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A Spiritual Session

By W. H. BRANSON, *President, General Conference of S.D.A.*

THE General Conference Session held at San Francisco, California, received a real visitation of the Holy Spirit of which all present were conscious. The first great spiritual blessing came during a meeting of the home and foreign officers of the General Conference which was held prior to the Conference Session.

Realizing the absolute need of a baptism of heavenly power, these brethren set aside an entire day for prayer, Bible study, and the putting away of sin, and in their seeking after God they were not disappointed. Many testified that it brought to them the most blessed and spiritual experience they had ever enjoyed. All present recognized that God had heard their pleas for help and had sent His Spirit to fill them with His holy presence.

Encouraged by this experience, the officers decided to arrange for the very first day of the General Conference Session likewise to be spent in a special effort to draw near to God. It was felt that this should be our very first work. Everything else was of secondary importance.

And what a setting it was for a revival. Representatives of God's people had gathered together from the very ends of the earth. Foreign missionaries, who had spent their lives in service in far-off lands among strange peoples, had come bringing with them nationals of those lands who, themselves, had grown into strength as leaders of the churches raised up in those countries. Never before had so many of God's people been gathered



together from so many parts of the earth. It far surpassed the situation at Pentecost when people from some

Alabama-Mississippi Conference Session

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

THE biennial constituency meeting of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference was held in the new Seventh-day Adventist church in Mobile, Alabama, on September 2 and 3 in connection with the district meeting. It was also the occasion of the dedication of the beautiful Mobile church. The nominating committee brought the following report which was unanimously accepted:

eighteen countries were present. On this occasion practically the whole earth was represented.

When a call was made for the first day of the Conference to be spent in Bible study, prayer, and fasting, the entire audience responded and unitedly they set themselves to seek the Lord. Very little business was done that first day. Only short meetings of the Conference were held, and one or two committees met for a little while in the afternoon. Most of the day was spent in the study of the Bible, confession of sin, and in seeking God for an outpouring of His Holy Spirit upon His people at this time.

Truly it was a very solemn day. Thousands of those present gained an entirely new experience with God. His presence could be felt, and all our hearts were subdued by His holy influence and power. The work of revival continued throughout the entire Session, and the two Friday evenings and Sabbaths were high days, and God's presence with His people was a very real experience to those who were present.

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President, I. M. Evans; secretary-treasurer, A. C. McKee; Book and Bible House secretary, C. L. Jacobs; assistant Book and Bible House secretary, S. W. Neece; educational and M.V. secretary, M. E. Moore; home missionary and Sabbath school secretary, L. D. Pratt; publishing department secretary, I. W. Young; assistant publishing department secretaries, J. T. Mason, Jr., W. W. Wellborn; radio



and temperance secretary, L. D. Pratt; religious liberty secretary, I. M. Evans.

The entire meeting was a great spiritual feast. Elder H. M. S. Richards and Elder E. R. Walde brought messages that greatly cheered the entire session. Elder I. M. Evans, the conference president, gave a splendid report from which we glean some important facts as follows:

"Greetings: We thank God for His manifold blessings, His loving kindness, and His tender mercies. We are ever mindful of His watch care and of His protecting providence that has been over the ministry and laity of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference.

"The building we are meeting in tonight, which we have just dedicated to the Lord free of debt, is typical of what God will do for a united people when they consecrate soul and body to the finishing of His work. The work done here in Mobile in the erection of this beautiful edifice, under the leadership of Elder W. L. Mazart, the district leader at the time, who personally helped to lay the brick, plaster the walls, and fit the woodwork, at the same time leading the church in all of its missionary endeavors, is a visible evidence of what united effort will accomplish.

"Since the major part of this biennial period covers a time when my predecessor, Elder H. J. Capman, was president of this conference and Myron Harvey was secretary-treasurer, I wish to express personally my appreciation to both of these men for the forward progressive program carried on throughout the entire conference. I wish also to express appreciation to the delegates assembled here, to all the conference employees, and to the laity for the privilege of association with you in Christian service for the Master. When Brother Harvey responded to a call from the Southern Publishing Association as book department manager, your conference committee invited Brother A. C. McKee to become secretary-treasurer. It has been the studied plan of the conference committee to keep the work of God moving forward in every department.

"The Alabama-Mississippi Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, comprising the states of Alabama, Mississippi, and ten counties in western

Florida, the portion of the state west of the Apalachicola River, was organized in 1932 and now has a white population of about 4,000,000. It is interesting to note the growth of this field since then. In 1932 we had 1,261 members. At the close of 1949 our membership was 2,554, or a net gain of 1,293 in seventeen years.

We have a net gain of eighty-nine souls for the two years ending December 31, 1949. During this biennial period our baptisms and number added by profession of faith totaled 368. Our largest effort was that held by Elder E. C. Banks in Montgomery, Alabama, where he conducted a field school of evangelism with splendid results. Our greatest need is evangelism. It is our first and most important task.

"FORWARD IN FAITH" is the goal of every conference worker, and we trust that of every believer throughout the entire conference. We trust that the work of God may grow and prosper so that our membership will soon be large enough to establish and maintain a conference academy of our own.

"At the close of 1949 we had thirty-two organized churches and twelve branch Sabbath schools. Sylacauga, Alabama, in the Birmingham district, was dedicated this past year. A beautiful new ten-grade brick school building has just been completed in Birmingham, Alabama, this year. A recreational center, forty by eighty feet, is now being added of brick and steel construction with concrete floor. The total cost of land, buildings, and furniture was about \$50,000.

"It is encouraging to note the tithing income for this conference was \$363,747.98 for the last two years, an increase of \$40,476.03 over the previous two-year period.

"The Alabama-Mississippi Conference shows a gain of more than \$13,000 in mission offerings for this biennial period and stands among the highest of all the conferences of North America in per capita giving to missions. It is evident that we believe firmly in the command of Jesus: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations." Matt. 28:19. Realizing that it takes considerable means to transport and sustain missionaries throughout the

world, our workers and constituency have given liberally both of time and means to support and advance the cause of missions. When we stand before the judge of all the earth and see the reward of the faithful, none will feel his sacrifice too great for the Master.

"As we look to the future, we are keenly conscious of the great work yet to be accomplished. With a total of 159 counties and only thirty-two organized churches, the task before us is a mighty challenge. Time is short, and a great work is yet to be done. May the great God of heaven so enlarge our vision, increase our faith, multiply our courage, and so fill us with His Holy Spirit that we will go forth as one man to finish the work committed to His church."

A SPIRITUAL SESSION

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But this visitation of God's Spirit among His people is but the beginning. It must come to His people everywhere. It must increase in power until the church in all lands is brought under its influence. Under the Spirit's power the great judgment-hour message must quickly swell into a loud cry throughout all nations of the earth. And it must come now.

This blessed experience of receiving the latter rain of God's Spirit so long promised to His church is something that all who will may enter into. It is for all the church. It is available to all who will receive it. And it is essential that without delay we lay hold of this mighty Pentecostal experience in order that we may complete our God-given task of gathering out a people from the nations.

Plans were laid by the General Conference delegation for this work of revival to be carried to all our churches throughout the world. As the division leaders return to their respective fields, they will join the local and union leaders everywhere in making this plan effective. We hope that every company of believers may be reached and that there may be a unanimous response on the part of our people in all lands to God's call to revival and a reformation of life.

When our own hearts have been re-

vived by God's Spirit, God will lay upon us a new burden to save others about us, for personal revival brings to the church a preparation for the evangelization of the world. We wish at this time to appeal earnestly to all our believers everywhere to lay plans immediately greatly to increase their efforts to win their neighbors and friends to the truth. We should double our entire church membership in the next few years. All that would be required to do this would be for

each church member to bring one person into the truth.

Can any of us do any less and still please God? And why should we not do it now, this year? Each one of us can find at least one other who needs the truth, and under the blessing and power of the Spirit of God we can bring him into the church.

May God revive us all, fill us with the power of His Holy Spirit, and send us forth to reap a rich harvest for His kingdom.

Our Task for October 7

By H. L. RUDY, *Vice-President General Conference*

Doubtless the most successful single missionary endeavor ever undertaken by us as a people is what has become known as the "Every-Home-Visitation Crusade" in the year 1950. Two visitations have already taken place. The third, and final one for the year, is to be launched throughout all of North America on Sabbath, October 7.

The great commission of Christ requires the enlarging of the area of gospel proclamation: "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled." Luke 14:23.

God has told us how this work of extending the area of preaching is to be accomplished: "This gospel missionary work is to keep reaching out and annexing new territory, enlarging the cultivated portions of the vineyard. The circle is to extend until it belts the world." — *Evangelism*, page 19.

By "enlarging the cultivated portions of the vineyard," the Lord intends that the local church should keep reaching out into all directions in its missionary activities. Every home within reach of that church is to be contacted. New groups of believers are to be raised up in the surrounding areas until all the available territory has been thoroughly evangelized. No homes and no communities are to be skipped. Like the plowman turning the soil of his field, leaving no part unturned, the workman for God is to go forth from house to house giving the gospel invitation to all the people.

This work is to be done by the members of the church. It is the kind of work in which every member of the church can and should participate. All who are truly converted and in whose hearts the love of God

dwells are to proclaim the message of salvation through faith in Christ.

"Whatever one's calling in life, his first interest should be to win souls for Christ." "All can do something in the work. None will be pronounced guiltless before God, unless they have worked earnestly and unselfishly for the salvation of souls." — *Testimonies*, Volume V, page 395. In the Gospel we read: "The Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work." Mark 13:34. "To every one work has been allotted, and no one can be a substitute for another." — *Review and Herald*, December 12, 1893.

The "Every-Home-Visitation Crusade" constitutes a concerted effort to carry out Christ's plan for the church

to become acquainted with the needs of every family in the neighborhood, bringing the truth into the homes, praying with the people and opening the word of God to them.

This type of missionary work will serve to bring quickly the last warning message to the world. It will also bring a real, lasting blessing to all who participate, for we are told that "The spiritual faculties will grow weak and die if they are not exercised in winning souls to Christ." — *Testimonies*, Volume IX, page 106. We are also told that "Truth that is not lived, that is not imparted to others, loses its life-giving power, its healing virtue." — *Testimonies*, Volume VIII, page 47.

The two previous visitations of this North-American-wide Crusade have brought many rich blessings to all participants, besides bringing much joy and hope to the millions of people who were visited. It is hoped that another 2,000,000 homes will be contacted on October 7, and that on this day thousands of people will be led to study God's truth for these last days. The success of this great, concerted effort will be measured largely by the number of our people participating in it. If we give ourselves on this day, by providing the hands and feet, the hearts and mouthpieces, as channels of blessing, God will surely crown our united efforts with abundant success.

Tahiti -- Society Islands -- An Urgent Need

By A. G. STEWART, *Editor, Australasian Record*

Come with me to the beautiful island of Tahiti. Our boat glides through the still waters of the harbor of Papeete, and we are soon taken on a small launch to the wharf and pass the usual customs formalities. Soon we find ourselves at the mission headquarters at Tipaerui, about one mile from the capital, Papeete. (The Society Islands are a French possession in the southeast Pacific Ocean.)

Here you will find the residence of the superintendent of the mission and some of the press workers. Here, too, you will find the European-built church with its large membership attending the services in the neatly kept building each Sabbath. The press building is also located at this center, where all our printing is done for this field. On this station you will find all that you

would expect to find on a Seventh-day Adventist mission station. "All," did I say? Yes, all but one thing—there is no church school, the reason being that it is a French colony and our workers are English-speaking. It is one of the two places in the mission field where such a condition exists. Then where do the children go to school? To the public schools of course! And are these schools like the public schools in the homeland? Yes, as far as temptation and worldly teachers are concerned, with one added temptation. The public schools are conducted all day Sabbath, and every Sabbath; and the pupils, all of them, are expected to be present. Then how do our Adventist children get on? Well, some of them are permitted to be absent from primary school on

Sabbath, but they must see that they make up the work that is lost by so doing or dire punishment will be the result. But even then strong representation must be made to the teacher of the school to have such a privilege granted. In some homes, where our people are not strong in the faith, and also in divided homes, the children attend school every Sabbath until 4 P.M. and thus are deprived of attending all the Sabbath meetings.

Can you wonder then that we lose a large number of our young people, the very ones we want to carry on our work in this island group? It is true that we are now using the Junior Missionary Volunteer work to try to counteract the influence of the public schools during the week. The J. M. V. work is held usually on Sunday at Tipaerui, but it is not conducted in all our other island stations of Tahiti.

But should our boys and girls be subject to such an influence during the impressionable years of their lives? Should we continue in this way when, as Seventh-day Adventists, we have been conducting schools all over the world for many decades, and these schools have been looked on as indispensable parts of our church organization?

The difficulty in the past seems to be that we have conducted our mission work in Tahiti with English-speaking workers. This fact has not been looked upon by the authorities with favor, and so no permission to conduct schools has been forthcoming. This can be understood when one realizes that schools in French territories have to be conducted in French, and the authorities could not see that that could be done acceptably by English-speaking workers.

But now a new day is dawning. The present director of education seems to be favorable to us, and we now have the added advantage of having two French workers in this field, Pastor P. Nouan and Brother F. MacDougall. With our work being conducted by these two men, it is looked upon with much more favor by the authorities than previously.

The door is now open. We have some young people who could teach in our schools. But we must act upon the advantage that is ours, and act quickly. Every day sees our young people exposed to temptations and influences that tend to take them away from the church. (We have a Sabbath

school membership of well over 500 in the Society Islands.)

Let us therefore quickly build our own schools, teach our own boys and girls, and train them for a place in the work of God and hold them for the Master.

Since the overflow in the Sabbath school offerings on the last Sabbath in September is to assist our educational work in the Society Islands, it may be well to remind ourselves that when our field mission ship, the *Pitcairn*, was built and sailed from San Francisco out through the Golden Gate, she had on board a band of missionaries who were distributed on the islands lying in the eastern part of the south Pacific Ocean. The missionaries on board were: Elders E. H. Gates, A. J. Read, John I. Tay, and their wives. Pitcairn Island was their first call, and before the ship left, eighty-two persons were baptized. Elder E. H. Gates and wife were left on Pitcairn, while Elder A. J. Read and his wife were left on the Society Islands. This was the start of our work there which has continued ever since.

Sign Series XIV

By CARLYLE B. HAYNES

In a former article I have emphasized the importance of complying with the procedures established by Selective Service by which, and only by which, the noncombatant status and classification of 1-A-O may be obtained. That is done by signing SERIES XIV of the Selective Service Questionnaire, technically known as SSS Form 100.

The Selective Service Questionnaire is an eight-page document by and on which the Selective Service System assembles information from all Selective Service registrants, men between the ages of nineteen and twenty-six, upon which information it bases the classifications it assigns these registrants. Upon these classifications the decisions are made which put these men in or leave them out of the armed forces. Upon these classifications it is determined whether men shall be inducted, and if so, whether as combatants or noncombatants, whether they shall be deferred, or completely exempted.

All registrants between the ages of nineteen and twenty-six must fill out these questionnaires and supply the information they demand. Any false statement written in them, knowingly

made, carries a fine of \$10,000 or a five-year jail sentence, or both.

These questionnaires contain fifteen series of questions and blank spaces for answer or signature.

SERIES I is on identification, requiring name, address, telephone number, social security number.

SERIES II is for present members of the Armed Forces.

SERIES III is about prior military service.

SERIES IV is for officials deferred by law.

SERIES V is whether registrant is sole surviving son.

SERIES VI is for minister or student preparing for the ministry.

SERIES VII is regarding family status and dependents.

SERIES VIII is about present occupation.

SERIES IX is regarding agricultural occupation.

SERIES X is about education.

SERIES XI is regarding students.

SERIES XII is about citizenship.

SERIES XIII is about court record.

SERIES XIV is about conscientious objection to war.

SERIES XV is about physical condition.

Following these are spaces for the registrant's statement regarding classification and the registrant's certificate.

This is the questionnaire every registrant must fill out. To Seventh-day Adventists the thing of chief consequence is the procedure for making his claim for a noncombatant status and classification.

He may have a claim for deferment on the grounds of education, employment, agriculture, dependency, service in the armed services, or physical condition. If so, he will set forth such claims in the places provided for them.

But whatever other claims he has, there is his claim for a noncombatant status and a noncombatant assignment when and if he is called.

The only way he can file that claim, and have it on record for use in any possible appeal, is to fill out SERIES XIV.

Filling out SERIES XIV is to do nothing more and nothing other than to sign it in the space provided for that purpose.

The reason some have not signed it, and others think it should not be signed, and advise against its being signed, is its rather confused wording,

which, it is feared, commits the signer to a position not held by Seventh-day Adventists.

This fear is groundless. Signing SERIES XIV commits the signer to nothing more than a request for an additional questionnaire on which to make plain all the additional details which will disclose his full belief about participation in war.

That additional questionnaire to submit that additional information will not be sent the registrant until and unless he signs SERIES XIV. In that case he cannot obtain Class 1-A-O. Lacking 1-A-O he is barred from a noncombatant assignment.

The confusion and uncertainty about signing SERIES XIV is because of its wording.

To Seventh-day Adventists that wording is likely to mean something other than it does to the Selective Service boards.

It does not use the designation "noncombatant," or "conscientious co-operator." These words are not used by the Selective Service System, nor recognized as a designation for any registrant. They are OUR words, not THEIRS.

All they know is two classes of "conscientious objectors." We do not like that term as applied to us. That makes no difference. That is what we are to Selective Service.

The wording of SERIES XIV is this: "By reason of religious training and belief I am conscientiously opposed to participation in war in any form and for this reason hereby request that the local board furnish me a Special Form for Conscientious objectors (SSS Form No. 150), which I am to complete and return to the local board for its consideration."

But, some say, and their advisers advise, "you are not opposed to participation in war in any form."

Those who so think are wrong. We are opposed to participation in war in any form. The form to which we are unwilling to give our participation is its combatant form. To make that plain we ask for another questionnaire. All signing SERIES XIV means is the making of that request for that other questionnaire. On that other questionnaire you make plain in what form you cannot participate in war. And that is all that is involved in signing SERIES XIV.

The two kinds of conscientious objectors recognized by Selective Ser-



You will want to plan for a large distribution of the Antinarcotic number of *Our Little Friend* in your community. Enlist your boys and girls in a youth crusade to place it in the hands of their youthful associates. Prices were published in a previous issue. Order through your Book and Bible House.

vice are those who object only to combatant service and those who object to all military service, both non-combatant and combatant.

Our position puts us in the first class, those who object to combatant service only. That is why we call ourselves noncombatants.

Selective Service gives men, taking our position, Class 1-A-O, and sends them into the Army exempt from combatant service.

To men who take the outright "conscientious objectors" position, opposed to all military service, non-combatant as well as combatant, Selective Service gives Class 4-E, and dismisses them from all further consideration. The Army will not use them in any capacity.

Both classes must sign SERIES XIV to get either Class 1-A-O or Class 4-E.

Neither classification can be obtained without signing SERIES XIV.

So if you want your rightful classification, the noncombatant status to which you are entitled, sign SERIES XIV. That is the only way you can

get it. And don't let anyone tell you different.

It cannot be emphasized too strongly, or repeated too often, that your are to Sign SERIES XIV.

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ventists, Incorporated.

CAMP MEETING BLESSINGS

During our recent camp meeting session it was my privilege to serve with a number of our brethren on the pastoral and baptismal committee. Because of the spiritual emphasis during this annual convocation, the work of our committee was enlarged. From two to three o'clock every afternoon many came to seek counsel and engage in heart-searching prayer in the prayer room. These blessed seasons of intercession brought added strength to members and ministers alike.

In addition to this regular prayer hour, scores of counsel periods were carried on. Many visits were made and prayers offered in behalf of the sick in tents, dormitory rooms, homes on the campus, and in the surrounding community. Those who had grown weary in the way were sought out; and special prayer was held, in one case, for a child who had fallen from a fast-moving car. Our conference ministers visited each dormitory room to which camp meeting attendants were assigned and each tent. As a result of these contacts, further visits, prayer, and Bible studies ensued.

Several anointing services were held toward the close of the week. Those who had not come to camp meeting with the heart preparation for such a service were enjoined to study and pray, to read the booklet, "Prayer for the Sick, and to make a real heart and soul preparation for a period of at least two days. These intimate seasons with God brought us preciously near to our Saviour and real victories over besetting sins were won.

A young man and a young woman gave their hearts completely to Christ and followed Him all the way in baptism during the camp meeting. Others are preparing for this sacred rite and will soon be baptized in their home churches.

During the closing meeting I was called out to pray for a child just under four years of age who, according to the doctor's report, had symptoms of either polio or typhoid fever. I had prayer with the father and asked a number of our ministers to pray for this child and for the family. The child grew steadily worse in the night, and the parents requested she be anointed. Early the next morning, three of us, after earnestly examining our hearts and declaring our faith in God, went to the house and prayed for and anointed this child, asking that God's will might be done, but asking Him to heal this little one if it might be to His glory. After we left, the father took the child to the Children's Hospital in Chattanooga. Upon examination, the doctor stated that nothing was wrong with the child. Seeking further medical counsel, they took the little girl to another hospital with the same result. They returned home happy and confident and thankful to God for His miraculous power. The fever had begun to subside immediately after the anointing service, and by afternoon the child's temperature was normal. The next morning she was playing about the house, happy and well.

Brethren and sisters, the power of God is unlimited! Too often we fail to ask Him to do great things for us because our faith is limited and weak. This is the day of God's power. He has promised to heal the sick and to do other mighty things to glorify His name. Certainly this twentieth century miracle is to His glory.

May this testimony challenge us to search our hearts and to seek God for still greater evidences of His power. Such an experience thrills us, yet it subdues us as we think of how mighty God is and how perfect we must become that He may work through us. If we fail Him, souls may perish! Let us solemnly covenant with God that we shall live up to the precious opportunities which are ours through His boundless grace. Then on the sea of glass with the redeemed of all ages we shall exclaim regarding His glorious wonders, "What hath God wrought!"

FENTON E. FROOM, *Chairman,
Camp Meeting Pastoral and
Baptismal Committee*

"Every business transaction is to be fragrant with the presence of God."

CAMP MEETING TEMPERANCE HIGHLIGHTS

During the recent Georgia-Cumberland camp meeting from August 17 to 26, the temperance program was given special attention. At the eleven o'clock soul-winning hour on one day, Elder Ward A. Scriven, temperance secretary of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, and Brother Thomas Mostert, temperance leader of the Collegedale temperance chapter, urged the people present to sign the temperance pledge and become members of the American Temperance Society.

A striking thought was brought out when Brother Mostert told the congregation that we as Christians might never be intemperate concerning the use of tobacco and alcohol, yet by sitting with folded hands and doing nothing at a time when our influence is needed against these evils we actually sanction their use.

Dr. Mervyn G. Hardinge also spoke during this hour. He presented the need of being temperate in all things, whether it be in eating, drinking, or anything else.

As a climax to these exhortations, the call was made to sign the temperance pledge. In response to this call, forty-three people became regular members of the American Temperance Society, and numerous others signed the pledge to abstain from all alcoholic beverages.

It is the hope of the temperance department of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference that all churches in the conference will hold temperance drives during which all individuals will be given the opportunity to sign the temperance pledge and become members of the temperance crusade against alcohol.

FOR MEDITATION

Question—Why tithes and offerings?

Answer—"The system of tithes and offerings was intended to impress the minds of men with a great truth,—that God is the source of every blessing to His creatures, and that to Him man's gratitude is due for the good gifts of His providence."—*Patriarchs and Prophets*, page 525.

"The gold and silver are the Lord's, and He could rain them from Heaven if He chose; but instead of this He has made man His steward, intrusting him with means, not to be hoarded,

but to be used in benefiting others. He thus makes man the medium through which to distribute His blessings on earth. God planned the system of beneficence, in order that man might become, like his Creator, beneficent and unselfish in character, and finally be a partaker with Him of the eternal, glorious reward." — *Testimonies*, Volume IV, page 473.

ARE YOU DOING YOUR PART?

"The Lord now calls upon Seventh-day Adventists in every locality to consecrate themselves to Him, and to do their very best, according to their circumstances, to assist in His work." — *Testimonies*, Volume IX, page 132.

The work of the Lord consists not only of the work of the minister, but, as the above quotation plainly states, every Seventh-day Adventist should, according to his circumstances, find his place in the work. Have you found your place? Are you taking this soul-saving message to those in darkness? Do you feel a longing in your heart to do something for Christ? Jesus is waiting for you to make the first step. His blessings will then follow your labors.

In every church in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference there are those who can devote a few hours each week to visiting offices, neighbors, and friends with our message-filled magazines. Souls are being born into the kingdom because of the distribution of our magazines. Entire churches have been raised up as the result of the sale of one magazine. If, as you read this, you feel in your own life the need of wider service for the Master, will you not determine to have a part in this wonderful work? There is a great need for each of us to do all that he can. "Crowd all the good works you possibly can into this life."

I shall be glad to arrange territory convenient for you in which you may labor. Write today and let me know when you will be ready to begin to work with our good magazines.

E. A. BRODEUR, *Associate Secretary
Publishing Department*

FROM OUR MAIL BAG

Interesting letters from our Twentieth Century students reach our office every day. For your encouragement, we share a few of these with you at this time:



Branch Sabbath School Near Chattanooga, Tennessee

Savannah, Georgia: "I have been going to the Seventh-day Adventist church since last October. The family and I learned the message through this Bible course. I'm still enjoying it and I am still learning."

Atlanta, Georgia: "I've longed to have such instruction as I am getting from these lessons, and such blessings as I've received from my studies, for now I too believe in Him, and look for a new heaven and a new earth."

Knoxville, Tennessee: "I am a Christian and a....., but I have learned more about the Bible from Seventh-day Adventists than anywhere else. I respect your teachings and am hungry for more knowledge of God's holy word."

Tellico Plains, Tennessee: "I am a woman seventy years old. I belong to the church at Englewood, Tennessee. I professed a hope in Christ in my early teens. In my young Christian life, one of my cousins, an unconverted young man, said, 'Ada, you read your Bible more than I do. Can you tell me why people keep the first day of the week instead of the seventh?' I couldn't answer him correctly so I read my Bible through, also all the history I could get on Sabbath keeping. I've been thoroughly convinced for years that the seventh day is the Sabbath and have often wished that I lived near a church that taught the whole Bible, for I find it knit together from Genesis to Revelation. I am wonderfully pleased with this Bible course. Would you send me

a supply of application cards? I believe a number of my friends will gladly enroll."

Harriman, Tennessee: "These Bible lessons have been a delight. I have learned more about Bible prophecy since studying these lessons than I ever knew before. I am thankful I have found a commandment-keeping church. I could always see that the Bible Sabbath was the seventh day, but I never knew why we kept Sunday until I took the Bible lessons."

Friends, it pays to pass out Twentieth Century enrollment cards. Won't you send for a supply today?

V. W. ESQUILLA,

Home Missionary Secretary

A NEW SABBATH SCHOOL

The accompanying picture shows some of the members of a branch Sabbath school which was organized a year ago in the vicinity of North Chattanooga, Tennessee, by John H. Shull, a member of the Chattanooga church.

This Sabbath school has been held with a family and their twelve children. The attendance has increased to eighteen, the offering has averaged \$2.00 each Sabbath, and the interest is growing. V. W. ESQUILLA,

Sabbath School Secretary

"The precious hours, instead of being given to pleasure, to display, or to gain-seeking, should be devoted to an earnest, prayerful study of the Word of truth."—*Great Controversy*, page 488.

Kentucky-Tennessee

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C. W. Higgins, Secretary-Treasurer

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ASHLAND EFFORT

"He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Psalms 126:6.

Elder A. M. Karolyi and I had occasion to rejoice along with the members of the Bordeaux, Tennessee, church on Sabbath, September 9, because of the latter portion of this beautiful text.

Working in cooperation with and upon the groundwork laid by the Bordeaux church, Elder A. M. Karolyi and I, with our wives, went forth sowing the seed in the community of Ashland City, Tennessee. Pitching our 30x50 tent on the main street, close to the center of town, we held our meetings three nights a week beginning July 15. The attendance was good right from the start. On one occasion we had an overflow. All seats were filled, and some people sat in cars parked by the tent.

The final results of these meetings will not be realized for some time to come since a good interest in our message has spread throughout the community. Last Sabbath we rejoiced to see the first fruits of our labors brought into the fold. Eleven persons were baptized by Elder Karolyi, using the baptistry of the Bordeaux church.

A lot has been purchased in Ashland City, Tennessee, and solicitation for funds to put up our new church building is under way. We plan to organize a church group of approximately thirty persons on September 23. Sabbath school and church services are being attended each Sabbath by nearly fifty persons.

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."—Psalms 126:3.

HENRY A. WILMOT,
Assistant Evangelist

NEWS

★ Elder J. O. Marsh is conducting a revival in the Columbia, Tennessee, church from September 8 to 16.

★ We welcome two new members to

Books Needed

An urgent need has developed for the fifth grade Bible text, "Story of Israel." These are out of print, and the new book is not planned for this year. Anyone having used copies in any condition, please mail them immediately to the address given below. A fair price is guaranteed for all books sent in. Send them to Department of Education, 3208 West End Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

our conference workers' families. Ladonna Eilene was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. White of Augusta, Kentucky, on August 5; and Janine Kay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wolff, of Madisonville, Kentucky, arrived on August 30.

★ Miss Sarah Frances Hooper and Mr. Archie Ervin Wax were united in holy wedlock, Sunday, August 20, at three o'clock, in the newly decorated Murfreesboro, Tennessee, church. Elder G. A. Coon performed the ceremony.

★ Mrs. Mollie Miller, 254 Highview, Jackson, Tennessee, would like to have some back numbers of the children's

paper, "My Bible Story" to make up some little booklets. Please send them to her if you can.

★ On Sabbath, September 2, Elder R. M. Hillier baptized three who united with the Lane, Tennessee, church.

★ Elder Hillier has left the conference for his new field of labor in



The London, Kentucky, pastor, J. D. Dobbs is shown in the picture breaking ground for the new London church. It is now in the process of building, and we believe the brethren and sisters there will be amply paid for the efforts put forth to bring about this splendid monument for the Lord in these last days.

North Dakota, and Elder C. C. Balsler, of the Florida Conference, is now in the Dyersburg, Tennessee, district.

★ The Sewellton, Kentucky, church is rejoicing over the addition of eight new members by baptism on September 3. On the same day two were baptized and joined the Grove, Kentucky, church.

★ The Twentieth Century Bible Correspondence School is more than busy these days. In the last two weeks 185 new enrollments have come in and 1,679 applications have been sent out.

South Atlantic

Box 4027, Atlanta, Georgia
H. D. Singleton, President
L. S. Follette, Sec.-Treas.

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EVANGELISM

On a recent tour through the Carolinas, we made contact with a number of the evangelists, and have an encouraging report to make.

We found that Elder P. H. Morgan has a good interest in Durham, North Carolina. His tent is practically filled each evening, and he expects a good harvest of souls. We visited Brother L. E. Daniels in Greenwood, South Carolina, where he is holding an effort, and found a very excellent interest. We do not have a church in Greenwood yet. Pastor Daniels reports as many as ninety in attendance on Sabbath. We are looking forward already to erecting a church building in this city. At High Point, North Carolina, we visited Brother F. S. Hill, who is bringing his meetings to a close. There are several to be baptized there. We found a very fine interest at Kinston, North Carolina, as a result of the effort being conducted by Pastor J. P. Winston. Since I visited there, I have learned that in the first baptism thirty-three persons were baptized. Other baptisms will follow; we hope that the number will reach over fifty. At Winston-Salem, North Carolina, we visited Elder E. E. Cleveland, the Southern Union Conference evangelist, and found him busily engaged in a continuous program of evangelism in that city. To date eighty have been baptized this year, and we are hoping that many more will be baptized before the end

REVIVALS TO BE HELD IN SEPTEMBER

PLACE	SPEAKER	DATE
Dickson, Tennessee	D. W. O'fill	Sept. 15 to 23
Ashland, Kentucky	J. O. Marsh	Sept. 22 to 30
Belcher, Kentucky	C. C. Cress	Sept. 22 to 30
Bordeaux, Tennessee	G. A. Coon	Sept. 22 to 30
Celina, Tennessee	P. P. Felt	Sept. 22 to 30
Dyersburg, Tennessee	C. C. Balsler	Sept. 22 to 30
Elizabethtown, Kentucky	Z. R. Currie	Sept. 22 to 30
Lexington, Kentucky	E. E. Carman	Sept. 22 to 30
Paris, Tennessee	A. D. Burch	Sept. 22 to 30
Lawrenceburg, Tennessee	J. L. Evans	Sept. 29 to Oct. 6

Every church member is urged to attend the revival in his own church and to bring his friends. Conference church members are also invited to attend the revival nearest them.

A list of the October revivals will appear in the next issue.

of the year. In Charlotte, North Carolina, we found Brother E. C. Ward beginning his third week of meetings, and the Sunday night we were there, we estimated close to 1,000 persons present. We believe that God will bless this effort in a very special way.

We have been hearing good reports from the tent efforts in the state of Florida. Elder W. Starks expects to have about forty in his first baptism in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Brother D. L. Crowder found it necessary to take his tent down after thirty days, but he is continuing his work in the church. He is anticipating about twenty-five in his first baptism, which is to be held on September 23. Pastor M. T. Battle recently opened evangelistic meetings in the city of St. Petersburg, Florida, with about 400 present at the tent. Certainly God is blessing in a very marked way the work of our evangelists throughout the conference.

We are urging that where it can possibly be done every church hold a ten-day revival between now and the end of the year. This is in harmony with the program voted at the General Conference Session recently held in San Francisco.

Pray for our evangelistic efforts!
H. D. SINGLETON, *President*

VISITATION DAY

October 7 is the next date set apart for an intensive house-to-house visitation program. We are mailing Twentieth Century enrollment cards and specially-prepared tracts to be passed out. All members are being called upon to engage in this program by visiting a number of homes on that date, praying with the people and enrolling them in the Bible Correspondence course.

We urge an enthusiastic response on October 7.

H. D. SINGLETON, *President*

NEWS

★ Sabbath, August 26, was a high day in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, when youth from two districts assembled for a federation meeting. Visitors were also present from Virginia. Ministers assisting in the program were Elders H. D. Singleton, P. H. Morgan, and F. H. Jenkins. The president of this federation is Brother Samuel Jackson of La Grange, North Carolina.

★ A recent addition to the secretarial force of the South Atlantic Conference is Festus Howard Valentine, a graduate of the Oakwood College commercial department. Mr. Valentine is working in the Book and Bible House, replacing Mrs. Charlye Porter Bliss who is with her husband in Fayetteville, North Carolina, where Mr. Bliss is in charge of the church school.

★ The South Atlantic Conference welcomed Elder C. E. Moseley recently in the Carolina area. He visited a number of points in the interest of student promotion.

★ Elder N. G. Simons is at present in the field visiting a number of churches in the interest of the temperance program.

NEW SOUTHERN UNION EVANGELIST

Elder E. E. Cleveland, for many years the evangelist for the South Atlantic Conference, recently accepted an invitation extended by the Southern Union Conference to become the union evangelist. We are happy to announce that Elder Cleveland is entering into this larger field of activity.

For the next few months, Elder Cleveland will continue his evangelistic program in the South Atlantic Conference.

H. D. SINGLETON, *President*

South Central

1914 Charlotte Ave., Nashville 2, Tenn.
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V. Lindsay, *Sec.-Treas.*

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The Birmingham, Alabama, area Sabbath school association will meet in the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist church, 523 First Street North, Birmingham, Alabama, on Sabbath afternoon, October 7, at three o'clock. The acting president, Mrs. Flora S. Kindred, requests that each Sabbath school in this area send representatives to this meeting. Please inform Sister Kindred at once how many to expect from your church. Her address is 1228 Cahaba, Birmingham, Alabama. Sabbath schools in the Birmingham area are: Gadsden, Sylacauga, Dothan, Selma, Montgomery, Tuscaloosa, Birmingham Institute, and Birmingham, Alabama. Every church

pastor, local elder, Sabbath school superintendent and secretary, or Sabbath school department leader, with many others as are desirous of attending, should attend this meeting.

B. H. EWING, *Secretary*
Sabbath School Department

LAY PREACHER INSTITUTE

A lay preacher institute will be conducted in the Birmingham, Alabama, Seventh-day Adventist church from October 20 to 23. Elder R. H. Wentland, home missionary secretary of the Southern Union Conference, along with local conference help, will be in attendance at this meeting.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Sabbath school association of the Memphis, Tennessee, area will convene in Clarksdale, Mississippi, on Sabbath, October 7. The Dorcas Federation of the Memphis area will also convene in Clarksdale, on Sunday, October 8, at eleven o'clock. Churches in this area are as follows: Clarksdale and Tutwiler, Mississippi; and Jackson, Humbolt, and Memphis, Tennessee.

MRS. M. F. CLARKE,
Federation Leader
MRS. EVA CLARK,
Federation Secretary

Alabama-Mississippi

Box 1311, Meridian, Mississippi
I. M. Evans, *President*
A. C. McKee, *Treasurer*

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NEWS

★ The three regional meetings of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference have proven a great blessing. The over-all attendance was nearly two thousand people.

★ All of the conference employees church school teachers, and colporteur were invited to attend the Birmingham regional meeting where Elder G. E. Vandeman and W. E. Reed both of the General Conference, gave valuable instruction and help that was very much appreciated by the church and laity as well as by the group workers in attendance.

★ At Mobile, Alabama, we were fortunate in having with us Elder V. Anderson, president of the South

DORCAS FEDERATION MEETING

The Gulf Shores Dorcas Federation meets Sunday, October 8, in the new Seventh-day Adventist church, in Mobile, Alabama. This meeting will be very important, because there are special matters to bring before the Dorcas workers. We are looking for a large representation from each Dorcas society in this federation.

Union; Elder H. E. Schneider, secretary-treasurer of the Southern Union; Elder R. H. Wentland, home missionary secretary of the Southern Union; Elder Trans-Mgoe-Te; Brother Harvey, from the Southern Publishing Association; President K. L. Wright and Elder E. C. Banks, from Southern Missionary College; Elder W. L. Mazart, former pastor of Mobile; and Elders H. M. S. Richards and E. R. Walde, and the Voice of Prophecy quartet were all present for our Mobile regional meeting, conference session, and dedication of the Mobile church. A picture and write-up of this dedicatory service will appear in another article. Total offerings for home evangelism were approximately \$6,000. There is the sound of a going in evangelism in every district of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference.

★ Elder Spangler has a large tent pitched within a block of the beautiful Mobile, Alabama, church, where he begins an effort on Sunday night, September 10. He will be assisted by John Morgan, a ministerial intern, and Miss Fannie Mosby, the Bible instructor.

★ Last Sabbath Elder I. M. Evans visited the Gulfport, Mississippi, church and following the service made a number of visits among the members, some of whom were sick and unable to attend church.

★ Elder M. E. Moore visited the Ellisville and Laurel, Mississippi, churches last Sabbath.

★ Elders I. M. Evans and L. D. Pratt and Brother A. C. McKee are attending specially-called meetings this week in Orlando and Avon Park, Florida.

★ Elder Dickerson has closed his effort in Raleigh, Mississippi, and is binding off the interest with private

Bible studies. We are glad to learn, too, that Brother M. Hastings has been dismissed from the hospital and is gradually improving in health. Brother Hastings had been assisting Elder Dickerson in his evangelistic meeting when he was stricken with a heart attack.

★ This is the season of the year when our student colporteurs will be delivering their books and Bibles before returning to school. We earnestly solicit the prayers of our people in their behalf.

★ Our enthusiastic bookman, Brother I. W. Young, has just returned from a successful recruiting trip in the eastern part of the conference. He is happy to add a number of new names to the list of those who are going from door to door with truth-filled books. Among those who are becoming ministers of the printed page are: J. F. Conerly, Selma, a former Naval officer; Mesdames L. J. Bryant, J. S. Peel, J. C. Underwood, of Montgomery, Alabama; and Mesdames J. E. Forrester and Betty Roose, of Birmingham, Alabama. There are many who should follow the example of these persons, for God is calling for consecrated men and women to become workers in His cause as light-bearers, bringing the message of hope by way of the printed page. Place yourself at God's disposal, then when He calls, answer: "I go."

Carolina

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C. H. Lauda, President

R. G. Mote, Secretary-Treasurer

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128 TRUE BLUE CAROLINA CAMPERS

Big ones, little ones, fat ones, slim ones—in large groups they came to Carolina's biggest junior camp in history. When every junior had been assigned a cabin and a counselor and the final results were tabulated, fifty-nine girls and sixty-nine boys, or a total of 128 happy, loyal campers were on hand at Camp York, Kings Mountain State Park, South Carolina.

What a time these campers had! From the time the bugle blew reveille in the morning until taps at night, the mountains were echoing and reechoing with the shouts of fun and happiness.

If you ask your junior what he enjoyed most at camp, the likely answer would be *eats, swimming, campfire, and crafts*. Yes, all of these delightful activities were popular, as well as many, many other things which make camp worthwhile for every boy and girl.

Mrs. Running, Mrs. Beans, and Miss Alexson led out in the craft work. Plaster of Paris molding and painting, ceramics, leathercraft, and craftstrip braiding made the craft period an unforgettable experience. Indian heads, horses, pin trays, and plaques are doubtless decorating mantels, bureaus, desks, and walls from Asheville to Rocky Mount and from Charleston to Winston-Salem.

Mrs. D. P. Hudson and her fine corps of cooks provided the finest food in camping history. Nearly everybody put on additional weight. We certainly appreciate the faithful, untiring, and loyal help of these fine cooks.

Our sincere and deep appreciation goes to the people who do so much to make a camp click—the counselors. The Christian ideals which these counselors set forth for your boy or girl will live in his mind for many a day.

The most thrilling part of all was when twenty-seven juniors joined the baptismal class at the close of Elder Chalmers' Sabbath message. Many of these will be baptized before time for another camp. The inspiration received at the campfires, the council periods, and through contact with earnest, Christian men and women will have a telling influence in the lives of these dear boys and girls. You should not deny your child this glorious character-developing week every year.

This article would not be complete without a recognition of the splendid help of Captain Joe Bielicki and Pastor John Keplinger, our lifeguards; Brother and Sister Henriksen, boys' director and camp nurse respectively; and to the girls' director, Mrs. Foster.

F. W. FOSTER, Secretary
Missionary Volunteer Department

YOUTH NEWS

Sabbath, September 9, was a pleasant occasion for the young people of the central section of the conference. The High Point, North Carolina, church was packed all day long for this get-together of the youth of the

Winston-Salem and Greensboro districts and from a number of the surrounding churches.

The Sabbath school program was a varied and interesting one, with Eugene Wilson serving as the superintendent. Elder L. M. Nelson, youth leader for the Southern Union, brought a real challenge to the large audience at the eleven o'clock hour.

The afternoon program consisted of a singspiration with outstanding talent participating. The Adelpian Quartet and Miss Marilyn Dillow were present to represent Southern Missionary College, and their musical selections added greatly to the success of the meetings. After the program of music, eighty young people spread out over High Point to distribute handbills announcing the youth spearhead meeting to be held on Saturday night in the junior high school auditorium. Later, after all had assembled again in the church, an interesting youth problem hour was conducted. This was a lively and fast-moving program which everybody enjoyed immensely. To climax the afternoon's activities, the quartet and Miss Dillow gave a forty-five-minute program of sacred music.

At eight o'clock a sizable, though not large, audience was present for the spearhead meeting. This meeting consisted of musical selections, congregational singing, and a youth-gear message on the second coming of Christ by Elder Nelson. Following his message the Twentieth Century enrollment cards were made available to the audience, and many enrolled in the Bible course.

The day surely was a busy one for those who participated, but an enjoyable one, nevertheless. The youth of this section are looking forward to another such meeting in the future.

F. W. FOSTER,
Educational and Missionary
Volunteer Secretary

DORCAS FEDERATION NOTICE

The Upper Catawba Valley Dorcas Federation meeting will take place on October 1, at the Hildebran, North Carolina, church, at 10:00 A. M. All members of the federation are urged to attend this meeting.

NEWS

★ Church school enrollment in Carolina will approach the 400-mark this year, according to Elder F. W.

Foster, the conference educational superintendent. This is a sizable gain, and we are happy to see the increased interest in Christian education in our conference. Five new church schools opened their doors with seven additional teachers.

Florida

Box 1313, Orlando, Florida
R. H. Nightingale, President
W. F. Miller, Treasurer

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THE HOUR IS LATE

At the General Conference Session we saw the big motto which hung above the platform behind the speakers. It was in the form of a huge watch, on the face of which was pictured one half of the globe. The hands pointed impressively to the lateness of the hour,—five minutes to twelve! Written across the face was Christ's statement: "I Come Quickly!"

Conditions in this old world certainly indicate that the hour is late and that Jesus will soon return. Recently the *Time* magazine pointed out what city planners were thinking about in case of an atomic bomb attack. Part of this article is quoted as follows:

"With a Chamber of Commerce faith in their city's importance as a target, most city planners were sure that their local army air base or railroad yard was uppermost in Joe Stalin's mind. Detroit was certain that its auto plants would take a hit. Los Angeles had its aircraft plants. And Boston counted itself vulnerable because of the Navy yard and the massed brain power around Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"Chicago made ready to tattoo its citizens with their blood types—underneath the armpits because arms might be blown off—in case radiation sickness called for quick transfusions. St. Louis's volunteer planners first thought of using the sewers for refuge until the city pointed out that a rainstorm would drown them all and suggested three old beer storage caves instead.

In this late hour many of our faithful members should be impressed to take up the colporteur ministry. Our books and periodicals will help in a large way to finish the work. We have

been told that: "In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory."—*Testimonies*, Volume VII, page 140.

We have a great work that remains to be done in Florida. Opportunities are great! Florida is the only state east of the Rocky Mountains that had over a 40 per cent increase in population during the past ten years. By every means possible we must warn these judgment-bound men and women. We urge our capable members to take up the colporteur work. Surely it is time for you to say, "I must be about my Father's business."

R. H. NIGHTINGALE, *President*

BAPTISMS IN AUGUST

A recent letter from Elder W. C. Hatch of the West Palm Beach district says:

"You will be interested to hear of our baptism on Sabbath, August 26. We baptized six adults at that time, two married couples, and two other ladies. This brings the number of baptisms in the district to about thirty-one for the year so far. We anticipate another baptism in a few weeks of about six or eight more, which should put our total to almost forty baptisms by the end of September. We are working for our goal of fifty souls before the end of the year."

The following also reported baptisms in August: W. G. Ambler, 4; R. A. Hamm, 3; W. H. Ludwig, 2; M. D. Oswald, 2; R. B. Thurmon, 3.

As we enter upon the fall months of the year, no doubt there will be an increase in the number of baptisms. R. H. NIGHTINGALE, *President*

FLORIDA CHURCH SCHOOLS

Incomplete reports indicate a record enrollment in the Florida church schools. In Orlando, where grades one through eight are taught, the enrollment stands at over 180. The enrollment in Orlando at the opening of school last year was 125. This increased enrollment has created a space shortage and a desk shortage. In some cases, two pupils are sitting at one desk, and in others apple boxes are being used until additional desks arrive.

Obviously Florida believes in Christian education. This is evidenced not

only by the enrollment, but by the fact that two new schools have been opened, one in Belle Glade and one in Arcadia.

In the book *Education*, on page 17 we find these words: "The Holy Scriptures are the perfect standard of truth, and as such should be given the highest place in education." The teachers of Florida will endeavor to carry out this counsel during this new school year. This will be true regardless of the subject under consideration.

The following is a list of schools and the names of the respective teachers: Arcadia, Laura Ruth Hancock; Belle Glade, David Wagner; Bradenton-Palmetto, Victor A. Merth; Sarasota, Audrey Bergmann; Cocoa, Mrs. Edith Quarles; Daytona Beach, Evelyn Killen; Forest Lake, Mrs. Elisabeth Carawan and Mrs. Nora Burke; Fort Meade, Robert Laue; Fort Myers, Mrs. W. E. Ricks; Fort Pierce, Grace Bush, Mrs. Lucille Smith, and Francis Clark; Jacksonville, Martin Russ and Estelle Krasko; Lake City, William Morrison; Lakeland, Anna Brownlee; Malabar, Annicie Nama; Miami, J. B. Stevens, Mildred Hilderbrandt, Mrs. Bertha Lang, Mrs. Margaret Bohner, William Hall, Mrs. J. C. Culpepper, and Mrs. J. F. Crowder; Ocala, Lola Genton; Okeechobee, Harold Flynt; Orlando, J. J. Knittel, Ruby Shreve, Martha Viehman, Mrs. Carol Sturgis, Vesta Lester, and Mrs. Leland Wood; St. Augustine, Mrs. I. C. Pound; St. Petersburg, John Garner; Taft, Mrs. E. S. Henderson; Tallahassee, Mrs. Patricia Hust; Tampa, Charles O'Dell, Mrs. L. O. Alderman, and Mary Catherine Bee; Walker Memorial, Edith Corbitt; West Palm Beach, Otto Hirsch and Flora Lester.

Please remember the teachers and the pupils of the Florida church schools in your prayers. The 1950-51 school year should be the best ever.

KIMER D. JOHNSON,
Educational Secretary

NEW CHURCH SCHOOL IN ORLANDO

School days are here again. What a happy time it is! Vacations are over and little hearts and minds are joyful in expectation of the day when school will open. At last the day has arrived, and here they come. From every section of greater Orlando, 180 strong, they come to enroll in the Greater Orlando Church School. Old

acquaintances are renewed and new friendships spring up spontaneously. There is no time of the year like it, and what a wonderful thing it is for the church to have its own school and teachers to bless these little ones who are the future strength of the church.

Orlando is blessed with one of the finest schools in the Southland. This year a new building project was undertaken. Ample room was to be provided to accommodate another school room, plus a small assembly room and kitchen facilities. The project was undertaken with a will and with high spirits. Building activities did not start until after school closed in the spring, and now, at this writing, it is sufficiently completed to house a new class and a new teacher. So, with the opening of this new year, we have five splendid, Spirit-filled teachers, and 180 eager children enrolled. It is expected that the enrollment will swell to over two hundred before we are far into the year.

While most of the ministers were away attending the General Conference Session, the building program went forward under the leadership of Max Tindall, building committee chairman, and J. E. Dalton, contractor. We salute these men for their unremitting zeal and hard work.

Our fine corps of Christian teachers is as follows: J. J. Knittel, principal, teaching the seventh and eighth grades; Miss Ruby Shreve, teaching the fifth and sixth grades; Miss Vesta Lester, the third and fourth grades; Mrs. Logan Sturgis, the second grade, and Miss Martha Viehman, the first grade. We are proud of our teachers, and we wish them much of God's blessing throughout this school year.

F. W. AVERY, *Pastor*
Sanitarium Church

GO WHEN IMPRESSED

Those who are impressed to enter the work, whether in the home field or in the regions beyond, are to go forward in the name of the Lord. If they depend on God for grace and strength, they will succeed. At the beginning their work may be small, but if they follow the Lord's plans, it will enlarge. God lives. He will work for the unselfish, self-sacrificing laborer, whoever and wherever he may be.—*Christian Service*, page 258.

Florida Sanitarium and Hospital

Orlando, Florida
Dr. L. N. Christensen, Medical Director

GRADUATION AT THE FLORIDA SANITARIUM

The week end of September 1 to 3 was a high day in the lives of twelve nurses graduating from the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing. Hundreds of friends and relatives gathered in the beautiful new sanitarium chapel for the services.

On Friday evening at eight o'clock Elder H. B. Taylor, chaplain of the sanitarium, delivered the consecration address. Elder F. W. Avery, pastor of the sanitarium church, gave the invocation. Elder D. P. Herbert, pastor of the Winter Park church, offered the consecration prayer.

On Sabbath morning Elder J. M. Cox preached the baccalaureate sermon. He took for his topic the class motto: "As the Master Served." Andrew Haynal, M.D., gave the invocation, and L. M. Sutter, M.D., pronounced the benediction.

The commencement address was given by Ernest J. Stevens, M.D., and the diplomas were presented by L. N. Christensen, M. D., medical superintendent. The class pins were presented by Mrs. Edna M. Behner, R. N.

On Monday evening a banquet was given by the nurses' alumni in honor of the graduating class. Those graduating were as follows: Hilda Ann McDowell, president; Raye Knight, vice-president; Betty Jane Sheets, secretary; Margaret Julia Alford, treasurer; Mary DeChaine Newman, salutatorian; Emily Dell Stilwell, valedictorian; Rosalind Yvonne Alridge; Frieda Lillian Alpert, Vera Melita Bergman, Mary Elizabeth Craig, Gladys Everna Mason, and Jacqueline Doris Woodell.

The class sponsors were Dr. and Mrs. Ernest J. Stevens.

J. M. COX,
Public Relations Secretary

NEWS FROM THE FLORIDA SANITARIUM

Our hearts are thrilled as we come in contact with men and women of the world who express their interest in the message of Seventh-day Adventists.

NOTICE

The National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists will hold its meeting this year in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on Friday, Sabbath, and Sunday, October 27, 28, and 29. The meeting will be held in the Dennis Hotel. A fine spiritual, scientific and social program is planned. All Seventh-day Adventist dentists and their wives are invited to attend whether or not they are members of the association. This meeting immediately precedes, and is held in connection with, the American Dental Association Meeting.

Recently C. D. Hardin, who is head of our purchasing department, had an interesting experience with a man by the name of Martin. Mr. Martin had been hired to do some repair work on the dishwasher at the Florida Sanitarium and had been at work a day or two when the men chanced to meet in the cafeteria.

The conversation was directed to religious subjects. Although Mr. Martin knew very little about the Bible, he showed great interest. Soon he requested further talks with Brother Hardin, who arranged for Bible studies in his home. Night after night the men met. Night after night they studied the word of God. Finally Mr. Martin could stand it no longer. He confessed his sins to God and with tears in his eyes begged Brother Hardin to continue the studies.

The studies were continued. Night after night other things had to be given up: cigarettes, coffee, the use of flesh foods, all had to be laid aside.

Before his conversion, Mr. Martin had had a great fear of death. He knew he was a lost man. Now he wants to join God's people and be ready when Jesus comes.

J. M. Cox,
Public Relations Secretary

SCRIPTURES NOW IN 1,118 LANGUAGES

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the Word of God. It is because of the untiring efforts of missionary-translators that the Scriptures appear

in these new languages at the rate of one new language about every five weeks.

One of the major activities of the American Bible Society is to aid in this translation program. "The Word of God must not only be in the language and the hands of people, but also in their hearts," Dr. Eugene Nida, secretary for Translations of the Bible Society, has said. He it is who tells the story of the little Luba-Lulua lad in central Congo who sat listening with fixed gaze as the missionary read from the Scriptures. As soon as the service was finished, this small school boy hastened to the missionary and asked, "Oh, sir, may I have that book, so that I may read it to the people of my village off in the forest, for those words made holes in my heart."

JUST A THEORY

*Are you trusting, fully trusting,
In your Lord from day to day?
If you're not, you've just a theory,
Yes, no matter what you say.*

*Are you living, fellow-Christian,
As your Lord would have you live?
If you're not, you've just a theory,
Yes, no matter what you give.*

*Is your heart in tune with Heaven
As you journey on life's way?
If it's not, you've just a theory,
And your acts your life betray.*

*Do you show God's love and kindness
To the ones with whom you dwell?
If you don't, you've just a theory,
And you can't love's story tell.*

*So let's not depend on theory,
But let Jesus have His way,
Then we'll sing the song of victory
On that last eventful day.*

—JAMES MARCHMAN HAMMOND
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THE JOURNEY'S END

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

FRAZEE: — Jennie Cre Stockwell Frazee was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, January 5, 1881, and passed away at Wildwood, Georgia, July 29, 1950. In 1905, shortly after her marriage to W. D. Frazee, she and her husband were baptized into the faith of the third angel's message near Phoenix, Ari-

zona. The greater part of her life was devoted to service as a church school teacher and Bible instructor in Arizona, California, Utah, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and Georgia. Sister Frazee's faith and hope in the message were strong to the end, and she looked forward to the coming of Jesus and to reunion with her loved ones and those for whom she had labored. Surviving are her husband, W. D. Frazee, Sr., and two sons, W. D. Frazee, Jr., of Wildwood, Georgia, and Titus A. Frazee, of Chicago, Illinois. The funeral services were in charge of Elder J. H. N. Tindall.

MCCAUGHAN:—Mrs. Lee C. McCaughan of Hernando, Mississippi, passed away suddenly at the St. Joseph Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, following a very brief illness. She was sixty-three years of age. She leaves to mourn her husband, her son Jack; her mother, Mrs. Dora Nance of Cleveland, Mississippi; also a brother, Roy Nance; and a sister, Mrs. Troy Odom. Sister McCaughan had been a member of the Memphis Seventh-day Adventist church for many years. It was her delight to be of service to others and to make them happy. The influence of her Christian life and teaching reached far beyond her home. To know her was to love her. She was laid to rest in the beautiful Forest Hill cemetery, awaiting the call of the Lifegiver. E. E. CARMAN

JONES:—Mrs. Bessie Boyce Jones was born January 4, 1881, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Richert, August 23, 1950. Her death followed a long and trying illness. During this time she showed a most beautiful Christian character by her love and patience. With never a doubt or question, she tried to exemplify the Saviour she longed to see, and to draw

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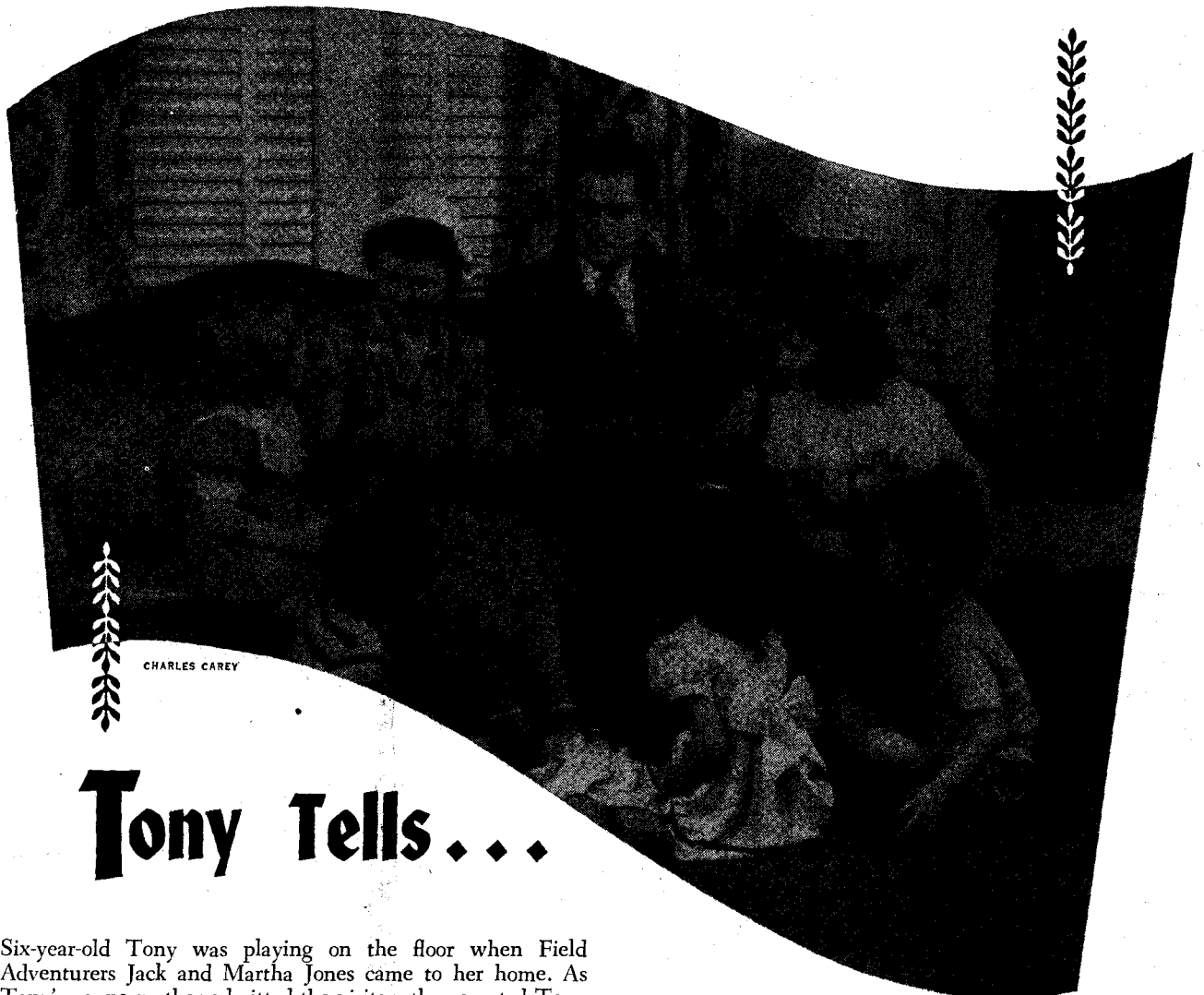
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"Here's the storyteller," cried Tony, as the gospel team came in. Martha obliged with another story, and at its conclusion the children reverently said the Lord's prayer together.

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	Sept. 22	Sept. 29
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Charlotte, N. C.	6:20	6:15
Collegedale, Tenn.	6:38	6:30
Huntsville, Ala.	5:43	5:33
Louisville, Ky.	5:41	5:30
Memphis, Tenn.	5:57	5:47
Meridian, Miss.	5:52	5:43
Nashville, Tenn.	5:44	5:34
Orlando, Fla.	6:22	6:14
Wilmington, N. C.	6:09	6:00

others to Him. She leaves a daughter, Elizabeth, with whom she was living, and two grandsons, Lindly and Arthur Richert, Jr. She was laid to rest in Elmwood cemetery, where she awaits the call of her Lord. She had been a member of the Memphis Seventh-day Adventist church for more than forty years.

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Sabbath School Evangelism

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

A very important and definite phase of the message in the Southland is the Sabbath school work. We believe that individuals who come into the church by way of the Sabbath school come in the right way and are well established in the truth.

We would like to urge many of our Sabbath school members to go out and organize branch Sabbath schools and Sunday schools. By organizing these branch Sabbath schools, you will be able to teach the truth and win adults, as well as children, into the message.

Elder L. D. Pratt, Sabbath school secretary of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference, sends in the following word concerning a branch Sabbath school:

"During the Sabbath school rally in June, it was my privilege to attend the Birmingham, Alabama, branch Sabbath school in Tuscaloosa. This school is under the direction of Brother Johann. The picture accompanying this article was taken at the time of the rally. God is blessing this branch Sabbath school with increased interest and precious souls. They have had

wonderful experiences in the past few months.

"The average attendance is twenty-one. The offering for missions for the first six months of this year was \$133.28. The Sabbath school expense for the same period totaled \$205. This takes care of their commodious meeting place."

SCRIPTURES NOW IN 1,118 LANGUAGES

Some part of the Bible, as of the end of December, 1949, has been published in 1,118 languages and dialects, according to a report just issued by Miss Margaret Hills, librarian of the American Bible Society.

Languages in which the whole Bible has been published—190. Languages in which a complete Testament has been published—245 more. Languages in which at least a Gospel or other whole book has been published—591 more. Languages in which only selections have been published—92 more. Total languages in which some part of the Bible has been published—1,118.

New languages to appear in 1949, according to Miss Hills, were Biete spoken in India; Chin; Anal in Burma; Hula in Papua; Loma, Liberia; Piro, Peru; Pitjantjatjara in Australia; Wewjewa in Sumba, Indonesia and Zapotec, spoken by Indians in Mexico.

First complete Bibles appeared in Faroe, of the Faroe Islands, north of Scotland and in Shona, one of the languages of Southern Rhodesia.

There are at least 1,000 more languages which, as yet, have nothing of

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