two people)     | 11.00   | _____      | _____      |
|                | Rooms without private bath, (for 2 and 3 people) | 13.00   | _____      | _____      |
| ABBOTT HALL    | Rooms with private bath                          | 18.00   | _____      | _____      |
|                | Rooms with connecting bath                       | 16.00   | _____      | _____      |
| ASHEVILLE HALL | Rooms for three with private bath, cloak room    | 21.00   | _____      | _____      |
|                | Rooms for two without bath                       | 10.00   | _____      | _____      |

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

*Please send all room reservations and orders for meal tickets to:*

CAMP MEETING  
BOX 930  
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

## COLPORTEUR EVANGELISM IN FLORIDA

1949 is proving to be a successful year in the literature ministry here in the Florida Conference. In days gone by many of our colporteurs migrated to the North in the springtime, which left our colporteur ranks very low during the summer months. Now it appears that the situation has changed. The constituency of the Florida Conference realize that there are many more people staying here in the summertime than there were a few years ago. We have more colporteur evangelists at the present time than at any other time during 1949.

Brother George Sisson, assistant publishing department secretary, visited our church in Winter Haven last Sabbath. In talking with one of our new colporteur evangelists, who has been in the work only about three weeks, he learned that this colporteur had taken orders exceeding \$170 in a week. The reason this experience is cited is because of the fact that Winter Haven is one of the places where tourists come for the winter, and it is in the citrus belt. Probably the employment is just about as low now as it will be at any time during the summer, and yet Brother L. Wynn, our colporteur evangelist, is doing very well in Winter Haven.

We are happy that these regular colporteurs are planning to stay by for the summer. In addition, we will have a good number of students in the field. Our goal for the conference in 1949 is \$70,000 in deliveries and one hundred souls won to the message.

The messengers of the Lord who are carrying the printed pages are gaining a rich experience while they are enjoying their work. The colporteurs in Florida have already delivered more books thus far this year than was delivered during the first six months of 1948. This great work is on the upward climb and no man can stop it. We are convinced now that God will use the colporteur evangelist to spread the good tidings in Florida, that soon we may see a great revival and many precious souls won to the truth.

If you are interested in the colporteur work here in Florida, please drop a letter or a postal card in the mail today expressing your desire

C. L. WILBER,  
*Publishing Department Secretary*

## SEEKERS AFTER TRUTH FOUND

Some of the churches of the conference have been distributing the Twentieth Century Bible Correspondence School cards to every home in the cities and towns and mailing them to every boxholder in the county. Consequently, our school has been growing rapidly. Many people in Florida are quietly studying their Bibles in their homes, and it is becoming a new book to them, as is made clear in the following expressions from students of the school.

One lady told us that she had already learned more in the four lessons than she had in thirty-five years of going to church and Sunday school. She said, "I'm so anxious for the lessons to come that I can hardly wait for each mail." She is already attending church and prayer meeting and said she wanted to be baptized soon.

Another has written, "I took it for granted that Sunday was another name for the Sabbath, and I have lived sixty-five years in ignorance. . . . Why don't the churches do something about it, I wonder. I am going to keep the seventh day as much as I am able and should like to join with the Seventh-day Adventists who believe in the Sabbath."

One says: "I want to be honest with you; I am a backslider from the fold of the Lord, for which I am sorry. I was reared from a child to know the truth. Deep down in my heart I long for it back. I want to forsake my wicked ways and evil thoughts. . . . I pray for victory over every sin. I am ashamed of my stubborn, wicked ways. Please pray for me."

Others of our students are praying and preparing for baptism. There are seekers after truth everywhere, and the Twentieth Century Bible Correspondence Course is a wonderful way of finding them. We are seeing some results now but only a foretaste of what we shall see eventually when the Spirit of God is poured out in the latter rain.

We are suggesting that every church distribute the cards to every home in its city and to every boxholder in the county. Write for the cards today, and you will see results eventually.

S. S. WILL,  
*Home Missionary Secretary*

## Georgia-Cumberland

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R. S. Blackburn, Secretary-Treasurer

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## MORRISTOWN CHURCH DEDICATION

Sabbath, April 16, was a high day in the experience of the Morristown, Tennessee, church, for at that time their building was dedicated to the service of the Lord.

Elder V. G. Anderson, president of the Southern Union Conference, delivered the dedicatory sermon, and Elder I. M. Evans, president of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, offered the dedicatory prayer. Other ministers present included: Elder A. J. Hirsch of the Johnson City district, Elder J. A. Dewald of the Knoxville district, Elder A. D. McKee, former pastor of the Morristown church, and Elder L. E. Wellman of Elizabethton, Tennessee, who is the father of the present district leader. Brother R. S. Blackburn, Brother R. L. Chamberlain, and Brother C. D. Wellman, the district superintendent, were also present. We enjoyed the special music provided by Sister V. G. Anderson and by Elder A. D. McKee. The church was filled to capacity.

We feel confident that the dedication of this building, together with the renewed consecration of the leaders and laity, means a step forward in strengthening the work in this part of the field.

The accompanying article, presented by Mrs. E. E. Goforth, tells of the beginning and development of our work in Morristown, where we now have a good number of believers carrying forward in a strong way.

I. M. EVANS

## MORRISTOWN CHURCH HISTORY

In the summer of 1925 Elder E. W. Wolfe held a series of tent meetings in this city, at the close of which he organized the Morristown Seventh-day Adventist church. For some time our believers met in the upper room of a store building on the corner of Jackson and Third North Street. After Elder Wolfe left, Brother Washburn came to care for the work of the church. Brethren Davis and Spurgeon

also did much to help the church during these early days.

It was not long after this that the board of the Episcopal church gave us permission to use their church for our meetings, which favor we enjoyed for a number of years. During these years various ministers from Knoxville, Kingsport, and Greeneville assisted with our services. Among these were: Elders V. B. Watts, Robert G. Strickland, B. F. Kneeland, and J. S. Jameson.

In 1936 Elder P. E. Scoggins held another tent meeting, and a need for a church of our own became greater. Under the leadership of Elder J. R. Perkins, church building plans began to develop. Through the kindness of Mr. John McKinney we received the lot to the west of our church, and we purchased the one upon which it stands. On November 30, 1940, Elder R. I. Keate, then president of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, met with the members of the Morristown church to draw up definite plans for the erection of a church building.

With the plans thus in hand, the members went to work. Brother Mike Purkey donated the timber, and Brother E. E. Goforth and his sons cut it and hauled it to the mill to be made into lumber. Then, through the faithful labors of Brother E. R. Swain, Brother E. E. Goforth, and others, the church became a reality.

For a time Elder W. E. Lanier, and later Elder O. D. Cardey, served the Morristown church, and in the summer of 1941 Elder Stanley Harris held a series of meetings in the city. Following Elder Harris, Elder A. D. McKee served the church as pastor from 1942 to 1946. Since that time, Brother C. D. Wellman has been acting in this capacity.

To each of the men and women who have labored through the years to build up the Morristown church, the present membership wishes to offer the deepest expression of gratitude. We desire to renew our consecration to Him for Whose glory this building has been erected and to uphold the standards of His kingdom that His name may ever be glorified through us

MRS. E. E. GOFORTH

## FROM THE 20TH CENTURY BIBLE COURSE MAIL BAG

Thinking the readers of the SOUTHERN TIDINGS might be interested in some of the things the Twentieth

## Key to Success

For many years there has been a crying need for a handbook of up-to-date teaching methods and general plans for the successful conduct of cradle roll and kindergarten divisions in our Sabbath schools. We consider ourselves fortunate in being able to recommend to all those interested in the cradle roll and kindergarten divisions the excellent book, "Those Tiny Tots." We confidentially believe that "Those Tiny Tots" will effect an immediate and perceptible improvement in every Sabbath school where its principles are applied. See that your Sabbath school is supplied with "Those Tiny Tots" for the teachers. Price \$3.50.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE

Box 4929

Atlanta, Georgia

Century Bible School is accomplishing in our field, we are listing below excerpts from a few of the many letters which reach our office daily:

"This Bible Course has meant more to me than going to church, because I have had it to study every day. It has taught me many things I did not know. It has taught me about the holy Sabbath. I am so thankful to God that I found this wonderful way of God's message."—*Oak Park, Georgia.*

"Until I started this course. I knew so little about the Bible. Now I realize there are many things we must do in order to live God's way."—*Savannah, Georgia.*

"I am so happy that I have learned which day is the Sabbath."—*Griffin, Georgia.*

"I am so proud of this knowledge of God and of my instruction through the Twentieth Century Bible Course. I once liked pork, coffee, and tea. I have kept the wrong day, but now I know that the seventh day is the day that God blessed, and I expect to keep it the rest of my life. Please pray for me."—*Sgt. .... (Enrolled through the Ingathering Magazine.)*

"I have enjoyed the lessons very much. The course has opened my eyes and made the Bible very plain to me. I am the wife of a poor man and have no way to reach a Sabbath-keeping church. I know that it is God's will for me to keep the Sabbath

or I would not be under such deep conviction."—*Valdosta District.*

Why not pass out some Twentieth Century enrollment cards today? Those who take the course as a result of your efforts may be just as appreciative and interested in present truth as those whose experiences are listed above.

## NEWS NOTES

★ Elder V. W. Esquilla, our conference home missionary secretary, was a welcome visitor at the Wildwood, Georgia, church on Sabbath, April 16, and reports having had a profitable meeting. The following day he joined members of the Wildwood church in an Ingathering field program which netted over \$60 from visits to rural homes.

★ Wildwood is to be commended for the six branch Sabbath schools being conducted by the laymen of their church. These schools are held at Jasper, Tennessee, where fifteen are in attendance; at New England, Georgia, with eleven; at Morganville, Georgia, with thirteen; at Elmo (a suburb of Chattanooga), Tennessee, where fourteen attend regularly; at Wauhatchie, Georgia, where fourteen attend; and at Lookout Mountain, Tennessee, where twenty-eight worship. Surely this is missionary work of the highest order, and this parent Sabbath school will in the near future be instrumental in organizing several new churches.

★ Members at Chattanooga, Tennes-

see, and Atlanta, Georgia, welcomed guest speakers on Sabbath, April 23. Elder C. A. Scriven, president of the North Pacific Union Conference, delivered the sermon in Chattanooga; Elder R. H. Wentland, home missionary and Sabbath school secretary of the Southern Union Conference, spoke at the Atlanta Beverly Road church; and Elder J. M. Cox, extension and publicity secretary of the Southern Union Conference, preached in the Atlanta First Church.

★ Plans are being laid for the dedication of the recently completed Pleasant Gap church, about eight miles from Ellijay, Georgia. We trust a good number of friends from nearby churches and districts can be present for the all-day meeting to be held there on May 21.

**AMATEUR RADIO BRINGS DIRECT MISSION REPORTS TO ATLANTA**

Members of the Atlanta Beverly Road Missionary Volunteer society and Sabbath school had the privilege of listening to direct reports from the mission field via amateur radio on April 8 and 9.

The young people's meeting on Friday night, April 8, consisted of two direct contacts between Dr. George Tolhurst, W4GOS, at the Beverly Road church, and Dr. Clarence McCleary, YN4SDA, who is a self-supporting medical missionary in Nicaragua; and Octavian Socol, OA4CG, who is a medical technician at the clinic and hospital in Lima, Peru.

Dr. McCleary told of the great need in his field, along with the great satisfaction that comes with service rendered. He also told of the happiness of the native population when they realize they have been cured of malaria and other dread diseases by medicine which he gives them. His efforts are being followed with interest by all his friends and classmates. Dr. McCleary is of the class of '48 of C. M. E., as is Dr. Tolhurst, who arranged the contact.

Brother Socol told of the work in Lima and of our fast-growing medical institution there. Both he and Dr. McCleary stressed the immediate need of a self-sacrificing nurse to come and help them. Lima will also soon need

another doctor to help care for the increasing number of patients.

On Sabbath morning, April 9, the mission story came direct from the mission field, when our members again heard from OA4CG in Lima and from Dr. Edward Zerne, U.S. Army, C. M. E. Class of '47, who is now stationed in the Panama Canal Zone. He gave a brief summary of the needs in Panama and a report of our work there. This contact was made possible through XZ5FL, Frank Lerchin, an engineer of the Panama Canal Zone.

The efforts of Dr. Rollin Mallernee, who constructed a special type antenna for the occasion, and Dr. Tolhurst, who brought his amateur radio equipment to the church, were rewarded with exceptionally clear reception, which seemed to bring the missionaries right into the Sabbath school room.

This is only the second known time such a program has been given, the first having been presented last year at the Beverly Road church by W4GOS in contact with Elder Alvin J. Stewart, head of the Nicaraguan Mission.

It is the desire of those who presented the program that more missionaries and prospective missionaries will see the advantages which may be derived from amateur radio. This has been realized by the medical school, which has established an amateur station in the alumni office in Los Angeles to contact workers in all corners of the world.

**Kentucky-Tennessee**

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 C. W. Higgins, Secretary-Treasurer

Make wills and legacies to the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, Incorporated.

**"REVIEW AND HERALD"**

Are you reading the *Review and Herald*? The publishers have just announced that during the month of May a special price will be offered to all those who would like to subscribe or renew their subscription at a saving of fifty cents. The regular price is \$3.75; the special price is \$3.25.

No Seventh-day Adventist can afford to be without the wonderful instruction contained in our church paper. Send your order to the Book and Bible House and take advantage of this saving.  
 J. O. MARSH

**NEWS NOTES**

★ On the evening of April 15 an inspiring Investiture service was held in the Memphis church. Five were invested as Master Comrades, one Companion, and ten Friends. Mrs. M. F. Denslow has done good work in preparing these young people for the various classes.

★ Elder H. S. Hanson, educational secretary of the Southern Union, in the company of Elder E. J. Baines, visited the church schools at Stearns, Lexington, Ashland, Covington, Peewee Valley, Louisville, and Fountain Head. This is the first time Elder Hanson has been in this part of our conference.

**TWENTIETH CENTURY BIBLE SCHOOL**

Your Twentieth Century Bible School is reaching out in the highways and byways searching for those who want to know their Saviour better. At the end of the first quarter this year, we have over 2,100 active students, with literally hundreds of students enrolling each month. Truly, the Lord is blessing the Bible School.

Here is what one of our faithful colporteurs, Jim Brummett, had to say after he visited a Twentieth Century interest: "I think the Twentieth Century Course is doing wonders in helping to finish this work."

Won't you remember the school in your devotions, and carry some of our enrollment cards with you at all times to pass along to those you meet who are interested in becoming better acquainted with Christ?

DON A. SCHLINKERT

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| Previously reported .....      | \$7,728 83        |
| Paris Church .....             | 1.65              |
| Lawrenceburg San. Church ..... | 3.76              |
| Elizabethtown Church .....     | 1.60              |
| Lexington Church .....         | 8.80              |
| Lawrenceburg, Ky. Church ..... | 7.65              |
| Powder Mill Hill Church .....  | 4.52              |
| Bordeaux Church .....          | 8.66              |
| Madison Church .....           | 1.20              |
| Shelbyville Company .....      | 5.51              |
| Mrs. Arnold Levy .....         | 1.00              |
| Mrs. Anna Marple .....         | 1.00              |
| Gene McCray .....              | 20.00             |
| Mrs. W. G. People .....        | 1.00              |
| Mrs. Val House .....           | 5.00              |
| Mrs. M. Dickerson .....        | 5.00              |
| Mrs. Ora Ford .....            | 1.00              |
| Springville Church .....       | 1.30              |
| Mrs. Stanley Shoemaker .....   | 2.00              |
| Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Neal .....  | 3.45              |
| Edith Frost .....              | 9.99              |
| J. B. Myers .....              | 10.00             |
| <b>TOTAL .....</b>             | <b>\$7,832.99</b> |

## M. V. ASSOCIATION

On April 16 the M.V. Association of the Western Tennessee area met at the Memphis church, with Mrs. Kathryn King leading out. There were representatives from the churches at Leach, Jackson, Dyersburg, and Memphis.

The new association officers elected are: president, Mrs. H. B. Boyd of Memphis; vice-president, Mr. Norman Sorrell of Dyersburg; secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Hancock of Jackson.

The theme of the meeting was "Share Your Faith" with neighbors, friends, and strangers. Elder E. J. Barnes asked the audience, especially young people, whether they would not like to have part in a "Share Your Faith" clinic, which he organized. Elder R. H. Hartwell, pastor of the Memphis church, had the territory all ready. There were forty-three who participated in this new adventure of knocking on doors, presenting the Voice of Prophecy radio logs and Bible Course, and where possible praying with the people in their homes. Following the clinic, the vesper service was an experience meeting. It was a thrill to hear the experiences. It was found that many had filled out applications for the Voice of Prophecy Bible Course.

Everyone felt that the day had been well spent and that we need to do more of this type of work seeking out the honest in heart. E. J. BARNES

## WHAT DOES INGATHERING MEAN TO YOU?

If we should take a cross section of the reaction of our church members to the idea of Ingathering, we would find many and varied opinions. Some seem to feel that it is all right for the other person to do it but not for them. Others go ahead and do it because they feel that it is the right thing to do, but they have a very hard time getting started and it almost hurts every time they contact other individuals. There are still others who really believe that it is not the proper thing to do—to ask others for money. On the other hand, we have all seen those among our members who get a great deal of enjoyment, and show it, from doing Ingathering work. They not only like to see the money come in to help advance the cause of God, but they like to meet people and, as

## South Atlantic's First Junior Camp

Junior Camp! How these words should thrill every boy and girl in our conference. How each heart should beat with eager anticipation as we lay preliminary plans for this great gathering of our juniors. Even though the time for our camp is many weeks away, we want you to set aside a little money each week or month and be ready when the call is given to come to Camp Whispering Pines in Carey, North Carolina, from August 28 to September 3. Application blanks have already been sent to your local elder. The number of campers that we can accept is, of course, limited, so please send in your application right away. Watch for further announcements!

F. H. Jenkins

the opportunity opens up, talk with them and endeavor to present the truth clearly. That is the type of Ingathering that really counts.

This year we have found it necessary in this conference to make contacts that have never been made before, even going out on the country roads and many of the small towns that have not been worked at all or very little in the past. It is surprising how many people have never heard of Adventists or, if they have, only in a derogatory way. As we make friends with them and let them know that we are true followers of Christ, not only their hearts but their purses will be opened to the wonderful message that we are carrying to the world.

We have now passed the half-way mark in our Ingathering endeavor this year. It is getting late. If every member will get under the load, how quickly the work can be finished. If you find that you cannot get it, then how about giving it? Our suggestion is to get the blessing that goes with getting it from your community, if at all possible. Let us put this task over within the next two or three weeks at the most. The Lord will bless us in so doing.

C. W. HIGGINS,  
*Secretary-Treasurer*

"... The vineyard is large, and the Lord is calling for laborers. Do not allow anything to keep you from the work of soul-saving. The canvassing work is a most successful way of saving souls. Will you not try it?"

## EVANGELISM (Continued)

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a knowledge of the message through contact with our institution. This accomplishment is made possible by the combined efforts of Miss Violet Larsen, the chaplain's assistant, and Elder Dwight P. Herbert, who recently came to Orlando and is giving half his time to the sanitarium as associate chaplain. Mrs. Myrtle Alexander, the social hostess, contributes in no small way to the over-all spiritual atmosphere of the sanitarium. We feel that the Lord is definitely blessing our efforts to garner in precious souls for Him. There are many who go away from our institution favorably impressed with Seventh-day Adventists and later join our ranks. Only in heaven will we know the full result of our work in this part of God's vineyard."

## South Central

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Jesus came to His disciples one day while they were fishing and said, "Come with Me, and I will make you fishers of men." They responded immediately. Today Jesus is still coming to His disciples calling them from their worldly pursuits to go into His vineyard and work, and He also said,

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**SUNSET TABLE**


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|                         | May 6 | May 13 |
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| Atlanta, Ga. ....       | 7:25  | 7:30   |
| Charlotte, N. C. ....   | 7:12  | 7:18   |
| Collegedale, Tenn. .... | 6:30  | 6:36   |
| Huntsville, Ala. ....   | 6:34  | 6:39   |
| Memphis, Tenn. ....     | 6:49  | 6:55   |
| Meridian, Miss. ....    | 6:39  | 6:44   |
| Nashville, Tenn. ....   | 6:38  | 6:44   |
| Orlando, Fla. ....      | 7:03  | 7:07   |
| Wilmington, N.C. ....   | 6:59  | 7:04   |

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"Whatsoever is right that shall ye receive." God knows the needs of each of His workers and furnishes them with power, physical strength, and temporal means so that they can be sustained while carrying on His work. This includes those who are married and supporting a family. Two of our men in South Central who delivered more than \$5,000 worth of literature last year certainly are worthy to be mentioned. Brother Odell Mackey delivered \$6,741.34, and Brother John Harris delivered \$5,647.40 during the year 1948. I am quite sure they can live out of their fifty per cent commission. Two of our women colporteurs delivered nearly \$4,000 worth of books. They are Sister Clara Nesbitt and Minnie Covan. Besides the many books the above mentioned persons have sold, they have won a number of souls to the truth. Brother John Harris is now conducting services in the Birmingham jail along with the help of other colporteurs there in the city.

Perhaps you may be impressed to take up this work of reaching souls. If so, please write to M. G. Cato, Publishing Department Secretary, South Central Conference, Box 936, Nashville, Tennessee. M. G. CATO

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**NEWS NOTES**


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★ Elder J. G. Thomas is now conducting a ten-day revival in the Greenville, Mississippi church. Sister Ella Johnson, one of the conference Bible workers, is assisting him in this meeting.

★ Elder H. R. Murphy, conference president, spoke at the Memphis church on Sabbath, April 23. Publishing secretary M. G. Cato conducted a week-end colporteur institute for two days in this church, and Elder Murphy's discourse was centered around publishing work. Other conference help included Brethren W. E. Lester, associate publishing secretary, and P. C. Winley, Book and Bible House manager; also, the local pastor, Elder

C. S. Myles. After this meeting Elder Murphy journeyed on to Mississippi, where he plans to visit some of the churches in Brother C. R. Graham's district.

★ Elder V. Lindsay, conference secretary-treasurer, was guest speaker at the Chattanooga church in the absence of the pastor on April 23.

★ Elder B. H. Ewing, home missionary secretary, is now assisting the Louisville, Kentucky, church in the Ingathering campaign.

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**The Journey's End**


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*"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." Revelation 14:13*

✓ PAGE:—Mary Elizabeth Page was born on April 3, 1862, in Missouri, and passed to her final rest on Sabbath, March 5, 1949, at the Barwick, Georgia, hospital. Sister Page accepted the third angel's message during the labors of Elder A. T. Jones in Garfield, Washington. She was a faithful child of God and did much for the propagation of the truth. Mrs. Page and her husband, who at one time served as field secretary of the Florida Conference, were among the first Seventh-day Adventists in the state of Florida. Left to mourn are six children: L. G. Page and Mrs. J. W. Paine of Barwick, Georgia; Mrs. E. P. Bradshaw of Chicago, Illinois; Mrs. Gladys Page of Baltimore, Maryland; Dr. Sam R. Page of Walla Walla, Washington; and F. J. Page of Lumber City, Georgia. Funeral services were held in the Boston, Georgia, Seventh-day Adventist church, and our sister was laid to rest in the church cemetery to await the call of the Lifegiver.

W. O. COE

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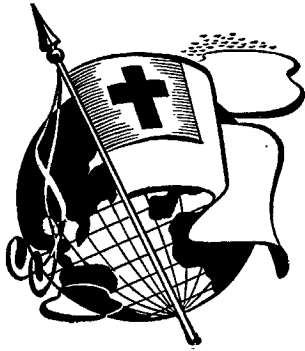

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# Evangelism

IN THE SOUTHERN UNION



## Success of "The Entering Wedge"

By V. G. ANDERSON, *President, Southern Union Conference*

AT a recent constituency meeting of the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital a very inspiring report was given by Elder F. W. Avery, the chaplain. A large group of individuals came to the microphone by twos and threes and told of their conversion. Many of these had their first contact with Seventh-day Adventists by coming to the Florida Sanitarium. These interests were followed up with Bible Studies by the chaplain or Miss Violet Larsen, the Bible instructor, who week by week visited them and invited them to church services.



Elder F. W. Avery



Miss Violet Larsen

It was truly an inspirational meeting as we saw these trophies of the cross witnessing for Christ and testifying that they had been brought to a knowledge of the truth through the medical missionary ministry.

We appreciate our medical institutions, both large and small, throughout the Southern Union. The influence of a Christian medical missionary is never forgotten, and many who have had

contact with such workers are joining the church as a result.

The following statement from Elder Avery explains the medical missionary program carried on at the Florida Sanitarium:

"Evangelism is the keynote of the day, whether out in the unentered fields, city evangelism, or in God's

institutions. We who are favored in being allowed to work in one of His medical lighthouses are endeavoring to make evangelism the outstanding factor in our sanitarium work. The accompanying picture shows a partial representation of the recent converts who, directly or indirectly, came to

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Group Won by Contact with the Florida Sanitarium. Elder Avery on extreme right; Elder Herbert and Miss Larsen on left.

Every Resource Rallied for Evangelism in 1949

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