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# When the Spirit Comes

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THE Advent movement must ever be, first of all, a spiritual awakening. For the lack of religion, mankind to-day is blind and dving. Of all our urgent needs the greatest is a revival of genuine godliness. A new endowment of Gospel fervour should now be sought for by every Adventist. In the Scriptures this is spoken of as "the latter rain." We are told in the spirit of prophecy that just before the end, the Advent message will be preached with the power of heaven. Miracles will be performed. The sick will be healed. The servants of the Lord will hasten from place to place with the Word of life. In the world, even among godless men, there is a longing for a quickening of religious life, a rekindling of oldtime faith and of those ideals which only religion can call forth. Among us through the years men have now and then arisen, claiming that they were called of God to begin a movement of revival and reformation. Some of these experiences have been disappointing, for they have only done harm. But this must not dampen our zeal and desire to be anointed with the Spirit of God. It is evident as we look at the Advent work that in many parts of the earth God is now doing really outstanding wonders of grace. Yet the greatest work of the latter rain is still future.

When we speak of the Spirit in a new Pentecost, we should remember that we are treading on holy ground. The gift of the Holy Ghost is no light matter, and must not be considered in the flippant, irreverent style of some so-called Pentecostal people. In the last coming of the heavenly Visitor, it will reveal itself as a "spirit of judgment," and "of burning." It will cleanse from sin or destroy sinners. The baptism of the Holy Ghost is spoken of as one of fire. It not only gathers the wheat into the garner, but it "will thoroughly purge His floor," and "burn up the chaff." Thus in humble reverence we are to pray for the power from on high.

When the Spirit comes, persecution will come. Many people think of this in a wrong sense. They expect persecution first. They hope that persecution will lead them nearer to God and prepare them for the Holy Spirit. God's way, however, is different. First His people cleanse their hearts and receive the Spirit. Then their testimony of power stirs up the hatred of other men and brings on persecution.

When the Spirit comes, it will sternly and faithfully reprove sin. We see this all through the Scriptures. As God's spirit rested npon Stephen, he turned to the godless, wicked council before whom he was arraigned, and said : "Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye." Acts 7:51. In our day of flimsy, superficial religion, there is need of a strong, earnest testimony against sin both within and without the church. But this testimony must be spoken in tender love and come from a heart which itself is broken before God.

When the Spirit comes, the hearts of God's children will be united in a new, tender, unselfish love. They will forget the mistakes of their brethren. They will see the loveliness of Jesus, and be deeply conscious of their own failings, Criticism will cease, Suspicion, unholy ambitions, so common in many places, with love of supremacy, will be banished for ever. A genuine, earnest love will unite the hearts of God's children. Nationalism will be unknown. As the preachers and people become one, they join in earnest labour for Christ.

When the Spirit comes, it will rest with power upon God's tried servants. All through the Bible we see instances of the Spirit of the Lord coming upon some leader in special power. The results were always a stronger and more spiritual leadership. Some people misunderstand what leadership in the Advent movement really is. The strongest president, whether of a Division, or a Union, or a conference, is not the man who can go to a larger committee and get more money. In things financial the best leader is the man who can produce, right in his own field, the funds needed. It is much greater for a president to raise money himself in his own conference than to beg it of somebody else in a committee. The latter is no sign of leadership at all. However, Gospel leadership born of the Spirit never makes money first. True, it looks after tithe and mission funds. It warns against covetousness. It gives, and gets all others to give. But, in the raising of money, it is above all moved by a deep passion for the lost. An earnest yearning to feed the flock of God, to care for the youth, and to build up in every way the church of Christ, becomes like a consuming fire on the altar of daily sacrifice.

When the Spirit comes, deep consecration and a fresh anointing will be given to every preacher. The ministry to-day is weak and poverty-stricken. We have the truth of God. We have excellent methods. With the years we are learning better and better to plan and arrange. But the overshadowing need of the ministry at this time is a new baptism of the Holy Ghost. We need that heavenly dynamite which God is so eager to give us. When a minister is baptized anew with spiritual power, it does not make him conceited. It does not permit him to remain at home. It always leads to prayer

but never to idleness. It stirs his very soul to tireless self-denying service, day and night, for the Master. He is willing to scatter handbills. He is eager to have part in the Harvest Ingathering. He grows ashamed of the absurd idea that he should distinguish himself by some special collar or coat. He becomes indeed a messenger of Jehovah and, as an example to the church, leads in every good work. No worker who fails in these things is worthy of a place in this cause.

When the Spirit comes, the whole church is inspired with a new mission zeal. No one can have the spirit of Jesus and be indifferent towards the lost. It was so in apostolic days. As soon as people received the Spirit, they began with great boldness to witness for Jesus. They loved all and they gave all. It was so in Reformation times. Not merely a few prominent reformers known to history, but large numbers in every reformation country lived and spoke for the saving Christ. It was so in the early days of the Advent message. The Advent movement has never been marked by its outstanding men, but by the zeal, sacrifice, and love of humble ministers and members. A new love for our missions in Africa, a new willingness to join at home in any kind of mission service, will be born in every heart as a result of the latter rain.

When the Spirit comes, we will love the Bible. We will delight in prayer. We will send our youth to our own schools. Many more will enter the colporteur work. We will read our own books and papers rather than those of the daily press with all their filth and falsehood. The Spirit of prophecy will become precious to our hearts. A new joy will spring up in our homes. True health reform wili give us cleaner hearts and keener minds.

These are a few of the fruits of the latter rain. The deeper and larger work is a new and truer personal holiness in our own lives. We begin to see this here and there. But God has waited for years to give the Spirit in its fullness. He must not wait longer. We must arouse ourselves and receive the Holy Ghost. The present crisis in the world is not of finances or trade. The crisis of mankind is the crisis of the church, and the crisis of the church is its spiritual infirmity and the lack of light and power.

## Advancing into Unentered Territory

THE first and all-absorbing question facing us is that of keeping "in the fields the missionaries who are already there." To that need we hasten to add another—that of advancing into unentered territory.

Adventists are a missionary people. The urge of carrying the last warning message to "every nation, tongue, and people" is the foundation-stone of the Advent movement. When the impulse to press on into new regions ceases, the object for which this people has been called is jeopardized. The only means for our existence is the masterly propagation of the world-wide missionary spirit, ever advancing into the dark, unentered lands of earth.

Never in the history of our missions has the Lord expected so much of His peculiar people as at the present time. And never have the times been more trying to the zeal of missionary endeavour. For years we have worked, fully conscious that as our work would expand, increased facilities would be necessary and greater sacrifices needed to maintain the cause of foreign missions. We have prayed often that God should finish His work quickly and cut it short in righteousness. Now we have come to that time. Our prayers are being answered. The acid test of our faith and love is upon us. Day by day and year by year the voice of the Lord can be heard more and more plainly, calling the remnant people to a greater consecration to the task of finishing the Gospel proclamation.

This year's Harvest Ingathering Campaign will be a genuine test of our love to God and suffering mankind. There is more to be realized in the forthcoming campaign than the million and a quarter dollars necessary to maintain our growing work. That is only the material part, and we must not fail to reach our financial goals, for that would mean disaster. No one must fail God in that way. Something greater is to be realized. The power of God's Spirit is to be demonstrated through His children during this campaign. We are to pursue paths of providence that will have a saving influence upon ourselves and upon the millions of people with whom we shall come in contact. It is to be our special privilege to learn that God has a living message; that there is no defeat in the Lord's working programme.

Year after year as the Advent believers have carried out the Harvest Ingathering campaigns, the Lord has been pleased to send showers of blessings upon them. For twenty-four years this blessed work has served to supply nearly one-third of the funds used in foreign missions. Last year was exceedingly rich in blessings. Again and again the reports have emphasized that large donors have doubled or even trebled their previous gifts, and that in spite of the hard times, many, yes, hundreds of them, were anxiously awaiting the friendly call of the Adventists to come and receive their gifts. God's Spirit moved upon the hearts of the people of means to give. He is" doing the same for us this year. He has said: "The sons of strangers shall build up thy walls." Isa. 60:10. Our part is to visit the stranger and be the means of bringing him the needed blessing and of obtaining his support in the building of the walls of Zion.

Will not all those who love the Lord join the ranks of the faithful who will go from door to door gathering means for the missions treasury? Will not you who have never participated in the Harvest Ingathering work pledge the Lord your faithful service in this campaign? How can you stand idly by and see the missionaries suffer, or perhaps be compelled to leave their stations because of the shortage of funds? God calls you. He is calling me. Let us all say: "Here am I, Lord, send me."

Now, as to the great objective before us this year in the Northern European Division. We have in our African territory a large unentered country—the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. That is a Mohammedan country, but thousands of Christians are living there who offer a special opportunity for the Advent message. We cannot let them wait any longer. We must enter that field this year. We can do it if we reach our Division goal of \$105.000.

This land holds unusual opportunities for the Gospel. Since 1927, trouble has broken out between the so-called Coptic Christian and the Mohammedan government. These Christians are not willing to be ruled by a patriarch who has been appointed by a Moslem king, and they are being persecuted. Educational opportunities for their own priests have been almost wholly cut off, and the church's future existence is greatly endangered. There are thousands of such Christians in Anglo-Egypt. A few days ago an Anglo-Egyptian correspondent wrote in one of the largest English dailies :

"Thousands of Christians in Egypt, quict, hard-working fellaheen, as well as prosperous, welleducated supporters of the present Egyptian government, are hoping and praying that their church may be saved. They are Copts, the descendants of the early native "Christians of Egypt, the purest representatives of the ancient Egyptians, the patriarchs of whose church are the successors of St. Mark."

It is among these people that we are hoping to begin work very soon. That is our great objective in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign this year. We believe that the Lord will reward our faith.

When we think of the providential leadings, our hearts rejoice. We thank God for what has been accomplished and for the vast opportunities before us. Then as we reflect upon the available means for doing these great things, our faith and love are challenged. During the past year, several painful cuts have had to be made in the appropriations to our mission fields. Wages that were already inadequate had to be reduced twice. Answers to urgent calls have been (Continued on column 3, page 5.)

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AFTER having spent nearly two months in the East African Union, I journeyed to Ethiopia, meeting with the workers at Addis Abeba. On my arrival I was pleased to see Dr. A. Andersen and Brother Pedersen, who had arrived a week earlier. After counselling with the brethren it was decided that we should secure an interview with the emperor as soon as possible. Brother Sorenson, the superintendent of the Ethiopian Union, took us to the foreign office, where we met His Excellency Blatengeta Herouy, the Minister of Foreign Affairs. All business or negotiations that are done with the emperor must pass through the hands of this official. Perhaps our readers will recall that Brethren Mevers and Lindsay, when interviewing the emperor last year, were offered \$25,000 towards a hospital project. At our Winter Council at Riga the committee instructed us, if possible, to make an agreement with the emperor so as to complete negotiations regarding the proposed hospital.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs arranged for us to meet the emperor the next day at four o'clock, and naturally we all looked forward to this hour. Brethren Sor-enson, Pedersen, Dr. Andersen, and I called at the palace at the time appointed and were ushered in through a long corridor to a large room in which was the throne. On the floor of this room were beautiful Oriental rugs which were delightful to walk upon. We bowed at the entrance and then walked slowly up to the emperor. As we came near we stood at attention until he bade us come closer. We each shook hands with His Majesty and took seats in front of him.

I had been asked to be spokesman so I began by presenting greetings from our brethren in both Europe and America. This pleased him very much. We then thanked him for his gift of the hospital at Dessie and also for the many favours he had shown us. He again bowed to us saying that he was only too glad to do this for us, for he felt that we had come a long way from our homes

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to help his people. We assured him that we were ready to co-operate with His Majesty in a still larger way. This seemed to please him a good deal and he wondered to what we referred. We explained how helpful it would be to have a sanitarium and hospital where we could carry on a nurses' training school in connection with regular hospital work, making it possible to train the youth of Ethiopia so that they would be able to go forth and bring relief to the people of His Majesty's country. When we spoke of this phase of the hospital work he was all alert and he said he would like to know more about it.

We continued telling him what we were doing in other parts of the world field and I also referred to the experiences that I had had in the Far East and how the Rases and big chiefs in various countries had contributed of their means in appreciation of what we had been able to do for them. I then introduced Dr. Andersen, telling His Majesty that Dr. Andersen was connected with one of our largest institutions in Europe, and that he would explain more in detail what we meant by a sanitarium and hospital and the training of nurses. As Dr. Andersen explained our plans and methods the emperor listened very attentively. At the close of the interview he thanked us for having called and was glad to learn that we were ready to cooperate with him in a still greater work. He said that he would speak with the Minister of Foreign Affairs and send us word as to what he would be able to do. As we left he shook hands very heartily, telling us that he appreciated very much the work that we as a denomination were doing in his country.

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a great deal of praying during the days we were at Addis Abeba. We did not want our way but whatever would be for the best to advance the cause of God in Ethiopia. The Minister of Foreign Affairs apologized one morning to us, saying that the emperor had been so busy meeting with leading chiefs who had come from the interior that he had not been able to give as much time to the sanitarium-hospital project as he wanted to, but that he would do so at an early date. According to previous plans, I was to leave the next day for Europe but when I told the minister what my plans were he looked at me and said: "Isn't there some way of arranging it so that you can stay a few days longer?" Ť told him that the next boat would be ten days later. He wanted to know if I had my ticket. I said, "Yes." He then said, "If it is necessary for you to go I will sit up with the emperor all night in order to give you definite word. But then," he added, "it will not be satisfactory to have to rush the matter through." I said that if it were His Excellency's and His Majesty's pleasure for me to remain over ten days I should be delighted to do so. The Minister of Foreign Affairs was very happy and warmly told me that by my staying another ten days they would try and have everything arranged so that I should have something definite to take back with me to our committee.

Somehow or other I felt that the Lord had something good in store for us. I wired to Brother Sorenson and Dr. Andersen, who were visiting our mission station at Dessie, telling them that the government had requested me to stay over ten days and I urged them to come back by a certain date so that we could counsel to-

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* gether regarding the offer the emperor might make us. On the day just before leaving Addis Abeba a message came inviting us to meet with the foreign minister that afternoon. After talking a while about our work, the minister said : "I have a definite proposition for you from the emperor. The model hospital which His Majesty built near the hot springs, with four large buildings for employees, are offered to you, to be used as a sanitarium-hospital. The emperor will complete and equip the hospital and give 12,000 thaler for special sanitarium equipment."

You can imagine how happy we were to receive such a wonderful offer from the emperor and his officials. The gift of the emperor is worth at least \$100,000 U.S. currency. His Majesty is not only offering us this fine hospital unit which he has built as a model for his country, but is also willing to build additional units as the needs arise and to help us with gifts each year towards assisting the poor. In our closing remarks we said to the Minister of Foreign Affairs that we felt it was providential that His Excellency and His Majesty were on the throne in a time like this. "We believe the Lord put it in your hearts to do a good work of this kind." The foreign minister turned to us and said, "We want to assure you that the reason why we are doing this is because we have confidence in you and your denomination," and then added, "As long as I am in this position I shall put forth every effort to help your mission."

Truly the Spirit of the Lord is at work putting into the hearts of men the desire to help build up the cause of God. What we experienced in Ethiopia is a fulfilment of prophecy. Read Psalm 68:31. "Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God." It is interesting to note that one of the latest postage stamps has this statement of Holy Writ printed on it. We deeply appreciate the generosity of the emperor and believe that it is in the providence of God that he has been called to the throne of this ancient kingdom.

### Advancing into Unentered Territory

(Continued from column 1, p. 4.) postponed. Our missionaries with broken health are asked to get on with even less than their former incomes. Crop failures, locusts, floods, and other disasters have greatly intensified the physical suffering in many parts of the field.

But there has not come a single note of murmuring or of discouragement from our missionaries. The spirit to press on into unentered territory is strengthened. Lives are literally being sacrificed that the Lord's work may not suffer. A spirit of gratitude to God for His many unseen blessings seems to permeate every act of service. Many rejoice over the times that have come, for their "redemption draweth nigh."

Surely the Lord's work must triumph even where prospects seem most unpromising. He says: "I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water." Isa. 41:18.

#### The "Testimonies" and the Harvest Ingathering Work

#### 1. Is the Ingathering plan endorsed by the spirit of prophecy?

'One of the new plans for reaching unbelievers is the Harvest Ingathering Campaign for missions. In many places during the past few years, this has proved a success, bringing blessing to many, and increasing the flow of means into the mission treasury. As those not of our faith have been made acquainted with the progress of the third angel's message in heathen lands, their sympathies have been aroused, and some have sought to learn more of the truth that has such power to transform hearts and lives. Men and women of all classes have been reached, and the name of God has been glorified." -M.S., "Consecrated Efforts to Reach Unbelievers," June 5, 1914.

#### 2. Is it in the order of God that we solicit gifts from those not of our faith?

"You inquire with respect to the propriety of receiving gifts from

## 3. May we expect liberal gifts to the cause of God in the Ingathering appeal?

"Some may question the propriety of receiving gifts from unbelievers. Let such ask themselves : 'Who is the real owner of our world? To whom belong its houses and lands, and its treasures of gold and silver?' God has an abundance in our world, and He has placed His goods in the hands of all, both the obedient and the disobedient. He is ready to move upon the hearts of worldly men, even idolaters, to give of their abundance for the support of His work; and He will do this as soon as His people learn to approach these men wisely and to call their attention to that which it is their privilege to do. If the needs of the Lord's work were set forth in a proper light before those who have means and influence, these men might do much to advance the cause of present truth. God's people have lost many privileges of which they could have taken advantage, had they not chosen to stand independent of the world."-"Southern Watchman," March 15, 1904.

### 4. Are those who give to the cause prompted by a divine impulse?

"The Lord still moves upon the hearts of kings and rulers on behalf of His people. Those who are labouring for Him are to avail themselves of the help that He prompts men to give for the advancement of His cause. The agents through whom these gifts come may open ways by which the light of truth shall be given to many benighted lands. . . . The Lord's work might receive far greater favours than it is now receiving, if we would approach men in wisdom, acquainting them with the work, and giving them an opportunity of doing that which it is our privilege to induce them to do for its advancement."

### 5. What special counsel is given to those who solicit in the Harvest Ingathering work?

"To all who are about to take up special missionary work with the paper prepared for use in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, I would say: Be diligent in your efforts; live under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Add daily to your Christian experience. Let those who have special aptitude work for unbelievers in the high places as well as in the low places of life. Search diligently for perishing souls. Oh, think of the yearning desire Christ has to bring to His fold again those who have gone astray! Watch for souls as they that must give an account. In your church and neighbourhood missionary work, let your light shine forth in such clear, steady rays, that no man can stand up in the judgment, and say, 'Why did you not tell me about this truth? Why did you not care for my soul?' Then let us be diligent in the distribution of literature that has been carefully prepared for use among those not of our faith. Let us make the most of every opportunity to arrest the attention of unbelievers. Let us put literature into every hand that will receive it. Let us consecrate ourselves to the proclamation of the message. 'Prepare ye the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.'" -M.S., "Consecrated Efforts to Reach Unbelievers," June 5, 1914.

#### 6. What are some of the advantages and what are some of the benefits and blessings of the Ingathering plan?

"Do all in your power to receive gifts. We are not to feel that it would not be the thing to ask men of the world for means: for it is just the thing to do. This plan was opened before me as a way of coming in touch with wealthy men of the world. Through this means not a few will become interested, and many will hear and believe the truth for this time."

"Nehemiah did not depend upon uncertainty. The means that he lacked he solicited from those who were able to bestow. And the Lord is still willing to move upon the hearts of those in possession of His goods, on behalf of the cause of truth. Those who labour for Him are to avail themselves of the help that He prompts men to give. These gifts may open ways by which the light of truth shall go to many benighted lands. The donors may have no faith in Christ, no acquaintance with His work; but their gifts are not on this account to be refused."-"Captivity and Restoration," page 634.

Gentiles or the heathen. The question is not strange; but I would ask you, Who is it that owns our world? Who are the real owners of houses and lands? Is it not God? He has an abundance in our world which He has placed in the hands of men by which the hungry might be supplied with food, the naked with clothing, the homeless with homes. The Lord would move upon worldly men, even idolaters, to give of their abundance for the support of the work, if we would approach them wisely, and give them an opportunity of doing those things which it is their privilege to do. What they would give we should be privileged to receive.

"We should become acquainted with men in high places, and by exercising the wisdom of the serpent, and the harmlessness of the dove, we might obtain advantage from them, for God would move upon their minds to do many things on behalf of His people. If proper persons would set before those who have means and influence, the needs of the work of God in a proper light, these men might do much to advance the cause of God in our world. We have put away from us privileges and advantages that we might have had the benefit of, because we chose to stand independent of the world. But we need not sacrifice one principle of truth while taking advantage of every opportunity to advance the cause of God."-"Testimonies to Ministers," pages 197, 198.

"Times are growing hard, and money is difficult to obtain; but God will open the way for us from sources outside our own people. I cannot see how any one can take exception to the receiving of gifts from those not of our faith. They can only do so by taking extreme views, and by creating issues which they are not authorized to do. This is God's world, and if God could move upon human agents so that the land which has been in the hands of the enemy, may be brought into our hands so that the message may be proclaimed in regions beyond, shall men block up the way with their narrow notions?"—"Special Testimonies to Ministers," No. 3, pages 43, 44.



"Sangerfest" held during the Young Peoples' Congress in the Baltic Union.

### Meetings in the Baltic Union

BY CLARENCE V. ANDERSON

THE Baltic Union Conference held its quadrennial session in Riga, Latvia, June 20th to 22nd. It was preceded by the Riga Conference annual session and followed by a Union young people's congress. The meetings occupied two full weeks and the general pronouncement was a good spiritual, instructive gathering, the sessions in their order being good, better, best.

It is marvellous the way the Advent message has grown in these small countries during the past four years. It seems that freedom from the foreign yoke has turned many to God and His truth. In the three countries comprising the Union, namely, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, there are about 5,000,000 people. The church membership to-day is more than 5,000. In the city of Riga alone there are one thousand members. The net gain in membership during the past quadrennial period was 855. Also 356 more souls were baptized during this period than for the previous period. They are heart and soul in the message and take part in every campaign with vigour.

Special mention should be made of the Union school, located a short distance from Riga, in Latvia. It has proved to be a real blessing to many young people in the Union. Under the leadership of Brother Rose the school has provided twenty new workers for the different conferences in the Union during the past four years. In looking over the working force it was found that most of them have been trained at "Suschenof," the Baltic Union Seminary, seemingly loved by all. This was especially shown on the last Sabbath when the graduates, during the symposium, spoke of their school. They translated for one another from Russian, Estonian, Lithuanian, and German to Lettish. All of these languages were used during the conferences.

Brother T. T. Babienco was reelected as Union president, Brother Wägele as treasurer, Brother A. Jurkevic as home missionary and field secretary, Brother K. Brutan as young people's and Sabbathschool secretary. We believe in a larger gain in soul-winning for the coming period.

On Thursday, June 23rd, the long-looked-for young people's congress was called to order. Some five hundred young people were assembled, but the seating capacity of the church, which is 800, was fully taken advantage of, showing that the parents are interested in the welfare of their young people. Four days were spent in earnest study of present-day problems peculiar to the young in the present generation. Every effort was made to make the instruction positive and helpful. A live interest was shown in every discussion and surely lasting good will be the result of the gathering.

The crowning events of the congress were two evening Sanger-

fests given by the singers of the Union. An inspiring scene indeed to see 300 Seventh-Day Adventist young singers, the ladies all in white in front, the men dressed darker in the rear, and to hear them singing to the glory of God.

The largest meeting was on the Sabbath when we assembled in a rented hall. It was estimated that at least 1,500 believers' were present on the Sabbath. The Spirit of God was present through the meeting and worked wonders in spite of translation all the time. As many as five translations were necessary at times so that all would get the message; surely a mixture of tongues, a reminder of the wilfulness of man. It created in many, to be sure, a longing for that glad day when all will speak one tongue.

Brother G. W. Schubert from the General Conference was present throughout the whole series of meetings, as were also Brethren Christian, Bartlett, and Anderson from the Division.

Much more could be said about the instruction given, of the hard work and careful planning which brought such gratifying results during the meetings and Sangerfest, but we pray that God may recognize and repay where man often forgets and neglects. We who were present long for many such occasions where the people of God may rejoice together.

May God's blessing rest upon His people in the Baltic Union and increase their numbers manyfold.

In Ezekiel's vision, God had His hand beneath the wings of the cherubim. This is to teach His servants that it is divine power that gives them success. He will work with them if they will put away iniquity, and become pure in heart and life.—"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 754.





BROTHER H. W. SHERRIG, who laboured for years as Union Field Secretary in Scandinavia, died at Hinsdale, early in June, of cancer of the stomach. Brother Sherrig was connected with this work for many years and will be remembered by a host of friends. Some time before he died he made his home with his daughter Naomi and she with Harry Sherrig were present at his death.

BROTHER G. A. LINDSAY has just left the Division headquarters for his new sphere of labour in Sweden. He will have heavy responsibilities, for besides being president of the East Nordic Union he will head the Union young people's department and also lead out in the administration of the North Swedish Conference.

BROTHER E. D. DICK and family have arrived in England. They are staying at the British Union School at Newbold for a short time while Brother Dick attends the N.E.D. Educational Council. Brother Dick fills the place of Division secretary which has been left vacant since the departure of Brother W. E. Read,

PASTOR O. J. OLSEN writes from Iceland:

"We are experiencing very difficult times here now. It is a rare thing to see a man at work. What it will be like when the long winter comes around we hardly dare think. The chief exports are fish, mutton, and wool, but there are hundreds of tons of these lying around so that one can see that the fisher and the farmer are in a bad fix. The communists, too, are not idle. They break windows, throw stones at the police, and demand a communistic organization of all trades. "We feel the stress in our work, for naturally, the tithe is decreasing considerably. On the other hand we hope to baptize more new believers this year than any former year in Iceland. We shall have new believers in Reykjavik, in the Westmans, in Havnefjord, in Siglufjord, some scattered and isolated new members, some coming in from country districts, and then we shall see a new church at Akureyri."

As we go to press the quarterly reports are coming in from the various unions. One union reports over 200 baptisms, another has baptized over eighty members, and another 117. There are still other reports to come in and we hope these will bring news that is just as good.

### If you have changed your address recently

will you please send your new address to THE ADVENT SURVEY 41 Hazel Gardens, Edgware, Middlesex, England, and *not* to the Stanborough Press. Do it now, please. Many thanks.

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### Transportation Notes

TRANSPORTATION arrangements have been made during the past few weeks for the following workers passing through London:

On furlough from South Africa:

Pastor and Mrs. L. Moffitt and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sharman and two children, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Hanson and two children, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Harder and family.

On furlough from India:

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peckham.

On furlough from Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. R. Altman.

Returning to work in India: Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Wilmott and daughter. PASTOR C. E. WEAKS has returned to his work in Washington after visiting and assisting in the strengthening of the publishing work in various fields.

MR. AND MRS. RVE ANDERSEN have returned to their work in Uganda, after spending some of their furlough in England.

WE have been pleased to render assistance to the following workers from Europe to America:

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Caviness and family, Mrs. Wasli.

C. H. ANSCOMBE.

### Beauty and its Uses

It is not enough to be a man; the responsibilities of manhood must be discharged. The foot must do the foot's work, and leave the eye to look after its own business. A flower is useful, though it does not grow fruit. Gladly I proclaim the usefulness of beauty. A flower has many a time opened the very heavens to my aching heart. It has spoken to me of purity and simplicity, of frailty, mortality, and dependence. Was it useless because it gave me neither corn nor wine? Truly not. It did its work, and no angel could do more.-J. Parker.

CHRIST is our only hope. Come to God in the name of Him Who gave His life for the world. Rely upon the efficacy of His sacrifice. Show that His love, His joy, is in your souls, and that because of this your joy is full. Cease to talk unbelief. In God is our strength. Pray much. Prayer is the life of the soul. The prayer of faith is the weapon by which we may successfully resist every assault of the enemy.—"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 462.

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