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DR. ALVIN E. COOK
SATURDAY - SUNDAY 2PM.
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BIBLE LECTURES
the MAN from AUSTRALIA
TUESDAY WEDNESDAY 6PM.
ALL WELCOME!

Janani Crossroads

A smaller black and white photograph showing a group of approximately ten men standing in a line. They are all wearing suits and ties. Some are holding papers or books. They appear to be in a church or a formal setting, possibly participating in a service or a presentation. The background shows a building with a grid-like pattern, possibly a window or a wall.

Focus on

Evangelism

STEP UP THE RATE IN '68

by ALVIN E. COOK, *Secretary,*
Ministerial Association, Trans-Africa Division

WE MUST EVANGELIZE or perish! Great movements of the past, launched with evangelistic fervour, have floundered on the rocks of self-interest and institutionalism. Ceasing to give, no church can live!

Two thousand years ago Jesus commissioned a small band of men to go out and conquer the world with the Gospel. But not alone. "Lo, I am with you alway even unto the end. . . ." His personal presence went before them by the Spirit, which at Pentecost provided the power for effective witnessing and world conquest.

With the conversion of St. Paul commenced an evangelistic programme embracing the known world. On the confession of astonished enemies, the Gospel had "turned the world upside down."

Paul confidently declared that the world was already, by nature, the wrong way up, and that his mission was merely to set it right. Before the end of his life he was able to state that the Gospel had "been preached to every creature" Col. 1:23.

How was it done?

The great evangelist has released the secret for us in Colossians 1:28, 29: "So naturally, we proclaim Christ! We warn everyone we meet, and we teach everyone we can, all that we know about him, so that, if possible, we may bring every man up to his full maturity in Christ. This is what I am working at all the time with all the strength that God gives me." (Phillips)

In Trans-Africa the messengers have been truly "flying in the midst of heaven," all through 1967.

In Salisbury, Pastor O. D. Muza gave the message to crowded audiences at the Highfield church. A minister stood to declare his intention of keeping God's Sabbath and of being baptized the Bible way. Closing his testimony, he swung into the evangelistic field, calling on members of the audience to stand with him for the truth. Scores responded. Last

Sabbath the Highfield pastor told me that 176 souls have been baptized so far from the effort. The church building is crowded.

Thrilling letters come continually to my desk telling of evangelistic advance in all parts of the Division. In South Africa Pastor Karl Birkenstock has preached to sustained audiences and conducted large baptisms in Springs. Pastor Francis Campbell has led more than 80 through the doorway of baptism into the Johannesburg churches. Pastor Raymond Kent has held a large listening audience over eight months of preaching, and by the time the OUTLOOK reaches you more than 80 will have been baptized. Others will follow.

In Botswana we opened meetings in the long-forbidden town of Serowe during the month of July. Never have I seen a hall so tightly packed with people. Pastor Mogegeh has carried on, and last week one of the Zambesi Union officers mentioned that 40 have taken their stand for present truth. Pastor W. Cooks has a new church building high on the hillside almost completed to receive members new and old in this large centre.

In Soweto 70 came to the front in response to our baptismal altar call. Many others have since "given themselves" as our African brethren express it. Pastor Maseke is carrying on and we expect another large baptism on December 16.

From Central Africa comes truly pen-

tecostal news of the Gitwe Seminary effort led by Pastor A. L. Hands. In the village of Kirundo 698 people decided for baptism in the six-week series. Pastor Perry Parks and the Mombera ministerial men introduced 103 souls to the baptismal class in their effort at Balaka, Malawi.

Once again the Solusi evangelists, led by Pastor J. J. Blanco, bring us a thrilling report from Lusaka, Zambia, where, "200 responded to the final call, 89 were baptized before we left, and other baptisms will follow."

From Rwanda to the Cape, from the Seychelles to Soweto, from Solusi to Mombera and Gitwe, the Spirit is fanning the fires of evangelism in Trans-Africa. Twenty thousand baptisms have been reported and the fourth quarter's report, always the largest, is still to come.

We thank God for the accomplishments of 1967. But we appeal to every evangelist, every pastor, every worker, every institution, every church, every member, including our youth, to "proclaim Christ! . . . warn everyone we meet and teach everyone we can all we know about Him . . . working all the time with all the strength that God gives. . ." Col. 1:28, 29. (Phillips)

Let us, therefore

STEP UP THE RATE,

IN 1968.

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CENTRAL EUROPEAN

DIVISION

LET US
GIVE
SACRIFICIALLY

13th
Sabbath

LET US
PRAY
INTERCEDINGLY

DECEMBER 23 or 30

1967

COVER:

Evangelism Meets the Need of Africa's Millions.

Photo by A. E. Cook.

40 Glorious Years

Uganda Field — Mwami Hospital

[In 1967, the Uganda Field in East Africa, and Mwami hospital in Zambia celebrated the 40th Anniversary of their existence—Ed.]

FROM SMALL BEGINNINGS

by ROBERT D. PIFER,
Secretary-Treasurer, Uganda Field

FOR THE CONSTITUENCY of the Uganda Field, the week-end of September 8-10 marked an unforgettable event in the history of our work. Our 40th anniversary celebrations took place at that time. If we were to select a scripture that would be appropriate for this occasion, it would be Zechariah 4:10: "For who hath despised the day of small things?" "Small things" would appropriately describe what God's church was like at its commencement in Uganda—a square mile of land in an isolated part of the country. Even 10 years later, the membership was under 500. But on the occasion of our 40th Anniversary, some 2,000 of His children came to worship Him and offer thanks for His wonderful works to the children of men. This number represented only one fifth of our 10,000 adherents.

The programme began on Friday evening with a vesper service conducted by Pastor Peter Risasi, the first indigenous missionary from Pare in Tanzania who came to Nchwanga in Uganda 40 years ago with Pastor and Mrs. S. G. Maxwell. Most of us had not previously met Brother Risasi, but when he endeavoured to speak to us in the local language, which he had not used for 35 years, he endeared himself to our hearts.

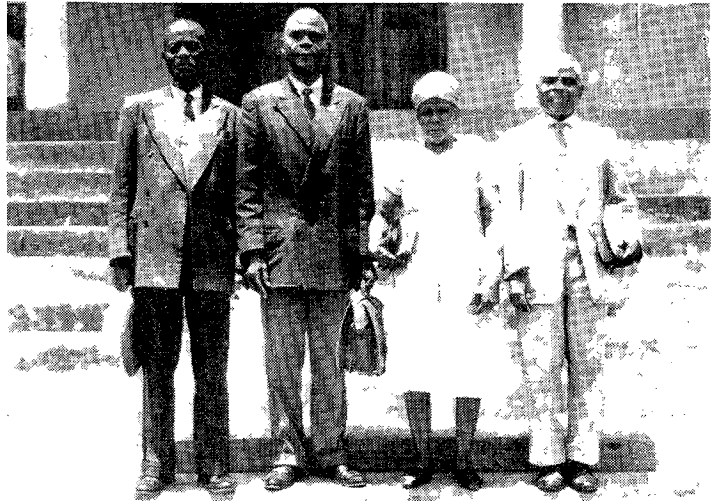
Sabbath morning shone bright and clear as the host church, Najjankumbi, welcomed its visitors. The church was tastefully decorated by Brother W. Jackson and his colleagues. A royal maroon banner adorned the rostrum bearing the motto in letters of gold: LEST WE FORGET. The eyes of the congregation were attracted to two lights, one on each side of the platform. A small candle on the left glimmered among the decorations, symbolic of the start of the work in 1927; and on the right, a bright beacon all but engulfed the floral display and the 1967 banner. Indeed, "who shall despise the day of small things?"

Sabbath worship was conducted by another veteran pioneer of Uganda, Pastor M. E. Lind, now secretary of the Trans-Africa Division, who was accompanied by his wife. His message, urging us all to be faithful to principle, was heard far and wide. We were told of how God honoured one of His own, a young man who was recalled to the secretarial service of the Malawi Government by a high official. This young man had been dismissed because of his refusal to work on Sabbaths, but when it was noticed by the Prime Minister that the standard of the work had gone down and the reason given was that this young man had been dismissed, the Prime Minister immediately arranged matters for the young man to be returned to his work.

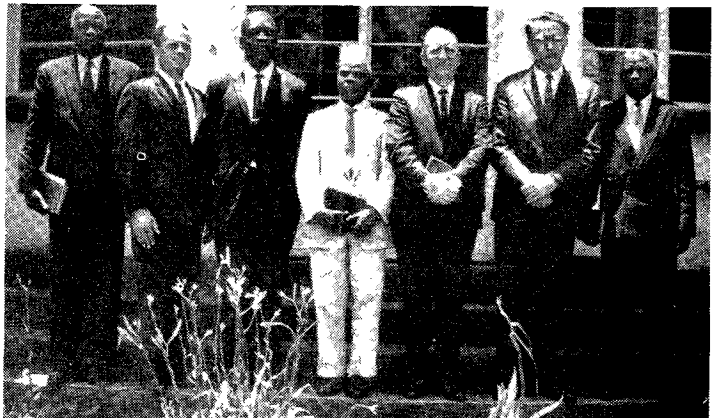
When the recording of this story was replayed over Radio Uganda, it was emphasized in a 30-minute broadcast that the day in question in the young man's experience was the Sabbath, the seventh day of the week. This was a significant pronouncement because in Uganda, Sabbath is referred to as the sixth day of the week, and Sunday as the seventh.

After a hearty lunch enjoyed by all, which was arranged by Brother Y. Wasswa and his committee, we continued our services in a near-by community hall. Mrs. F. Jackson, chairman of the music committee, led out in an uplifting inspiration and was also responsible for the excellent choice and variety of musical items provided during our celebrations. Under the direction of Pastor S.

FIRST FRUITS:
Veteran Pioneers
Pastor and Mrs.
Peter Risasi
(right) with two
of their first con-
verts, Pastors S.
Golola and H.
Guwedeko.



AT THE CELEBRATIONS: (l. to r.) E. Mwanje, District Leader, Najjankumbi District; the Writer; D. K. Bazzara, President, Uganda Field; P. Risasi, Pioneer Missionary to Uganda; M. E. Lind, Secretary of the Trans-Africa Division and a former missionary to Uganda; F. G. Reid, President of the East African Union; and M. S. Kabbala, Departmental Secretary of the Uganda Field.



K. Sendawula, Lay Activities secretary, a group of young people presented a symposium on the early beginnings of the work near Mityana. They re-enacted the studies held by Pastor Risasi with his first group of interested people, some of whom later were ordained. We became acquainted with the obstacles he encountered, how he met them and yet succeeded in planting the torch of truth in the hearts of many at Kalamba. When an appeal was made for contributions towards the building of a church in this place, the gifts amounted to almost £50.

This memorable Sabbath was brought to a close by the vesper service conducted by East African Union president, Pastor F. G. Reid, who reminded us of the importance of Sabbath-keeping, as a symbol of loyalty to God from eternity to eternity.

As the sun hid its rays from us, taking this Sabbath to the sacred halls of memory, and the darkness of evening surrounded us, a lone voice was heard through the gloom: "Behold darkness shall cover the earth, . . . and the Gentiles shall come to thy light, . . . for ye are the light of the world." Just then a light was seen, a small light at the back of the hall, borne aloft by Pastor and Mrs. Risasi who were walking slowly towards the rostrum. As they came nearer the light increased in brightness. This represented the spread of the message from its beginning at Nchwanga under their direction until today 20 language groups, found in Uganda, are included in the constituency. As the name

of each language group was called a spokesman from that area lit his candle from that of Pastor Risasi until the hall was full of light. It was a most impressive scene, and our hearts greatly rejoiced in what God has done during these past 40 glorious years.

The evening was high-lighted by the showing of the Division film used during Pastor R. H. Pierson's report to the 1966 General Conference session in Detroit. Many familiar faces and places shown in the film delighted the congregation.

After another good night's rest at the Najjankumbi Young Christian School where fine facilities and amenities were graciously provided for our visitors, the last day of the celebration dawned bright and clear and the community hall was again filled to capacity by 9:00 a.m. A Pageant of Progress was presented including interesting facts and figures by the department secretaries and reports from Ishaka Hospital and Bugema Missionary College presented by Miss A. (Continued on page 6)

"WE ARE REALLY IMPRESSED"

by RALPH HARRIS, M.B., Ch.B.,
Medical Director

ONCE KNOWN as the bush hospital of "way and beyond," where the operations were done under a spreading mango tree and the surgeon and the patient were protected from flying insects by a mosquito-net, Mwami Hospital today presents a vastly different picture.

"One of the cleanest, and best-kept hospitals in Zambia," commented the Zambian Minister of Health after his visit here in March of this year.

"The best hospital in Zambia," said the W.H.O. Leprologist in September.

"We are really impressed," declared Miss Martha Stout, Nurse Adviser to the International Council of Nurses, Geneva,

during her visit to Zambia and Mwami Hospital recently.

Yes, we have come a long way from the open-air mosquito-net days! Looking back just five and a half years to when I first arrived at Mwami, there is no comparison with what we see today. Now we have a modern 100-bed hospital with two operating theatres, an X-ray department, laboratory, central sterile supply department, modern pharmacy, *et cetera*. And this represents only two-fifths of our master plan of development. Future plans include an administration block, out-patient department, hydrotherapy, male and female surgical beds, children's ward, and a maternity department. A mortuary, a laundry and a second but larger laboratory are also needed.

A hospital comprises not only buildings. More important is the personnel who fill its various departments. More and more, the people of Zambia are assuming these responsibilities. Our training-school graduates a new class of Zambia-enrolled nurses every three to six months, and these are now beginning to form the main nucleus of the nursing staff.

Pastor A. S. Muunyu is representative of this present trend. The first Zambian-ordained pastor to be stationed at Mwami, he assumed the important position of mission director in April this year. With many years' experience behind him as a teacher, pastor, district leader, and field departmental leader, Pastor Muunyu is well equipped for his work. He is also a member of the Trans-Africa Division Committee. In his work as manager of schools and pastor of the local church as well as district leader he has already shown himself capable of ably handling the extensive responsibilities he carries. It has been a pleasure to work with him!

During this fortieth year of Mwami's existence we can look up with gratitude and confidence, and reverently say: "Behold, what hath God wrought!"



FIRST GRADUATES: Mwami School of Nursing (l. to r.) Miss Margaret Johnson, Matron; S. Katsokwe, Zubedha E. Adams, I. Ndlovu, T. Mhango, and E. J. van der Colff, Tutor. Miss Adams is the first Asian nurse to be trained in Zambia.



MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT, Mrs. E. Banda addressing the graduates during the first graduation ceremony. Mr. Exeter Hiwa, Head Medical Assistant, is interpreting.

KUTUMIKIRA—(. . . but to Minister)

by E. J. VAN DER COLFF, R.N.
Tutor.

IT WAS IN EARLY 1962 that word was received at Mwami that no longer would it be possible for Mwami Hospital to be associated with Malamulo Hospital in the training of medical assistants. This situation removed from Mwami some most valuable members of the nursing staff. A plan had to be devised, and out of this plan was born a new school of nursing for this Division.

In 1962, Miss Martha Hansen and Miss Olive Vaughan, the sister-tutor and the matron respectively, opened the doors of the new school of nursing to the first student-nurses ever to enter the portals of the new school.

It was then indeed a highlight in the history of our medical work in Zambia when Pastor H. E. Rice from the General Conference Medical Department attended the first graduation service for Adventist nurses in Zambia in 1966. Five nurses graduated at that time. Now there are 15 who have graduated.

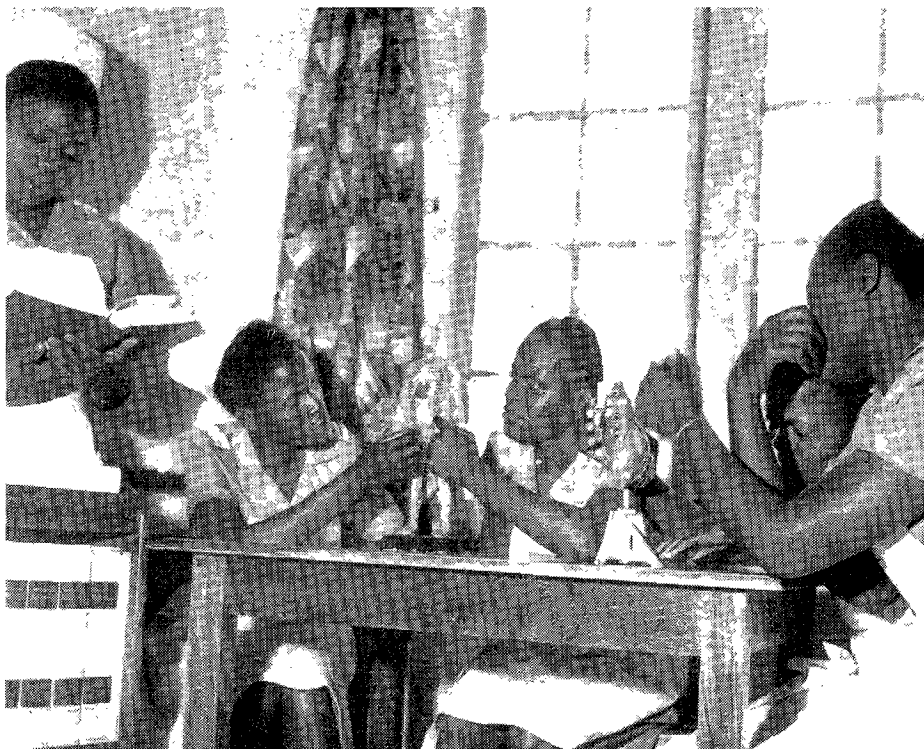
The three-year training programme for medical assistants was discontinued by Government soon after the second group of students commenced training, and a two-year State Enrolled Nurses programme was begun in 1965. We have now graduated 8 from this course, called the Zambian Enrolled Nurses Course.

Mwami Hospital School of Nursing stands today amongst the foremost training schools for State Enrolled Nurses in this country. Here, young Zambians come to train in order to serve their country and their fellow-men, and above all, their God. High government officials and visitors have been sincere in the favourable comments they have made about the programme and upkeep of Mwami Hospital.

When the Trans-Africa Leprosy Re-

Berry, president of the Zambian Nurses Association.

We believe that as long as this school of nursing at Mwami can be administered on the well-defined principles of Adventist nursing, we will be able to maintain our place among the many Seventh-day Adventist schools of nursing around the world field, and we will be able to fulfil our pledge and promise, outlined in our medical motto: "Kutumikira" (" . . . but to minister").



Anatomy Students in the Library

habilitation and Research Centre of Seventh-day Adventists was established at Mwami under the able leadership of Dr. Ray Foster, a new day dawned for our school of nursing. Already plans have been laid for the first students to commence training here as physiotherapy technicians, a post-graduate course, and plans are currently being laid for students to train as medical evangelists among the lepers. A one-year leprosy rehabilitation course is also planned for later.

The plan was discussed of having Yuka Hospital affiliated with Mwami Hospital School of Nursing. In this we believe we have the full support of Government and this plan was also discussed in detail during the visit of Miss Martha Stout, Nurse Adviser to the International Council of Nurses from Geneva, when she visited Mwami in October. Miss Stout was accompanied by Mrs. K. Sikota, Assistant-Matron-in-Chief of the Ministry of Health, and Mrs. M.

FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE

by FRANCES FOSTER, R.N.
and Pilot.

Mwami's staff has so often been asked to visit patients at places as far away as Lilongwe and Lundazi, that Dr. Harris at last agreed to make a trip to Lilongwe once each month. The writer has piloted the doctor and acted as nurse/receptionist during consultations. The people there have been grateful for this service, and one of the foremost citizens has opened his home and made rooms available as an "office" and medicine storeroom.

A flight to Lusaka was made with one of our clinic personnel who was very ill. Dr. Ray Foster has also made a trip to Blantyre for emergency consultation on a seriously complicated fracture.

There is no limit to the service that CESSNA 9JRF can contribute here at Mwami, and we praise the Lord for making this means of transport available.

DREAMS DO COME TRUE

by OLIVE VAUGHAN-BLUMENSHEIN,
M.Sc., R.N.

DREAMS DO COME TRUE—if we work and pray! Many faithful workers have dreamed and planned for years that something constructive would be done in the leprosy treatment programme. The seed planted in men's hearts and watered by the Spirit of God is now bearing fruit.

Almost two years ago, after completing specialized training in orthopaedics, Dr. Ray Foster, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Foster of Lusaka, took his family to India. At Vellore Medical Centre he studied Preventive Medicine, Surgery, Physiotherapy, and Rehabilitation, as it is applied to the treatment of leprosy.

In March of this year, Dr. and Mrs. Foster and their two small daughters, Beth and Ruth, were welcomed to the Trans-Africa Division and to Mwami. A very challenging programme has been planned entitled the "Trans-Africa Leprosy Rehabilitation and Research Service." This includes a pilot programme here at Mwami and periodic flying visits for consultation and specialized programmes to the other leprosarria in the Trans-Africa Division. Dr. Foster is ably assisted by his wife, a graduate of Loma Linda University School of Nursing, and also a commercial pilot.

The programme at Mwami includes an active physiotherapy department under the direction of Mr. Percival Katumbi, a Zambian who graduated from the Medical Assistants Course at Malaulolo Hospital and has recently returned from India. It is planned that workers from other leprosarria can be sent to Mwami for training.

Evangelism is closely linked with the programme and twice daily all patients and staff gather for worship and a short health talk on the prevention of disease and the complications of leprosy.

From Small Beginnings

(Continued from page 4)

Fairall and James T. Bradfield. The Uganda Field appreciates the services these two union institutions render to their respective communities and their influence for good upon the men and women of the surrounding districts.

Pastor Bazarra concluded this part of the programme by presenting to us the telegrams and greetings sent for the occasion from the General Conference



MEDICAL AND SPIRITUAL LEADERS: Dr. Ralph Harris, Medical Director of Mwami Hospital and Pastor A. S. Muonyu, Mission Director, studying plans and programmes for future advancement.



DR. RAY FOSTER, director of the Trans-Africa Division Leprosy Rehabilitation and Research Station, at Mwami Hospital, examines a leper patient. The patient has an ulcerated foot which is known as a leprosy ulcer. The only relationship between the ulcer and leprosy is that the leprosy bacillus having destroyed the pain-communicating nerves, the patient experiences no discomfort other than the smell of the ulcer. The ulcer will heal with rest. If the leg should be amputated the ulcer would appear on the stump.

president, Pastor R. H. Pierson, and more than a score of former missionaries, sister fields, and neighbouring unions and divisions.

As a fitting climax to this wonderful feast of spiritual things, we called upon our beloved pioneer, Pastor Lind, to address us. His admonition to continue in the path of faithfulness, going on to greater achievements for God will not soon be forgotten.

Can a man despise the day of small things? No, especially not when those small things are undertaken for the Lord, for this work was begun "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts" Zech. 4:6. The servant of the Lord has told us that "We have nothing to fear for the future except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us . . . in our past history." —*Life Sketches*, page 196.

**REPORTING ON . . .
PEOPLE AND EVENTS**

IT IS WITH REAL REGRET that we learn that Pastor R. M. Reinhard, our Division treasurer, has received a call to the General Conference as an auditor. After much prayer, Pastor and Mrs. Reinhard felt the Lord wished them to accept this call, and so after 25 years service, in two periods in Africa, they will be leaving for the United States when the new treasurer arrives.

Visitors to the Division year-end meetings were Pastor F. L. Bland, a vice-president of the General Conference; Pastor A. E. Gibb, an associate secretary; and Pastor E. Willmore Tarr, secretary of the Public Relations Bureau. During the committees and board meetings these brethren gave valuable counsel and assisted with speaking appointments and devotional studies. Their ministry was a blessing to our leaders and workers. Mrs. Vivienne Tarr has accompanied her husband on this trip to Trans-Africa, and as they visit parts of the Division they are renewing acquaintance with old friends and former places of labour.

Pastor Bland brought warm greetings from Pastor Robert H. Pierson, now president of the General Conference, to all the believers in the Trans-Africa Division.

The Administrators' Council which convened at Division headquarters, November 7-11, proved to be a meeting of outstanding worth. From the General Conference were Pastors F. L. Bland and E. Willmore Tarr. The unions and Division institutions were represented by their presidents, secretary-treasurers and leaders, and conference presidents and secretary-treasurers were also invited to attend. Papers on "Dynamics of Uncommon Leadership;" "Management and Spiritual Integrity;" "Hurdles and Hazards for the Administrator;" and "Management and Fiscal Responsibility" were among the excellent topics discussed. The council closed on Sabbath afternoon when papers on "Spiritual Leadership" and "Sabbath Observance" were presented, followed by an earnest season of prayer. A full account of the Administrators' Council will appear in the next issue of the OUTLOOK.

The Division MV Department reports 4,855 baptisms for the third quarter. According to our records this is the highest report for a single quarter. We have a total of 8,657 baptisms for 1967 thus far.

A three-day study on the Prevention of Alcoholism was recently conducted in Blantyre, Malawi. Pastor Phaize Salhany was co-ordinator and representatives were present from the Christian Council of Churches of Malawi. A committee was set up to carry on the good work that was started and our Brother Elton Fisher, Temperance secretary of the South-East Africa Union, was elected chairman.

Dr. R. T. Walden of Loma Linda University's Division of Public Health, has paid us a visit. Besides spending a month

at the Heri Health School in Tanzania, assisting Brother Charles Stafford, he was at Division headquarters for several days.

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Harris and their little family are on their way overseas on study leave. They left Cape Town on November 28. Pastor and Mrs. R. E. Delafield have returned permanently to their homeland, the United States. Pastor Delafield has been the union evangelist of the East African Union for the past 5 years and many souls are rejoicing in the message today as a result of his labours. His most recent campaign was in the Seychelles islands.

RHODESIA CONFERENCE

Notice is hereby given in terms of the Rhodesia Conference Constitution that a regular Session of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Rhodesia Conference, is called to convene at Anderson Memorial School, Gwelo, on Sunday, February 4, 1968, to:

(a) Elect officers, department secretaries, and an executive committee for the ensuing biennial term.

(b) Receive reports of the activities and finances of the Conference for the biennial term; and

(c) Transact such other business as may properly come before the Session. The first meeting will commence at 9.00 a.m.

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CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

We send Christian greetings to all our readers for the festive season! We look forward confidently to 1968 with its challenges and blessings. We know God has led in our past history and with faith we commit our ways to His guidance for the coming year. May His sweet Spirit be your constant Companion.

SUNSET CALENDAR

JANUARY, 1968

FEBRUARY, 1968

	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23
Cape Town	8.01	8.01	7.58	7.56	Cape Town	7.51	7.45	7.38	7.30
Johannesburg	7.05	7.05	7.05	7.02	Johannesburg	6.59	6.55	6.51	6.44
East London	7.20	7.21	7.18	7.16	East London	7.11	7.05	6.59	6.51
Port Elizabeth	7.33	7.33	7.30	7.28	Port Elizabeth	7.23	7.17	7.10	7.02
Bloemfontein	7.18	7.18	7.17	7.15	Bloemfontein	7.12	7.07	7.01	6.54
Pietermaritzburg	7.04	7.04	7.02	7.00	Pietermaritzburg	6.56	6.51	6.46	6.38
Durban	7.02	7.02	7.00	6.58	Durban	6.54	6.49	6.44	6.36
Windhoek	7.44	7.43	7.42	7.40	Windhoek	7.38	7.35	7.30	7.24
Bulawayo	6.49	6.51	6.51	6.50	Bulawayo	6.48	6.45	6.41	6.36
Salisbury	6.34	6.36	6.36	6.35	Salisbury	6.34	6.31	6.28	6.24
Gwelo	6.44	6.44	6.43	6.41	Gwelo	6.40	6.39	6.36	6.34
Lusaka	6.43	6.43	6.42	6.40	Lusaka	6.40	6.40	6.38	6.36
Blantyre	6.16	6.18	6.18	6.18	Blantyre	6.18	6.15	6.11	6.07
Lubumbashi	6.37	6.39	6.40	6.41	Lubumbashi	6.41	6.39	6.36	6.34
Nairobi	6.43	6.46	6.47	6.50	Nairobi	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.49
Mombasa	6.36	6.39	6.40	6.42	Mombasa	6.43	6.42	6.41	6.39
Kisumu	6.50	6.53	6.54	6.57	Kisumu	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Kampala	6.59	7.02	7.04	7.06	Kampala	7.07	7.07	7.06	7.06
Dar-es-Salaam	6.44	6.45	6.46	6.48	Dar-es-Salaam	6.48	6.48	6.46	6.45
Tabora	7.06	7.10	7.11	7.12	Tabora	7.12	7.11	7.09	7.09

Retrospection

by M. L. MILLS,
President, Trans-Africa Division



THE YEAR 1967 is edging nearer the brink of eternity. Father Time, girding his loins about him, is soon to make his annual retreat. The old year is destined to be enfolded in the arms of history, to be relegated to the limbo of antiquity. It is sobering to realize that this year has spent itself so quickly, that now we stand on the threshold of an uncharted and unspotted year.

It has been a solemn experience to have lived during this year, for we all must give an account of what we have said and done. The Word of God states that an accurate record of our lives is kept in heaven. Some day we will meet our double. As we stand before the judgment bar of God we will see ourselves portrayed in the heavenly ledger. The apostle Paul warned: "We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ." 2 Cor. 5:10. And Solomon said: "For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil." Eccl. 12:14.

Before 1967 quietly fades away and becomes ineffaceably etched upon the historic and sentimental halls of memory and lest it becomes too late to change the record, let us take a fleeting glance at the past year and reflect a little upon what has transpired. To bring the picture into clear focus, let us ask a few pertinent and penetrating questions.

What has been our relationship to God during this year? Have we been strictly honest with Him in all of our pecuniary relationships? Does the heavenly record reveal that we have paid all of the tithes that are due Him? Have we kept our vows and paid our pledges? Have we been honest in all our business transactions? What has been our rapport with our fellow-men? Have we had amicable relationships with them? Does the passing of the year leave any bitterness, resentment, or malevolence in our hearts against those with whom

we have had misunderstandings or with whom we have disagreed? It is both bitter and difficult to examine oneself. The powers of discrimination and reason are easily warped by one's pride and sensitivity. But common sense dictates that we make the examination ourselves rather than stand trial before God and be found wanting.

"Let every one who professes the name of Christ consider the fact that he must meet every act of injustice, give an account for every harsh word, at the judgment seat of Christ. . . .

hesitancy in making amends and taking steps at once to set the record straight before we cross the border to the new year. Let there be a thorough introspection into our lives and let us take an accurate spiritual inventory of what is in our hearts. If the investigation finds the account out of balance, why not set about at once squaring up with God? We dare not enter the new year and blemish and desecrate its innocence and youth with an impure and dishonest life. Before the curfew sounds and the curtain is rung down on the old year, let us settle our accounts with God by having our mistakes and faults expunged from the books of heaven.

Dear reader, if you would have your mistakes rectified and your account brought into balance, there is a work you must do. Every sin must be repented of. There must be an acknowledgement of your guilt. By confession, your wrongs must be made right. Differences with one another must be settled; restitution of whatever has been stolen, either from God or man, must be made before forgiveness can be granted and your record in heaven put in order. The blood of Jesus Christ cannot be applied to your faulty record unless, in humility and contrition, you are willing to bow in penitence and submission before the cross. Forgiveness is conditional, for we are told: "If we confess our sins," then, "he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9.

If, by faith, we will place our hands in the hand of God and take these rudimentary steps that lead in the heavenly direction, we may enter the new year with the assurance that all debit accounts have been balanced. With the past made right through the imputed righteousness of Christ we can face 1968 without fear or dread, confident that we have been made clean and that Christ will be by our sides as we meet the uncertainties of the new year.

IMPORTANT DATES

Lay Activities Day	January 6
Temperance Commitment Day	January 13
Consecration of Officers	January 20
Christian Home and Family Altar Week	February 10-17

Every action will come into judgment, and the spirit that prompted it will be made manifest. The fruit of every selfish, arbitrary exaction will be made plain, and men will see the results of their doings even as God sees them."—"Testimonies to Ministers," page 224.

If upon careful and objective reflection we are forced to admit that we have done wrong, let there be no