



IT'S LATER THAN YOU THINK

We are so accustomed to looking at the face of a clock that there is nothing ominous about it. But there is an urgency in the words of writer Robert William Service. "Ah, the clock is always slow, it's later than you think."

We are called of God to communicate a distinctive, positive, spirit-filled message to all people of earth. "... to every nation, and kindred, and tongue. and people." Rev. 14:6. This preaching is to swell with "great power" to reach a world-wide pitch. Although relegated to the list of minorities, we believe that some day this cause of righteousness will rise to show to the world its creed. Boonton Herndon in The 7th Day observes that "Seventhday Adventists have taken twenty-five words out of Matthew 24 and literally made an impact on the world." May we add-so far, a mere impact!

Think! At present the world population increases more in ten days than the total membership of our church. Yet, we believe that under God a tremendous power will grip the church and the work will be finished.

God has allowed man to look into the book of knowledge. Scientists have dug deep into the secret powerhouse of nature. And men reach beyond themselves in their attempt to touch the stars—a feat that staggers the imagination. North American Aviation, in advertising, captioned the picture of a little boy, "Some Day His Letter May Come From Mars." Changing Times, the Kiplinger magazine, points out that the world is changing at such a fantastic pace that tomorrow is already here.

Ideas, concepts, methods, styles have all changed. The world has made an "about-face." Our times are different, but the Bible message has not changed.

The work of God comes under close scrutiny. Some things which seemed of prime importance have become insignificant and of little consequence. The church must provide vision, ideas, plans and ardent spiritual leadership to meet the dynamic challenge of this hour. People all about us ask for it. God wills it.

This issue of SOUTHERN TIDINGS features Evangelism. Elder LeRoy J. Leiske, president of the Southern Union Conference, provides the leadership that has sparked an outstanding soul-winning program. He carries a deep conviction to lead this people of the Southern Union-ministers and laymen, 50,000 strong-to accept the challenge to preach the message to the 29 million people in our territory. We have evidence of a tremendous work being accomplished. Already this year 2,772 persons have been added to our churches by baptism. The power demonstrated in evangelism success in the Southern Union is but a token of the great things yet to come. We cannot accept the slow-moving "model T" approach to our present world. We cannot ignore the facts. We must adjust ourselves and our work to new things.

Must we expect persecution to arouse the church! Why wait for holocaust or tragedy to awaken us like the sudden tolling of a bell in the middle watch of the night! Let us pray, "Lord, give us a greater portion of thy Spirit."-Look again! It's later than you think!

THE EDITOR

OUR COVER represents the millions of people in the Southern Union territory So few are aware of the brevity of time. To all, the Adventist message should be heralded with the warning that "It is later than you think."

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Fordyce W. Detamore is God's man, and he is also a man's man. I have known him for 28 years, being associated with him directly for about half of this period. Everything that he does whether it is preaching, visiting, writing, boating, swimming, playing shuffleboard, running a foot race, laying brick, building shelves for his books, or cooking a meal, he does with zest and enthusiasm. He is a man with boundless and limitless energy which is put to use in all that he does. There is nothing officious or "stuffy" about him, which makes him one in whose company you feel comfortable. His friendly, understanding nature is laced with a sincere feeling of sympathy for those who have troubles and problems. To be the object of a practical joke bothers him not a whit; it merely gives him an excuse to think of some practical joke he can play in return! His family, particularly his children, think of him as a friend, as well as a good and understanding father. Standing for a principle and being a champion of truth is as much a part of him as breathing. He is a worker for God in a direct soul-winning capacity—public evangelism. Nothing else could make him happier than this. Position, as such, holds no interest for him. He just wants to live and to work, and some day be thought of as one who is worthy of a place in God's kingdom.

> H. H. SCHMIDT, President Florida Conference

The story of ... A TEAM OF EVANGELISTS

By C. R. BEELER, Florida Conference

Three men in white coats, looking like stairsteps in their formal photograph, have become well known in Florida during the past six years as the World-wide Bible Lecture Team. In real life they are seldom seen in the photograph formation, for they are an action group, thoroughly organized in a fast-moving soul-winning effort.

The evangelist is Fordyce W. Detamore. His associates are Robert G. Collar and O. H. Bentzinger.

Since 1960 they have conducted 27 evangelistic campaigns in the Florida Conference. The baptisms held by the various pastors at the conclusion of these campaigns have totaled 1,126.

The team holds from eight to ten campaigns each year. The standard format is a three-week series with meetings every night except for two Saturdays, when a late afternoon service is held. Between campaigns an interlude of three weeks provides for binding off one effort, laying the groundwork for the next, and a period of rest from the very strenuous pace of the campaign. The meetings are held in a church, public auditorium, tent or in an airatorium.

Preparing for a Crusade

Preparation for a Detamore campaign begins a few weeks before the series opens. The first steps are the formation of prayer bands and the gathering of information regarding interested people. This information is obtained from questionnaires filled out by church members. These blanks provide the visitation list for the evangelistic team, including the pastors and Bible instructors of the area.

Elder Detamore is convinced that the most effective advertising is the person-to-person invitation. For this reason, great stress is laid on personally bringing people to the meetings. A few days before the opening date, formal invitations are mailed together with a handbill and four tickets to the opening meeting. In addition, many handbills are distributed personally. Letters are sent by the Voice of Prophecy, Faith for Today and the Union School of Bible Southern Prophecy to their Bible course enrollees telling of the coming Worldwide Bible Lectures and urging their attendance. Often a large ad is placed in the newspaper, and sometimes billboards are used to call the attention of the public to the meetings. A publicity kit is usually provided to aid the local church press secretary in writing suitable news stories for the newspaper.

During the Meetings

Elder Detamore is the principal speaker, but Elders Collar and Bent-

zinger are evangelists, too. Elder Collar is the campaign business manager. He also organizes the ushers, does a certain portion of the visiting, and speaks one night during the series. Elder Bentzinger is in charge of the musical program, teaches the baptismal class, and also speaks one night during the series. Mrs. Bentzinger, a graduate nurse, gives a health talk on the same night that her husband preaches.

Mrs. Detamore and Mrs. Bentzinger are in charge of the materials distributed. They organize the distribution of the Bibles, supervising volunteer church ladies in this operation. A rack is kept at the entrance with the printed sermons to fill the requests of the people.

The nightly program begins with the showing of a moving picture in color depicting some city or country in the Far East, with a narration by Elder Detamore who has spent many years in mission service there. The film is followed by a song service, interspersed with special vocal and instrumental numbers.

The musical program is an integral part of the evangelistic campaign. A cheerful, inspiring song service molds a receptive mood for the sermon. Elder Bentzinger's cordial smile and his trombone assist in drawing everyone into the singing.

Special Talent

Every member of the Bentzinger family is musical. Mrs. Bentzinger plays the organ and the vibraharp. Besides his trombone, Elder Bent-



zinger plays a steel guitar. Betty and Judy both play the organ and piano. Ronnie and Danny both play the trumpet. When the children have been available, they have provided different instrumental combinations, as well as a ladies' trio, a mixed quartet and other vocal arrangements.

The Collar family has made a specialty of playing a number of novelty musical instruments, some of them very unique. Among these are a saw, a Hawaiian guitar, a vibraharp with bells, a multiharp, sleighbells, tripleoctave chimes, and various kinds of bells. They recently acquired a set of 94 Swiss handbells, the playing of which is done by the whole family except the baby. All of these are used to produce gospel melodies, and form part of the program that helps to capture and hold the interest of people in Christ and His message of salvation.

One of the most impressive numbers on the nightly program is the chalk drawing by Mrs. Collar. The drawings themselves are beautiful but are amazingly enhanced by a series of changes in lighting, sound effects, and even moving objects produced by an electrograph developed by Elder Collar.

Besides changes produced by black light and the use of a color wheel, the electrograph is capable of producing the appearance of fire burning, a waterfall, setting or rising of sun or moon, lightning and thunder, stars coming out, people walking, waves pounding, a train going across a bridge and trees blowing in a breeze. One of these dramatic presentations is an ocean scene with a lighthouse. When the drawing is completed, a ship appears and moves across the picture; the lights dim and a storm appears with lightning and thunder; the ship catches on fire, tips up, and sinks out of sight; there is a fog horn sounding and sea gulls crying; the light goes on and off in the lighthouse. Then, a lifeboat goes out to gather in the survivors as the song "Throw Out the Lifeline" is sung.

Method of Presentation

The sermons during the first week deal with last day prophecies, the plan of salvation, and introduce the true Sabbath. The second week's topics reflect a similar combination of prophetic and spiritual themes culminating in a sermon on "Baptism" on Friday night. All through the week urgent appeals are made to attend the Sabbath afternoon special service on "The Prodigal Son." This is the occasion for the first altar call. A baptismal class is organized at this time which meets after the sermon every night during the third week.

Sermons appealing for decision characterize the third week, beginning with one on "The Mark of the Beast." An altar call is made on the final Sabbath afternoon and again the closing Sunday night. A second baptismal class meets every night during the following week.

The "Bible marking plan" stimulates regularity of attendance and helps to keep the listeners' attention on the subjects presented. A Bible and colored pencils are provided all who attend. As Elder Detamore leads up to the reading of a Bible text, he announces the page number in the Bible as well as the Scripture reference. Scores of Bible pages being turned at the same time give a sound as of a gentle rainfall.

The entire campaign is a carefully organized plan to find, identify and develop every genuine interest in the Truth and to lead every possible candidate to conversion and acceptance. This begins with the first step to secure names and continues with methods designed to increase the attendance and stimulate personal Bible study. It is carried to fruition through the personal visitation, the altar calls and the baptismal classes.

Individual study of Bible truth is also promoted by the "Bible marking plan," by the printed sermons that are sold for a few cents, and by special charts and other materials that are made available.

Visitation Program

The most effective decisions are brought about through personal persuasion as a fortification for the public sermon appeals. The most arduous part of the Detamore campaign is the visiting work. During a recent series, a total of 700 visits were made.

The local and nearby pastors are closely connected to all of the campaign activities. They are introduced as they participate in the services so that they will become well known to the audience. They are active in the visitation and take part in leading individuals to a decision. Each pastor baptizes the converts that are to be-

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come members of his church. This active participation in the whole program aids greatly in the establishment of new members.

Individuals whose names are provided by the church members are visited during the first week. During the second week, the most promising of these are visited again together with any new names from those who have registered to receive Bibles. During the third week of visitation, special effort is concentrated on those who have responded in the Sabbath afternoon altar call and others who may be prepared for a decision in the closing meetings. On the closing Sunday, many visits are made to invite hesitating ones to attend the meeting that night. Then on Monday, visits are made to encourage people to attend the Bible class during the followup week.

In his visiting, Elder Detamore is very cordial and puts the person at ease, but he wastes no time with small talk. He knocks persistently at the door and greets the person by name even before the door is opened. Soon he is inquiring about the person's religious experience, and the origin of his acquaintance with the church. He closes the visit with a short fervent prayer, including an expression such as, "Help those who hear the Truth to dare to keep it."

Securing Decisions

In making altar calls, Elder Detamore preaches a short, deeply-moving sermon, then steps down from the pulpit and appeals for decisions with an invitation hymn as a background. Movings of the Holy Spirit are manifest. The climax is reached in the baptisms, but the full results cannot be measured by the baptisms that take place in immediate connection with it.

Team Profile

Elder Detamore was born in St. Paul, Minnesota. He served first in denominational work as a church school teacher after graduating from Emmanuel Missionary College. He was soon called to mission service in the Malayan Union Mission. He and Elder A. G. Youngberg were the first to enter the wild part of Borneo in locating a mission site in 1931.

After five years of mission service, he was a pastor and evangelist in St. Louis and Kansas City, Missouri. Later he spent two years with the Voice of Prophecy, organizing the Bible correspondence schools there and writing the junior course.

He was Texas Conference evangelist for a period of three years and then spent five years again in the Far East in public evangelism in many of the great cities of Asia. This was followed by another period as Texas Conference evangelist before coming to Florida.

Among the many people who have found Christ as their personal Saviour under the ministry of Elder Detamore are some who are now themselves engaged in service for Christ—Elder H. F. Roll, secretary-treasurer of the Florida Conference; Elder J. J. Millet, Alabama-Mississippi Conference evangelist; Elder O. L. Johnston, minister in Corona, California; Elder E. W. Voyles, pastor in Bakersfield, California; Elder Max J. Church, departmental secretary in the Central African Union; Elder Joe R. Bailey, pastor in Dallas, Texas; Mrs. H. Davis, Bible instructor in South Africa; Elder E. M. Cleek, pastor in Ardmore, Oklahoma; and R. L. Mummert, a young minister in the Michigan Conference.

The Detamores have three daughters, all married—Mrs. C. E. Wiser, a nurse, lives in Bakersfield, California; Mrs. Homer Dever, whose husband is a church school teacher, lives in Mc-Minnville, Tennessee; the youngest, Mrs. Ron Smith, is at Andrews University where her husband is taking graduate work.

Elder Bentzinger began his ministry as a pastor in Springfield, Missouri, and later served pastorates in Colorado before joining the Detamore team. Mrs. Bentzinger is a nurse and a Bible instructor. They have five children: Gary, who is married and is a technician at the Glendale Sanitarium and Hospital; Mrs. David Villemain, a graduate nurse, is teaching with her husband at Greater Miami Academy; Ronnie, a student at Southern Missionary College; Judy and Danny, students at Forest Lake Academy.

Elder Collar labored in Illinois, Ohio and Texas, mostly assisting in evangelistic work, before joining the Detamore team six years ago. He and his wife, Mary, have four children.

The World-wide Bible Lecture Team is now on loan to the Illinois Conference, holding meetings in the Chicago area. Early in 1966 they will begin another schedule in the Florida Conference.

"4,500 BAPTISMS IN 1965"

When you think of it. 2.772 people makes a longe growd. To the left, the artist has expanded our thinking to the dimension of an accumulated total of the baptisms in the Southern Union Conference since January 1 of this year.

<u>EN MOUNT</u>

Now take a realistic look on this page at the objective for the year. With God's help, ministers and laymen of this great union field join hands to baptize 1,728 more individuals before the close of 1965 to make a grand total of 4,500.

This is a mere illustration, but in life's reality these are people! A wonderful army of people people with hopes, desires, wishes, longings and loved ones. When you think of it—it is something to rejoice about!



ALABAMA MISSISSIPPI

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EVANGELISM IN THE ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

The members of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference are wholehearted in their support of the evangelism program. At the time of our 1964 camp meeting, our loyal people presented an evangelism offering of more than \$23,000. The conference executive committee met immediately and asked Elder H. G. Crowson to devote his full time to conducting evangelistic meetings. An air-flow tent and additional equipment were purchased.



W. O. Coe, president of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference, right, and J. J. Millet, a conference evangelist, lay long-range plans for future evangelistic meetings.

In the latter part of 1964, Elder J. J. Millet came to our field as a second full-time conference evangelist. The Lord is giving him a fruitful ministry here.

At our recent 1965 camp meeting, an evangelism offering of \$27,740 was received. We believe that this is evidence that our people are eager to see the work go forward, and they are willing to sacrifice when they see the results produced by a well-organized program of evangelism such as our men have demonstrated.

We are well on the way toward our goal of 400 baptisms for 1965. By the end of the year, 56 public evangelistic crusades will have been held by our conference evangelists and pastors.

Our churches are being strengthened and our people are greatly encouraged as they see many precious souls added to our congregations. Some of our smaller churches which have been on the verge of closing have been revived and are growing.

In Amory, Mississippi, we have a lovely little church building. The church membership had dwindled to four individuals. There was definite talk of closing the church. Elder H. G. Crowson moved in to hold a series of evangelistic meetings. The Lord blessed the efforts of Elder Crowson and the faithful members. Today the membership stands at 16, or four times as great as it was before the meetings. Plans are being laid for more evangelistic meetings in Amory.

We have experienced some outstanding meetings around the conference with wonderful results. In each case our evangelists have found that where the laymen have been actively engaged in conducting Bible studies and other missionary activities the results have been greater. Meetings conducted in the Jackson-Florence, Mississippi, area resulted in 31 baptisms. Ten of those who were baptized had been receiving Bible studies and visits by one of our faithful laymen.

Already we are laying plans for 1966. We have plans to raise up churches in three of our larger cities where we do not presently have congregations. An intensive program of preparing the soil will be carried out before public evangelistic meetings are held in these places. It is hoped that we might add a third conference evangelist to our working force.

Each of our churches is engaged in a program to prepare the way for public evangelism. Under the direction of our conference Home Missionary Department, a band of workers has been organized in each church to give Bible studies and make missionary visits. These groups have been designated as "A.M./F.M. Klubs"—Alabama-Mississippi Fishers of Men.

Under the blessing of God, it is our plan to increase the present membership of 4,200 to over 5,000 by the time of the Southern Union session in the spring of 1967.

W. O. COE, President Alabama-Mississippi Conference

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GEORGIA CUMBERLAND



Desmond Cummings, Georgia-Cumberland Conference president, left, discusses evangelism plans with other workers. From left (after Elder Cummings): E. E. Cumbo, Don Aalborg, W. J. Henson, H. C. Brownlow, J. L. Price, Harold E. Metcalf (Bible School director).

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE EVANGELISM

The first quarter of 1965 was the greatest first quarter of evangelism ever experienced by Georgia-Cumberland.

The entire ministry of the conference joined in a great pulpit exchange program, and 174 precious souls were baptized. Although much effort and time were given to the \$128,000 "Open-door Offering" for the academy during the second quarter, our baptisms of 156 were again beyond comparison. In previous years, Georgia-Cumberland has enjoyed the blessing of as many as three evangelistic teams. To date, without the aid of one evangelistic team, God has blessed us with 360 baptisms. Surely this is a fine tribute to the ministry and laity of this conference. Harmon Brownlow, conference revivalist, has been blessed with more success working alone, than many evangelistic teams.

During this period of intense evangelism and academy fund-raising, all other phases of God's work has continued to prosper. Collegedale and the Atlanta Belvedere congregations will move into their new churches early this fall. Thomasville is already enjoying their lovely facilities. Duluth is building, Beverly Road and Griffin are remodeling, Marietta, Columbus, Ringgold, Savannah and other congregations are in the planning stage and will begin building in the immediate future.

God has blessed us with an \$85,000 tithe increase already this year. Comparatively speaking, this is exactly twice the tithe gain of any other conference in the Southern Union.

Two new churches are to be organized immediately—the Chattanooga Valley church with over 80 members, and the new academy church. Both of these churches will be strong and vital in their leadership.

Our membership has passed the 8,000 mark. The first six months we have had a thrilling membership gain, giving us a grand total of 8,188 members.

Already three churches are over their Ingathering goal, and a good number of the districts have a large per cent of their goal raised. This would not be outstanding were it not for the fact that we do not launch Ingathering in our churches until September 11.

A Godly desire to finish the work is vividly reflected in the plans of every pastor to hold at least one evangelistic effort between now and the end of this year. Brethren and sisters, if we prayerfully join together and by God's blessing can average eight baptisms per evangelistic meeting, we will easily surpass our goal of 700 baptisms for this year. I sincerely believe it is God's will and entirely possible.

May I thank each layman and worker for his faithful, enthusiastic zeal and encourage you to unitedly press on with the urgency these closing hours demand.

DESMOND CUMMINGS



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CAROLINA





W. B. Johnson, Carolina Conference president, right, discusses evangelistic plans with Pastor and Mrs. R. L. Hallock.

EVANGELISM'S HOUR

In church history of the Dark Ages, it was written that the "blood of the martyrs was the seed of the gospel." If this were true of the history of the church then, it must be true now that "evangelism is the heart beat of the church." When evangelism and evangelists are no more, the work of the church will have been accomplished and our Lord will have returned to give every man according as his works shall be.

In the upper room of centuries ago, 11 men who had been set aside as apostles for the Lord, together with 109 other people, prayed and brought their lives into line with the life of Christ. When it could be said that they were "all of one accord," then the Spirit of God fell upon them with power such as man had never seen before. A work was done in a few days on the hearts of men that not John the Baptist, or even our Lord, had accomplished. The promise of God was kept to these people when the Lord said that they would do a greater work than He had done.

The Lord is waiting today for His people once again to be of one accord, and when they join hands in a united and determined effort to give this gospel to those who either know it not or, having heard it, have not as yet accepted it, great indeed will be the work accomplished. It is the promise of heaven that thousands will be baptized in a day. Our literature evangelists are scattering books literally like the leaves of autumn. It cannot be that these truth-filled books will die by the way. No word of truth will ever die. We are standing on the threshold of some of the greatest work done in the Carolina Conference that has ever been done. It is time for the Lord to bare His mighty arm and do a work in and for and through His people such as the world has never seen. We, in Carolina, are determined to go steadily forward, hand in hand and shoulder to shoulder, doing the work that God has given to us to do. As we pray for the brethren around the Southern Union field, we ask that you pray for us that, when the work is finished, as we have been united here, we can be united there.

> WILLARD B. JOHNSON, President Carolina Conference

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FLORIDA



Elder H. H. Schmidt, Florida Conference president gets a first-hand report on the student evangelists' "It Is Written" crusade in West Palm Beach. From left: Elder G. B. Tarr, West Palm Beach pastor; David Taylor of Montemorelos, Mexico, and Daryl Meyers of Atlanta, Georgia, both senior Theology students at Southern Missionary College; and Elder Schmidt.

Evangelism in the Florida Conference is the very first concern of the ministers and people making up its membership. The words, "We should now feel the responsibility of laboring with intense earnestness to impart to others the truths that God has given at this time. We cannot be too much in earnest," *Evangelism*, p. 16, express this concern. Plans have been laid, and are being carried out in the year 1965, to produce, under God's direction and by His Spirit, the greatest harvest of souls we have ever had in Florida. This is our aim and objective.

Many of our pastor-evangelists have been and are now engaged in strong public evangelism. Others have organized aggressive laymen's activities, pastor's Bible classes and Bible studies. During the summer we have had three theology student teams from Southern Missionary College conducting campaigns. They worked together with the pastors in three of our churches and report good results. The Detamore-Bentzinger-Collar evangelistic team joined a number of pastors to conduct campaigns in Lakeland, St. Augustine, the Orlando area, St. Petersburg, Avon Park and Clearwater. In these campaigns, we have used large tents, an air-a-torium and our church buildings.

As the result of these combined efforts of our workers and people, 465 souls have been baptized thus far this year. The team, now on loan to the Illinois Conference, will complete its 1965 schedule in the large city of Chicago.

At this writing, we have four more months remaining in this year. We desire to use this time diligently and faithfully to reap a harvest of many more souls. This we desire to do for the up-building of the work and to God's glory.

> H. H. SCHMIDT, President Florida Conference





KENTUCKY TENNESSEE



▲ Latest baptism tabulation made by conference president, E. L. Marley, reveals that Kentucky-Tennessee is 181 baptisms ahead of last year's figure at this date. ▲ At a recent worker's retreat, district pastors made plans for their evangelistic program during the remainder of the year with Elder Marley (standing left front).

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

PRESIDENT'S EVANGELISTIC SUMMARY

The year 1965 is witnessing the most urgent proclamation of the gospel ever witnessed in the Kentucky-Tennessee area. The goal for this year of 550 souls is well on the way to realization with 351 having been baptized to date. This represents a marvelous gain of 60 souls over the total number baptized for the entire year of 1964. Lesser interests and needs have been set aside by our ministers throughout the conference, and the supreme objective of winning souls for the kingdom has become their "magnificent obsession." This fervor for evangelism has gripped not only the ministry, but many of our laymen and young people have been more active than ever before in witnessing for Christ. This year will undoubtedly see the largest ingathering of souls ever to take place in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference during a 12-month period of time. We thank God for this outpouring of His Spirit and pray that it may be an omen of even greater things to take place in the future.

It has been particularly gratifying to see the splendid, one-directional emphasis on soul winning as demonstrated by the younger workers, several of whom were conducting their very first evangelistic campaign. A fine class of converts, including professional people of high caliber, have been among those won to the message by these young men. Their willingness to do and dare for God has been richly rewarded.

A number of years ago a program for a revival each year in every church was launched, and this has been continued with good results. Our people have become accustomed to bringing their friends to these services, and while some do not take their stand for truth during their first series of meetings, they often join the church as a result of subsequent revivals.

Demonstrated this summer, in many areas of the conference, has been the continuing effectiveness of tent meetings. Considered a "thing of the past" in many places, this time-honored method of bringing the message to the public has been used with greater results than at any time in recent years. Men and women who are hungering and thirsting for a better way of life will go to any place where they think it is being offered.

We rejoice over the harvest to date. But this gladness is tempered with the solemn realization that there is yet much to be done before the Master can set up His eternal kingdom. Our continued emphasis in Kentucky-Tennessee will be directed toward the realization of this greatest of all goals, this acme of all endeavors.

E. L. MARLEY, President

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Elder W. S. Banfield



EVANGELISM IN SOUTH ATLANTIC

Without doubt, 1965 should be one of the banner years for evangelism in the South Atlantic Conference. As a result of our pulpit-exchange revivals held during the first quarter, we baptized 190 by the end of March. At the close of the second quarter, we had 300 baptisms. By the close of July, 324 new members had been added. This was a gain of 79 over the same period of 1964.

Never have we seen such large-scale layman participation in evangelism in the conference as in 1965. We thrilled as we followed the results of the all-layman-directed effort held in Clearwater, Florida. Brother Tom Smith, a dedicated layman of the Tampa, Florida church, led out in this venture for God. Brother Smith purchased his own tent—a $40' \times 60'$ pushpole job, for \$650. A fine crew of laymen gathered to assist; and, after six weeks of diligent effort, 17 were baptized.

Brother Lonnie Wright of the Winston-Salem, North Carolina church is holding a hall meeting in Asheboro, North Carolina with good attendance. Brother I. A. Clipper has purchased a tent and is holding a well-attended meeting in Jacksonville, Florida. The ladies are not to be left out of this great soul-winning venture. Mrs. Daisy Jackson is holding a hall meeting in Belmont, North Carolina. Indeed, laymen and ministers are joining hands to finish the work across South Atlantic.

We were blessed to erect 11 tents in the conference this summer. The Southern-most meeting is now being held in Miami. Pastors R. L. Woodfork and J. Hinson teamed up to hold a district tent effort.

Elder C. R. Craig held an early meeting in West Palm Beach, Florida. To date, 10 have been baptized.

In Georgia, Pastor F. W. Parker has baptized 36 in Brunswick; Pastor L. G. Rahming has baptized 47 in Augusta; and Pastor J. Paul Monk has baptized 16 in his first baptism in Dublin.

Pastor Monk's meeting was not without opposition. One night, a fire bomb was thrown against the tent. A portion of the side wall was destroyed. God blessed and the fire was put out before the tent was destroyed. Later, a knife-wielding man cut about 20 feet of the side wall. Then, a storm blew the whole tent down. In spite of it all, Dublin has heard the Word of God preached with power and many are yet to be baptized.

Atlanta has been a beehive of activity this summer. H. L. Cleveland, his loyal crew and a dedicated church organized for an assault on east Atlanta. This section has never before been worked. From the opening night, interest ran high. Sabbath, August 28, the first baptism was held, and it is reported that 174 were baptized. God has blessed in a marvelous way.

Three meetings are in progress in South Carolina. G. N. Smith baptized eight in his first baptism in Anderson, August 28. C. L. Thomas in Darlington had six in his first baptism on the same date. H. Vanderberg started late in Summerville, but a good harvest is expected.

Pastor O. U. Holness is conducting the only tent effort in North Carolina. In Greensboro, Pastor Holness and his loyal workers are expecting an abundant harvest. The first baptism will come in September.

Many of our pastors are out in church meetings and are having good success. Pastor O. H. Paul started a three-week meeting from church to church in his district. After three weeks at Valdosta, eight were baptized. Pastor Matthew Green baptized eight at Ocala, Florida, as a result of a church meeting. J. L. Follette reported six at Sarasota, Florida, with others yet to be baptized. F. R. Nealy baptized five as he closed a church effort at Athens, Georgia.

From the reports we have, 348 were baptized in the month of August and 62 on Sabbath, September 4, bringing the total for the year to 734. Most of the tent efforts will continue into September.

We wish to congratulate our pastors for making soul winning the number one item on their agenda of pastoral responsibilities.

W. S. BANFIELD, President



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C. E. DUDLEY, President South Central Conferen

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W. O. Coe, president of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference (right), is on hand with Evangelist Millet to greet those attending the evangelistic meetings.

The Alabama-Mississippi Conference has two air-flow tents which are kept in almost constant use by the two conference evangelists, H. G. Crowson and J. J. Millet. These "airatoriums" attract a lot of attention and interest in the areas where they are erected.



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C.R.Graham, pastor of the Louisville, Kentucky church, is en thusiastic and serious about the salvation of souls in his tent meet-

ings.





Baptismal candidates from the Barron-Turner evangelistic series in Paducah, Kentucky.



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Pastor Ronald Watson prepares to add three more members to the Ashland, Kentucky church through the sacred rite of baptism.

With Bible in hand, Pastor Doyle Phillips, one of Kentucky-Tennessee's most ardent soul winners, leaves to conduct a Bible study with an interested prospect for the kingdom.

> Bruce Johnston reveals to the Louisville crusade's largest attendance that the pillars supposedly upholding Sunday sacredness are only tradition.





While their youthful husbands preached the message to the adults, Judy King and Jean McComb "preached" in their own singularly effective way to the boys and girls.





▲ Claude Steen, left, and Bill Fulton, senior theology majors, at Southern Missionary College, busily engaged in the fine art of giving a Bible study as a part of their field evangelism training.



The Chaplets of Riverside church in Nashville assisted in several tent efforts in the surrounding area. From left to right: Bonita Dudley, Veronica Simons and Beverly Jenkins.





In the beautiful surroundings at Kentucky-Tennessee's Youth Camp, Evangelist Richard Barron lays plans with his associates for a city-wide evangelistic crusade in Lexington, Kentucky. Left to right are: Evangelist Barron; Associate Pastor Fred Goodman; Singing Evangelist Ray Turner; and Lexington pastor, Merle Landis.



Tom Smith, a layman of Tampa, Florida, did the unusual in 1965. Brother Smith sent his personal check for \$650 to the conference office as payment in full for a $40' \times 60'$ tent. Brother Smith, ably assisted by other laymen, held a very successful six-week, self-supported effort in Clearwater, Florida. Seventeen were baptized in the first baptism. Brother Smith has held three lay efforts, and the results from each meeting have been very encouraging.







The Atlanta, Georgia, meeting was one of the most well-attended meetings in the conference. The opening night brought crowds well over 2,000. The Blendwrights of Dayton, Ohio, spent two weeks with the crusade. Their services were greatly appreciated. Brother Carl Rogers, Mrs. Ellen Anderson, Mrs. Mary Mapson, Brother James McCoy, Mrs. A. E. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. L. Smith, and Mrs. Elizabeth Cleveland united with Pastor H. L. Cleveland to make a great team for God. One hundred seventy-four were in the first baptism held August 28, 1965.



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School of BIBLE PROPHECY

THIS IS EVANGELISM

For nearly 20 years I was engaged in pastoral work and full-time evangelism. I have learned to love people. To work with people in behalf of their soul's salvation is the nicest work a person can do.

For over three years I have been directing the work of our Southern Union School of Bible Prophecy. From the very start I felt my position was a tremendous challenge for winning souls. And I can say today that the Bible school way of winning souls is truly one of the greatest, most effective and efficient methods of evangelism. We, here at the Bible school office, like to think that each of you who reads this article is on our evangelistic team. Right now over 20,000 people are in our files who are studying the great truths of Scripture through our "Search for Truth" lessons. Every day some students make decisions for Christ, His truth, and His church.

During the past few days the following testimonies from students have been placed on my desk. Let me share them with you.

A prisoner has just made this decision: "I have 13 months left in prison. When I leave I am going to a church which teaches and practices all of God's truth. I thank God for showing me this true church—The Seventh-day Adventist Church."

Some of our students need additional help before joining the church, such as this one in Waycross, Georgia: "I am happy to report that I found the glorious way to Christ before it was too late. Brother Wayne Pleasants visited in my home this year and held Bible studies. They were such a wonderful help to me. On July 10, I was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church. I am so proud and happy over this Bible course. Please pray that I may grow stronger in the faith each day."

One of our students in Miami testifies to the fact that our lessons helped her in overcoming the tobacco habit: "I have quit smoking since I started taking these lessons, and I know that it was the power of God that helped me to do it, for I had been smoking for 15 years. I am so happy and thankful to God."

From Memphis, Tennessee, a lady writes us of the importance of our lessons: "These Bible lessons are so wonderful. I want you to know that at 80 years of age I'm still learning many truths I would not have known otherwise. I just love God's holy Word. May God bless each of you in this true message."

How thrilling to be on an evangelistic team and to hear this report from another student in North Carolina! "I enjoy your lessons very much. I find them very enlightening. I don't profess to be a Christian. I would like to be one. I believe if I ever become one, I will join the Seventh-day Adventist Church. I have a drinking problem. I want you to pray for me that I may overcome it."

When we have a part in enrolling people in our Bible course, it is good

to know people appreciate our efforts. How much do they appreciate the lessons? Are they really doing them some good? Read the following reports and judge for yourself.

Kannapolis, North Carolina: "I appreciate your sending me these Bible lessons, and I am thankful to say that I am understanding the Word of God more and more each day as I study them."

Morris, Alabama: "I cannot tell you just how much these lessons mean to me. I wish to say 'thank you' and may God bless you."

Florence, South Carolina: "These lessons are most important. They give me a better understanding of the Bible and 'hope' for the future."

Tampa, Florida: "I find this study more interesting with each lesson. I have certainly been enjoying them all. The lessons are so well written. Relatively short, but oh so informative complete coverage for understanding."

Can't you see why I say, referring to the Bible school, "This is evangelism"? Each of us should be on the team and doing our part—the way to win the crown at last.

"How many would be brought to Christ if all of God's people would work for those who need so much to understand Bible truth! Heavenly angels, unseen, would help those to whom we speak, to hear and understand the things of God. . . .

"In every city, in every town, in every village, there is a work to be done. How can we feel clear before God unless we do our part to make the truth known to those perishing in darkness?

"In the day of judgment, when every one will be rewarded according to his works, many of the lost will charge their neighbors with neglect, saying, You knew the truth regarding the requirements of the Bible, but you did not stop to think that close beside your own door there were souls who were in error, and who needed to be given instruction. . . .

"Are your hearts filled with a determination to work for your neighbors? Visit those who live near you, and by sympathy and kindness reach their hearts. Let your efforts remove prejudice. Remember that those who know the truth for this time, and yet confine their efforts to their own church, will be called to account for unfulfilled duties."—R & H, December 22, 1910, December 1, 1910.

-HAROLD E. METCALF

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ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

Location

Pastor or Evangelist

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Andalusia, Ala.	G. D. Gunter
Athens, Ala.	H. G. Crowson
Blountstown, Ala.	A. V. Voorheis
Birmingham, Ala.	K. M. Mathews
(First)	
Birmingham, Ala.	W. F. Wright
(Roebuck)	U
Bonifay, Fla.	L. A. Ward
Brookhaven, Miss.	W. G. Zima
Dothan, Ala.	J. J. Millet
Ellisville, Miss.	G. A. Frase
Floral Crest, Ala.	Walter Brown
Gadsden, Ala.	W. R. Caviness
Gulfport, Miss.	C. W. Reed
Huntsville, Ala.	E. H. Roy
Jackson, Miss.	H. G. Crowson
Meridian, Miss.	J. J. Millet
Mobile, Ala.	J. J. Millet
Natchez, Miss. D.	L. Hilderbrandt
Olive Branch, Miss.	
Panama City, Fla.	A. V. Voorheis
Pascagoula, Miss.	C. W. Reed
Pell City, Ala.	H. G. Crowson
Pensacola, Fla.	D. B. Martin
Phil Campbell, Ala.	P. E. Anderson
Pine Springs, Miss	. W. H. Patsel
Prichard, Ala.	R. B. McDannel
Selma, Ala. R	aymond Roberts
St. Elmo, Ala.	T. H. Bledsoe
Tupelo, Miss. D.	L. Hilderbrandt
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EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

Meetings will be held in the following cities in the Southern Union before the close of 1965. Place of services and dates will be announced through the local conferences and churches.

LocationPastor or EvangelistSalisbury, N.C.H. V. LeggettSpartanburg, S.C.J. C. WyckoffStatesville, N.C.A. D. Livengood

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A. D. Livengood C. L. Beason David Dobias Dick Serns H. V. Leggett

FLORIDA CONFERENCE

Apopka, Fla.	David Manzano
Arcadia, Fla.	D. E. Wilkinson
Avon Park, Fla.	R. H. Kerr
Altamonte Spring	s, Fla.
1 0	C. R. French
DeLand, Fla.	John Marshall
Eustis, Fla.	O. R. Henderson
Ft. Meade, Fla.	R. H. Kerr
Hollywood, Fla.	R. A. Kurth
Lakeland, Fla.	O. W. Bacheller
Maitland, Fla.	J. L. Hamrick
Forest Lake	
Melbourne, Fla.	W. C. Arnold
Miami, Fla.	Glenn Fillman
Temple	
North	N. W. Baker
Okeechobee, Fla.	H. L. Haffner
Orlando, Fla.	L. L. Albers
Kress Memorial	
Sanitarium	L. R. Mansell
Palatka, Fla.	H. R. Veach
Plant City, Fla.	C. R. Kinney
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GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE

Albany, Ga.	H. C. Brownlow J. A. Brown
Atlanta, Ga.	H. C. Brownlow W. J. Henson
Cartersville, Ga.	L. A. Wynn Ernest Stevens
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	H. C. Brownlow
	O. O. Graham
Cleveland, Tenn.	Bruce Johnston
	C. E. Bracebridge
Decatur, Ga.	D. G. Anderson
Deer Lodge, Tenn.	H. C. Brownlow
2001	W. C. Earle
Duluth, Ga.	E. E. Cumbo
Duruch, Ga.	Roy Caughron
Dunlap, Tenn.	Paul Gates
Griffin, Ga.	H. C. Brownlow
	John Robbins
Lenoir City, Tenn.	H. C. Brownlow
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Location Pastor or Evangelist McMinnville, Tenn. Valter Marshall Pine Mountain Valley, Ga. H. C. Brownlow John Fowler Ringgold, Ga. H. C. Brownlow F. C. Petty Tracy City, Tenn. K. G. Mote R. M. Mote

Walden's Ridge, Tenn. Paul Gates

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

Calhoun, Ky.	L. A. Watson
Cave Springs	R. H. Ammons
Pegram, Tenn.	
Centerville, Tenn.	George Kendall
Chestnut Hill	D. E. Kenyon
Portland, Tenn.	2. 2. 110
Covington, Ky.	Hooper-Glanzer
Cross Plains, Ten	
Dyersburg, Tenn.	
	g, Terry McComb
Franklin, Ky.	Doyle Phillips
Gainesboro, Tenn.	Paul Felt
Glasgow, Ky.	Elmer J. Hagele
Lawrenceburg, Ky	
Leach, Tenn.	Quinton Burks
Louisville, Ky.	J. A. Crews
Mayfield, Ky.	J. S. Darnall
Memphis, Tenn.	E. E. Duncan
Paducah, Ky.	J. S. Darnall
Paris, Tenn.	J. S. Darnall
Savannah, Tenn.	W. F. Asher
Whitesburg, Ky.	James E. Renfro
Woodbury, Tenn.	
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SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

Augusta, Ga. L. G. Rahming Tallahassee, Fla. Oster Paul Thomasville, Ga. Oster Paul (Plans for other fall efforts will be made at the forthcoming worker's meeting.)

SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Bessemer, Ala.	W. J. Mitchell
Brownsville, Tenn.	R. R. McKinney
Clarksdale, Miss.	J. M. Doggette
Frankfort, Ky.	C. A. Myers
Greenville, Ala.	C. E. Dudley
Greenville, Miss.	E. W. Moore
Mobile, Ala.	C. E. Mosely

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Pastoral-evangelism is the greatest work ever given to mortal to accomplish. To make the work of the pastoral-evangelist effective necessitates the marshalling of the forces of the entire congregation under his charge. This calls for leadership, for perseverance, for patience leadership to initiate new ideas and organize the church body for total evangelism; perseverance and patience to train, counsel and lovingly help members who have not been accustomed to working in the church organization.

There are several steps necessary for total church evangelism.

- 1. The minister must be a man of deep spiritual conviction. Each sermon—the 11 o'clock Sabbath hour, the mid-week service, the Sunday night evangelistic meeting—must be geared to reach those who are in need of the Saviour.
- 2. Every department of the church must be impressed that theirs is a soul-winning endeavor.
 - a. From the custodian to the first elder, every work must be "done unto the Lord."
 - b. The leaders of the Sabbath school divisions, missionary groups, Dorcas society, M.V. society, church school, Pathfinders, and all other phases of the church program should be trained to watch for souls. Goals can be set for each department.
 - c. The hostesses, deacons and ushers will create a friendly atmosphere which will draw to Christ.
- 3. The church will become aware of their responsibility to be their "brother's keeper."
 - a. An Undershepherd Plan will go into operation dividing the church body into districts with elders as overseers.
 - b. Each district will be divided into units with a deaconess in charge of a four to six family unit. (Deaconesses have more time to visit than deacons.)
 - c. These families will be visited at least quarterly and will become a closely knit unit, definitely uniting the church.
 - d. If a problem arises it can be reported immediately to the pastor, thus curbing apostacy.
- 4. The physical plant is prepared to attract people to Christ. Many churches do not have a plan for caring

for the physical structure. If the plaster falls, it is invariably patched, but no systematic plan is used to keep the plant and grounds always representative.

- a. Organize a building and grounds committee to care for this function.
- b. This body should work closely with the finance committee so that funds can be budgeted each year for painting, repairs, reseeding, new shrubs, furniture, rugs and all other items needed.
- c. This should be placed on a "staggered" program so that in no one year will a major renovation be necessary, but rather, the over-all church home will be kept in a constant state of repair, comfort and beauty.
- 5. The pastor can now plan a baptism each month.
 - a. The total evangelism program will constantly feed the baptismal class.
 - b. When the pastor-evangelist conducts evangelistic meetings, the members will be ready and will know someone they can bring.
 - c. Sabbath morning, prayer meeting and Sunday night meetings will be visited by interested friends, and when calls are made, decisions for Christ will be made.
 - d. The visiting evangelist will find a real "garden" of interest as he visits the folk who have been impressed by the total evangelism program.
- 6. A program of integrating the new converts into this total evangelism program must be placed into effect immediately after baptism.
 - a. Every new convert can be assigned his post of duty.
 - b. The missionary program of the church will have a spot for each talent: mailing bands, literature distribution, house-to-house visitation, Bible study clubs, friendship teams—all will be in operation, making it a simple matter to assign the new convert to one of these groups where he is best fitted. Thus, he will immediately feel a part of the great advent movement and be less apt to become "lost in the crowd" and finally fall by the wayside.

As this program of total evangelism is placed into effect in all of our churches, God's message will rapidly be spread and Christ will soon come.



EVANGELISM

THROUGH TELEVISION AND BIBLE COURSES





spread the WORD by RADIO

IT SHOULDN'T HAVE HAPPENED!

"This is the anniversary that should never have happened!" exclaimed J. Harold Shultz, superintendent of the Voice of Prophecy printing department, when asked for his comment in connection with the staff pledge of over \$2,500 to be given on Voice of Prophecy Offering Day, October 9, in honor of Elder H. M. S. Richards' 35th year of continuous radio broadcasting.

Elder Shultz continued, "I am sure that if the rest of us had been as faithful as Elder H.M.S. Richards, we should all have been in the Kingdom of Heaven ere this. As I see it, the best way to make certain that the gospel will be taken 'to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,' in the shortest possible time, is to devote our lives, as well as our financial resources, to an all-out effort at this critical time in earth's history. We are taking too much time and spending too much money on sending probes to the moon and photographing Mars. Instead of messages and pictures from outer space, let's send out God's message of salvation and finish up the work here in this crime-anddisease-ridden planet; then we can hear the message from the Chief Architect of all the worlds, 'Well done. . . .'"

The staff pledge was presented to Elder Richards upon his return from a six-week, sixteen-state camp meeting tour. Each staff member has promised to give a multiple of 35 on October 9: 35 dimes, 35 quarters, 35 half-dollars, dollars, or larger amounts, in this 100 per cent participation project.

H.M.S. Richards began his radio evangelism 35 years ago when radio was still in its infancy, and is now heard every Sunday over approximately 650 stations across the United States and Canada, and daily on 65 outlets. The minds of millions have been turned to Christ through Elder Richards' radio ministry.

When the "35 Times" program was suggested to the Voice of Prophecy staff, everyone wanted to have a part because they felt that the radio ministry is one of the best ways to bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to the people. Here are some personal comments:

Louise Francis, who helps in preparation of the continuities for the broadcasts, said: "It is a special thrill to have a part in remembering this milestone in H. M. S. Richards' radio ministry. In giving something for each year of his continuous broadcasting, it drives home how long he has been a blessing to people in radio land."

Said T. Rose Curtis, copy editor and librarian: "I worked for 37 years as secretary, librarian, or editor in the General Conference offices; but I've never felt closer to the heart of the soul-winning program than during the seven years I've now been with The Voice of Prophecy. I feel privileged to give my bit in celebration of Elder Richards' 35 years on the air."

Renee Iles, switchboard operator, said, "It's a wonderful work and it makes me feel good to be able to help in some way. It is good to know that I've had some little part in helping to give the gospel to others."

Addressograph superintendent Lloyd Maguire thinks that "if we get behind the program and show an interest ourselves, it will do a lot to help the over-all giving of the people on Voice of Prophecy Offering Day, October 9."

"On the occasion of H. M. S. Richards' 35th anniversary of radio preaching, it is a great joy for me to make this special offering," Elder Wayne Hooper, director of music programing said. "Through the 20 years it has been my honor to work side-by-side with him, I have seen no slowing down of his zeal to find new ways to reach more people with Bible truth."

True, this 35th anniversary of proclaiming the message should never have happened!

Every "35 Times" gift on Sabbath, October 9, can help lessen the number of anniversaries. And isn't this exactly what we are all working and praying for?



Beginning with the REVIEW, which should be in every SDA home, make up a money-saving combination of periodicals to fit the special needs in your home. Include THE YOUTH'S INSTRUCTOR and GUIDE for the family, according to their age. For those who are officers in the church THE SABBATH SCHOOL WORKER and GO will be of special help. Every home will benefit from the help in LIFE AND HEALTH, and LIBERTY magazine will keep you abreast of developments in one of the great issues of national, as well as church, interest. You may find the ideal combination in the Gem Trio with some one of the other periodicals. You will receive the greatest value when you order the Family Group.

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Birmingham, Alabama	5:51	5:41	5:32	5:22
Charlotte, North Carolina	6:28	6:18	6:07	5:58
Collegedale, Tennessee	6:48	6:36	6:25	6:16
Huntsville, Alabama	5:51	5:40	5:30	5:21
Louisville, Kentucky	6:48	6:37	6:27	6:16
Memphis, Tennessee	6:05	5:55	5:44	5:35
Meridian, Mississippi	5:59	5:49	5:40	5:31
Nashville, Tennessee	5:52	5:41	5:31	5:21
Orlando, Florida	6:28	6:20	6:11	6:04
Wilmington, North Carolina		6:06	5:57	5:47

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BETTER DIGESTION—Use Papaya Enzymes for that upset stomach. Digest all your food for a change and see how much better you feel. One bottle 250 tablets— \$3.50 postpaid. Two bottles 250 tablets— \$4.50 postpaid. Act now—supply limited. Loveless Health Foods, 855 Oglethorpe Avenue, S. W. Atlanta, Georgia 30310. (18-22)

HERITAGE GARDENS: Retirement center in historical Loma Linda will open this fall, providing complete care for retired and elderly within walking distance of new Loma Linda University Medical Center, Air-conditioned private rooms, baths, patios, nutritious meals, directed activities, convalescent facilities. Write HERITAGE GARDENS, Box 11, Barton Road at Benton, Loma Linda, California 92354. (17-19)

WANTED: Christian lady (preferably with elementary school children) for employment in hospital kitchen or housekeeping. Excellent S.D.A. church and twoteacher church school facilities available. Apply Sequatchie General Hospital, Dunlap, Tennessee. Phone 615-949-2149. (16-18) WIDOW will share clean unfurnished, 3bedroom country home in Tallahassee with couple or small family, \$50.00 monthly plus utilities, or will sell for \$10,000. Mrs. Ella Wedel, Route 4, Box 194, Tallahassee, Florida, Telephone 385-1854. (18)

FARM, 146 acres in south central Ohio, 30 miles from Mt. Vernon Academy, Uncompleted 26 x 32 block house with two drilled wells. On paved road seven miles to S.D.A. church. One-half open and pasture land, balance-woods and timber. Considerable good fence. Six good spring streams. Orchard and vineyard country. \$5950.00 Ted Metcali, 1282 Cahaba Dr., S. W. Atlanta, Georgia 30311, Telephone 758-6585. (18)

GRAINOLA — The ready-to-eat cereal. The balanced complete meal cereal. That tasty nutritional treat that you can eat for breakfast, lunch or supper. Start enjoying this new, Old World recipe now. 1 pound, postpaid \$1.00. 5 pounds, postpaid \$3.50 or come by store and save postage. Loveless Health Foods, 855 Oglethorpe Avenue, S. W., Atlanta, Georgia 30310. (15-19)

HOME FOR SALE in Montgomery, Ala. Two bedrooms, bath, living room, dining room, kitchen, front porch, and carport. House is in good condition on paved street. Near S.D.A. church and school, shopping centers and bus. Write Mrs. Hendricks, P. O. Box 3365, Eastbrock Branch, Montgomery, Ala, 36109. (18-19)

UPHOLSTERING — CARPETS — DRA-PERIES — SLIPCOVERS, Sola and chair reupholstered low as \$88.00. Big discounts on carpets and draperies. Hundreds of patierns and colors from which to choose. Shop-at-home service—free estimates. Write or phone 644-4884, Whitehurst Upholstery & Carpets, 215 Saint Andrews Blvd., Winter Park, Florida. (tin)

S.D.A. DENTIST NEEDED in Bryson City, North Carolina, in the heart of the Smokies. Office completely furnished with modern denial equipment for immediate practice. 20,000 population included in surrounding area. The need is urgent. Owner prefers an S.D.A. dentist. Beautiful modern contemporary home 2 miles from office also available. Write P. O. Box 507, Bryson City, N. C. (18)

DEODORANT—Now a deodorant that really works—Kills odors—No more musty stale odors when you use DisMist Home Deodorant. 8 oz. bottle with sprayer \$1.75 postpaid. Quart size for \$3.95 postpaid. The Deo Laboratory, 855 Oglethorpe Avenue, S. W. Atlanta, Georgia 30310. (18-22) NEEDED AT ONCE—Fharmacist and cook for 250-bed General Hospital in beautiful south Florida, near church school and 12 grade academy. For further details contact Administrator, Hialeah Hospital, 651 E. 25th Street, Hialeah, Florida, Phone 696-8000. (17-20)

1966 Volkswagens, including all new models, available at lowest discount prices any where to SDA's and friends. Delivered nearest port of entry. Contact: Ray E. Stone, Route 2, Box 599, Melbourne, Florida 32901. Phone 727-1203. (17-21)

FOR SALE: On Cumberland Plateau, modern 7-room house, furnace and fireplace. Five acres, three cleared. Bus service to Chattanooga and Nashville. Telephone. Adventist church and school ¹/₄ mile. Fifty miles northwest Chattanooga, Highway #56 - 108 at Cumberland Heights, Tennessee. C. W. Foreman, 3611 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919. (18)

51,000 acres of choice timberland consisting of saw timber, growing stock and pulpwood. Has terrific potential. \$105 per acre. Certified Timber Cruise available for study. 1500 acres timberland, only \$110 per acre. Laura B. Hancock, Realtor, 131 North 4th Street, Ft. Pierce, Florida. (18)

DISCOUNTS ON BAND INSTRUMENTS: Discounts of up to 40% on nationallyadvertised brands of new band instruments. Write for free price list and brochure. Indicate kind of instrument desired. Hamel Music Company, Arpin, Wisconsin 54410. (18,20)

WANTED: S.D.A. electronics man experienced in TV servicing, studio engineering. Interested in working with a 250-set closed circuit system involving programming, engineering, and maintenance. Include resume to Southern Tidings, Box 849. Decatur, Georgia. (18,19)



SEPTEMBER 17, 1965, SOUTHERN TIDINGS

Workers for GOD





It was exactly fifteen years ago that the whole course of their lives began to be changed for Mr. and Mrs. Halle G. Crowson. Crowson was engaged in the auto business in north Mississippi. Each evening he was occupied with leading his jazz band at local night clubs.

In September of 1950, the Crowsons inherited the library of Mrs. Crowson's aunt. Among the books was one entitled *The Great Controversy* by Ellen G. White, and another *The Mark* of the Beast by Charles T. Everson. These books proved to be of great interest, and they studied them intently.

Just a few months later the Crowsons wrote to the Alabama-Mississippi Conference office, enclosed a check for tithe, asked for further information and requested a visit by a Seventh-day Adventist minister.

Elder Lester Pratt, the home missionary secretary of the conference at the time, called at the Crowson home as he made his annual Ingathering swing through the Mississippi Delta area. After a few visits, the Crowsons requested baptism. Elder Pratt officiated at their baptism in Jackson, Mississippi in November, 1950.

In the spring of 1952, Elder W. H. Grotheer began a series of evangelistic meetings in the Tupelo, Mississippi church. Brother Crowson drove 150 miles each night to help with the musical program. In May of 1952, the conference committee invited the Crowsons to join with Elder Grotheer in evangelism in the Jackson, Mississippi district. The Crowsons remained in Jackson for about two years working with Elders Grotheer and Carubba. Another year was spent in the Tuscaloosa, Alabama area working with Elder Leighton Holley, who was a pastor in the Birmingham area.

Following this the Crowsons served in five districts, the last of which was the Mobile, Alabama district.

Last year the conference committee asked Elder Crowson to devote his full time to evangelism. Without the aid of other evangelistic help, Elder and Mrs. Crowson join with the members of the churches and their pastors to evangelize large and small cities around the conference. Frequently Elder Crowson finds it necessary to spend a week to erect and decorate the air-flow tent which he uses for the meetings. Sometimes he directs the song service, furnishes his own vocal or instrumental special music and presents the sermon. His wife, Nancy, who is a talented organist, is a real help to him.

Through the first seven months of 1965, the Lord has blessed the ministry of Elder Crowson with 75 precious souls.

This is the story of just one worker for God. If each of our evangelists and pastors could recount God's leading in their lives, many equally-thrilling experiences would be revealed. We thank God for dedicated workers who share the objective of the Master Evangelist, Jesus, whose work it is "to seek and save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10)

> W. D. WAMPLER Public Relations Department

A talented and versatile individual, H. G. Crowson conducts many an evangelistic effort assisted only by his equally talented wife and local church members.







Evangelism in the Southland

Southern Union ministers believe in church and public evangelism. During the first quarter of 1965 most of our 387 ministers participated in a pulpit exchange program which resulted in 819 new members added to our churches. Then, during the second quarter many of our ministers conducted very fruitful church meetings which resulted in 743 folk being baptized. Elder Detamore conducted a fine tent meeting last spring near the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital, at which time over 120 were baptized into our Orlando area churches.

area churches. It has been thrilling, indeed, to see so many of our pastors and evangelists conduct public evangelistic meetings in tents, tabernacles, halls and churches dur-ing the summer months. Many of these evangelists have trained members as Bible instructors and singing evangelists. What wonderful reports have come from all of these meetings! We have been greatly en-couraged to see fine members added to many of our small churches, and we were thrilled to see 174 bap-tized in one day in our large Atlanta Berean church. In practically every instance, our workers report a much greater interest at the close of the meeting than they had at its beginning. had at its beginning. We should all be encouraged as we look at the bap-

tismal accomplishments in our conferences thus far this year as compared with all of last year.

	Entire 1964	Through September 4, 1965
Alabama-Mississippi	204	225
Carolina	298	215
Florida	515	545
Georgia-Cumberland	402	360
Kentucky-Tennessee	301	351
South Atlantic	714	734
South Central	433	342
	2,635	2,772

Every conference is planning tremendous activity during the last quarter of the year. Let us earnestly pray for all of our ministers and laymen as they win souls for the Lord.

LEROY J. LEISKE, President



