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## THE OAKWOOD COLLEGE OFFERING - AUGUST 31

C. E. MOSELEY, JR., *Associate Secretary, N. A. Regional Department*

THOSE who will contribute to the offering for Oakwood College on August 31, will be happy to know that the college is on the brink of one of its most significant achievements. Through the years this college has contributed the largest share of ministers and other workers who serve the Regional areas of our world work. Soon Oakwood is to make its influence felt in an increasingly effective way. Long an approved institution, this college is moving rapidly towards achieving full endorsement for its graduates in areas of endeavor other than denominational employment.

Already the college is well on the way to complete adequacy in its physical plant. And with the offering to be taken this August the remaining facilities and appointments now under order, plans and construction will be ahead of requirements.

The new gym with its 11,000 square feet of floor space is now serving the college and will accommodate the South Central campmeeting this August. The store-bakery unit lacks only some of its supermarket equipment, much needed housing for teachers is under construction, and in the immediate offing is the new education building toward which some of your offering will be directed.

Part of your offering will aid the expanding of the college print shop, augment the book collection of the completed modern college library, and assist the greatly enlarged and growing laundry-dry cleaning plant. All of these units must expand their equipment and facilities for greater efficiency. It is believed that construction on the education building will begin this October if the August 31st offering augments sufficiently the funds that are on hand for this unit.

In your giving this August, plan to provide the extra lift that is needed—add an extra sum to the gift you intended to give. This extra sum will pay off in speeding up the extra work to be done. Give purposefully and thoughtfully! PLAN AHEAD, PLAN NOW!

*Remember  
Oakwood  
College  
August 31*

## *An Increase In Facilities . . .*

"A great work must be done all through the world, and let no one conclude that because the end is near, there is no need of special effort to build up the various institutions as the cause shall demand. . . . When the Lord shall bid us make no further effort to build meeting-houses and establish schools, sanitariums, and publishing institutions, it will be time for us to fold our hands, and let the Lord close up the work; but now is our opportunity to show our zeal for God and our love for humanity.

We are to be partners in the work of God throughout the world; wherever there are souls to be saved, we are to lend our help, that many sons and daughters may be brought to God. The end is near, and for this reason, we are to make the most of every entrusted ability.

Schools must be established, that the youth may be educated, that those engaged in the work of the ministry may reach the higher attainments in the knowledge of the Bible and the sciences."—*Testimonies*, vol. 6, p.440.

## *Bible Evangelism Clubs*

The Bible Evangelism Clubs within the Southern Union are doing a great work. These clubs are made up of church members who are particularly engaged in giving Bible studies. While all of the members do not report monthly to the conference office, yet those who do report reveal real success. For instance, Elder Oswald, home missionary secretary of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, in the June report of his conference Bible Evangelism Club showed that 61 church members had reported to him. They had given 341 Bible studies to 2,926 people, and 20 had been baptized in the conference who had received studies from our laymen. This is, indeed, very good. What would happen if many more of our laymen would give Bible studies regularly?

S. S. WILL, *Home Missionary Secretary, Southern Union*



## IN THE Southern Union

### TEEN-AGERS CRUSADE FOR A BETTER WORLD

Such was the title used in the *Miami Daily News* in a four-column write-up describing the Voice of Youth meeting that began July 14 in Miami.

What could accomplish more than such newspaper publicity concerning Seventh-day Adventist youth attempting to lift the moral standards of the world and prepare people now living for a better world to come? Truly, the Voice of Youth is indeed a crusade for Christ, and Seventh-day Adventist youth are beginning to fulfill the task that God has been planning for them all the time. Think what could be accomplished if, in every church in our union, the youth could become filled with the zeal of God, and spread this gospel—the gospel of God's last warning message! May I plead with our pastors to rally the youth around you and to use this plan which has been ordained of God in breaking down prejudice and in adding members to God's true church. Let us go beyond the goal of 57 Voice of Youth efforts in '57.

L. M. NELSON  
*Youth Leader, Southern Union*

### MIAMI VOICE OF YOUTH EFFORT

Paul R. Tharp, the Public Relations Secretary for the Miami Voice of Youth meeting, writes, "Our young people's society has completed plans for our Voice of Youth effort. The tent is up, the committees have completed their work, the publicity is good, and in general, we are prepared. Our first meeting was Sunday night, July 14.

"Elder H. V. Reed has given good inspiration to all of us, and it is under his and Professor J. B. Stevens' leadership that this effort has progressed as well as it has. Please pray for us

that our attendance will be good. The interest from the Allapattah area, where the tent is located, is excellent. This is a strictly Baptist neighborhood, but everyone seems interested in the meetings.

"Friday evening is consecration night for all of our youth. We know that we cannot sow the seed and expect the people to attend and listen unless we ourselves are consecrated to the task which lies ahead."

We have just learned that in spite of the rainy weather, the Miami meeting started off to a very good opening, and that the enthusiasm is high. May our people back these youth with prayers that will move the hand of God.

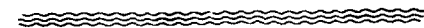
L. M. NELSON

## "I Just Wanted You to Know"

Every TV viewer whose life is transformed by the gospel seems determined to share the good news. Letter after letter comes in with a heartening message like this one from a new Los Angeles believer, "I am glad to say that by the blessings of Jesus Christ I am able to keep the seventh-day Sabbath. I cannot put in words just how much the Faith for Today Bible lessons mean to me."

The wife of a Catholic husband is at last finding Christian fellowship in the home. Here is her comment, "I just wanted you to know that my Catholic husband and my son and daughter and I, who are Lutherans, all unite in enjoying your Adventist programs. Please say a little prayer for us that my husband, who is now receptive, may join us in studying the Bible. I'm enclosing a gift for Faith for Today." (\$5.00)

It sometimes takes a long period of study after a student is convinced of the truth, before he surrenders his



## ARE YOU BEHIND?



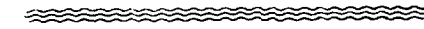
You May Get Ahead!

But You Must Use Your  
Head And Keep Going!

Travel at your own speed,  
At your own task,  
Toward your own goal  
And win, with

## HOME STUDY INSTITUTE

Takomo Park, Washington 12, D. C.



life to God. A student of this type who finally came to the point where conviction grew into obedience wrote, "I want you to know that I used to think that the Seventh-day Adventist faith was just another way to heaven. Now, after taking three Bible courses, I realize it is the only way."

May we as members be faithful in encouraging even our apparently disinterested friends and neighbors to continue their Bible lessons. The Holy Spirit will press home the message to the salvation of souls.

FAITH FOR TODAY

## BOOKS PLACED IN UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

A select collection of twenty-three books on the history and beliefs of Seventh-day Adventists has been placed in the library of the University of Georgia at Athens. Included is the

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# Parents' Exchange

Sponsored by the General Conference Department of Education, Archa O. Dart, Assistant Secretary

## MOTHER'S APRON STRINGS

(At this season of the year when schools—kindergarten and college, secular and religious—are soon to open, it would be well if each parent would examine the "strings" about to be attached to his child. Will they bind him to the world or draw him to God? The following parable related by H. M. Tippett in his *Mother's Day* talk in the Takoma Park Church has a lesson for us all.)

Don't ever be ashamed of mother's apron strings. A tender story was told in the *War Cry* a few years ago about a child who was playing about the house tied to his mother's apron string. She explained to him that when he stumbled he could pull himself up and keep from falling.

All went well with them for the mother sang at her work and the child was content. But by and by the boy grew so tall he could see over the window sill and glimpse the green trees of the hillside and a river flowing by.

"Oh, mother," he cried, "untie the apron string and let me go." But the mother chided him and said, "Not yet, my child, for only yesterday you stumbled and fell, and if you had not been tied to my apron string you would have been hurt. Wait till you grow stronger." So the boy waited and grew tall.

Then one day by the open door he smelled the fragrance of the fields and saw the golden sunlight flood the meadows and heard the song of nesting birds. The boy surged forward in exultation and the apron string broke and he was gone, half the apron string dangling at his side. "Oh, how weak mother's apron string was," he cried. The mother wiped away a tear and tucked the other end of the string into her bosom with a prayer for his safety.

The boy ran happily down the valley and began to climb toward the hills. Sometimes it was easy, sometimes difficult. But he ran on until he came to the brink of the precipice where far below he could see the sparkling river. He became so excited that he lost his foothold, fell, and

*It is cheaper to lose your Money than to lose your child.*

began the awful plunge over the cliff. But his fall was suddenly checked and he saw that the dangling apron string had caught on a rock and held him fast.

"Oh, how strong my mother's apron string was," he cried as he drew himself to security. And he went on to his ambitious conquest of the mountain. When the mother heard his story her heart was glad.

Yes, it is only a parable, but there is something more to motherhood than a biological miracle. There is something more to a memorial day in her honor than a reading of sentimental poems and breathing sighs about mother's tender hands. These sentiments we should not neglect, but we must remember the heroism of motherhood that challenges the devotion of every son and daughter.

Women who follow careers have

their satisfactions—the plaudits of the crowd, the bright lights of public acclaim, the fugitive favors of a fickle following. But what does a mother have who makes a career of motherhood? One mother caught the vision as she was hanging up the family wash:

"God's promise spans the morning sky;  
I lift my eyes in humble mood  
As I pin fast upon the line  
The rainbow garments of my brood;  
"Small shirts like banners, orange,  
green;

A scarlet dress that dances high,  
Bright pinafores like daffodils,  
Blue jeans, a deeper patch of sky.

"This is my rainbow, God, for you;  
This message with it I would send  
That I should guard and teach and love  
The treasures at my rainbow's end."

*Christian Herald*

If any message of the Bible stands as a perpetual tribute to motherhood I think it would be the words spoken to John in tender solicitude by Jesus on the cross, "Behold thy mother."

H. M. TIPPETT

## CHILD GUIDANCE

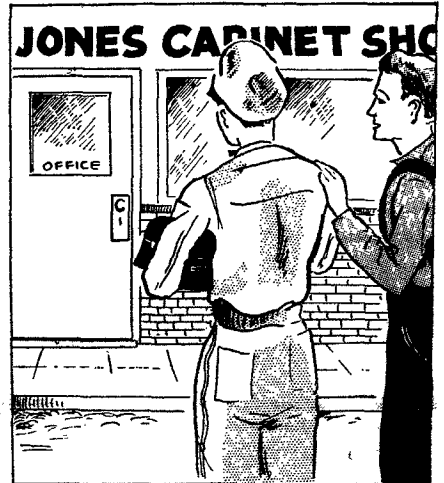
"The child's eternal welfare should be considered in locating the home."

*Try This*



"I moved to this neighborhood to enable my child to attend the church school. I can drive the car to my work all right."

*Not This*



"I live near my work, but it does keep my child out of the church school. You see he is too young to drive the car."

# FROM THE CONFERENCES

## ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI

### A LAYMAN-PREACHER

R. E. GLASS of DeFuniak Springs, Florida, who has been a baptized Seventh-day Adventist church member a little over a year and a half, has been most faithful in working for souls.

When he accepted this message he had a great desire to give it to others. As he visited with his friends and neighbors he talked it, and with Bible in hand, he taught them from God's Word. But this was not enough. He wanted to preach the Word in cottage meetings as a lay preacher. He let his wishes be known to the home missionary department and the president of the conference. Soon arrangements were made whereby he could have the facilities that he would need to carry on a lay effort.

He asked the conference president for the old tent in which he had accepted the truth, but it had been repaired several times and was in rather poor condition. He took it intending to have it recanvassed, but repaired it himself and set out to preach. He has now held three efforts in three different localities, and the Lord has abundantly blessed him. From time to time his attendance has been over a hundred.

As a result of this faithful layman's preaching for Christ, several precious souls have accepted this message. Our laymen are doing a wonderful work for God and for their fellow men who are lost in sin. Many are looking wistfully toward heaven, longing for a way out—only waiting for someone like Brother Glass to come and show them the way. May God bless him and our laymen everywhere as they give the clarion call of the gospel to a dying world at this late hour of earth's history.

M. B. ELLISTON, *Secretary*  
*Home Missionary Department*

### CLANTON HOMECOMING AND DEDICATION

Our believers in Clanton, Alabama, during the past four years have worked hard and sacrificed much to build a beautiful brick church in a lovely

section of the city. Now this commodious plant that houses the Sabbath school, church, and school is completed and paid for.

The Clanton church has set aside Sabbath, August 17, as a Homecoming Sabbath and Dedication Day for their new church. Pastor Obed Graham and the congregation are inviting all their friends and former members to join them for this wonderful celebration.

Brethren Aldrich, Whitehead, Roberson, Elliston, and Leiske from the conference office will be there. The special program will begin with the Sabbath school at 9:30 A.M. and the dedicatory service will be at 11:00 o'clock. The church is located on Glenn Dale Drive.

LEROY J. LEISKE

### MINISTER-LAYMEN SOUL WINNING

Elder H. D. Bennett, pastor of the Montgomery, Alabama, church has a fine membership who are working for souls. Two of his members are Mrs. Ruth Girdner and Mrs. Ruby Moore. These two faithful members, who are sisters, filled with a love for lost humanity and for souls that live in the vicinity of Montgomery, decided that they would do their best to win souls. They went out in the Bible school enrollment campaign over a year ago. One home they visited was that of Mrs. Betty Easterling, who

stands next to Elder Bennett in the picture. She enrolled in the School of Bible Prophecy, and as the lessons came to her home she studied them faithfully. When Elder Bennett opened a series of meetings in January, 1957, she accepted the truth and united with the remnant church.

Mrs. Ruby Moore, continuing the good work of literature distribution and Bible School enrollment and carrying her soul-winning work into her practical daily living, one day bought a sewing machine. She had a little difficulty with the machine; therefore she called the company and asked when she could bring it in or when they could come out to repair it. They suggested that she bring it in the next day, which was the Sabbath. She replied that tomorrow was the Sabbath, and she would like to bring the machine in Monday instead, if that was alright. The secretary of the sewing machine company, Mrs. Mabry Rigsby, to whom she was speaking, engaged her in conversation. This secretary was a dearly loved leader of the youth in one of the large churches in that city and had done outstanding work with them. Mrs. Rigsby asked Mrs. Moore to come and give her Bible studies so that she might learn more about the Bible Sabbath, as she believed it was the right day to keep. In January of this year when Elder Bennett held a series of meetings in



Left to right: Elder H. D. Bennett, Mrs. Betty Easterling, Mrs. Ruth Girdner, Mrs. Ruby Moore, Mrs. Mabry Rigsby.

the Montgomery church, she too attended and was baptized.

What a wonderful asset to the church these ladies are—the two who have been members for a little over two years and these new members in this blessed truth! They are constantly at work for the Master in their Christian attitude as well as in literature distribution and in giving Bible studies. May God bless them and our faithful laymen and ministers everywhere as they continue to win souls for Christ.

M. B. ELLISTON, *Secretary*  
Home Missionary Department  
Alabama-Mississippi Conference

### BIBLE TRUTH ATTRACTS YOUTH

The Voice of Youth follow-up program in Meridian causes another fine young man to accept the Advent message.

Odell Burke, employed in the distribution section of the southern headquarters of the Western Auto Company, attended several services of the Voice of Youth meetings which were held in the Meridian church in January. Reared in a home where Christian principles were taught, he has consistently held high standards in his personal living. He accepted the truth and was baptized Sabbath, August 10.

It was indeed a pleasure to welcome this outstanding young man into the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

OSCAR L. HEINRICH

## CAROLINA

### BE PREPARED

The lesson helps for the Sabbath school lessons for the fourth quarter of this year will be the books *Patriarchs and Prophets* and *Prophets and Kings* of the Conflict of the Ages series.

Another volume that will be used quite extensively the first quarter of 1958 is *Christ's Object Lessons*. Of course, the *SDA Bible Commentary* is an excellent source of information.

If you do not have all of these books, why not sit down now and order them? They will be invaluable to you in preparing your Sabbath school lessons and in your daily study of the Bible.

S. W. NEECE  
Carolina Book and Bible House

### MARION CHURCH DEDICATION

*Bless this house, O Lord, we pray,  
Make it safe by night and day;  
Bless these walls, so firm and stout,  
Keeping strife and trouble out;  
Bless the roof and chimney tall;  
Let Thy peace lie over all;  
Bless this door, that it may prove  
Ever open to joy and love.*

*Bless these windows shining bright,  
Letting in God's heavenly light;  
Bless the altar standing there,  
Where we offer heart-felt prayer;  
Bless the folk who come within,  
Keep them pure and free from sin;  
Bless us all that we may be  
Fit, O Lord, to dwell with Thee,  
Bless us all that one day we  
May dwell, O Lord, with Thee.*

Thus sang Mrs. F. D. Miles at the close of the dedication prayer offered by J. M. Jansen, conference treasurer, at the Marion, North Carolina, church dedication Sabbath morning, July 20.

The church was packed with visitors and friends for this special service. Church members from the neighboring churches of Asheville, Morganton, Valle Crucis, Banner Elk, and Table Rock were invited and many came. The guest register also revealed visitors from Chicago, Illinois; Greenwood, South Carolina; High Point, Charlotte, Hendersonville, Asheboro, North Carolina; and Mount Pisgah Academy.

Elder G. R. Nash gave the dedicatory address and spoke again during the afternoon service. Lunch was served by the church at the Community Center during the noon hour.

Other ministers taking part in the all-day program were C. C. Cress of High Point; Jack Martz, the pastor of Marion; L. P. Knecht, and A. D. Livengood of Morganton; L. H. Pitton of Charlotte; and J. G. Conmack of Boone, North Carolina.

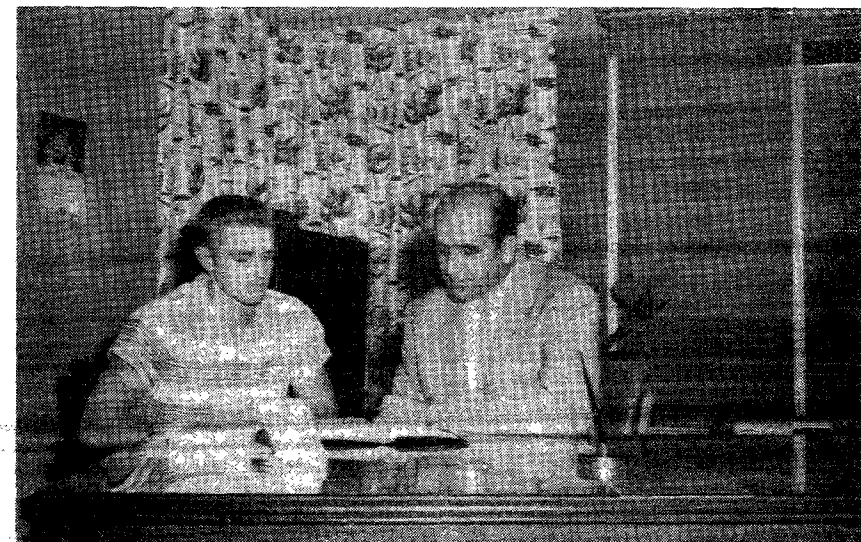
The history of the church, given by Elder Knecht, follows in brief:

The present Marion church is the result of a dark-county project. Prior to 1947 there was no organized church in McDowell County. About two years before, the Morganton church, along with a few scattered isolated members, decided to send to every name on the water meter list the Bible correspondence course. Some 1,200 were enrolled. All who reached the Sabbath in the course were sent free a year's subscription to the *Signs of the Times*. Over 200 subscriptions were sent out. It was because of an interest aroused by the lessons and papers and because of Colporteur David Lawter that the conference decided to hold an evangelistic effort in this city.

In July of 1947 Elders L. P. Knecht and D. G. Anderson pitched a tent in the heart of Marion. Three baptisms were held as the result of these meetings, and fifty-two precious souls accepted the Adventist message.

Now a church was needed. Elder Knecht and the members purchased a lot for \$500 with the counsel of conference officials. Dr. Forrest E. Bliss of Lawndale, North Carolina, loaned them \$1,000 so they could start

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Odell Burke of Meridian meeting for Bible study in the office with Elder O. L. Heinrich.



L. C. Strickland, Principal

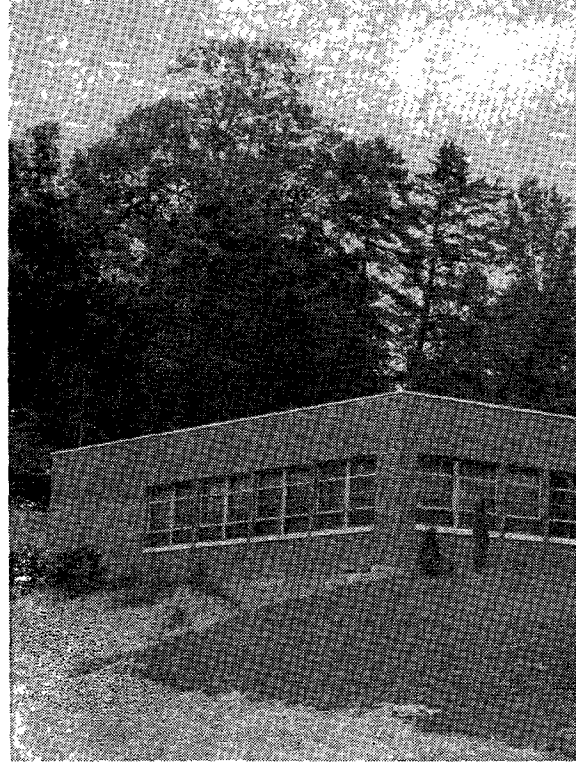
# MOUNT PISGAH

*"Where Land and Sky Meet"*

## REGISTRATION - SEPTEMBER 1

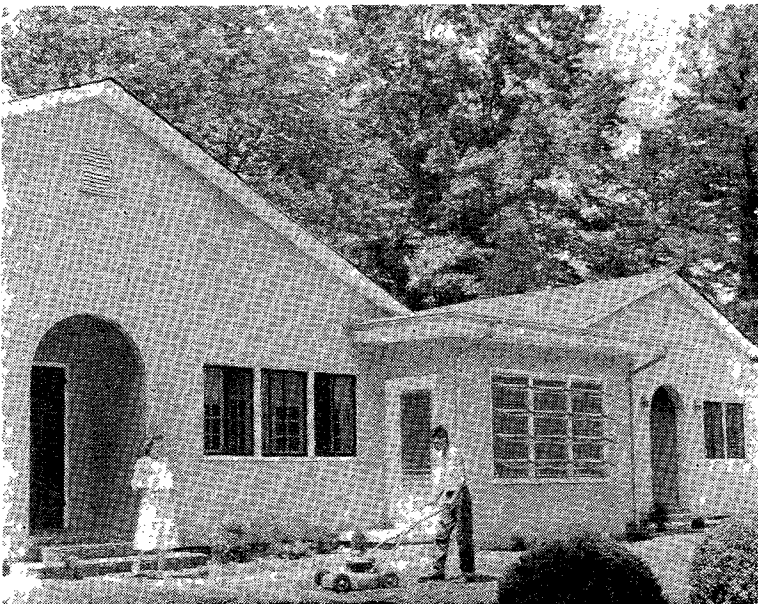
Registration time is almost here! September 1 is the date! Have you sent in your application to attend Mount Pisgah Academy?

Plans are nearing completion for a good year with a full enrollment. We know that each student will do his best to make the school year what it should be in every way. A Christian education is worth any effort and sacrifice. Plan now to be with us September 1 to join our earnest young people in preparation for service.



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

## SANITARIUM BUILDING



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Mount Pisgah

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The Sanitarium is a very important department of the Academy. It not only serves the community in providing a restful home atmosphere for those desiring its services, but also furnishes labor for students in helping them through school.



# H ACADEMY

*ft Hearts Heavenward'*



NT PISGAH ACADEMY.



G. R. Nash, President  
Carolina Conference

The Carolina Conference is proud of their fine academy at Mt. Pisgah. It offers a Christian education to our boys and girls under the direction of qualified teachers, who are interested in their salvation. The new and modern Administration building has adequate facilities for the best in education and study environment. Another school term is about to begin. The Carolina Conference officers invite you to support this fine academy by sending your boys and girls, with your prayers and finances.

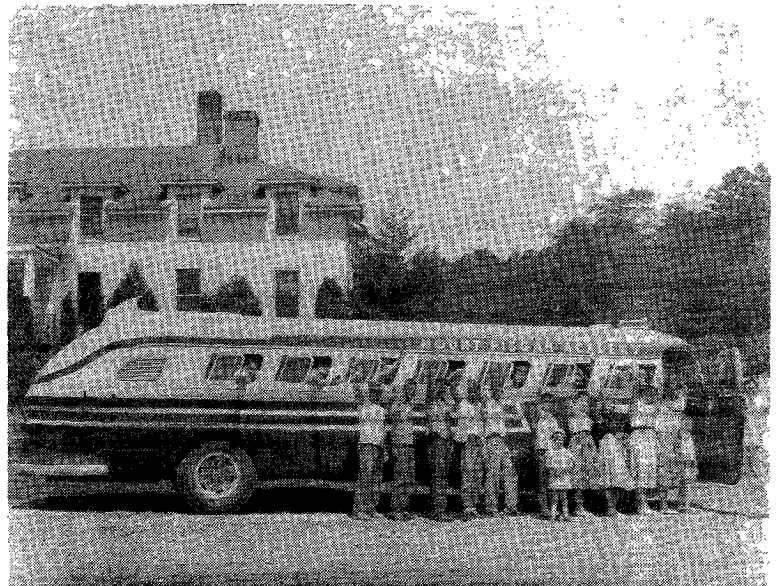
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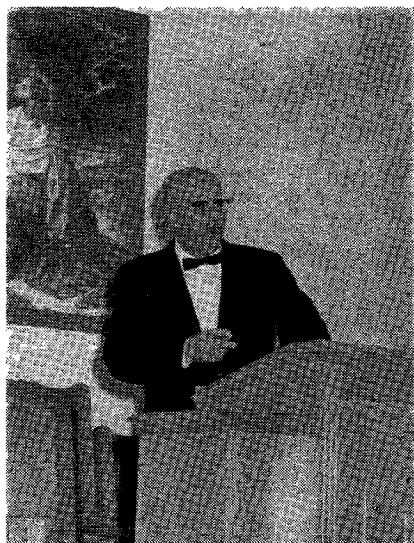
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Leaving for Sliding Rock in the Pisgah National Forest, are a group of students who stayed at the school this summer to work. These students enjoyed an afternoon of swimming and other recreation in the mountains and a grand picnic lunch. They say: "Come and join us at Mount Pisgah Academy this fall."





Elder Nash in pulpit at dedication ceremony.

building. All pitched in to help—donating labor, money, and needed materials. Mr. Koone donated the masonry. Brother Lee Parker took a very active part in the construction of the church, donating his time. A number of the businesses in town contributed money to the amount of \$250. Mr. Parker, a deacon of the First Baptist Church, offered to match dollar for dollar the gifts of our own believers up to \$500. A special meeting was called and an offering was taken. The Marion members contributed \$700. Mr. Parker, who was in attendance, immediately wrote a check for \$500.

The basement room was covered with roofing paper when the church members began meeting there in December, 1947. December 13, the Marion Church was organized. There were forty-two charter members.

Elder F. O. Sanders, president of the Carolina Conference, assisted by Elder R. G. Mote, treasurer, and Elder J. O. Marsh, home missionary secretary, brought about the organization. That same day a nominating committee was appointed and church officers were elected.

Elder J. E. Keplinger was called by the conference to pastor the new church. Elders W. W. Scott, A. D. McKee, C. C. Cress, and L. F. Cunningham followed. Each carried on the building program adding new features one by one. Elder Jack Martz, the present pastor, has put on the finishing touches—the pulpit furniture.

Many of the members and friends also made noted contributions in the

construction of the church. Mr. LeRoy Walker gave \$600 to purchase the pews. Mr. Frank Glenn, a Marion business man, had the yard landscaped. The late Brother Horace Port contributed the electrical wiring, and the church members donated their labor. Doctor S. G. Dobias gave the piano, and the late Elder John Kasa painted a beautiful picture of Christ in Gethsemane for the church. It now enhances the rostrum by hanging on the wall behind the pulpit.

Today the Marion church stands completed and beautifully furnished, free of debt. Truly a work of faith and united effort. One planted and others watered, and God gave the increase. "Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour." I Cor. 3:8.

May God bless the Marion church that it may continue to grow and be a light shining on a hill that cannot be hid.

L. H. PITTON, *Director*  
*Public Relations*

## FLORIDA

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS MARCH ON

Our Vacation Bible Schools are successful. The reports coming into our office are very encouraging. We feel confident that many a child will remember the lessons that have been taught, and the seeds of truth sown by

our faithful and consecrated leaders and teachers will bear fruit to life eternal.

Ten Vacation Bible Schools have been conducted in the Florida Conference this year—at Bradenton, Cocoa, Daytona Beach, Ft. Pierce, Homestead, Kress Memorial, North Miami, Taft, Tallahassee, and West Palm Beach.

Five more Vacation Bible Schools are planned for Ft. Lauderdale, Lakeland, Miami Springs, Plant City, and St. Cloud.

We greatly appreciate the willing cooperation of our members who have led in these Vacation Bible Schools; helping to make them a blessing to the children. From Elder W. J. Ostman, district leader of the Cocoa, Melbourne, and Titusville churches, comes the following interesting report:

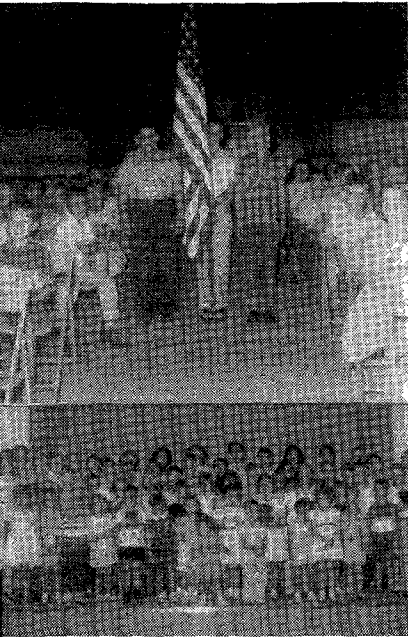
"Under the faithful leadership of Elder C. R. Beeler and his associate, Brother George Petty, the Cocoa church has become one of the lively churches of the conference. Many of the laymen are launching out for souls with Hughlett Greek as their home missionary leader.

"From June 24 through July 5, the Cocoa church conducted its first Vacation Bible School under the able supervision of Sister W. L. Griffeth, assisted by Sisters Schoonard, Prayther, Blanchard, Flora and Molissa Greek, Padgett, Finney, and two youth of the church, Sylvia Knauer and Wilberta Griffeth. The music was cared for by



The Marion, North Carolina, Church.





The Cocoa Vacation Bible School

Sister Knauer, and the nature class was conducted by Sister Wilbur.

The opening day's registration reached a total of 68. The daily attendance was 58, 48 per cent non-Adventists. There were eight classes. A number of these children were from the Bible Story Hour conducted on Sabbath afternoons by Hughlett Greek.

The Vacation Bible School closed with a Friday evening program, each child participating. Plans are already afoot for a larger school next year.

Under the able leadership of our directors, assistants, and teachers, moral truths are being planted in the eager minds of the children, and in years to come we will reap a harvest from the seed sown in the Vacation Bible Schools.

W. L. MAZART  
Sabbath School Secretary

## GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

### BLESSINGS GAINED OR LOST

Within a few days many of our consecrated laymen throughout the Georgia-Cumberland Conference will be traveling to our 1957 campmeeting. Their mutual desire and prayer will be for heaven's special blessing, and for the outpouring of the Spirit of God on the grounds dedicated to this holy convocation. There will be many precious moments to remember as heaven draws near, and we share in the joy of this precious message of truth preached by God's servants.

## FLORIDA CONFERENCE

# REGIONAL LAYMEN'S MEETING

AUGUST 30-31, 1957  
COCOA S. D. A. CHURCH

Fisk Boulevard

MAKE PLANS NOW TO ATTEND THESE SPECIAL MEETINGS BEGINNING FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 30, 7:30 P.M. AND CONTINUING THROUGH SABBATH, AUGUST 31.

Sabbath services will begin with the Sabbath school at 9:30 A.M. and services will continue through the evening.

We invite all our laymen within driving distance to Cocoa to take advantage of the special services during this laymen's rally. Many blessings are in store for those in attendance.

SPEAKERS: S. S. WILL, *Home Missionary Department  
Southern Union*

H. H. SCHMIDT, *President  
Florida Conference*

W. L. MAZART, *Home Missionary Department  
Florida Conference*

How tragic it would be if some who come should, through negligence, lose the very special blessings God has promised those who are faithful stewards.

The record of past years seems to indicate a pattern has been followed in a decided drop in tithe paid through our churches during the month in which camp meeting is held. It is obvious that, with two Sabbaths at camp

meeting, many of our people are not in their home churches to place their tithe in the church treasury. But, with two Sabbaths preceding and one following campmeeting within the month of August, I am sure God would be pleased, Beloved, for each of us to place one tenth of our earnings for the month in the hands of our church treasurer by August 31.

Remember God's promise, "I will . . .

*-Attention-*

## FLORIDA CHURCH GROUPS

PATHFINDER CLUBS

MARRIED COUPLES CLUBS

TEEN CLUBS

## FLORIDA YOUTH CAMP

IS OPEN FOR GROUPS UNTIL NOV. 1. MAKE RESERVATIONS THROUGH FLORIDA MV DEPARTMENT, BOX 1313, ORLANDO.

TENTS AND CABINS

COOKING FACILITIES

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USE YOUR YOUTH CAMP

open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground." Mal. 3:10, 11. Like every other divine promise, this one is made upon conditions which we must fulfill. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts."

As we approach this year's camp-meeting, let us be sure that it will be an occasion when many rich blessings will be obtained and God's special, promised blessing shall not be lost.

A. C. MCKEE,  
Secretary-Treasurer

### GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND WELCOMES NEW WORKERS

We are very happy to welcome Elder and Mrs. Lowell A. Edwards to the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. He is to be the pastor of the Ellijay church, and also the conference church for our northern section. We have hundreds of isolated members, and a visit from Elder Edwards will be a great source of strength to the conference church.

Elder and Mrs. Edwards have come to us from the Faith for Today Bible correspondence school where he was pastor of the Bible school. He spent many hours answering problem questions which came to him. His careful research and tactful answers were a blessing to Faith for Today Mrs. L. A. Edwards Bible correspondence school students.

You would be very interested to know that the Edwards' began their work for the Lord in the Southern Union. Their first work was to teach church school in St. Petersburg, Florida, during the years 1923 and 1924.

Elder Edwards has been Bible teacher in three of our academies—Maplewood in Minnesota, Oak Park in Iowa, and Broadview in Illinois.



L. A. Edwards



The Edwards spent a term of labor at the well-known Malamulo Mission in British Central Africa. Elder Edwards was the director of the mission, and later was in charge of the School of Evangelism where native pastors were trained. Many of the graduates of this school are ordained ministers in the work today.

Josephine Cunnington Edwards is probably best known by the many stories she has written for our denominational papers. She has had 19 years of teaching experience. Seven of these years were spent as normal director of the Malamulo teacher training school. Mrs. Edwards' latest book is an MV reading course selection for next year. It is entitled *Reuben's Portion*.

Elder and Mrs. Edwards have two sons in the Master's service: Charles G., who is pastor of the Madison Boulevard Church at Madison, Tennessee; and Robert E., who is the tenor of the King's Heralds Quartet of the Voice of Prophecy radio program. We are very fortunate to have Elder and Mrs. Edwards serving the Master in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.

ANDREW FEARING

We regret to announce the death of Elder H. W. Walker who served the Southern Union faithfully for many years. Further details will appear in a later issue.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

The Georgia-Cumberland Conference has just received congratulations from Elder Eric Ristau of the Southern Union publishing department for leading the world in sales for *These*

*Times* magazine for the month of June. For the first six months of 1957 Georgia-Cumberland leads the Southern Union both in single copy sales of *These Times* and in subscriptions obtained by colporteurs.

This is a good achievement, and we pray that God's rich blessing will go with this message-filled literature for the blessing of all those who are receiving it.

ANDREW FEARING

## KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

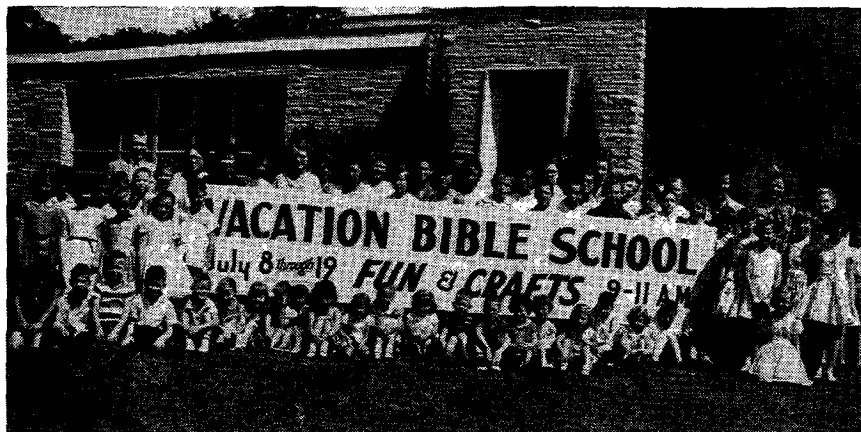
### NASHVILLE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A successful Vacation Bible School was conducted in our Nashville First Church, July 8-19. Mrs. Bernard Parrish and Mrs. E. L. Marley, her associate, led the school. Our faithful teachers and youth assistants did an excellent job during the ten day school.

A graduation exercise was held at the close of the school with many parents in attendance. They appreciated the program conducted for the children and the wonderful crafts that were made by them. The crafts were taught by Mrs. Raymond Brooks assisted by Mr. Warren Gepford.

A number of the children have already come to Sabbath school, and all the children were invited to come every week to our Bible school held on Saturday at 9:30 A.M. at the regular Sabbath school time. We believe that this is an excellent way to interest people in our message, and pray that souls will be won through this avenue of evangelism.

R. A. BATA, Pastor,  
Nashville First Church



Students and teachers of the Nashville First Church Vacation Bible School.

**BOOKS PLACED IN UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA**

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four-volume set, *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers*, by Elder LeRoy Edwin Froom.

Before this presentation only two books related to the denomination were in the library: *Seventh-day Adventists in the British Isles*, by Dr. Gideon Hagstotz, a Ph.D. thesis written at the University of Missouri in 1935, and an early edition of *Education* by Ellen G. White. The fly-leaf indicates that it was in the personal library of Dr. Andrew M. Soule, founder and first president of the College of Agriculture at the University. The inscription shows that it was given to him by a Miss Elsie Martinson of Graysville, Tennessee, in 1903. It was presented from his private library to the University in 1938.

The new collection at this center of learning makes available source materials on the Seventh-day Adventist Church for those interested in either casual reading or research.

R. M. RUF

**SUMMER EVANGELISTIC TRAINING**

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and listening to eminent Seminary professors.

In the accompanying picture will be seen the ministerial students who attended the Field School with Elder E. C. Banks, their instructor, Pastor S. I. Bauer of the Pewee Valley Church, and the two choirs, children and adult, that assisted in the music of the campaign. The choirs were under the direction of Mrs. Paul Felt, and Mr. Paul Felt directed the music for the congregational singing.

**SUNSET TABLE**

	Aug. 16	Aug. 23
Atlanta, Georgia .....	7:24	7:16
Birmingham, Alabama ....	6:33	6:25
Charlotte, N. Carolina ....	7:11	7:02
Collegedale, Tennessee ..	7:29	7:23
Huntsville, Alabama .....	6:34	6:25
Louisville, Kentucky .....	6:35	6:26
Memphis, Tennessee .....	6:48	6:39
Meridian, Mississippi .....	6:38	6:31
Nashville, Tennessee .....	6:36	6:27
Orlando, Florida .....	7:03	6:56
Wilmington, N. Carolina ..	6:58	6:50

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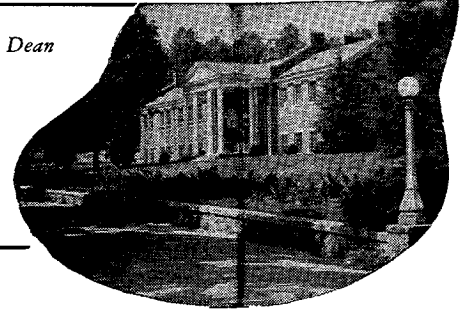
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### **Summer Evangelistic Training**

The fifth School of Evangelism to be conducted by the Division of Religion of Southern Missionary College has now been completed. It was conducted in the Louisville area of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference. It had been thought during the past few years, since most of the practical training of ministerial students has been transferred from our colleges to the Theological Seminary in Washington, D. C., that it would not be possible any longer to include the Field School of Evangelism in the ministerial training program at Southern Missionary College. To the joy of the college administration, the Division of Religion, and the young men preparing for the ministry, it has been discovered that it is possible to conduct the Schools of Evangelism under the present ministerial training program of the denomination, and Southern Missionary Col-

lege plans to make these schools of evangelism a regular part of its ministerial training.

The plans for this Field School, which was concluded August 4, were finalized too late in the spring for all the ministerial students who desired to attend to do so, but five upper-division men were able to arrange their summer programs so they could attend. The school was in session approximately eight weeks, and the students received eight hours credit by taking two classes: Introduction to the Ministry, six semester hours, and Personal Evangelism, two semester hours. The classes were held in the schoolrooms of the Pewee Valley, Kentucky, church.

Evangelistic services were held in the well-appointed Woman's Club auditorium in St. Matthews, one of the finest and fastest growing sections

of Louisville. Four nights a week the services were conducted and were well supported by our own believers who live in the vicinity. There was a good number of non-Seventh-day Adventists who came consistently week by week.

It was the plan of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, in co-operation with the two churches in the Louisville area, to organize a new church in St. Matthews following this evangelistic campaign. On Sabbath, July 20, the organization of the new church took place. Elder E. L. Marley, president of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, officiated at this important meeting which was held at three o'clock Sabbath afternoon in the Woman's Club Auditorium. A. L. Lynd, secretary-treasurer of the conference, assisted in the organization. Don Kenyon, former graduate of Southern Missionary College has been appointed pastor of this new church.

At the second Sabbath meeting of the new St. Matthews church, its charter member list stood at eighty-one. Most of these members came from the Pewee Valley and Louisville churches. Fourteen new members were baptized during the campaign, and there are others who will be baptized in the near future. This organization has set its goal to have one hundred members by the close of 1957. Already, plans are being made to start a program to build a new church.

Besides the value of the class work the ministerial students took during this summer session, they also received valuable training in the following ways: 1. Active participation in a full size evangelistic campaign. 2. Taking Sabbath appointments of various kinds in the several churches in the area. 3. Visiting classes, when possible, at the famous Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, located in Louisville,

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