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“That I May Know Him”

“I seem to know more of the Lord Jesus Christ than of any personal friend I have on earth.”—*McCheyne*.

*Lord, let me talk with Thee of all I do,
All that I care for, all that I wish for, too,
Lord, let me prove Thy sympathy, Thy power,
Thy loving oversight from hour to hour.
When I need counsel, let me ask of Thee;
Whatever my perplexity may be.
It cannot be too small for me to bring
To One Who marks the sparrow's drooping
wing,
Nor too terrestrial, since Thou hast said
The very hairs are numbered on our head.
'Tis through such loopholes that the foe takes
aim,
And sparks unheeded burst into a flame.
Do money troubles press? Thou canst resolve
The doubts and dangers such concerns involve.
Are those I love the cause of anxious care?—
Thou canst unbind all burdens they may bear:
Before the mysteries of Thy Word and will
Thy voice can gently bid my heart be still,
Since all that now is hard to understand,
Thou wilt unravel in yon heavenly land.
Or do I mourn the sore besetting sin—
The tempter's wiles which mar the peace
within?
Present Thyself, Lord, as the absolving Priest,
To Whom confessing we go forth released.*

*Do weakness, weariness, disease, invade
This earthly home which Thou Thyself hast
made?
Thou only, Lord, canst touch the hidden spring
Of mischief, and attune the jarring string.
Would I be taught what Thou would'st have
me give,
The needs of those less favoured to relieve?—
Thou canst so guide my hand that I shall be
A liberal, cheerful giver, Lord, like Thee.
Of my life's mission do I stand in doubt?—
Thou knowest; Thou canst clearly point it out
Whither I go, do Thou, Thyself, decide,
And choose the friends and servants at my
side.
The books I read would I submit to Thee:
Let them refresh, instruct, and solace me.
I would converse with Thee, from day to day,
With heart intent on what Thou hast to say,
And through my pilgrim walk, whate'er befall,
Consult with Thee, O Lord, about it all.
Since Thou art willing thus to condescend
To be my intimate, familiar Friend,
Oh let me to the great occasion rise,
And count Thy friendship life's most glorious
prize.*

A.H.H.C.

The Week of Prayer

December 3 to 10, 1932

"Lift Up Your Heads"

BY E. D. DICK

THAT we are living in a troubled world needs no reiteration. Every news journal brings to our minds that upon the earth there is "distress of nations, with perplexity." From far-off India comes the cry of her teeming millions in seething discontent and strife, while to her north the countless hosts of China and Japan are practising their military strength against each other in preparation for a more terrible struggle. From the nations of South America flashes the news of national revolution and international wars, while the United States of America, which for years enjoyed great prosperity and was thought by some to be Utopia, now staggers under the problems of millions of unemployed who threaten the security of the nation. Europe, likewise, is engaged in the throes of economic and political struggles. Here in many of her largest industrial centres the sound of the builder's hammer and the whirr of busy machinery is scarcely heard, while millions of unemployed walk the streets eager at the slightest prospect of a return to normal. Because of national hatreds, fears, and misgivings, the nations seek security in multiplicity of armaments produced and supported by heavy tolls of taxation which fall upon both the rich and poor.

But what are the causes of these conditions which threaten the existence of not a few nations but the very existence of civilization itself? What are the lessons which these disturbing events should teach us? As to the causes various reasons are advanced. Some suggest the overproduction of raw and manufactured articles caused by our development of machinery. Others see the difficulty growing out of wrong currency systems, and still others think these conditions the result of international

fears, jealousies, and lack of mutual confidence. To extricate the world from this morass of confusion, conference after conference has been held. Peace conferences, disarmament conferences, economic conferences, have engaged the thought of the world's greatest statesmen with perhaps but little benefit.

To the thoughtful student of Bible prophecy these events have a deeper meaning than at first appears. Instead of being merely postwar reactions arising out of the maladjustments caused by the war, they have a far greater signi-

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ficance, for in them are the omens of the second coming of Jesus, the signs which Jesus told should appear in the earth preceding His return.

To those who do not discern the larger meaning of the conditions prevalent in the world, these days and conditions have been called the "depression"—depression of values, depression of trade, depression of employment. People who formerly were comparatively wealthy now find themselves in comparative poverty. Many there are who formerly owned prosperous businesses but who now find themselves ruined by these conditions. Many who formerly felt themselves secure in their positions of employment now find themselves out of work.

But worse than trade "depression" is depression of spirits, depression of our spiritual experience. Many, because of disappointed pasts and uncertain

futures, have become discouraged and lost heart. They are depressed. Indeed, men's hearts are "failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth."

What shall these things mean to those who look for their Lord's return? Shall it mean depression? Shall we be down-hearted and discouraged? Shall our hearts fail for fear? My brother, my sister, "when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and *lift up your heads*; for your redemption draweth nigh." "When ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand." Luke 21:28, 31. Truly these things foretold by our Lord are before our eyes. Therefore, "Lift up your heads."

Shall not this special season, the Week of Prayer, be a season of rich blessing to each believer in Christ's soon coming? Shall it not be a call to every Seventh-Day Adventist in our ranks to "lift up his head" in courage and hope, turning his face toward God in devotion and consecration, in preparation for his coming Lord? Shall we not respond to the call of God in preparation for His return wherein He pleads, "Turn ye even to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: and rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for He is gracious and merciful." Joel 2:12, 13.

Let us, then, at this special season turn to God in humility and seek a special outpouring of His Spirit in preparation of our own hearts for His coming. Let us at this time dedicate all our strength and means to the finishing of the work of God in the earth that we may conscientiously pray: "Even so, come quickly, Lord Jesus." May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you richly in this special season of devotion. Amen.

A Great Estate

BY W. T. BARTLETT

At the time of writing there is good prospect that the goal will be reached in the Harvest Ingathering and that as we come to the Week of Prayer we shall be breathing more freely in the assurance that our work need not be retrenched. The Lord has warned us, however, that we may be feeling that our financial position is a relatively comfortable one, at the very time when His work may be suffering severely from poverty. The poverty that distresses Him most is poverty of character, of spiritual experience.

A rich Christian may possess very little of worldly goods. He may have to say, like the apostle Peter, "Silver and gold have I none." But of those good things that money cannot buy, he will have an abundance. The rich in this world will often feel that they would be glad to change places with him. In spite of his apparent poverty he knows himself to be rich in all wealth that really matters. He has personal influence with the King of the universe. A great estate is reserved in heaven for him. He and the Son of God are joint-heirs. He is not prevented by his apparent poverty from entering into large enterprises. He has business in every country on the earth's surface. The interests of the world's millionaires are narrow compared with his. The millionaire often grows narrow in himself. The King's children live royally. They are gracious to one and all. No suppliant comes to them without finding a rich response of sympathy and true helpfulness. Those who come mourning by reason of sore losses receive satisfying comfort. The Christian life in this world resembles a fountain in the desert. It supplies the one supreme need of mankind. None come to it in vain. Man may take as much as he will.

Such was the life of Christ among us. Put Him where you please; you cannot hinder the flow of the fountain. Under conditions the most adverse, He releases unsearchable riches. The Spirit of the Lord is upon Him, and the blind see, the captive finds liberty,

the garment of praise replaces the spirit of heaviness. Imagine the Saviour on earth to-day in a time of world-wide distress and abounding unemployment. Would He excuse failure on such grounds as these? No, He would look with pitying eye on the multitudes, as sheep without a shepherd, and then, out of the boundless resources of heaven, He would set Himself to supply the appalling need.

Nothing would please Him better

Selected Statements on Prayer, Faith, and Service

from the Writings of Mrs. E. G. White

"NOTHING is more needed in our work than the practical results of communion with God. We should show by our daily lives that we have peace and rest in the Saviour. His peace in the heart will shine forth in the countenance. It will give to the voice a persuasive power. Communion with God will ennoble the character and the life. Men will take knowledge of us, as of the first disciples, that we have been with Jesus. *This will impart to the worker a power that nothing else can give.* Of this power he must not allow himself to be deprived."

"THE simple prayers indited by the Holy Spirit will ascend through the gates ajar, the open door which Christ has declared, I have opened, and no man can shut. These prayers, mingled with the incense of the perfection of Christ, will ascend as fragrance to the Father, and answers will come."

"IF we will restrain the expression of unbelief, and by hopeful words and prompt movements strengthen our own faith and the faith of others, our vision will grow clearer. The pure atmosphere of heaven will surround our souls."

"CHRIST'S ministers must watch unto prayer. They may come with

now than to enrich us beyond all computation with the gold tried in the fire. Shall we not, in the Week of Prayer, yield Him that satisfaction? The Advent message will need a lot of money yet before its career is finished. That money will be forthcoming. Far more important is the personal wealth of character that makes a man more precious than the gold of Ophir. In that pure wealth the Lord Jesus is so rich that He can supply all our lack according to His own glorious standard of living, and make us amply equal to every demand that our world-task can make upon us.

boldness to the throne of grace, lifting up holy hands without wrath or doubting. In faith they may supplicate the Father in heaven for wisdom and grace, that they may know how to work, how to deal with minds."

"It is only at the altar of God that we can kindle our tapers with divine fire. It is only the divine light that will reveal the littleness, the incompetence, of human ability, and give clear views of the perfection and purity of Christ. It is only as we behold Jesus that we desire to be like Him, only as we view His righteousness that we hunger and thirst to possess it; and it is only as we ask in earnest prayer, that God will grant us our heart's desire."

"God's messengers must tarry long with Him, if they would have success in their work. The story is told of an old Lancashire woman who was listening to the reasons that her neighbours gave for their minister's success. They spake of his gifts, of his style of address, of his manners. 'Nay,' said the old woman, 'I will tell you what it is. Your man is very thick with the Almighty.'"

"WHEN men are as devoted as Elijah was and possess the faith that he had, God will reveal Himself as He did then. When men

plead with the Lord as did Jacob, the results that were seen then will again be seen. Power will come from God in answer to the prayer of faith."

"WE may commune with God in our hearts; we may walk in companionship with Christ. When engaged in our daily labour, we may breathe out our heart's desire, inaudible to any human ear; but that word cannot die away into silence nor can it be lost. Nothing can drown the soul's desire. It rises above the din of the street, above the noise of machinery. It is God to Whom we are speaking, and our prayer is heard.

"Ask, then; ask, and ye shall receive. Ask for humility, wisdom, courage, increase of faith. To every sincere prayer an answer will come. It may not come just as you desire, or at the time you look for it; but it will come in the way and at the time that will best meet your need. The prayers you offer in loneliness, in weariness, in trial, God answers, not always according to your expectations, but always for your good."

WE NEED MORE FAITH

"WHY do we not exercise greater faith in the divine Physician? As He worked for the man with the palsy, so He will work to-day for those who come to Him for healing. We have great need of more faith. I am alarmed as I see the lack of faith among our people. We need to come right into the presence of Christ, believing that He will heal our physical and spiritual infirmities.

"We are too faithless. Oh, how I wish that I could lead our people to have faith in God. They need not feel that in order to exercise faith, they must be wrought up into a high state of excitement. All they have to do is to believe God's Word, just as they believe one another's word. 'He hath said it, and He will perform His word.' Calmly rely on His promise, because He means all that He says. Say, He has spoken to me in His Word, and He will fulfil every promise that He has made. Do not become restless. Be trustful. God's Word is true. Act as if your heavenly Father could be trusted."

WARNINGS ARE TO BE GIVEN

"WE must have genuine faith. As yet we scarcely grasp the reality of the truth. We only half believe the Word of God. A man will act out all the faith he has. Notwithstanding that the signs of the times are fulfilling all over the world, faith in the Lord's coming has been growing feeble. Clear, distinct, certain, the warnings are to be given. At the peril of our souls we are to learn the prescribed conditions under which we are to work out our own salvation, remember-

A Prayer

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace, we pray Thee, to forget that which is not worth remembering, and faith to embrace and retain that which will make us wise and good. We would forget the broken cisterns of our invention in our efforts to reach the eternal springs of Thy good pleasure. We would even lose sight of what we have been in the sweet contemplation of what we can be. Make it very clear to every one of us, . . . that eye hath not seen, nor ear heard the extent and value of the riches in store for those who love Thee, and who are striving to serve Thee. Thus may the great principles which governed our fathers in the execution of their duty be the supreme ambition of our life. May we, too, forget the things that frustrated our plans, and hindered our work, and marred our peace, in joyful anticipation of, and in devout gratitude for, the rich and hallowed seasons yet to dawn upon us, and upon the church of the risen Redeemer. This we ask for His sake. Amen.—*Rev. W. G. Davis.*

ing that it is God which worketh in us, both to will and to do of His good pleasure.

"It will not do for us to float along with the current, guided by tradition and presumptuous fallacies. We are called labourers together with God. Then let us arise and shine. There is no time to spend in controversy. Those who have a knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus must now become one

in heart and purpose. All differences must be swept away. The members of the church must work unitedly under the great Head of the church."

THOUSANDS OF STREAMS

"WHEN our churches will fulfil the duty resting upon them, they will be living, working agencies for the Master. The manifestation of Christian love will fill the soul with a deeper, more earnest fervour to work for Him Who gave His life to save the world. By being good and doing good Christ's followers expel selfishness from the soul. To them the most costly sacrifice seems too cheap to give. They see a large vineyard to be worked, and they realize that they must be prepared by divine grace to labour patiently, earnestly, in season and out of season, in a sphere which knows no boundaries. They obtain victory after victory, increasing in experience and efficiency, extending on all sides their earnest efforts to win souls for Christ. They use to the best advantage their increasing experience, their hearts are melted by the love of Christ.

"We shall see the medical missionary work broadening and deepening at every point of its progress, because of the inflowing of hundreds and thousands of streams, until the whole earth is covered as the waters cover the sea."

What Prayer Can Accomplish

PRAYER has divided seas, rolled up flowing rivers, made flinty rocks gush into fountains, quenched flames of fire, muzzled lions, disarmed vipers and poisons, marshalled the stars against the wicked, hastened the course of the moon, arrested the sun in its rapid race, burst open iron gates, raised the dead, conquered the strongest devils, commanded legions of angels down from heaven. Prayer has bridled and chained the raging passions of man, and routed and destroyed vast armies of proud, daring, blustering atheists. Prayer has brought one man from the bottom of the sea, and carried another in a chariot of fire to heaven!—*Dr. Ryland.*

With Our Missionaries in West Africa

Encouraging Progress in Nigeria

BY E. D. DICK

THRILLING are the reports which come to us of the progress of our work in the mission lands. They quite rival the records of the early Christian church, both as regards earnestness and numbers. From a letter from Pastor W. McClements of Nigeria, we glean the following concerning the progress of the work in that great field:

"Well over 2,000 people were present at our Aba camp meeting. This Aba camp meeting is assuming such large proportions that we shall soon need the microphone. At this meeting we had the joy of baptizing eighty-five people, thus bringing the total baptisms in this area alone to 118 this year. All being well I hope that our baptized membership for the Union field will be over one thousand by the end of the year. The rate of advance is marvellous. I expect wonderful developments here in the next year or two. New interests are springing up in many places and insistent calls are being made for help."

CHIEF DEMANDS SCHOOL

"One chief who came from Ariba, seventy-six miles distant,

said: 'I will not return to my place without a teacher.' This chief comes from an entirely new district and the prospects up there are great."

SPIRIT OF THE WORKERS

"There is a splendid spirit throughout the ranks of the workers, and we believe they are returning to their stations determined to attempt greater things for God. It makes us all feel courageous, indeed. One teacher has just been telling us that in his church three or four members together with himself spend one whole night a month in prayer for their members, praying about all matters of difficulty or unfaithfulness in the church. He says that already many have been led to pay a faithful tithe through this prayer service and others have been moved to amend their lives."

Surely God is working mightily for the honest in heart in these heathen lands. Let us put forth special efforts to support and advance His work through faithful efforts in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

Opportunities in the South-East Nigerian Union

BY L. EDMONDS

For opportunities in Christian service there are few mission fields which offer such advantages as the southern portion of Nigeria, the most densely populated region of all tropical Africa. This vast country, with its enormous potentialities, is the home of a great variety of tribes, differing extraordinarily in physique, language, dress, custom, and in tribal life and organization. There are, of course, resemblances which form links in a

common stock, but there are striking differences in characteristics. The Ibo tribe, among which I have laboured for the past six years, is one of the largest tribes in Southern Nigeria, numbering over 3,000,000. This tribe, perhaps, possesses a greater degree of religious feeling than many of the surrounding tribes, and I have discovered among them some excellent characters.

The recent railway extensions,

together with over 4,000 miles of constructed roads, has created in Nigeria important and far-reaching highways along which western commerce and civilization proceeds in its revolutionary march, transforming the whole country and powerfully influencing the life and thought of the native. Of what significance to the message are these rapid developments, supplying as they do such vital contacts with enormous stretches east and west of the great hinterland? What is the meaning of these open doors?

Never before have I felt such a challenge to my faith and never have I felt such inward deplorings as I have observed the various mission societies, and especially the Roman Catholics, travelling up these highways to occupy strategic positions in this promising field. The very circumstances attending these mighty transitions echo the crying need for an outpouring of the truth of God. That the Lord desires a forward movement in aggressive evangelism is the conviction of all our workers, both European and African. We are grateful for the abundant blessings the Lord has bestowed upon His work in the South-eastern Mission as we have endeavoured to link our limited human forces to the mighty arm of God.

A sense of utter dependency upon the power of God laid hold of our believers, and the Spirit of the Lord, in response to their prayerful attitude, made all feel the burden to proclaim the truth of God with greater urgency than ever before. A rallying note was sounded throughout the entire ranks, and in town and village our members spoke fearlessly of the Lord's return. At the close of last year, as a result of this faithful service, over one thousand new converts were added to the Sabbath-school roll. In passing I would mention the fact that eight other mission bodies are operating in the same territory.

Our hearts have been made to

rejoice in the splendid spirit of loyalty and co-operation which continues to prevail among our workers, and the rising to the responsibility of church government felt by the laity. One cannot but speak in the highest terms of praise on behalf of the untiring efforts of our faithful African workers, some of whom carry the responsibility and care of six to eight churches apart from school and other duties.

The trade depression has been keenly felt along the west coast of Africa, and in southern Nigeria, where the palm oil is the principal industry, it has been most severe. The price of oil has fallen from 6/- to as low a figure as 1/6 per tin. The poor people wondered if it were worth while climbing the trees to cut down the palm nuts. The native money, called the Manilla, fell in value over 100% and has remained so for the past eighteen months. We watched with some anxiety the trend of native affairs, realizing how our tithes and offerings would be affected. It speaks well for our believers when I state that our returns for last year showed an encouraging increase in tithes and offerings, notwithstanding the financial stringency of the times. In all we have seen blessing. The hard times have impelled a deeper scrutiny of all possible resources, and among the laity a zeal for the cause has been greatly stimulated by the thought of any hindrance to its advance.

In Southern Nigeria to-day we are certainly attempting great things for God, and why should we not therefore expect great things from God? For the spiritual awakening of our native believers and the unanimity of their belief, we thank God. The task before us is stupendous and is very urgent, for the forces now striving for supremacy, whether for good or evil, cannot stand still. We who are blessed with such a knowledge of the signs of the times cannot make plans for ten years ahead. A new day has dawned and we realize that we must now plan *with* the native and not *for* him. The African himself, aided by the Spirit of God will, we know, become the primal factor in the salvation of the Nigerian people.

"As of a Little Child"

A Lesson from the Gold Coast

BY F. STOKES

I WATCHED him coming down the road that led to the house. He was only a little fellow, just thirty inches high and quite black, too. He was tired, for every now and then he would stumble over a stone and almost drop the burden he carried on his head. With the exception of numerous coats bountifully bestowed by mother earth, he clambered up the steps naked and unashamed. I smiled as I watched his efforts, and gloried in the all-seeing Providence that has planned for mankind to smile, even in the darkest hours, because of the face of a little child. At last this lover of red earth arrived—rather out of breath, for the road was long. It was also hot, and his feet were bare. He stood before me speechless, but the eyes that gazed up into mine spoke volumes.

He had brought me some large native fruits for which he was to receive a penny. This he seized with childlike eagerness and thanked me with a smile, which, even from a child of Ham, was most bewitching. At this point I expected him to turn and make straight for the market place where the money would be squandered recklessly on some kind of mysterious concoction devised by the females of his race to tempt the children to release their pennies. Strangely enough, however, the coin seemed to be almost a secondary affair, for he stood watching me with the piercing child eyes which grown-ups find it difficult to withstand. Any deceit or subterfuge was impossible in the face of such searching orbs; I simply had to gather my courage and prepare to meet him, man to man. "Can I come to school?" he challenged, covering me with his two terrible eyes as though his life depended upon my answer. To refuse, even had I wanted, would have been almost impossible, for as I smiled down at him there seemed to radiate from his face a ray of purest light. It was a moment that comes only once or twice in a lifetime, when things infinite touch things finite. You may say, "There

is nothing very much in a child asking to come to school." No, but as I watched him amble off there seemed a world of hope.

If you know anything of human nature there is no need for me to tell you of the fragile plans, the fervent hopes, the little golden dreams that are born daily when young people leave home and in a lonely African mission station set up the Gospel standard and determine to succeed. It takes courage to launch a dream on the sea of eternal hope in the face of dirt, ignorance, superstition, and shocking immorality. It needs grit to hide disappointment and the fear of failure—that fear like an iceberg menacing the frail barque. Let us hope and pray that many times some gallant dream wins home to harbour. You may wander around these jungles in the Gold Coast for a hundred days speculating on the motives which sway the Africans, on the things that go on in the brain behind the mask, never knowing for certain, just guessing. One day a little deed, a stray word, will swiftly illuminate the mystery of their lives and you will know.

She sat on the earth over a smoky fire outside a very ramshackle mud hut. A half-cooked piece of yam was on her knee and in her ugly, grimy hands was a tin of dirty water. She was not old, as years count, but pitiful conditions had worked their havoc. A ragged, unwashed cloth but half covering her body did not enhance the charm of a face made prematurely old with horrible living. Perhaps she was thirty years old, but she looked sixty, because no one had ever taken care of her and given her that respect for herself which is necessary to every woman's existence. Her figure spoke of hardship, and there was an air about her that suggested the usual stoicism of the pagan. At her feet were the remnants of an attempt to prepare her meal—yam skins mingled with a pool of water left by last night's rain. She seemed neither to care where she

sat or what she ate, so low had life's interest sunk.

Suddenly something seemed to come to life inside her. Following her gaze I saw my little friend, the lover of red earth, come round the corner. I soon realized that the woman was his mother, for she shot out a question, "Where have you been, boy?" Pretending not to hear he sidled up to his mother and whispered, "White man says I can go to school." I watched that mother's face as she clasped her boy to herself, happy because her child was happy. I tell you, for a moment I ceased to pity; I almost revered. Over the tired, worn face broke a smile that seemed the only spiritual thing left in the poor, degraded creature, the same unchanging smile which has melted the hearts of men for countless generations. Men have seen it in beautiful homes, in wonderful little nurseries, in rose-smelling gardens. There is no difference. The same smile in all its rich, soft beauty was here in the mud of the Gold Coast.

"And God created man in His own image." In the worst of men there still lingers a trace, no matter how small, of that divine image. I longed to be able to retrace it fully in the life of this woman. I have the key now to this woman's heart and it has since proved a wonderful opening. One day I hope she will be a baptized member of the church. Daily we witness God's restoring power in the lives of these Africans. The proof of our message lies in its power to lift depraved nature out of the dirt and to restore in it something of the Creator's image.

The work in this little colony is not large, but it is ever onward. In 1931 we baptized 150 people. We exceeded all our goals in Harvest Ingathering, tithes, and offerings in spite of the depression. We hope for even greater things in 1932. Hardly a month passes but what we hear of a new company forming, of new members swelling the old churches. It is wonderful the inspiration which God sends in small things. I am sure that when we reach the kingdom we shall understand how often great issues have hung on small things. As we watch the children playing on the streets of that eternal city we shall

look back and remember a day when a little child did lead. Perhaps we shall understand more fully the meaning of the words, "As of a little child."

Transportation Notes

THE Transportation Department has been glad to meet and assist the following workers during recent weeks:

From the Far East, proceeding to America for furlough:

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hamp and child, Mrs. Miller accompanied by her son and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. Rebok and two children.

Fight On

'Tis hard to struggle against the tide

*Of trouble and care and woe,
When your barque is reeling from
side to side*

*While the blasts of sorrow blow.
But don't despair, as you struggle
there,*

*With a courage steeped in pain;
To yourself be true, and you must
win through,*

*When the tide has turned again.
—Selected.*

From America:

Mr. R. E. Loasby, returning to his work in India.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Howard, returning to work in South Africa.

Miss Myrtle Bain, taking up work in South Africa.

To America:

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Edwards and two children, on furlough from S. Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Geade, returning from work in Rumania.

Mr. H. W. Barrows, General Conference Auditor, returning from auditing work in Europe

Mr. I. H. Evans, who has been attending various meetings in Europe on behalf of the General Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hodgson, to take up studies in America. They come from South Africa.

Miss Myrtle Christian, returning to school after vacation at home in Europe.

The following brethren attending

the Fall Council of the General Conference: Mr. L. H. Christian, Mr. A. W. Cormack, Mr. L. F. Oswald, Mr. J. F. Wright.

From South Africa:

Miss Hattingh and Miss Van der Poel, students from South Africa to Oshawa Missionary College.

To Europe:

Mr. C. V. Anderson and family, to connect with the Northern European Division office.

Mr. E. D. Dick and family; also for the Northern European Division office.

(Mr. Anderson replaces Mr. G. Lindsay and Mr. Dick takes the place of Mr. W. E. Read, recently transferred to other posts.)

Mr. and Mrs. C. Jensen, from India to Denmark for furlough.

Miss L. J. Clarke, on furlough in England from Tanganyika.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Smith, returned from Argentine.

From Europe:

Mrs. S. Bull, joining her husband in Syria.

Mr. F. Edwards, returning to Gold Coast.

Mr. W. G. Till, returning to Nigeria.

Mrs. A. C. Vine, returning to Nigeria. C. H. ANSCOMBE.

ALL heaven is in activity, and the angels of God are waiting to cooperate with the human agent who will devise plans whereby souls for whom Christ died may hear the glad tidings of salvation. Every soul has an influence for good or evil. If the soul is sanctified to the service of God, and devoted to the work of Christ, the influence will be to gather with Christ. God depends upon the church for the forwarding of His work, and He expects that His professed followers will do their duty as intelligent beings.—E. G. White.

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Brother H. Rasmussen.

We are happy to introduce to you another group of missionary recruits. Brother and Sister K. Johannessen are now en route for French Cameroons. The North Cameroons Mission was begun at the beginning of 1931 and while as yet very little in the way of reports has come through from that field, we know that the work has made a good start and the prospects are encouraging. We shall look forward to learning some more details about this field when Brother Bartlett returns from his visit there.

Brother H. Rasmussen is under appointment to Sierra Leone and will fill the place left vacant by Brother E. Berglund who, for health reasons, had to leave Africa. It will be remembered that Brother Berglund was in charge of the training school.

Through illness, Sister Marta Hedlund, who went to the Dessie Hospital in 1930, was obliged to return home. Nurse Hovig from Norway has volunteered to take her place

and she will be leaving shortly for service in Abyssinia.

We wish all these missionaries much blessing in their various spheres of labour—not the least, good health. We hope to hear from them from time to time through the pages of our Division paper.

At an Individualist luncheon in London recently one of the speakers gave some particulars concerning a new "Godless Five-Year Plan" which has been drawn up by the Soviet Government.

In the first year it is intended to close all churches and religious communities. In the second year all religious literature is to be prohibited and even family worship forbidden. During the third year the plan is to expel all religious workers who refuse to give up their clerical orders. During this year also time will be given to the "activization of godless cells." During the fourth year all church buildings and synagogues are to be surrendered to the local Soviets to be used as cinemas and for other amusements. In the fifth year it is intended to strengthen the achievements of the fight against religion and it is hoped that by May 1, 1937, not a single house of prayer will be left on the territory of the



Nurse Hovig.

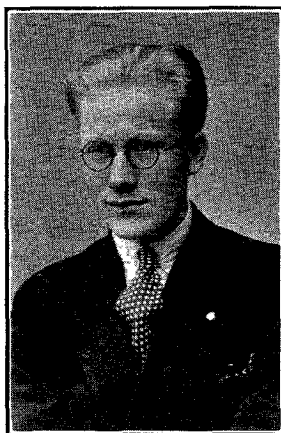
U.S.S.R. Not only this, but efforts will be made to extinguish the very thought of God in the minds of the people. As a means to this end it is intended to prepare anti-religious films and show them throughout the Soviet Union, especially in the schools.

During the Week of Prayer shall we remember particularly our people in Russia who are indeed wrestling against "principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world."

It goes a little harder this year and we have a smaller amount of dollars to report in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign than we had this time last year. Our goal is \$105,000—and at the time of the last report we had reached \$70,813. But we feel as confident as ever that we shall get the whole amount.



"It was through constant conflict and simple faith that Enoch walked with God. You may all do the same."



Brother and Sister K. Johannessen.