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Men with Vision

THE North Nyasa Field ministerial staff with their Field president, B. B. Nkosi, felt a real burden for several unentered areas in their territory. As they discussed this need in a special meeting called by themselves, for ministers only, during the recent field session, they each made a pledge to assist with a portion of their salary each month so that a minister could be sent to Dididi, a populous area on Lake Nyasa near Kota Kota. They chose Maxwell Kaunda, a teacher of experience, to be their specially sponsored worker to Dididi. While it is hoped that the North Nyasa Field will be able to take him on as a worker on a regular basis as soon as possible, they nevertheless felt an urgent need to do something now to enter this large lakeshore area.

*By N. L. DOSS, President,
Nyasaland Union*



B. B. Nkosi shakes hands with Maxwell Kaunda, the Worker Designate to Dididi.



HEART to HEART

Dear Dedicated People of God,

The other evening I fell to musing on the goodness of the Lord to me. Scene after scene depicting His love and blessing through the years flooded the beaded screen of my memory. How good He has been! How much I have for which to be truly grateful!

How thankful I am that more than thirty years ago His love drew me to the foot of Calvary's cross and throughout these intervening years through happiness and heartache I have known Him as a personal living Saviour. He is my living Christ. I know He lives for I talked with Him this morning. I heard Him speak to me in tender tones. Torn in my emotions over a problem that seemed to be unsolvable, I poured out my heart to Him, then paused to hear His answer. It came! I heard His voice speaking words of wisdom and peace to my perplexed and troubled heart.

With Job of old I can say "I know that my Redeemer liveth." Job 19:25. Not only does my faith look forward to the glorious soon coming of my Saviour when "He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth" (Ibid.), today I am thankful He is my **personal, living** Saviour, able to meet my every need.

It is a blessed thought to realize our God singles us out from all the teeming millions of earth and knows us personally and individually as He revealed to Cornelius and Peter centuries ago. The Father knew Peter's given name and his surname. He was not lost among the masses of earth. God had also marked well the itinerary of His disciple. He knew that Peter would be in Joppa on a certain day. God also was not too absorbed in the needs of the universe to know where Peter was in Joppa. "He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the seaside." That is almost like giving Simon's address, isn't it? And though tanning was a humble occupation, the God who made the heavens and the earth had not forgotten Simon's trade. He does not forget you nor me either!

For a living personal Saviour I am deeply grateful today!

On memory's screen the other evening there flashed the countless scenes that make a house a truly happy **Christian home**. A loyal loving wife who loves God and who daily reveals to me the attributes of the Saviour who is the head of our home. Her consistent Christian life has taught me much about the principles of Christlikeness. How fortunate we ministers are who have been blessed with a happy Christian home.

How many homes are broken! As I reflect through the years, before my mind's eye flash several faces of friends—yes, some of them workers in the cause of God—whose homes were wrecked and whose lives were ruined because somewhere along the way the evil one sowed tares of incompatibility, infidelity or bitterness. The flowers of love will not long survive in such a garden. What heartaches have followed—the loneliness of separation, the painful adjustment of children deprived of a father or of a mother's constant love and care. How dismal such a home!

For a happy Christian home where love reigns I am deeply grateful!

The other evening my mind went back to countless thrilling moments and days I have experienced in God's work in many lands. It is a privilege to be a worker in the cause of God in these closing challenging days of earth's history. To teach God's present Truth, to have the blessed hope in one's heart in these turbulent times, to be an under-shepherd of His flock, to associate with the best people on earth—His people—what greater privilege could one enjoy?

Many years ago I made my decision. During those early days of my ministry—depression days of the early thirties—the salary of a pastor-teacher was small. To support a family, to buy a car, to appear in public with presentable clothes, as a young pastor must, was not always easy. It was then that the evil one came with his subtle offer of work in the radio world "with your Sabbaths off" and at a salary several times the one we were receiving. But as I look back on

it now and as I considered it then it was really no great "temptation". God had called me. Until He released me from that greatest call of all calls, other work, no matter what the inducements, simply held no appeal.

For a place in God's great closing work I am deeply grateful.

Yes, there are so many things I am thankful for today. I must never take God's provision for my daily needs for granted. He does not owe me a living. The food, the clothing, the shelter—all that He so bountifully provides are tokens of His love. He is the One "who satisfieth my mouth with good things." Psalms 103:5. With the Psalmist I must exclaim, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits." verse 2.

For all His temporal blessings I am deeply grateful.

It is a privilege as well as a pleasure to be serving the Lord with all of His good people here in the Trans-Africa Division. Where in all the world could one be more pleasantly located? We have learned to love our members—Africans, Europeans, Coloureds, and Asian alike scattered throughout our nineteen countries and protectorates. **I am thankful for the privilege of serving in this great Division in this God's hour of opportunity.**

It is well for us all to pause frequently and count our blessings—what we have to be thankful for. Yes, friend o' mine, what do you have to thank the Lord for today?

May God continue to bless you, and enrich your souls in Christ Jesus!

Sincerely yours in Him

Summit Conference of Pope and Patriarch

Does this event have significance for students of Bible Prophecy?

By ROLAND R. HEGSTAD,

Editor, Liberty Magazine

A MOMENTOUS meeting on the Mount of Olives, from which Christ ascended, dramatizes anew the promise of His soon return. For when on January 5 Pope Paul VI met Universal Patriarch Athenagoras of Constantinople, head of the 137-million members Eastern Orthodox segment of Christianity, in the first high-level encounter between the two faiths since the fifteenth century, Bible students turned to Revelation 13 and 17 with a new awareness of the inevitable and imminent fulfilment of these important prophecies.

No cold-war summit conference of the nations has been fraught with more consequence than this; here is a hand across the abyss of centuries, coupled with a voice that acknowledges the Pope to be "first bishop of the church".

A similar acknowledgement of the Pope's supremacy by the Anglican observer at Vatican Council II startled the Christian world only a few weeks ago.

Said the Patriarch in a pre-meeting message to the Pope: "Perhaps Your Holiness, as the first bishop of the church, with the consent of the other church patriarchs and leaders of the east and west, is destined to call, in a Pan-Christian conference, all the representatives

of the Christian churches to discuss in love and conviction how to combat sin, how to protect the church and the peace and freedom of the world, threatened by a common enemy, atheism and tyranny." (Emphasis mine.)

Only a month before, the *Christian Century*, eminent journal of American liberal Protestantism, had called for a summit conference of Protestants and other churches to implement the reform of the calendar that Vatican Council II indicated that it would approve if the proposal was received with favour by other church bodies.

The coming months will see conferences that may alter radically the present divisions of Christendom. Though organic union itself does not seem to be imminent, co-operation in a united witness in the mission fields and in some doctrinal questions appears near at hand.

The Universal Patriarch's willingness to meet with the Pope in the interest of uniting Christendom against Communism and atheism was forecast by Dr. Jean Nussbaum, religious liberty secretary of the Southern European Division, in the May-June, 1963, *Liberty*. In an interview with Dr. Nussbaum, the Patriarch expressed his hope that the Pope would take the lead in moving the divisions of the church toward reunion. "I carry the pope [John XXIII] in my heart," he said. "I esteem him and like him very much. When he was elected, the words from the Gospel of John came to my mind: 'There was a man sent from God whose name was John.'"

"Our estrangement is unreasonable," the Patriarch continued. "It is unreasonable because the situation confronting Christendom is so serious. All our forces united will not be too much to face not only materialistic Communism but also the other isms threatening religious faith."

Dr. Nussbaum pointed out his fears of the Patriarch's position this way:

"There is . . . a danger . . . that our

seeking for unity may be motivated not so much by a deep yearning of spirit for oneness in Christ as by a desire to counter the threat of materialism and communism. Our Lord's prayer for unity can be lost in our passion for *union*—union that is not primarily a spiritual ideal, but rather a political expediency.

"Here, indeed," wrote Dr. Nussbaum, "is a danger signal for all who read the lessons of history. The bloody persecutions and disorders of centuries past have stemmed from a mingling of the temporal and the spiritual, the fusion and confusion of civil and ecclesiastical power, the friction and antagonism of church and state. It is easy to forget principles and to contract unholy alliances when confronted with a common enemy. It is harder to remember the tragic consequences of such union."

It is these tragic consequences that Seventh-day Adventists were remembering as they watched the summit conference on the Mount of Olives.—*Review and Herald*, Jan. 23, 1964.

Meet Our Visitor



PASTOR W. E. MURRAY hardly needs any introduction to our readers. He has visited our Division twice since 1960, and so on his third visit, May 19 to June 5, he comes as a very welcome friend and helpful counsellor. Pastor Murray, a vice-president of the General Conference, was to have been with us for our year-end Division Committee in 1963, but was prevented at the last moment. Now he is to attend our mid-year institutional boards and Division Committee to be held in Salisbury.

I Saw A Rainbow

*I saw a rainbow reach to God
Across the blackness of the storm,
Spanning the sky, from earthly sod
To heaven. Its glowing form
Moved through the shadows of my heart
I stood on holy ground, unshod,
And with the rainbow, raised my hand
And reached to God.*

CORINA R. PIERCEY.

GENERAL CONFERENCE PRESIDENT SOUNDS A CLARION CALL

R. R. FIGUHR

WE have come to a new era in our literature work. It may even be described as critical. The monetary value of the literature sales is mounting year by year. 1963 promises to be the best in our history in sales. This is encouraging. But with this excellent showing, a disturbing question arises, namely, Is the number of people we now reach year by year increasing? Is the number of literature evangelists growing? Are the total hours spent in literature ministry greater each year? To our regret, in some fields these questions must be answered in the negative. In many conferences and fields (including SAU, Group I), the number of colporteurs and the number of hours used to be greater. This should not be.

Today we have larger and better-equipped publishing houses. We have more skilled workers and artisans. Our editors and writers are more able. Never have we been in a better position to put out more, better-prepared, and a higher type of literature than today. Our books give evidence of first-class workmanship. They are beautifully illustrated and well written. The publishing houses and their staffs are dedicated to the sole purpose of proclaiming Seventh-day Adventist teaching through the printed page. The

problem therefore is not in production. It is in getting our product into the hands of the people. What can be done to solve this problem?

We believe that in all of our churches there are individuals who, with a little encouragement, and some training and assistance, could and would undertake literature evangelism, either on a full-time or part-time basis, as circumstances permit. There was a time when we had many more part-time literature evangelists than we have today. But there must be many today who could undertake this work right in their areas. Many housewives as well as young people and others who are older can do much in this field. Those who undertake it find it very rewarding.

If this type of literature-evangelist force can be built up, we shall see not only continued gratifying increases in our mounting sales, but also an impressive increase in hours and in number of people contacted. There is a great field of opportunity for service here which we believe today is being neglected. From the 1963 Autumn Council a clarion call has gone forth inviting our people to enlist in this important work. Maybe you are being called to this work for just such a time as this.

the increase of the nation as a whole."—*Chicago Sun-Times*, June 11, 1961.

Secretary of the Interior (US), Stewart L. Udall, said of the Indian people in America, "Our Indian reservations, our Indian people, are an undeveloped area." ACNS Press Release, May, 1961.

The Indian population of Canada has also been on the increase according to the following news dispatch:

"Canada's Indian population at the time of the first European settlements was about 200,000. After a 300-year decline the population began climbing in the 1900's and is now about 190,000." OTTOWA (Canada) News Dispatch in *Washington Evening Star*, November 22, 1962.

Combining the Indian populations of the U.S. and Canada makes a grand total of approximately 700,000.

Who are the Indians? How shall they be considered? As one race or group? Dr. Sol Tax, Chicago University Department of Anthropology, stated in a talk to some 700 Indian representatives of 80 tribal groups, that:

"Few people of the world, proportionate to their numbers, present so bewildering a variety of aspects. There are city Indians and country Indians, hill Indians and plains Indians, forest Indians and coastal Indians. There are Indians in government, in the professions, in industry, in agriculture. There are Indian medical doctors and Indian medicine men. There are Indians who look, live, believe and speak like white men, as well as those both on and off the reservations who look and live like Indians. . . .

"Nobody is 'just an Indian'. He is, first of all, a Tuscarora, or an Apache, or a Menomini, or a Klamath, or a member of some other tribe with its particular history and traditions."

The gospel of the kingdom is to go to all nations, kindreds, tongues and people. Christ loves human beings as people. He does not rate them according to race, colour, language or environment. It is our business to bring the gospel of Christ to these Indian tribes of North America.

"All are one in Christ. Birth, station, nationality, or colour cannot elevate or degrade men. The character makes the man. If a red man (American Indian), a Chinese, or an African gives his heart to God, in obedience and faith, Jesus loves him none the less for his colour. He calls him His well-beloved brother."—*Selected Messages*, book II, page 343.

Let us every man help his brother, the Indians of North America, this Thirtieth Sabbath, with a good offering—overflow.

INDIAN PEOPLES OF NORTH AMERICA

By WESLEY AMUNDSEN, *Secretary, North American Missions Committee*

ONE of the interesting events taking place within the framework of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination at present, is the long-awaited recognition of the needs of the Indian peoples of North America. In 1940 L. M. Halswick, secretary of the Bureau of Home Missions of the General Conference, wrote that there were on the American continent, (without Mexico) approximately 350,000 Indian people representing a variety of tribes. Today the number is double that in 1940 and still increasing. As one anthropologist wrote recently:

"It may come as a surprise that there are about as many Indians in the United

States today as there were when Columbus discovered America. . . . In the 20th Century, their numbers have been steadily and rapidly increasing. Between 1930 and 1960 the American Indian population, excluding Alaska, rose from 332,397 to 508,665, an increase of approximately 50 per cent, roughly the same as



The Testimony of Jesus

ONE afternoon while doing Harvest Ingathering in Johannesburg I bought a copy of the Afrikaans newspaper *Die Vaderland*. Imagine my surprise when in bold letters I read the following caption: COFFEE CAN CAUSE AN ACCIDENT. Immediately my interest was aroused. Intently I read the following:

"Many accidents on South African roads may be attributed to coffee. German doctors have established the fact that a person may be under the influence of coffee, in the same way that he can be under the influence of strong drink.

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W. H. J. BADENHORST  
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"A person under the influence of coffee reacts in a manner that exposes him to accidents. He develops a nervous condition that causes him to exert erratic pressure on the accelerator, following which his foot seems to stick to the accelerator."

In the German newspaper "Welt am Sonntag", a report was given of the experiments conducted by a team of German doctors, who tested the effects of coffee on motor drivers.

Those taking part in the test were given twenty-five balls of various sizes, which were to be sorted for size in a revolving cylinder containing holes of different sizes.

This test was continued for an hour during which time a performance chart was drawn up for each person being tested. This was followed by a quarter-hour break at which time each man was given two cups of coffee.

One group was given coffee substitute, the second group ordinary coffee, and the third group decaffeinated coffee. Then all three groups were subjected to another hour on the same test.

The group who drank ordinary coffee originally performed their task better than the others, but it soon became evident that they were drawing on reserve strength, because their chart soon took a sharp curve downwards. Eventually they were completely exhausted, and in a condition in which they could easily cause accidents if they had to drive motors.

In the decaffeinated coffee group the refreshing effect on them lasted longer. Later their performance chart showed a slight but regular decline, which proved

that they were not as accident prone as their companions who drank ordinary coffee.

The German doctors came to the conclusion that it is the caffeine in coffee which like other stimulants acts as a "chemical whip". However, the effects are of shorter duration, and the person becomes exhausted sooner.

With their experiments the doctors established that a coffee drinker eventually undergoes a slight nerve paralysis, which causes him to make more mistakes which could lead to accidents.

In 1890 the servant of the Lord wrote, "The effect of tea and coffee, as heretofore shown tends in the same direction as that of wine and cider, liquor and tobacco. . . ."

"Coffee is a hurtful indulgence. It temporarily excites the mind to unwonted action, but the after-effect is exhaustion, prostration, paralysis of the mental, moral and physical powers. . . ."—*Counsels on Diet and Foods*, p. 42.

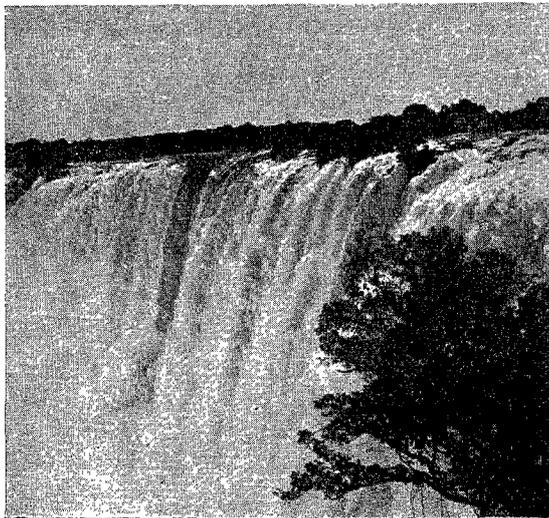
In 1896 the following came from her

pen, "Tea and coffee whip up the flagging energies for the time being but when their immediate influence has gone, a feeling of depression is the result. . . ." (Read the whole chapter entitled "Beverages" in the book *Counsels on Diet and Foods*.)

Once again science vindicates the prophetic gift in the remnant church. Do we value this gift as we ought?

To help you to better evaluate the place of this gift in the remnant church, a special correspondence course called *Prophetic Guidance in the Remnant Church* has been prepared for you. A handbook called *The Spirit of Prophecy Treasure Chest*, a 192 page book, has been written especially as a text-book for this course. In this book you will discover a valuable collection of materials that will give new meaning to the Spirit of prophecy.

If you are interested in this course please write immediately to the Bible Correspondence School, P.O. Box 88, Cape Town.



The Zambesi Union Missionary Volunteer Department Invites all Master Guides to a

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H. Steenberg, Organizer for the Johannesburg Campaign, with some of his team.

Hundreds Join Ranks of Non-puffers in Johannesburg

By J. W. NEWMAN

THE Five-Day Plan! Yes, we had heard of it, but we decided to reserve our judgment as to its value. We did, and found that IT WAS THRILLING! IT WAS SUCCESSFUL! It was one of the best contributions Seventh-day Adventists have ever made to the Johannesburg community.

An excellent Division medical and temperance team, in the persons of Dr. M. H. Schaffner and P. H. Coetzee, launched the Plan on March 2-6, 1964. At first they were a little wary and tense about the outcome but soon considered it one of the most thrilling experiences they had engaged in as workers.

As with many successful ventures, it got off to a slow start. Newspapers did not want to take news releases because tobacco advertising is their living. We spanned our workers and they visited schools, factories, offices. The interest grew and snowballed until twice as many applied for reservations as we could book.

This community service, which we offered free, is one of the best ways I have ever seen of putting Seventh-day Adventists in a favourable light in our community. Although not an evangelis-

tic effort, people all knew that we are Seventh-day Adventists and the principles for which we stand.

Now we would like to introduce some of the people who took the course.

One woman had lost her husband with cancer of the lung. She had spent £2,000 in medical bills to no avail. She was taking the course in order to save her own life.

Another lady had already lost one lung but was still smoking. She claimed victory through the Five-Day Plan and we pray that she will not be ensnared again.

One man read about this Plan and came all the way from Warmbaths, a good sixty miles from Johannesburg. He never missed a meeting.

A Jewish lady asked an usherette about Seventh-day Adventists as she felt she should really become one.

Five-day Plan

Our Johannesburg attorneys had read about the Plan. The junior partner had not been to the meetings but stubbed out his cigarette and decided there would be no more.

A nursing sister mentioned that three sisters in the hospital stopped smoking after reading the newspaper report. No one will ever know how far-reaching are the effects of this course.

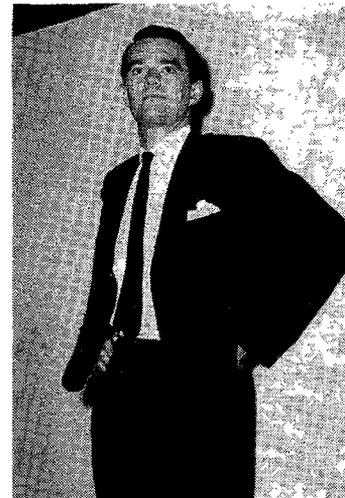
Another man testified that two weeks previously he had been told by his doctor that he had Beurger's disease. He was warned that he must quit smoking or lose a leg. He found it was impossible to do this by himself but received help through the Five-Day Plan. His gratitude was touching.

After the close of the meetings Dr. M. H. Schaffner and Pastor P. H. Coetzee went to Cape Town but returned to Johannesburg two weeks later for an alumni meeting. Smiling, victorious faces greeted them and their hearts rejoiced.

The consensus of opinion was that this was one of the most rewarding experiences we have engaged in and we look for good results in many phases of our work in the future. This combined effort by the Medical, Temperance, Ministerial and Public Relations departments gave people a favourable concept of Adventists and their work which will bear fruit in the Ingathering campaign and public evangelism in the future.

A Scientist tells F. Campbell in Cape Town, "I knew but did nothing about it. Thanks for your wonderful help."

From an Engineer: "I've quit! This habit won't snare me again. Thanks!"



Stop Smoking

CAPE TOWN RESPONDS TO THE FIVE-DAY PLAN

By NICO VAN ZYL

THE Mutual Assembly Hall in Cape Town had an overflow crowd on the first night at Cape Town and many had to be turned away. Extra chairs were brought in until not an inch of space remained. An average of 200 attended which actually is a little too many for group therapy. At the close 80-85 per cent declared they had won the victory over their enemy of many years—"Lady Nicotine". Many of these people had been smoking for more than 20 years. Although they claimed the victory they cannot relax. They must constantly keep on their guard or in some weak moment they might succumb.

Mr. Field, who is a Member of Parliament from East London, came to several meetings. He was seeking information to start a campaign on a national scale. So far he has been able to get the Minister of Health to state in Parliament that there is a relationship between smoking and lung cancer and to arrange that the suburban trains will carry a special coach for non-smokers.



An Interviewer Interviewed! "The Star" Reporter, J. Clarke, with J. W. Newman, Johannesburg.

One woman who used to attend our schools as a child, but who had not been in a church for many years, came and after conquering the smoking habit told Brother P. H. Coetzee that she wanted to come back to church but wondered if she would be welcome. He assured her that a big welcome would be hers on her return. He made arrangements for Pastor F. Campbell to visit her, and two days later she attended a Sabbath service.

indulged in for 15 years. After watching the film, "One in 20,000", he captioned his first article, "Horried, we watched the surgeon's knife. . . ." In closing the report he said, "I went last night to report a meeting. I have not smoked since. For the first time in years my ashtray is empty. Alone we could not beat the habit. Together, perhaps we could." Soon hundreds were following the course through his column.

FROM OUR "STAR" PUPIL

Mr. J. Clarke, staff reporter on "The Star," came with the object of carrying out an assignment. He had no intention of giving up smoking, a practice he had

His second report had us worried, "Me v. smoking: second round survived—just." "My temper is at flash point and I can't stop thinking about cigarettes. But I feel physically fit. I feel like hitting somebody!"

The third day found our reporter on top of the world. "Up at 6 a.m.—and I feel like a million dollars." In his closing paragraph he said, "On the course, 80 per cent have still not cracked, and the attendance has not dropped. Of those who have given it up, 9 out of 10 have been smoking for more than 25 years."

Report four: "Not so good—I feel like Sonny Liston." This was the day he felt like staying in his corner and calling for the towel but we are glad he didn't.

The last day: "Please, somebody, I need a new habit!" "Me v. Smoking—Final Report. I'm still not smoking. I'm still the greatest. Im still the prettiest. . . . The Seventh-day Adventist minister who brainwashed me and scores of others



H. Steenberg Rejoices with a Victor in Johannesburg.

Strangers before—now "buddies". Both ladies stayed through the Course.

out of smoking last Monday—says that deep breaths are the best substitute for smoking. . . . In seven days I have drunk 48 large glasses of water, just as many glasses of fruit juice. I have had 14 baths, 30 lbs. of fruit; I have walked at least 10 miles (all right then, seven miles) just for the exercise—and I have gained five pounds. . . . The effects so far: I feel flushed with health and brimful of good spirits (most of the time). My taste is returning at meal times. I get up earlier and sleep better. Perhaps the best effect of all is being able to walk into a book shop and buy a good book knowing that I can afford at least three a month and still not spend as much as I did on smoking."

LATE NEWS!

As we go to press, Dr. M. H. Schaffner and Pastor P. H. Coetzee are in Lusaka, Northern Rhodesia, conducting the same program. Dr. Schaffner went there a little early to contact all the doctors and also the Minister of Health to enlist their support which will be so valuable in the follow-up plans. Blantyre, Nyasaland; then Nairobi in East Africa, are next on the list for the Five-Day Plan.

Christ in all the Bible

(Fill in the blank spaces)

- In Genesis, He is the
of the woman.
- In Exodus, the of
God foreshadowed.
- In Leviticus, the
typified.
- In Numbers, the
out of Jacob.

—Adapted from *God Speaks to Modern Man*, by Arthur R. Lickey.

"AND THEY WENT BOTH OF THEM TOGETHER"

By R. HENNING, *Secretary,*
Publishing Department, Tanganyika
Union

At the close of a year it is good to look back. We can remember all the possibilities and the needs we had, and many experiences come to our minds. Over all we can see God's blessing and His protection that have rested upon His work. On the other hand we can see clearly from year to year that God is finishing His work on this earth through the spread of the everlasting gospel.

I have been looking back over the year 1963 in the Tanganyika Union. Surely it was a year of many needs in the Publishing Department. Most of the time there was no Publishing Department secretary, but still the Lord placed His blessing upon the faithful work of our literature-evangelists.

One of our co-workers is serving in a place where we have no work. He is standing quite alone, but he is a real missionary. Many people are interested in the message for the last days in his area. The work has become so large that he has called for a minister to help him. Just before the close of last year we were able to send a young worker to his area. Now they will fulfil what was recorded in Genesis 22:6, 8: ". . . and they went both of them together". This co-operation is very successful. Long ago, Abraham, the man of many experiences and proved faith, went together with Isaac, the young man of inexperience. This was good co-operation.

This is the picture which describes our work in 1963. Our brethren in ministerial work are co-operating with our literature-evangelists. As they work together, they pray together. As a result of this team-work, 20,711 books filled with the message were sold to the public. Sales increased by 15.55 per cent over the previous year, although there was no Publishing Department secretary to assist and encourage. Our pastors baptized 43 souls as a result of this co-operation. This is 95.45 per cent better than the previous year. We are very thankful to the Lord for His rich blessings upon the soul-winning work. We can see that it is going forward in Tanganyika.

We hope this year, with God's help, we will have more success in soul-winning than we had last year. We are going to continue working together—literature-evangelists with the pastors—for this co-operation makes for strength.

We have great plans for this year.

Literature-evangelist efforts have been planned for certain areas, and we want to start many new branch Sabbath-schools, and some new churches. We want many to hear of the soon-coming of Jesus. We ask the Lord for His Spirit and blessing as we work together in the saving of souls.

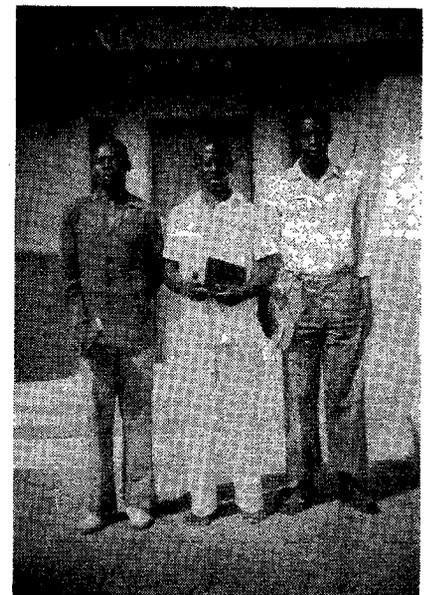
Voice of Youth Evangelism

By F. MUGANDA, *President,*
Majita-Ukerewe Field, Tanganyika

FROM the inspired pen of Ellen G. White we read the following passage: "With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen and soon-coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world."—*Education*, p. 271. These words written a century ago by the servant of the Lord have become true among the youth in the Majita-Ukerewe Field.

I was fully convinced that it was an appropriate time when this challenge should be presented before our youth. After discussing the matter on our field committee an action was taken to conduct a Voice of Youth evangelistic campaign as a pilot scheme.

Before the plan was put into operation five institutes were conducted in each church district, and more than 50 young people attended the institutes. Instruction given included such topics as: The challenge of the hour for our youth; How to organize Voice of Youth teams; Methods of approach; How to secure lists of backslidden and non-S.D.A. young



Butata Voice of Youth Preaching Band.

people around the vicinity of our churches; and How to foster results. The youth team was divided into four bands—a singing band, prayer band, visiting band, and preaching band. A list of simple sermons applicable to the youth, was given to the leaders of the campaign.

At the end of the two-weeks campaign, I was thrilled with joy to receive encouraging reports. About 226 decisions for Christ were reported. There were backslidden youth who had been reclaimed. Non-Seventh-day Adventist boys and girls found their way to the cross. Some were enrolled in the Bible Correspondence course. A certain young man reported having won a dance leader who is now in the Bible class.

This program inspired the youth to take part in the Lord's service. Some of them requested that these campaigns be conducted more often. It also encouraged and revived the church as a whole to see new souls coming in to the flock.

Personally, I believe this is the time, while some of the churches languish, for our leaders to take a keen interest in our youth and organize them for service so that they can go out filled with the Spirit of God to share their faith for Jesus. Is this not the time when the Voice of Youth should be sounding in our churches and be heard far and near?

CHURCH DEDICATIONS IN EAST AFRICA

By C. T. J. HYDE, *Secretary,*

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ON December 8, 1963, we left Salisbury, headquarters of the Trans-Africa Division, and began a three months safari north through the Tanganyika and East African unions. During this time we were privileged to dedicate six new churches to the honour and glory of the Lord. Five of them were in semi-rural areas and one was the new city church in Dar-es-Salaam, the capital city of Tanganyika, reported elsewhere.

Truly a new day has come to Africa and among our African peoples! As they have seen so many new buildings rising for dedication they have come to realize that no longer should they worship in grass-roofed, mud-and-pole buildings and that for the salvation of their children they must worship in proper, clean, permanent buildings. They know that their children quickly size up the situation, and

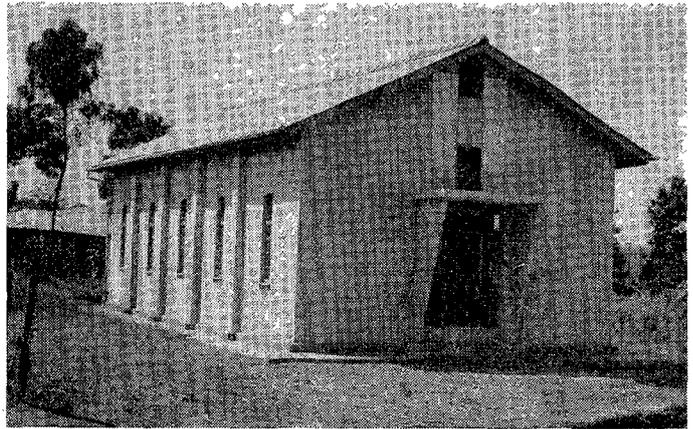
conclude that if education is worth such fine buildings, and the worship of God is only worth a grass-roofed, mud-walled, dusty-floored place, then surely education must be the best thing in life. As this realization has taken hold of our people, so they have become willing to sacrifice—to sacrifice much of this world's goods, and their time and energies—for the building of these churches. We were encouraged to hear of Brother Ignatio Nyambuwa who, with his wife, Karnael Oluoch, gave fourteen head of cattle for the building of their church. Let us keep in mind that fourteen head of cattle are almost the purchase price of another wife, and our good brother, Ignatio, by his gift has cast away from him the temptation which the devil has brought to so many to go into polygamy and a life of ease.

When we dedicated the Wikendiek church the story of the building of the church told of thirty head of cattle donated as well as cash offerings, chickens, goats and sheep and of the many hours

of free labour which went into the building. Stop for a minute, and think. How would you like to build a permanent building where no water is laid on, and where every drop of water, not only for the mixing of the mortar and the concrete, and for the cement and plaster, but also for the thirsty workers to drink as they labour, must be carried in pots on the heads of our faithful Seventh-day Adventist sisters? It is under such hard conditions that these churches are built.

When the elder of the church stands up and says, "I will pledge my bull", this is the signal for the others to follow his lead. Not only the men, but the women also, give sacrificially. One old widow said, "I have given 150 shillings and now I pledge 20 shillings more." Another said, "I pledged 50 shillings, and I have already paid 70 shillings, but today I pledge another twenty shillings." At another place the artisans and the helpers who were plastering the walls of the church all stopped work and came to the meeting. As we appealed for

Makerere Church, Kampala, Uganda, ready for Dedication.



Every person in this Group gave at least a cow or a bull to the Wikendiek Church Building Fund.



more funds to complete the work of the building, these non-Adventist workmen were also gripped with the message. They were so stirred that they stood up and said, "We will donate ten days free work to this building." When their helpers heard this they too joined in with them. This, I think, is wonderful coming from workmen and artisans who are not Seventh-day Adventists. Afterwards I talked with one of them and said, "You are building God's church.

"Your wife is in the baptismal class of this church. You yourself, ought to belong to it. What is the good of building a church and not joining it." He answered, "Yes, Bwana, I also will join." One member in Uganda gave 3,000 shillings for his church building.

Dedication services are always a joy for not only is the building dedicated, but the people re-dedicate their lives at the same time. Dear friends, as you read this encouraging report, and as you look at the pictures of these new buildings and of the people who sacrificed their labours and their means, I would like to ask you a question. Do you worship in a respectable permanent church every Sabbath, or are you still worshipping under grass in a mud-and-pole building with dusty floor, or in a hired hall? As you ponder this question I think you will realize with me that the day has gone when we should tell our children, "Come, let us go to the House of God", and then take them to an inadequate and unsuitable building. If your church is not a good church, then begin to pray, begin to work, begin to talk, and begin to unite with others in the determination to build a church. God will bless you and it will be a blessing to others also.

If you have begun to build and your work has come to a standstill, then read in the Old Testament of the time of Nehemiah and Ezra. Read Haggai and once more renew your courage and say, "Let us rise up and build", and be like the elders of the Jews of old who said, "We will build and finish it". May God bless you and help you to make your church representative of this wonderful truth which we have in our keeping.

ANSWERED PRAYER

By J. M. KOKO, Northern Rhodesia Field

ONE morning we came upon a destitute family, a mother and five children, who had long been deserted and left without food or shelter by the father. We found the mother sick with despair, lying on the earth floor overcome by

"BRING YE ALL"

I want to give you a sketch of what happened to my husband and me after we failed to tithe the money I received as my legacy when my father died in 1951.

We had been faithful tithe-payers but, what possessed me, when I received my legacy, I do not know. I suppose it was covetousness—(which is idolatry!)

From that time on, things went from bad to worse with us financially. We possessed a little farm (12 morgen) near Port Elizabeth. That was sold—but up to this day we have not seen one cent of the selling price. We possessed 2 houses (purchased with the money I got)—these we have lost. We cannot show you a brick belonging to us. I gave my husband a brand-new Prefect from the factory as a present (also purchased with the money) that we later sold at a terrific loss. We were afterwards reduced to such a degree of poverty that we did not know where our next meal would come from, yet our Heavenly Father cared so much that strangers fed us. Thank God the story does not end there. From the day that we started putting-by extra (I always say aloud—"this is what I robbed you of, Lord") things have changed. We *never* stopped paying tithe of my husband's wages—it was only the legacy that I did not tithe.—C.D.T.

her family problems. When she saw us, she recognized us and said that she had seen us in the open-air cinema hall where we held our meetings. We asked her what she thought about our messages. She answered that she had already heard the message and had attended baptismal class for about six months. She added, however, that her baptismal class attendance had been interrupted by her husband's irresponsible actions.

Before we could suggest praying for her, she gathered her five children and asked us to pray for her family and to ask the Lord particularly to provide her with food and shelter. We knelt down and prayed earnestly over her problems. Two weeks later, she sent us a message testifying that God had answered our prayers by providing her with food and shelter. When we, upon her invitation, went to see her afterwards, we found that she already had spoken to her children who were now ready to accept the message. All of these children gave us a surprise by signing decision cards on which they affirmed that they wished to join the church and keep the seventh-day Sabbath.

Before we left, the mother who had invited us introduced us to her next-door neighbour who also had a family problem. Her daughter had disappeared some weeks before, and no one knew where she had gone. The mother was longing for her daughter to return home, but she did not know how to bring this about. For that reason she had abandoned attending the services of her church, and preferred death to life. Her friend, who was now enjoying a sense of God's providence, related her experience to her. She suggested that we be asked to offer a special prayer for her neighbour's daughter. We went in, and together with these mothers, knelt in prayer, asking

God, according to His will, to whisper to the daughter to return and to cause her to realize her mistakes. Four days later, we got a message that the girl had returned home. We went to see how true this was. When the mother saw us, she was very pleased and sent for her daughter to come quickly. When the girl came, she expressed regret for the grief she had caused her parents, and promised that she would not repeat that mistake again. From that day, she began attending our meetings, and finally decided to join the church and keep the Sabbath. The mother accepted our truth in principle, and we hope to visit the family again soon and see if we, through God's power, cannot help the mother to settle her Sabbath problem.

Ordination



Pastors E. Gapfurufura, A. Mpunya and M. J. Church, of the Central African Union who were ordained to the gospel ministry in 1963.

From Hither and Yon

The evangelistic campaign in the Mpopoma Evangelistic Centre in Bulawayo under the direction of J. M. Staples and the Solusi theological students ended with 83 decisions for the Sabbath. Brother Staples writes: "The 'continuation program' commences on Wednesday evening and I know it will do a great deal to consolidate the interest aroused. Our own people are greatly enjoying the meetings and especially appreciate the Bible studies on Sabbath afternoons on Revelation. This is a very big meeting—at least 1000 gather each week from the various churches."

"Delivery" figures from the January Publishing Department Bulletin reveal that the publishing work is off to a good start this year. The gain for January 1964 as compared with January 1963 is £2,873. This report also shows that 20 were baptized as a result of colporteur work.

Pastor Z. Matateri is carrying the publishing work in the Central African Union during the absence of P. G. Werner who is on loan to the Congo Union.

"Tithing and Reformation are twins," writes J. Maluti in the *Advent Post*. Quoting Nehemiah 13:10-12 he emphasizes the fact that in Nehemiah's day "one of the main causes for the spiritual declension and apostasy was the negligence of the people of God in tithing. As a result there followed profaning of the Sabbath day and inter-marriage of God's children with the heathen around them."

In his district in Northern Rhodesia the plan is being followed of workers visiting the various churches and companies in pairs in order to promote faithful stewardship.

The £34,170 tithe increase reported for 1963 over 1962 indicates greater faithfulness on the part of our church members. While this increase is outstanding, we are warned against the soul-destroying sense of self-satisfaction, for in actual fact, if every member paid an honest tithe, the increase would be very much greater.

Mission offerings for the same period show a £5,000 increase. The conclusion reached in this connection is that our people bear the world-wide work of God on their hearts and are anxious to see it finished.

From the Division Treasury Department we are reminded that our 1964 goal for the Sabbath-school Investment is £3,705 and for the Birthday/Thank Offering is £6,190. The amounts received during 1963 were £2,964 and £4,953 respectively. So it appears that we

need to invest more profitably and express our thankfulness to God more tangibly.

1963 was a year of increases for the Trans-Africa Division. The yearly statistical report gives the following:

Number of churches	Increase	113
Baptisms and Profession of Faith	Increase	844
Membership	Increase	12,559
Total adherents	Increase	17,289

Let us thank God for these accessions and each of us do our part to show our love for the new members in our churches by a friendly spirit and earnest prayer, ever bearing in mind that at the beginning of their new experience in the Lord they will be beset by many trials and temptations to discouragement.

Two disturbing facts in the statistical report were a decrease in Youth baptisms of 279 and over a thousand members reported as "missing".

Another gratifying increase is one of almost 100 per cent in the number of baptisms reported by our Correspondence schools.

Miss Olive N. Vaughan passed through Salisbury in March on her way to the United States on furlough.

Mrs. Loris Smith formerly of the Cape Conference has arrived in Salisbury to join the Division staff as secretary to Pastor Eva.

"A report from the General Conference revealed that during the current Harvest Ingathering Campaign in North America our believers raised one million dollars a week for two weeks in succession. This is an outstanding achievement and it should encourage us to work with the same zeal and devotion during our campaign which will soon commence.—*Treasury Highlights*, February, 1964.

Apreciation

From the Mpopoma Evangelistic Centre in Bulawayo D. G. Chipato, chairman of the Building Committee, has requested that through the *OUTLOOK*, appreciation be expressed to the delegates to the Conference on African Trends and other friends who responded liberally to an appeal for contributions towards furnishings for this newly completed edifice. He says that while more funds are needed to fully equip the Centre, the donations from kind friends have gone a considerable way to narrow the gap between their bank account and their need. The Mpopoma church congregation joins in saying Thank You.

Sunset Calendar for May 1964

	1	8	15	22	29
Cape Town	6.03	5.56	5.54	5.50	5.46
Johannesburg	5.36	5.30	5.30	5.27	5.25
East London	5.26	5.19	5.18	5.14	5.11
Port Elizabeth	5.35	5.28	5.26	5.22	5.18
Bloemfontein	5.39	5.33	5.32	5.29	5.27
Pietermaritzburg	5.22	5.16	5.15	5.13	5.10
Durban	5.19	5.12	5.11	5.08	5.06
Lusaka	5.43	5.41	5.39	5.39	5.38
Bulawayo	5.40	5.35	5.34	5.33	5.33
Gwelo	5.35	5.30	5.29	5.28	5.28
Salisbury	5.40	5.37	5.34	5.34	5.33
Blantyre	5.21	5.17	5.17	5.16	5.15
Elisabethville	5.56	5.55	5.54	5.54	5.54
Nairobi	6.30	6.30	6.31	6.32	6.33
Mombasa	6.14	6.12	6.14	6.15	6.16
Kisumu	6.41	6.41	6.43	6.44	6.45
Kampala	6.48	6.47	6.49	6.50	6.51
Dar-es-Salaam	6.16	6.13	6.14	6.15	6.15
Tabora	6.41	6.39	6.40	6.41	6.42

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"Adversity is the Diamond Dust Heaven polishes its Jewels with."

—Anon.

ONWARD TO A FINISHED WORK!

World Evangelism Offering

May 2, 1964

Our Greatest Opportunity to Give

ROBERT H. PIERSON, *President, Trans-Africa Division*

THIS important day, *World Evangelism Day*, is approaching. How important a day it is can only be estimated by the fact that we are seeing literally fulfilled before us today the statement of the servant of the Lord that the last movements in this old earth's history would be rapid ones. In the light of these things and with a heavy burden resting upon my heart for the unsaved we have all round us, I come to our members now with a most urgent appeal. It is this:

You and I must make a *real sacrifice* when we give our offering on May 2 for World Evangelism. Sacrifice is the hallmark of the child of God. Saved by sacrifice, he lives by sacrifice because he knows that there is no salvation except through Calvary's sacrifice. Sacrifice is woven and interwoven into his very being. But let us not think of sacrifice as a duty, a hard assignment which is going to make us poorer or make life less pleasant. The word "sacrifice" is made up of two other words: "sacred" and "make". So here is the true picture of you and me as we give an offering that has really made us reach down to the depths of our pockets: our gifts for the finishing of God's work are "made sacred" by our sacrifice. "Made sacred!" What experience could bring us closer to the great heart of Infinite Love, for He "so loved the world" that His gift was the sacred life of His only begotten Son.

Our World Evangelism Offering goal

is £7,200 to be attained within the four-year period from the 1962 to the 1966 General Conference sessions. We must receive £1,800 each year, and last year our offering fell short by £700. This shortfall must be made up before the 1966 General Conference Session. If any unions are over their goal at that time, the overflow will be returned to them for evangelism. At the time of the 1962 General Conference Session, the Tanganyika Union was the only one in our Division which had an overflow returned to them. But for this present quadrennium the Congo Union and the East African Union have made excellent starts, for last year they doubled their goal. This year, on May 2, we know we can count on all of our unions reaching their goals.

Yohana was blind. He lived in the Wakuria area of Kenya, near the Tanganyika border. One night he had a dream and in his dream he saw some people standing beneath a large wild fig tree, preaching from a Book. He was told that they were the true people of God and that he should listen to their message. Shortly afterwards some meetings were held in his village by a popular denomination.

"Where are the meetings being held?" asked blind Yohana, "Are they under the wild fig tree?"

When the reply was in the negative, Yohana was satisfied that these were not

the true people of God. Other organizations and societies held meetings in the village and every time Yohana asked the same question, and when each time the answer was not satisfactory he refused to attend.

But the day came when a group of men stood under the large wild fig tree and opened a Book and began speaking to the people. Yohana's wife ran to him and excitedly told him of the meetings now in progress. He hurried to the tree, for he believed these were the true people of God and he wanted to hear their message.

Blind Yohana took his stand for the message and then went to work for his friends. When he died recently there were 61 members in a newly organized church in his village.

The Good Book says: "How shall they preach except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things." Rom. 10:15.

It is your offerings which are sending the preachers into the farthest corners of our land to seek out those who still live in darkness and to preach the gospel of peace to them.

Again, I appeal to you, my brother, my sister in Christ, give sacrificially on May 2. The blessing of God will rest abundantly upon you.