

To Our Ministers and Brethren:

GREETINGS :

The Government of the Union of South Africa has sent out an appeal for Sunday, July 27, to be observed as a day of prayer and humiliation throughout the country. The occasion for this is the present drought and the visitation of a terrible plague of locusts in many sections of South Africa. What has survived the drought, is being destroyed by the locusts, and it appears that it is humanly impossible to combat the plague and thus avert the crisis with which the entire country is faced.

Under these circumstances, it seems clear to us that the Government has abundant reason for issuing an appeal of this nature, and especially so, since there is ample precedent for it in the Scriptures. In the past, many such crises have been met, or averted when a nation has turned to God, through prayer and humiliation. Every such appeal to God, however, should of course be accompanied by heartfelt confession of sin and transgression, for upon this condition only does God promise to send deliverance.

Furthermore, in this action, the direct admonition given by God in 2 Chronicle's 7:13, 14 has been followed:

"If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; if My people, which are called by My name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

We wish, therefore, to urge that all our churches, not only in South Africa, but throughout the African continent, respond to this appeal of the Union Government, by devoting a day to "special" prayer and humiliation to the end that these curses may be removed.

Since our services are conducted on Saturday instead of Sunday, thus rendering it impracticable for us to observe July 27 as others will do, we suggest that Saturday, August 3, be observed by all our churches instead.

We are living in most troublous times. Governments are straining every nerve in an effort to maintain peace and tranquility among the peoples of the earth, and to cope with the many unusual and strange perplexities which confront them on every hand, of which this scourge of locusts and drought is only one of many. Let us, therefore, on the day appointed, also specially remember our rulers, that they may be given grace and wisdom to successfully cope with the many problems which confront them, remembering that "they are God's ministers" (Rom. 13:6), and we should consider it our privilege and duty to hold up their hands that they may faithfully and wisely discharge the responsibilities of their high office.

Truly your brother,

W. H. BRANSON,

Chairman, General Conference of Seventhday Adventists (African Division).

## A Message from the General Conference President

ELDER W. A. SPICER has addressed a letter to the members of the General Conference Committee in the foreign fields, and there is so much of interest and encouragement in the letter that we copy it: "Dear Brethren:

"Greetings to you and your associates from the American base as our camp-meeting season opens. The schools have just closed. I believe a larger number of students are going from our schools this year into the conferences than in the past two or three years. The conferences have rallied to encourage the students into the field. It means a larger number of young recruits getting experience, upon whom we can draw to supply your calls. The conferences are glad to train and pass on these young people, and we all rejoice that their tithe increase makes this possible.

"In the camp-meetings this season every conference will be rallying the churches to keep abreast of the weekly goal for missions. The presidents of union and local conferences have set out to come up to the next Autumn Council closer to the mark than ever before. It is wonderful to see how these brethren take on this burden for the mission fields, and communicate their flaming zeal for it to their churches. More Sabbath-keepers here at the old base, and more money and missionaries into the far fields, is their aim.

"But, brethren, the believers abroad need to pray for the brethren and conferences in these older lands upon whom this burden of supply rests. While from the Atlantic to the Pacific our people are believing and working for the largest gift in 1924 ever yet made for missions, we face the fact that it will have to come through greater sacrifice and economy by the believers.

"I believe it will do your people good in the mission fields to know that although gold flowed to the United States after the war, that does not mean that our believers generally handle much of it. It means high prices and closer times on the average. Our brethren are not talking hard times, and they mean to keep this work going, by the help of God. But whole regions of our West where we have looked for large gifts in the past from our farming churches have been passing through close times. Here is a report from a writer on economics:

"There is again an acute crisis in agriculture. It is the worst that has occurred in this generation. Farmers by the tens of thousands—the Department of Agriculture says by the hundreds of thousands are losing or have already lost their property, their lands and chattels, by forfeiture to creditors and by the foreclosure of mortgages. In the North-west area alone, . . . where occurred an expansion of credit perhaps greater in a relative sense than anywhere else, more than five hundred banks are shut up because the farmers cannot pay their notes.'—Saturday Evening Post, April 19, 1924.

"This season is a trying one in the North Pacific, from which section I write. Nature seems out of order. A month ago, frost swept great areas of fruit orchards clean of budding fruit, and now drought is burning the wheat fields. I met a farmer brother last week who showed me his orchard which will produce not a thing this year. Last year he shipped 15,000 boxes of apples from it. But last year the apples brought him not one cent. Really he got a heavy bill for shipper's expense. So he hopes to be able to stand by missions better this year than last. Our brethren are standing by, and they will. They believe in missions as the way to the end. It was splendid last year to see the Eastern churches coming in strongly to make up shortage in the agricultural West. The Atlantic Union last year made its weekly goal. Again city churches will rally this year to make up for country churches involved in low crop production.

"North American believers face 1924 and the mission problem with courage and love for Christ and His cause. I hope you will tell your people to pray for this and other bases of supply in Europe and the Colonies. We need to pray for prosperity for our brethren in these times. We do pray that Europe's finances may swing again toward normal, so that the 70,000 believers there may be able to lift as they long to do, as of old.

"In planning extensions, and investments—particularly property investments—keep in mind that it will be a special work of God's grace if North America this year goes far beyond last year. Yet we must look to God in hope to see larger things than conditions might suggest. He can bring it to pass. It is souls we want, and the hastening of the message to the unreached peoples and tongues. That way lies the end of the work and the coming of Christ. We pray here that the believers in the mission fields may develop more and more resources locally and more and more experience in carrying the burden of the work for their own people. Our hearts in this land are with you. Give your people this season's message of love from the believers in the old North American base."

The believers in Africa appreciate all that the churches in America are doing to advance the work in the foreign fields. We appreciate also Elder Spicer's exhortation to pray for those at the base of supplies, who are struggling so hard to finance the work in the mission field. We must also do our part in helping to shoulder this burden.

A report recently compiled to show the advancement of our work here in Africa will be interesting to our readers, and will show that the believers in Africa have recognised their responsibility in giving funds to help the Mission Board with their tremendous task.

In 1917, our mission offerings amounted to £1193-19-10, while the total last year amounted £9108-13-3. Surely this is an encouraging growth, and proves that we recognise our responsibility in advancing the work among the heathen people. For the first quarter of 1924, our mission offerings amounted to £2249-8-3, which is more than the total amount given for the year 1919.

There are other features of the report which we believe will be interesting and encouraging to you. Our tithe receipts in 1917 amounted to  $\pounds 6,443$ -13-11, and in 1923 to  $\pounds 12,209$ -6-9. Eight years ago, we had a white constituency of 968. Today the figure is 1,417. In 1917, our native believers totalled 987. Today the number stands at 3,694, with a total number keeping the Sabbath of both white and native members at 9,259. Our records show that in 1917 we had 3,696 members in our Sabbath schools. We are glad to find that this number has increased to 11, 797. We have 10,115 students in school throughout the mission field.

We rejoice in that God has blessed the efforts of His workers in Africa, to give us these results. At the same time, we are not satisfied with what has been accomplished, for we verily believe that our Lord is to return in this generation, and at the same time we realise there are within our borders many tribes and people who have not yet learned of this truth. May the greatest aim of each one be to save souls for the Kingdom of God, and to do our part in speedily completing the task. W. B. COMMIN.

#### CONGO MISSION FIELD

E. C. BOGER, Superintendent. D. A. WEBSTER, Secy.-Treas. ADDRESS: Box 250, Elizabethville, Belgian Congo.

#### Katanga Mission

ON May 18, the writer baptised twenty-seven native believers in the small stream that runs through the Katanga mission. This is the second baptism on this mission, making a total of thirty-three native believers in this part of the Congo. These boys and girls have taken their stand for the truth as a result of evangelistic work among the compounds that surround Elizabethville. There remains in the baptismal class about seventy, who are preparing for church membership.

One woman, whose husband is a Roman Catholic, was baptised. He freely gave his consent. Two others belonged to the same church. Several of those baptised are boys who have been connected with other missions before coming to the Congo. After arriving in Elizabethville, they were influenced by conditions in the compounds, and departed far from what they had formerly been taught. This truth has now attracted them, and they are rejoicing in the light of this message.

Brother LeButt has a number of boys engaged in making brick for the new school building as well as the house for the new superintendent, who we hope will arrive shortly.

We were very glad to have Elder T. M. French with us during a three days' meeting, and were greatly refreshed with the talks he gave.

The membership of our Sabbath school is seventy. At the beginning of last quarter, a financial goal of 900 francs was set. When I left, they were very confident of reaching it before the thirteenth Sabbath. It is encouraging to see these new believers give of their earnings for this message to be taken to others.

We are of good courage in this great field and find plenty to do. Calls for teachers are so numerous that we are unable to respond to all of them. May God help in the preparing of workers for the gathering in of the harvest. E. C. BOGER.

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"THE heart of God yearns over His earthly children with a love stronger than death."

#### A Visit to Songa Mission

AFTER a few days' meeting with the believers at Elizabethville, Elder Boger, Brother Webster and the writer left Bukama. Bukama is situate on the Lualaba River, the headwaters of the Congo River. We had to wait four days at Bukama for Brother Boger's car and this left us with but two days and three nights to make the trip to Songa, and return. Therefore we hurried away, arriving at the mission at midnight. After a two days' visit, our party left before daybreak on the Monday morning, returning to Bukama to catch the boat leaving for Kongola.

The night journey to Songo was very interesting. The road led through an excellent game country. As the brilliant lights of the car flashed around turns of the road, we could see antelopes, wild cats, jackals and other animals blindly feeling their way into the tall grass. Dazed by the lights, a large male hartebeest was in the act of dashing into the radiator, when a timely shot saved a collision. Just as we were crossing the small stream before reaching the mission, a young lion, hesitating a moment, sprang into the jungle.

A pleasant Sabbath and Sunday were spent at the mission. A good number were at the services on Sabbath morning and also in the afternoon. There are a few ready for baptism, the first fruits in this section. The work among the Balubas has been very slow. The language is very limited as to vocabulary, and the people have fallen into the grossest sins. However, a desire for a better life has been awakened, and a number of villages are asking for schools.

On Sunday, we visited the paramount chief, whose village is only ten miles away. He gave us a cordial welcome. A school has been opened in his village.

Brother and Sister R. P. Robinson need the prayers of God's people as they labour alone in the midst of heathen darkness. A doctor and his wife are expected to join them before long. It is also the plan to open several out-schools soon. Pray for the work at Songa.

T. M. FRENCH.

### Investigating in the Congo

JUST as we go to press, a letter is received from Brother T. M. French, written from the North-eastern section of the Congo. Our readers will be interested in the article, written by Brother French from Albertville, reporting on a visit to the Songa mission. We take the liberty to quote from Brother French's personal letter:

"I wrote you a few lines and sent you an article from Albertville. Since then we crossed Lake Tanganyika to Kigoma, where a day and two nights were spent.

spent. "We ran down to Ujiji while at Kigoma, about five miles south. Ujiji has a native population of 5,000 or 6,000. There is no mission there. A large per cent of the people are Mohammedans. We visited the spot where Stanley met Livingstone, and we took some pictures. One of the two mango trees planted by them has died, and the other one is dying. However, the Belgian troops, during the late war, threw up a good concrete and iron fence about the tree and erected a small monument. "The journey to the north end of the lake is a beautiful one. The mountains to the east rise up 8,000 feet, while the range on the west rises to over 10,000 feet. The lake is very deep. There are places where they have never been able to sound the bottom. There are few natives on the shores of the lake. We stopped at four small trading posts. However, this region we have just entered is very populous. There were fully 3,000 natives on the market ground this morning, and they say that these were only a few compared with other days.

"After visiting Elder Delhove's mission, we plan to cross over into the Kivu district, where there are five or six million natives. We will then go north above Lake Edward, and trek to Stanleyville on the motor road.

"The site we chose at Kongola is very good, situate only eighteen miles from town, on good soil, very well drained, and bordering on an excellent stream that flows throughout the year."

SO. AFRICAN UNION CONFERENCE

J. W. MACNEIL, President, A. FLOYD TARR, Secy. Treas. OFFICE ADDRESS: Box 468, Bloemfontein, O. F. S.

Mission offerings for the six months ending June 30, 1924

NAME OF FIELD		AMOUNT GOAL RECEIVED			AVI MI	, % of quota			
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European	£1069	5	0	$\pm 1136$	11	9	$^{2}$	8	106%
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Native	118	12	<b>6</b>	33	18	4		3	29%
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European	1969	10	0	1782	3	7	2	3	90%
Native	65	6	6	38	$^{2}$	7		$1\frac{3}{4}$	58%
ORANGE RIVER									
European	919	15	0	555	:14	7	1	6	60%
Native	71	3	6	35	11	6		$1\frac{1}{2}$	50%
Totals	£427	60	) 6	£365	5 12	7			85%

#### Our standing as at June 30, 1924

AVERAGE PER WEEK

TOTAL FOR	SIX MONTHS	PER MEN	ABER	PER CENT OF QUOTA			
Goal Anit. Rec. Shortage	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Coloured European Native	$2 2^{1}_{4}$	Coloured European Native	$119\% \\ 88\% \\ 42\%$		

Our conferences have done well in their mission offerings for the first six months of the year. With a goal of  $\pounds 4,276$ -0-6 for the European and mission field departments, a total of  $\pounds 3,655$ -12-7 has been received, or 85% of the amount which we have endeavoured to raise.

The European members have raised on an average  $2/2\frac{1}{4}$  per week per member, or 88% of their goal of 2/6. The coloured department shows an average of 11d per week per member which is 2d in excess of their goal of 9d. We regret to say the native department has raised only  $1\frac{1}{4}$ d in the place of their 3d.

During the period, for which we are reporting, half of the time set for the Harvest Ingathering Campaign has gone by. Also, during this time large donations have come in from persons who made pledges at the local conference sessions at the close of last year. Both of these factors have contributed appreciably to the encouraging showing which we are now able to make. And yet, notwithstanding this, we have fallen 15% short of the goal.

Therefore, as encouraging as the results for the first six months are, a greater effort will yet have to be made if we reach our goal by the close of the year. We have 15% of the first half year to make up, besides keeping up our quota for the next six months. But last year we more than reached our goal. Can we do it again? A. FLOYD TARR.

#### ORANGE RIVER CONFERENCE

J. N. DE BEER, President. MISS E. M. ROWLANDS, Secy. Treas. OFFICE: 41 West Burger St., Bloemfontein, O. F. S.

#### **Report from the Boschberg Church**

THE members of the Boschberg church met together July 5 for the usual quarterly meeting.

We were expecting to have all the members present, but because of certain difficulties, some were not able to attend. We were also sorry that Pastor de Beer could not meet with us.

Brother C. Marais conducted the services, and we certainly received good spiritual food. All present felt that it was good to be there for the Lord met with us.

Three new members were added to the church, and to God be the glory for it is His Spirit which works on the human heart. G. MARAIS, *Church Clerk*.

#### CAPE CONFERENCE

U. BENDER, President, MISS. O. M. WILLMORE, Secy.-Treas ADDRESS: P. O. Box 378, Port Elizabeth, C. P.

#### Our Native Churches

DURING the month of May, I visited some of our native schools and churches, and found them of good courage. At Temba, Fish River, the brethren believe that the chief will soon grant them a site for their new church.

Brother Enoch Jakavula is labouring in the village of Korsten, just out of Port Elizabeth. Brother Enoch reports that the little church at that place is taking an active part in the Harvest Ingathering work, and has already reached its goal of £3. This worker has been stationed at Korsten since 1921, and at that time we had no coloured and native believers at that place. Brother Enoch says that at the present time several are interested in the truth, and he believes that some of these will soon take their stand. One of the natives living in Uitenhage has already accepted the message. The Municipality of Port Elizabeth and the village board of Korsten, have granted to our native church there a burial site and this gift is much appreciated.

We pray that the Lord will bless and prosper our native people. U. BENDER.

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It is not the revolution that destroys the machine, but the friction.—Beecher.

#### Peacemakers

ONE of the beatitudes uttered by Christ is, "Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the sons of God."

A peacemaker is one who makes peace. One does not make peace when there is no cause for trouble, nor possibility for a misunderstanding. Where no cross word has been spoken, nothing irritating done, nor nothing left undone, one does not have to make peace; but when the reproachful word has been spoken, when the tone of voice, rasping and resentful, arouses indignation, when criticism and derogatory words come like burning fire brands that set all the passions of resentment aflame, then is the time to make peace.

It was the chairman and head of many interests that had been attacked. Unselfishly he had worked for the cause he loved. Others wanted his place and wished his retirement. One prominent brother attacked what had been done, offering violent criticisms, using severe language. Another and another criticised this brother until it seemed that for very pity they should have desisted. The chairman said not one word in response. When the meeting was over, I went to him and said, "How could you keep still, unjustly bearing this reproach and not speak in self defense." He said, "It's far better that I say nothing and bear this reproach, than by answering to inflame these men and cause trouble. The unspoken word can do no harm. I'd rather be wrongly accused and bear it, and have peace, than to have trouble, even were I justified.'

This great man was a peacemaker. He was a noble son of God.

A man in a high position of trust grossly misstated facts to incriminate another, to whom he openly showed his dislike, and that so directly, that none could miss knowing whom he wished to wound. The one attacked fully understood the misstatement and purpose, but offered not a word of criticism, and made no reply. When asked why he made no reply, he said, "It's better not. It would only widen the breach, and we must have peace at any price." He was a peacemaker.

Everything had seemed wrong that day. The man's nerves were on tension. At last he could stand no more and began scolding in angry tones. His wife was tired and equally tired with the husband's irritability. When he began his tirade in an angry tone of voice, I heard the woman humming a hymn of prayer and praise. The husband demanded an immediate answer. I said, "Surely she will retaliate." But when she spoke it was in such soft, kind tones, and with a smile that brought immediate apology. She was a peacemaker.

O, these peacemakers are angels of mercy to our poor distracted hearts. They are like ointment to the aching wound, like sunshine to the soul.

Every Christian is in duty bound to be a peacemaker. He not only should keep the peace, but he should *make* peace. The devil's work is to sow discord among brethren. He does it in all sorts of ways,—by lyings, by partly telling the truth, by repeating what has been said in an unguarded moment, by insinuations, by every means that he can devise. The

Christian fortifies himself against all these fiery darts and out of it all makes peace. He forgives, he prays, he loves, and will not be a party to strife and division. He strives to be a peacemaker. He who does this is a "son of God."—I. H. Evans, in The Asiatic Division Outlook.

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#### The Need of a Spiritual Awakening

I AM filled with sadness when I think of our condition as a people. The Lord has not closed heaven to us, but our own course of continual backsliding has separated us from God. Pride, covetousness, and love of the world have lived in the heart without fear of banishment or condemnation. Grievous and presumptuous sins have dwelt among us. And yet the general opinion is that the church is flourishing, and that peace and spiritual prosperity are in all her bor-Yet few are alarmed or astonished at their ders. want of spiritual power. . . . Let each put the question to his own heart: "How have we fallen into this state of spiritual feebleness and dissension? Have we now brought upon ourselves the frown of God because our actions do not correspond with our faith? Have we not been seeking the friendship and applause of the world, rather than the presence of Christ and a deeper knowledge of His will?" Examine your own hearts, judge your own course. Consider what associates you are choosing. . . .

Are your recreations such as to impart moral and spiritual vigour? Will they lead to purity of thought and action? Impurity is today wide-spread, even among the professed followers of Christ. Passion is Many are eagerly participating in unrestrained. worldly, demoralising amusements which God's Word forbids. Thus they sever their connection with God, and rank themselves with the pleasure lovers of the world. The sins that destroyed the antediluvians and the cities of the plain exist today-not merely in heathen lands, not only among popular professors of Christianity, but with some who profess to be looking for the coming of the Son of man. If God should present these sins before you as they appear in His sight, you would be filled with shame and terror.

And what has caused this alarming condition? Many have accepted the theory of the truth, who have had no true conversion. I know whereof I speak. There are few who feel true sorrow for sin, who have deep, pungent convictions of the depravity of the unregenerate nature. The heart of stone is not exchanged for a heart of flesh. Few are willing to fall upon the Rock and be broken.

No matter who you are, or what your life has been, you can be saved only in God's appointed way. You must repent; you must fall helpless on the Rock, Christ Jesus. You must feel your need of a physician, and of the one only remedy for sin, the blood of Christ. This remedy can be secured only by repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. Here the work is yet to be begun by many who profess to be Christians, and even to be ministers of Christ. Like the Pharisees of old, many of you feel no need of a Saviour. You are self-sufficient, self-exalted. Said Christ, "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." The blood of Christ will avail for none but those who feel their need of its power. Mrs. E. G. WHITE.

#### **Report of Literature Sales for June**

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#### **General News Notes**

BROTHER A. N. INGLE and wife sailed from Durban on the "Walmer Castle" last Friday for England.

A WIRELESS message has been received from Brother Boger, advising that the application made to the government for a mission site in Kongola has been granted.

Ox Sabbath, July 12, Mrs. Baker, Ethel and Jimmie sailed from Cape Town on the steamer "Usaramo," travelling to Lobito Bay on their way to their new field of labour.

AFTER attending the Division Committee meeting, Elder MacNeil, accompanied by his family, returned to Bloemfontein. They are now settled in their new home in the Free State.

WE are very sorry to learn that Brother Baker has been ill with malaria. He had to be taken in a machilla from the mission farm to the town of Lepi. However, Brother Baker is rapidly regaining his health.

WE are sorry to report that Mrs. B. H. Wienand recently underwent an operation for appendicitis in the Wheatfield Nursing Home, Mowbray. We trust that she will have a speedy recovery.

ON the 19th inst., Brethren Frank Ingle and Raymond Billes sailed on the "Llanstephan Castle" for England. These brethren are on their way to America to attend the Emmanuel Missionary College at Berrien Springs, Michigan, U. S. A.

BROTHER ANDERSON reports that the timber has already been cut, ready for the new school house at the Benguela mission. The workers at that new station are hard at work making brick for the school house, as also for Brother Baker's home.

BROTHER H. M. SPARROW and family, formerly connected with the mission work in South Rhodesia, sailed on the S. S. "Ballarat" on the 26th. Brother Sparrow is planning to attend the Emmanuel Missionary College, and hopes to further fit himself for work in Africa.

A LETTER was received a few days ago from Brother L. Willson, of California, U. S. A. Brother Willson reported the serious indisposition of Mrs. Willson, but we were glad to learn that at the time of writing she was slowly recovering. Mrs. Willson, with our late Brother J. V. Willson, laboured for many years in Africa, and her interests are still in the work here.

BROTHER BRANSON and son, Ernest, sailed on the S. S. "Ballarat" last Sabbath. Brother Branson goes to attend the Autumn Council of the General Conference, at which time special consideration will be given to the financial needs of the various Divisions of the world for next year. Brother Ernest Branson is expecting to attend school at the Emmanuel Missionary College. On his way over to America, Brother Branson intends to visit the headquarters of the European Division, and has been asked to attend several of the camp-meetings at that time.

# Our Appeal for Missions Campaign

Our chart shows that at this date the Natal-Transvaal Conference has raised  $\pounds 860$ , the Cape Conference  $\pounds 384$ , and the Orange River Conference  $\pounds 210$ , making a total for the Division of  $\pounds 1454$ .

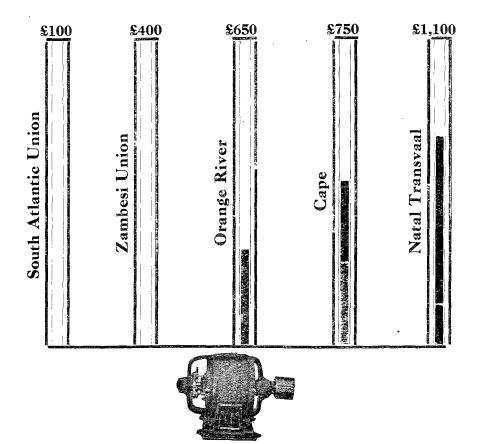
Several of the churches were not able to start on time, and in many cases, therefore, the campaign will be continued until the end of August. Results to date show that we have not yet reached half of the Division goal, and it is going to take the united efforts of every church to obtain the desired results.

We congratulate the Natal-Transvaal Conference in having reached 78% of its goal. It looks encouraging that with our next report the register for the Natal-Transvaal Conference will show that the full amount has been raised. We sincerely hope that both the Cape and the Orange River Conferences will put forth every effort, so that their total goal will be reached.

We have not yet received any report from the Zambesi nor the South Atlantic Unions. A letter from Brother Wheeler reports that he was away from the mission travelling around Northern Rhodesia in the interests of the Harvest Ingathering work. We hope soon to receive a report giving results of his efforts, as also of other workers in the Zambesi Union.

Brother Anderson has written from Angola that several of the workers throughout that field are going to do their best in the interests of the campaign. Several orders have come in from isolated members throughout South West Africa for papers and other supplies.

The students who went out from Spion Kop during the recent holiday period, were quite successful in their efforts. The report we have shows that the Spion Kop church has collected £225, and we certainly do appreciate what our young people have done during the campaign.



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#### Dwell Deep

DWELL deep, O my soul, in the love-depths divine; In the depths of God's love there is peace. Dwell deep, hour by hour, where God's fulness is thine; From all care, in the depths, is release.

Dwell deep, O my soul; in the depths there is rest, In that rest there is freedom from care. Dwell deep, and thy life 'mid all sorrow is blest, For the Lord all thy burden shall share.

Dwell deep, far below the wild rage of the gale, Far beneath the onrush of the wave. Dwell deep in the calm where no blast can assail; From all strife, in the depths, He doth save.

-Selected.

## \* \* \* Northern Transvaal Mission Field

In our last issue, we reported that the territory of the Northern Transvaal Mission had been joined to the mission field of Portuguese East Africa. The South African Union Conference Committee has recommended to the Natal-Transvaal Conference that their mission field in the Northern Transvaal be added to the mission field of Portuguese East Africa. We were anticipating a little when reporting that these fields had already been united. W. B. C.

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#### Notice

WE appreciate what our contributors pass on to us from time to time, and we earnestly hope that our workers throughout the field and others will feel free to write to our paper, passing on the interesting experiences that they have in their efforts to advance the cause of God, so that we all might be encouraged as we see how the Lord is working through His people.

We invite those contributing to our paper, when using the typewriter, kindly to double space.

P. E. W.

#### Obituary

MoGOTSI.--Ruth Mogotsi was born in January 1904 and died at the General Hospital, Johannesburg, on Thursday, July 3, 1924.

She was the first fruits of the tent effort at Alexander Township, and at the time she received the accident and from which cause she died, she was taking regular studies with the writer, and was preparing for baptism.

She was buried at Driefontein farm where her parents live. Elder R. M. Langa conducted the funeral scrvice. We hope to see her in the great resurrection morning.

H. R. S. TSUKUDU.

# IN ALL LANDS

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