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SHOW THYSELF A MAN

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DAVID knew that he was soon to die. Only a mere fragment of time and he must go the way of all the earth. Already Solomon had been anointed king in his stead. The kingdom so greatly enlarged by the activity and leadership of David must now pass under the guiding hand of this young man.

Solomon, young, strong, clean, and noble, stands with bowed head to hear his father's last word. Said the dying prince of men, "I go the way of all the earth; be thou strong therefore, and show thyself a man; and keep the charge of the Lord thy God, to walk in His ways, to keep His statutes, and His commandments, and His judgments, and His testimonies . . . that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest."

"Show thyself a man," is the heart of this dying father's thought. It was nothing to be king, if first the king show not himself a man. By the death of his father, Solomon became king, law-giver, judge, and leader of a great nation. To him the interests of the kingdom of God on earth were committed. If Solomon showed himself a man, and followed the Lord, then God's work would prosper.

Solomon at this time was young in years, from 15 to 20 years of age. His experience must have been limited, for even Israel did not seem to know who was to be king. Yet notwithstanding his youth, his father commanded him to "show himself a man."

There is much in showing oneself a man. Captain Hobson said: "Every man should steadfastly purpose to make of himself the finest specimen of a man he is capable of becoming, physically, intellectually, spiritually; and to render the maximum of helpful service to his family, his friends, his associates, his community, his state, his nation, and to the world."

Dr. Edward Everett Hale said: "A man's real motive should be the use of every power he has for the best he can achieve with it."

Generally hard work in an intelligent way makes the difference between men. The motto of Voltaire was: "Always at work." Of Hezekiah it is said of every work he began, that "he did it with all his heart and

prospered." Of the maxim, "Don't have too many irons in the fire," Dr. Adam Clarke said: "Put *all* your irons in the fire,—shovel, tongs, poker; only keep them hot." And Dr. Dunn says: "Put the best of yourself into all that you do, and with enthusiasm." The apostle Paul said: "Stir up the gift that is in thee." And remember Moody's favorite saying: "God never works through a discouraged man."

When young men say, "I'm young and inexperienced; I need counsel," what better advice can one follow than David's words to his son: "Show thyself a man"? Measure up to God's standard of a man; do the work of a man. Believe that God has called you to the place where you are, and do that work just where God has placed you. Your task, if not self-sought, may be taken as God's call to you as truly as Solomon was called to be king of Israel. The work in hand is the work God would have you do. You are leader of God's work on earth, in *your* station, as truly as Solomon was leader in ancient Israel. Your great duty is, "Show thyself a man."

In that is dignity, consecration, diligence, service, and true success. If every one of us could be the man that God would have us, His work would prosper. Short of that, we shall ever be failures. Let every worker lay to heart David's words: "I go the way of all the earth; be thou strong, therefore, and show thyself a man; and keep the charge of the Lord thy God to walk in His ways, to keep His statutes, and His commandments, and His judgments, and His testimonies, . . . that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and withersoever thou turnest thyself."

Our prosperity is the prosperity of God's cause. How little we care for Solomon's glory save as it built up the kingdom of God on earth. Soon all our personal interests and worries will be forgotten. Only what we have done for God will last. His kingdom, its enlargement, its solidification, the preparing of a people for translation, is our work. We have no other duty entrusted to us by God. "Show thyself a man," should ever be with us in our great work. So shall we prosper.

Recommendations Adopted during the Spring Council

of the Far Eastern Division Committee

April 16-28, 1925

Distribution of Church Extension Funds

WHEREAS, An appropriation of \$15,000 gold was voted in favor of the Far Eastern Division by the General Conference at its last Fall Council, from 1925 Church Extension Funds, with the suggestion that \$10,000 be used in providing Peking or Tokyo with a church property; the balance of \$5,000 to be distributed by the Far Eastern Division Committee as might seem best,—

We recommend, That the \$15,000 gold voted to the Far Eastern Division from 1925 Church Extension Funds, be distributed as follows: (1) Peking church enterprise, \$7,500 gold (with the understanding that the North China Union will undertake to raise the balance required for this enterprise, within the field); (2) Church building for Iloilo, Panay, P.I., \$4,000; (3) Chapel at Swatow, China, \$2,000 (South China to provide locally for any further funds required for this enterprise); (4) Changsha, Hunan, \$641 Mex. (\$350, gold); (5) Japan, toward repairs on Kugi church, \$65; (6) East China Union, toward chapel in the South Chekiang Mission, \$300 Mex. (\$165 gold); (7) Central China Union, toward church building for Kiukiang, Kiangsi, \$920 gold.

The Week of Sacrifice

WHEREAS, The people of God in all lands have been called to join in an annual Week of Sacrifice, that the cause may be further supplied with means for the finishing of the work; and,—

WHEREAS, We believe this plan will bring a great blessing to our people and our work in the Far East; therefore,—

We recommend, That the plan of annually joining in the Week of Sacrifice be adopted throughout our field; and that the regular date for the Week of Sacrifice Offering be at the time of the Midsummer Offering; the plan for this July date to begin in the year 1926.

Tithes and Offerings

WHEREAS, Tithing is a God-given duty and blessed privilege ordained from ancient times, and emphasized anew by the Lord Jesus and the apostles; and,—

WHEREAS, The very spirit of the gospel is loving sacrifice, a yielding up of all that we have and are to the Lord Jesus and for the salvation of our fellow men; and from the beginning God's people have been encouraged to abound in the grace of liberality by bringing free-will offerings into His courts; and,—

WHEREAS, In the Far East we find ourselves in the midst of multiplied millions, to whom the warning entreaties of God's grace must be given speedily by a constituency imbued with the principles of faithful stewardship and sacrificial service;—

We recommend, (1) That those in every line of responsibility in our organized work, including the officers of local churches and the leaders of companies of believers, be encouraged to give careful study anew to the Bible principles underlying the payment of a faithful tithe and the giving of free-will offerings, and to keep these principles of Christian stewardship before the rank and file of our constituency in every language area;

(2) That Union and local missions arrange for the placing of a copy of the tract, "What Kind of Steward Are You?" recently published in several of the vernaculars, in the home of every communicant and believer.

(3) That the Division officers arrange for the publication in our vernacular church papers, once a quarter, of a short article on the general subject of tithes and offerings; these to be written by various ones, with special emphasis on the blessed spiritual phases of Christian liberality.

(4) That a sustained effort be put forth by all to promote the Midsummer Offering, the Week of Prayer Offering, the Week of Sacrifice, the Sabbath School Offerings, the Missionary Volunteer Offerings, and the Home Missionary Offerings.

Native Sustentation Fund—Basis of

Income—Accumulating Surpluses

We recommend, That in harmony with the recommendation of the General Conference, the basis of income to the Sustentation Fund be upon the following percentage basis in operating our native work:

(1) Up to seven per cent. of all our native tithe receipts.

(2) Three per cent. of the native pay-roll of publishing and medical institutions.

(3) One and one-half per cent. of billing price of literature by tract societies.

(4) That these funds outside of China be paid into the Union mission and disbursed by the Union executive committee; and that in China these funds be paid over to the Union treasurers outside of the institutions known as the Chinese Signs of the Times Publishing House and the Shanghai Sanitarium; the funds from these lastnamed institutions to be paid into the Division treasury, same to be disbursed by recommendation of the institution involved and by action of available members of the Division Committee.

(5) That inasmuch as native Sustentation Funds are accumulating in some sections of the Far Eastern Division in amounts beyond the requirements from these funds, the agreed-upon basis of income to the native Sustentation Fund, as followed for several years, and as restated in this series of recommendations, shall continue to serve as the basis on which all organizations and institutions within our Division territory shall build up the Sustentation Fund.

(6) That Union missions in the Far Eastern Division be authorized to hold accumulated native Sustentation Funds on the following basis: With membership 500 or less, \$500 local currency; with membership 500 to 1,000, \$1,000 local currency; and with membership over 1,000, \$2,000 local currency.

(7) That amounts accumulating beyond these amounts be written off as income in closing the books for the year, with this exception; namely, that in cases where the disbursements from the Sustentation Fund during the current and previous year exceed the amount authorized as above, such Unions be authorized to carry forward, in closing the year's business, an amount equivalent to the disbursements of said two-year year period.

Midsummer Offering for 1925

We recommend, That in the promotion and observance of the Midsummer offering appointed for July 18, 1925, we invite Pastor C. H. Watson and Prof. M. E. Kern to prepare suitable readings for translation and use throughout our field.

Week of Prayer Readings and Thirteenth**Sabbath Readings for China Field**

We recommend, That all Union missions in China as well as in other parts of the Far Eastern Division, meet the cost of the Week of Prayer Readings and the Thirteenth Sabbath Readings used in their respective fields.

Child Allowances—Native Workers

We recommend, That in the payment of child allowance to native workers, two dollars of local currency per month instead of the former rate of one dollar per month, be allowed for children between the ages of ten and eighteen, when they are attending one of our schools.

Philippine Union—Amendment of Operating Policy

WHEREAS, The membership of the Philippine Union, under the blessing of God, has been greatly increased, adding largely to the number of delegates in conference sessions,—

We recommend, That the Philippine Union Mission be permitted to amend Article IV, Section 1, of their operating policy, to read as follows:

"Each local conference or mission shall be represented in the Union mission sessions by delegates chosen on the basis of one for each local conference and one for each local mission; and one additional for each 100 members or major portion thereof."

Russian Work—Reorganization into**Sungari-Mongolian Mission**

In reorganizing the Russian work, previously administered by the East Siberian Union Mission, we recommend the following:

(1) That we hereby unite into a mission, (a) The Europeans in Manchuria; (b) all Mongolia.

(2) Name: That the name of this mission shall be the Sungari-Mongolian Mission.

(3) That the headquarters of the Sungari-Mongolian Mission shall be Harbin, Manchuria.

(4) That Pastor T. T. Babienco is hereby appointed director of the Sungari-Mongolian Mission.

(5) That John Moloshne is hereby appointed secretary and treasurer of the Sungari-Mongolian Mission.

(6) That this Mission shall begin May 1, 1925.

(7) That a budget be submitted annually to the Division treasurer, said budget to include all salaries and expenses to be incurred.

(8) That the Far Eastern Division auditor shall annually audit the Mission accounts.

(9) That the work among the Mongolians be prosecuted as rapidly as men and means can be supplied.

(10) That the Mission hold an annual meeting by delegation from the churches, and in all respects carry on its work under the mission policy of the Far Eastern Division.

(11) That we undertake to build up a strong, consecrated constituency, and as rapidly as possible approach self-support.

On Schools for the Children of Missionaries

WHEREAS, Some of our missionaries find it almost impossible to arrange for suitable schooling for their children,—

We recommend, That the Unions make such arrangements for the education of the children of our foreign missionaries as may prove practicable and economical under the circumstances.

We recommend, That a standard schedule of tuition rates for foreign church schools be set by the Educational Department of the Division with the approval of the Division Committee.

WHEREAS, There is a great need for some means of educating the children of our missionaries who are located in small stations where the number of children does not admit of conducting a church school; therefore,—

We recommend, That the General Conference Department of Education be requested to consider the issuing of a system of lessons, including the method of daily lesson study, for the education of the isolated children of our missionaries.

The Home Commission

WHEREAS, we believe that "the restoration and uplifting of humanity begins in the home" (see "M. of H.," p. 349); therefore,—

We recommend, That a Home Commission be established, consisting of a secretary and a committee to study the problem of the uplift of the homes of our people in this field to keep in touch with the work of the General Conference Home Commission; to suggest ways and means for home improvement; and to set into operation such plans as may seem possible for the accomplishment of this purpose.

We hereby appoint the following as members of the Home Commission: Prof. F. Griggs (secretary), Prof. S. L. Frost, Mrs. I. H. Evans, J. J. Strahle, Dr. H. W. Miller, Mrs. B. Miller, Mrs. H. O. Swartout, Mrs. K. H. Wood, Mrs. R. W. Paul, Mrs. S. E. Jackson, Mrs. V. E. Hendershot, Mrs. Elauria, Mrs. Ai Fukazawa, Mrs. A. N. Anderson, Mrs. Theo. Wangerin, Mrs. Frederick Lee.

The Parent-Teacher Association

WHEREAS, It would be of mutual benefit for parents and teachers to get together at times for consideration of the welfare of the children in the school; and,—

WHEREAS, Such opportunity is provided in the Parent-Teacher Association; therefore,—

We recommend, That in school centers where conditions and needs seem to call for such an organization, a Parent-Teacher Association be formed, with capable leadership; and further, that arrangements be made for holding a few meetings during the year for mutual uplift and for a review of Christian educational aims and principles.

Departmental Plans, and Literature

We recommend, That in all plans connected with departmental work, the General Conference constitution and plans be followed, with such adaptations as may be necessary to meet the needs of our field; and that for the sake of unity in our work, all permanent departmental literature that may be selected or prepared for publication in the various languages of the Far Eastern Division shall first be submitted to the respective Division secretaries involved for examination and recommendation to the Division Committee, and shall receive the Division Committee's approval before publication.

Working Policy of the Far Eastern

Division Ministerial Association

In order that our ministry and others engaged in the giving of the third angel's message to the peoples of the Far East, may be more effective in their great work of winning souls to Christ,—

We recommend, That we hereby create a Ministerial Association, as follows:

Object

I. The object of this Association is to encourage spirituality and deeper personal piety in the hearts of its members; to press home the great privilege of service in the name of our Great Teacher; to enlarge the vision and efficiency of its members by suggesting such aids as will promote spiritual and mental growth, so that each may say, "As much as in me is, I will do for the Master."

Name

II. This Association shall be known as the Ministerial Association of the Far Eastern Division of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Membership

III. (a) The membership of the Association shall consist of all ministers, licentiates, Bible workers, editors of denominational papers, heads of sanitariums and hospitals, superintendents of nurses' training schools, and heads of intermediate and training schools, in the Far Eastern Division, who shall either in person or by letter request to become a member of said Association.

(b) A membership card shall be issued and given to each member, reading as follows:

"The bearer, _____, is a member of the Ministerial Association of the Far Eastern Division of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; and promises to undertake to peruse the Reading Courses as outlined by the Association."

(c) Any member of the Association shall cease to be a member when transferred to some other field than that of the Far Eastern Division, or when his credentials lapse for any reason whatsoever.

(d) A list of the membership of the Association shall be kept by the secretary, and names added and dropped according to the working policy of the Association.

Officers

IV. The work of this Association shall be under the general direction of a secretary, assistant secretary, and an advisory committee ex-officio, as follows:

(a) The vice-president and the secretary of the General Conference for the Far Eastern Division.

(b) The field and departmental secretaries of the Far Eastern Division.

(c) The superintendents of the Union missions.

(d) The directors of local missions not within a Union mission.

(e) The principals of the advanced training schools in the Far Eastern Division.

Duties of Officers

V. The Secretary: The secretary shall act as chairman of the advisory committee, and shall promote the work and interests of the Association. He shall call the advisory committee, or such members as are available without extra expense, once each calendar year. He shall keep the list of the membership, sign the membership cards, assist in the selection of the Reading Course literature, and shall act as editor of any literature that may be issued by the Association, and in every possible way promote the objects of the Association.

The Assistant Secretary: The assistant secretary shall assist the secretary in such work as may be agreed upon between them, and in case of disability of the secretary, shall carry his work until the next meeting of the Far Eastern Division Committee.

The secretary, the assistant secretary, and the advisory committee shall be appointed and directed by the General Conference Committee of the Far Eastern Division, and shall serve for the General Conference quadrennial period.

Vacancies shall be filled by the General Conference Committee of the Far Eastern Division.

Reading Courses

VI. (a) Reading Courses for the foreigners shall consist of such books and literature as may be annually suggested by the Ministerial Association of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, with headquarters at Takoma Park, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

(b) The Reading Courses for the different language areas in the Far Eastern territory shall be selected as follows: The secretary shall ask the superintendent of each Union, or local mission not within a Union, to suggest the names of the books that they would recommend to constitute the Reading Course for the following calendar year; it being the purpose to have the advisory committee of the Association and the executive committee of the Far Eastern Division select the Reading Course books at the time of the Spring Council of the Far Eastern Division Committee. This will allow ample time for translations.

(c) That outside of China, the executive committee of each Union mission field shall arrange for the duplication of such matter as may be sent out by the secretary from time to time, to be placed in the hands of each member, and shall send the same to the members of the Association in their territory.

(d) That in China the "Christian Educator" shall constitute the monthly organ in which the interests of the Association in this field may be promoted.

(e) That the secretary shall act as editor of any literature that may be issued.

(f) That we hereby appoint the following persons as officers for the Association until the next session of the General Conference:

Secretary:	I. H. Evans.
Assistant Secretary:	F. Griggs.
Office Secretary:	Mrs. I. H. Evans.

Study of Unentered Regions

We recommend, That the Division officers arrange for a careful study of our unentered territory, with the view of presenting to the next General Conference a strong appeal for men and means to enable the Far Eastern Division to quickly carry this message to all parts of our field.

Nominations

We recommend, That Division Departmental Standing Committees be made up as follows:

Division Building Committee: H. W. Barrows (chairman), I. H. Evans, C. F. Colton, H. O. Swartout, H. W. Miller, Frederick Griggs, W. P. Henderson, C. C. Crisler.

Transportation Agents: H. W. Barrows (chairman); the Union treasurers of the Japan, South China, Philippine, Malaysian, and Central China Union Missions.

Board of Management, Fireside Correspondence School for China: S. L. Frost, D. E. Rebok, W. A. Scharffenberg, C. C. Crisler, J. G. Gjording, H. H. Shull, Hwang Da Wei, and the head of the Bible department of the China Missionary Junior College.

Members of the Far Eastern Division Publishing Department: The General Conference divisional secretaries for this department; all Union field and home missionary secretaries within our territory; field and home missionary secretaries of local mission fields operated directly by the Far Eastern Division; the heads of the five publishing houses in the Far East, together with the chief editor of each as appointed by the Division Committee; the superintendents of all Union missions; also I. H. Evans, C. C. Crisler, S. L. Frost.

Members of the Far Eastern Division Educational and Young People's Missionary Volunteer Departments: S. L. Frost (secretary); I. H. Evans, Frederick Griggs, H. W. Miller, C. C. Crisler, C. A. Carter, H. O. Swartout; the head of the Bible department of the China Missionary Junior College; the educational and young people's missionary volunteer departmental secretaries of Union missions; the heads of training schools in the Division; the heads of senior and junior middle schools; the superintendents of Union missions in the Far East.

Members of the Far Eastern Division Home Missionary Department: The General Conference divisional home and field missionary secretaries; the Union mission home missionary secretaries as appointed.

Members of the Far Eastern Division Medical Department: The Division medical secretary, with the physicians connected with all recognized sanitariums, treatment-rooms, and hospital-dispensaries in the Far Eastern Division.

Members of the Far Eastern Division Sabbath School Department: The Division Sabbath school secretary; all Union Sabbath school secretaries; assistant editor of the (Chinese) "Sabbath School Helper;" editor of the (Chinese) child's paper.

Division Publishing Department—Assistant Secretary: We recommend, That the Far Eastern Division Committee and the (Chinese) Signs of the Times Publishing House board arrange for Brother W. P. Henderson to spend as much time in the field as is consistent with his duties as manager of the publishing house; and that he is hereby appointed Assistant Secretary of the Far Eastern Division Publishing and Home Missionary Departments, to labor in the China field; half his salary to be met from the Far Eastern Division Treasury.

Appointments of Editors

We recommend, That editors be appointed for service in Far Eastern fields, as follows:

MANILA:

Ang Tanglaw: Editor, R. R. Figuhr; associate editor, L. A. Corda.

Ti Damag Ti Pagarian (Ilocano): Editor, R. R. Figuhr; associate editor, Regino Villaneuva.

Ang Talandaan Sang Panag-on (Panayan): Editor, R. R. Figuhr.

Mizpa: E. M. Adams.

TOKYO:

Jicho Zashi ("Signs"): Editor, A. N. Anderson; associate editor, S. Miyake.

Shimei no Otdzure (church paper—"Tidings of the Message"): Editor, A. N. Anderson.

SINGAPORE:

Pertandaan Zaman: Editor, Melvin Munson.

Malay Church Paper: Editor, Melvin Munson.

SEOUL:

Seijo Walbo ("Signs"): Editor, E. J. Urquhart.

Kyo Hao Nam ("Church Compass"): Editor, E. J. Urquhart.

SHANGHAI:

Shi Djao Yueh Bao (Chinese "Signs" monthly): Editor, H. O. Swartout; associates, E. R. Thiele, Dzo Tien Ming.

The Last Day Shepherd's Call (Chinese church paper): Editor E. R. Thiele; associates, H. O. Swartout, Dzo Tien Ming.

Sabbath School Helper: Editor, Mrs. I. H. Evans; assistant editor, E. R. Thiele.

Chinese Christian Educator: Editor, S. L. Frost; associate editors, J. J. Strahle, W. A. Schaffenberg, the chairman of the Ministerial Association; assistant editor, Su Hsing.

Child's Paper (Chinese): Editor, H. O. Swartout; contributing editors, Mrs. Mi, Miss Yuen Shi Bing.

Far Eastern Division Outlook: Editor, The Division Secretary.

Reporting the Sabbath School Offerings

In order to bring about perfect accord in the reports of the Sabbath school department secretary, the mission treasurer, and the statistician,—

We recommend, (1) That local Sabbath school secretaries and church treasurers make sure that the Sabbath school offerings are carefully and correctly counted and uniformly recorded by each for their respective records and reports.

(2) That in preparing their reports to be forwarded to the next higher officer, the local Sabbath school secretaries and church treasurers make sure that their reports cover the same period of time, which should include the entire thirteen Sabbaths of the quarter.

Sabbath School Field Help

Recognizing that the Sabbath schools of the Far East may become a greater spiritual uplift in the lives of our believers and their children, and a more effective evangelizing agency in behalf of those who are yet in darkness; therefore,—

We recommend, That Sabbath school secretaries or their assistants in local missions and conferences be encouraged to spend a large part of their time in their respective fields among the Sabbath schools, endeavoring through institutes, Rally Days, and by personal contact and instruction, to lift our Sabbath schools into better service for the Master.

"Special Testimonies on the Sabbath School Work"

WHEREAS, There exists great need of helps for our Sabbath school workers in China, and in other fields of the Far Eastern Division where the Chinese language is used; therefore,—

We recommend, That the Signs of the Times Publishing House be urged to print at once the translation of "Special Testimonies on the Sabbath School Work."

Sabbath School Manual

WHEREAS, The Educational Department of the Far Eastern Division in its Educational Convention has passed a recommendation to give a course in departmental training in its training courses; and,—

WHEREAS, There is urgent need of a suitable text for use in giving the instruction in the Sabbath school work, in the form of a Manual, with outlines and questions; therefore,—

Resolved, (1) That we petition the General Conference Committee to have prepared at the earliest possible date a Manual covering the following points:

- (a) The history of our Sabbath school work
- (b) The organization of the Sabbath school
- (c) The duties of officers and teachers
- (d) The Home Department
- (e) Reporting
- (f) The use of helps, including the Missions Quarterlies, the Teachers' Training Courses, etc.

(2) That the subject-matter of this Manual be accompanied with a series of outlines that will enable those reading English to use it as a text in taking Sabbath school training, and which may be translated into other languages for those who do not read English.

Sabbath Schools Offerings—Goals

WHEREAS, The Sabbath school offerings have become a great factor in the advancement of mission work in all lands, in that about one-half of all mission funds are received through the Sabbath School Department; and,—

WHEREAS, Our fields in the Far Eastern Division can do much toward the support of mission work by adopting systematic plans and goals for offerings; therefore,—

We recommend, (1) That each Union fix a per capita goal for its membership according to local conditions, increasing this goal from time to time according to the ability of its constituency.

(2) That the Sabbath school offering goals of the Unions shall be combined to constitute the Sabbath School Offering Goal for the Far Eastern Division.

(3) That it shall be our aim in the Far Eastern Division as quickly as possible to reach the goal of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) gold per week for missions through the Sabbath schools.

WHEREAS, The plan at home is to raise for missions sixty cents gold per week per church member; therefore,—

We recommend, That in order that we may not come behind in this good work, all adult foreign members of our Far Eastern Division be encouraged to give an average of one dollar of local currency or the equivalent of fifty cents gold every Sabbath through the Sabbath school.

On the Harvest Ingathering Campaign

WHEREAS, We realize that as workers and believers in the Far Eastern Division it is our privilege as well as our duty to do our utmost in assisting the Mission Board in financing our great world-wide work of giving the third angel's message to every land; and,—

WHEREAS, The Harvest Ingathering campaign affords one great avenue for gathering funds for this work, and is in itself one means of bringing this message to the attention of the people; and,—

WHEREAS, Experience has demonstrated that our territory is a fruitful field for this campaign,—

We recommend, (1) That all our fields be thoroughly organized to take a vigorous part in the annual Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

(2) That for the year 1925 the Harvest Ingathering Campaign begin September 12, and close by November 14; and that our fields endeavor, insofar as is consistent with local conditions, to bring their campaigns within the time appointed.

(3) That our Ingathering goals for 1925 be—

(a) Every worker to spend at least forty hours in personal solicitation.

(b) Lay members who may be selected to take part in the campaign, to spend at least ten hours in the field.

(c) The financial goal for the Far Eastern Division, to be \$28,000 gold; this being an average of about \$2 gold per member for the entire Division.

(d) That the financial goal be apportioned as follows:

Central China	Gold \$ 4,250
South China	2,500
East China	3,500
West China	500
North China	1,500
Malaysia	5,000
Philippines	6,000
Japan	1,500
Korea	1,500
Manchuria	1,250
Siberia	500
Total	Gold \$28,000

(4) That the Harvest Ingathering Campaign be so organized that all our workers, and as many of our lay members as may be selected, engage in this good work as follows:

(a) That each field be carefully districted for this campaign, each group of churches or companies being definitely assigned to a mission worker who shall be responsible for the success of the campaign in that particular district.

(b) That controlling committees endeavor to arrange for their workers to have time to engage in this work.

(c) That all our schools be encouraged to have one or more field days in which such teachers and students as may be selected, shall be organized to go out and solicit funds.

(d) That September 12 be made a grand rally day in each church or company, using the special program prepared by the Division Home Missionary Department.

(e) That the churches report each week to the mission office their progress toward their goals.

(f) That during the campaign the mission offices send weekly to their churches a statement listing the churches engaged in the campaign, and marking those with a star that have reached their goal.

"Big Week" Missions Extension Fund

WHEREAS, The Missions Extension Fund now includes medical and educational as well as publishing projects, thus inviting the entire denomination to more earnest endeavor in its behalf; therefore,—

We recommend, (1) That mission and institutional workers join in the extension plan by selling literature during the Big Week, applying their entire profits to the Fund in addition to one day's wage.

(2) That colporteurs continue to share in the Big Week plan, giving the profits of the biggest day's sales.

(3) That our lay members be encouraged to devote at least six hours during Big Week to the sale of literature, applying the profits to the Missions Extension Fund; and that in case of inability to devote time and effort to the sale of literature, they make an offering to the Missions Extension Fund equivalent to at least one day's wage.

(4) That our institutions arrange for one or more field days during the Big Week, to enable employees to contribute an active part to the success of the Missions Extension Fund plan.

We recommend, That the 1925 goal for the Big Week Missions Extension Fund, be \$10,000 gold for the Far Eastern Division, and that the Union missions' quota be as follows:

Sungari-Mongolia	Gold \$ 150
Manchuria	250
Korea	500
Japan	300
Philippines	1,000
Malaysia	5,000
North China	500
West China	100
East China	500
South China	800
Central China	500
Total,	Gold \$ 9,600

Schools—Field Day during Big Week

In harmony with the plans for the Big Week Missions Extension Fund, which now includes medical and educational projects, as well as the development of publishing work,—

We recommend, That our denominational schools arrange for one or more field days during the Big Week.

Home Missionary Department

WHEREAS, The successful development of missionary work on the part of all our church members requires a regular opportunity for the presentation of instruction and inspirational themes by our ministers and other church leaders, that our people may be enlisted as personal soul-winners and be intelligent as to the work they are to do for God; therefore,—

We recommend, (!) That an earnest effort be put forth to promote simple plans of home missionary endeavor in every church and company as soon as possible.

(2) That the territory surrounding each church or company be divided into districts of convenient size, the combined districts to be regarded as the home missionary field of said church or company.

(3) That the first Sabbath of each month be designated as Home Missionary Day.

(4) That the Home Missionary Program as outlined by the Home Missionary Department of the Far Eastern Division, be followed insofar as may be possible.

(5) That a "Field Day" be held at least once a month in all our churches and companies, preferably during the week following the first Sabbath Home Missionary Day.

(6) That all church members be encouraged to undertake to spend some time each week, wherein they may carry to their neighbors the ministry of life, in godly conversation, Christian comfort, Bible readings, judicious use of literature, and ministry to the sick and needy.

WHEREAS, The organization and training of the laity for successful soul-winning service calls for the best endeavors of the Home Missionary Department leaders; and,—

WHEREAS, The wide circulation of our magazines and booklets demands a well-trained and efficiently directed army of workers; and,—

WHEREAS, It is desirable that our churches be in very fact carefully organized training-centers for the development of Christian workers; therefore,—

We recommend, That week-end Missionary Conventions be held for the instruction of the church members,—

(1) To awaken a deeper interest among our young people in the laymen's movement;

(2) To perfect and vitalize the organization of the churches for a great forward movement in home missionary work;

(3) To acquaint the individual members of the churches with the most effective methods for winning souls.

Evangelistic Colporteurs

WHEREAS, It is a recognized fact that it is the duty of every church to make its contribution to the building up of the colporteur force in the missions, inasmuch as this worthy phase of self-supporting ministry, with its highly beneficial results as a soul-winning factor, can be maintained only as faithful men and women are found who will carry on the colporteur work; and,—

WHEREAS, There is a crying need for evangelistic colporteurs in all our missions, who can combine the sales of books with labor for souls;—

We recommend, (1) That in each mission a careful survey be made of the territory to be worked and the number of colporteurs needed to work it, and that this number of colporteurs be the recruiting objective.

(2) That in selecting these workers, care be taken to maintain the high standard set by the Spirit of prophecy for this work.

(3) That in the interest of economy, efficiency, and stability, we encourage suitable individuals to make this colporteur ministry their life-work, and that many of these engage in permanent, all-the-year-round resident canvassing.

(4) That our missions give careful consideration to rendering such financial assistance as, in the case of excessive rent or otherwise, may be found necessary to prevent the loss to the cause of faithful, worthy workers.

(5) That our missions and schools encourage graduates from these institutions to engage in evangelistic canvassing, either as a life-work or while waiting for other appointments.

(6) That we should select loyal members who are well established and successful in the world's business, and press upon them the demands of God's cause and their personal responsibility rather than any financial advantage, as reasons why they should leave all, no matter how promising their work may be, and join in proclaiming the third angel's message.

(7) That special emphasis should be placed on field training by the field missionary secretary, side by side with his colporteurs; and that the missionary phase of the work, rather than the commercial, should be made prominent.

(8) That the Union field missionary secretaries should spend from three days to a week at least once a year, and oftener if possible, with each of their field missionary secretaries in house-to-house canvassing wherever practicable.

(9) That attention be called to the fact that small institutes, with four to six colporteurs, may be conducted frequently and profitably between regular annual institutes.

(10) That each Union mission maintain a competent Union field missionary secretary.

(11) That local missions maintain a competent provincial field missionary secretary.

Christian Education Campaigns

We recommend, That so far as possible, definite Christian education campaigns be inaugurated and carried on in each Union field, in order that all our believers may understand the aims, policies, and principles governing our educational work.

Educational Day

We recommend, That one Sabbath in August be set apart and observed annually as Educational Day.

On Those Who Should Attend our Denominational Schools

We recommend, (1) That in our churches where there are children of school age, and qualified teachers are available, governing committees plan to open and maintain church schools.

(2) That for the time being, with such a scarcity of qualified teachers, it be our policy to place emphasis upon caring for our own children and youth, and that in our middle and higher schools the attendance be confined to the young people of this denomination, and to such others as give satisfactory evidence of being in full harmony with the purposes of these schools, to the end that teachers and students shall be fully united in molding these schools in harmony with the divine pattern, thus making them God's special instrumentality to fit children and youth for missionary work.

Our School and Industrial Training

WHEREAS, Instruction from the Spirit of prophecy pertaining to our educational institutions stresses the need of industrial training; and,—

WHEREAS, Great benefit accrues to students who have the privilege of receiving industrial training,—

We recommend, That our intermediate schools and colleges in the Far Eastern Division do all in their power to foster industrial education; proper credits being recorded on students' report cards indicating standing attained in such line of work.

WHEREAS, The goal placed before us for our educational institutions is self-support; and recognizing as we do the development of industries as one factor tending toward such a goal,—

We recommend, That school boards be encouraged to give deep thought to this feature of our work, with special reference to such lines of industrial work as will be best fitted to their particular locality, aiming to provide such industries as will be instructive to the student, and that will help develop practical men and women, as well as tend toward self-help on the part of those attending school.

Teachers and Manual Labor

We recommend, That the teachers in our schools join heartily in the manual work of the school, thus setting before students an example in practical and vocational training.

The Bible Department of our Training Schools

To the end that large numbers of young people may come forth from our training schools year by year to take up evangelistic work in all departments of denominational endeavor,—

We recommend, That our training school boards be urged to give special thought and effort to the building up of a strong Bible department in each of our training centers, searching out the best talent in the field to head up such departments.

Training School Curriculum—to include a Course in Denominational Endeavor

We recommend, That the course of study in our training schools include a year's work in Denominational Endeavor,—such as instruction in Sabbath school, publishing, home missionary, junior and senior missionary volunteer, medical, and other departmental lines of work.

Final Examinations—Schools

We recommend, That standard examination questions for primary schools, to grade six, be provided yearly by the Union educational secretaries, and that the Division educational secretary arrange to send out to the Union secretaries standard examination questions for middle school grades.

We recommend, That the Union educational secretary make the arrangements necessary within his Union for conducting these final examinations at the close of the school year.

Bible Outline—Grade 1-3

We recommend, That the Far Eastern Educational Department arrange for the preparation, translation, and publication in Chinese of a Bible Outline, and notes needed for Bible, grades one to three; and that this material be made available in English to all our fields.

The Teachers' Summer School in China

We recommend, (1) That the Unions of China join together in conducting annually one strong Summer School in connection with our central training school.

(2) That should local conditions call for any deviation from this plan, requests for the same be made to the Far Eastern Division Committee for authorization.

(3) That in order to give the "field touch" to the Summer School, our Unions cooperate with the Summer School board in arranging for Union educational secretaries to join the faculty as may be practicable.

Certification of Teachers and Accrediting of Schools

We recommend, That only Seventh-day Adventist Christian teachers be employed in our denominational schools.

We recommend, That our native teachers in all fields be asked to take examinations and qualify to receive teacher's certificates from the Educational Department of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.

We recommend, That for the training of teachers for all grades of our school work, normal departments be established and conducted in each of our five training schools.

We recommend, That for the certification of teachers, and to aid in raising the efficiency of our teaching force, Summer Schools be conducted annually in the five fields comprising the Far Eastern Division field; namely, Japan, Korea, China, Philippines, Malaysia.

We recommend, That Union educational institutes for the unifying and promoting of the Union educational work, be held in connection with these annual Summer Schools.

We recommend, That in harmony with the requirements for obtaining teacher's certificates, the controlling committees require attendance at the Summer School of all permanent teachers who at present do not hold certificates, or whose present certificates are unsatisfactory to the educational department of the Union.

WHEREAS, In some cases there may be hindering causes whereby teachers not holding even third-grade teacher's certificates are unable to attend Summer School,—

We recommend, That the different Unions give special attention to this matter, and endeavor to plan for increasing the efficiency of such teachers, holding teachers' institutes for them.

We recommend, That the teachers in our primary schools who do not hold a teacher's certificate, be given a teacher's permit, the same to be taken up at the close of two years. If at that time a teacher is still unqualified to receive a third grade teacher's certificate, his continuance as a teacher is to be seriously considered; and if he be allowed to continue to teach, he be granted a permit for one more year only, with the understanding that it is incumbent upon him to qualify for a certificate or be dismissed from teaching.

We recommend, That the following be adopted in connection with the accrediting and rating of schools, as standards that shall govern in bringing our schools up to a higher state of efficiency, and as a partial basis for governing committee actions in advancing the grade of work now carried in our respective schools:

(1) That a teacher of the lower primary school (grades one to four) have at least a third grade teacher's certificate.

(2) That two teachers be required for a higher primary school (grades one to six, inclusive, providing all grades are taught), one teacher to hold not less than a second grade teacher's certificate and the other teacher at least a third grade teacher's certificate.

(3) That five teachers be required in junior middle schools (grades one to nine). Of these teachers, at least one should have a first grade teacher's certificate, three should hold not less than a second grade teacher's certificate, and one not less than a third grade teacher's certificate.

(4) That the teachers in our schools who are teaching beyond the ninth grade, be urged to obtain professional certificates as soon as possible.

We recommend, That a Union accrediting committee be formed, consisting of the Union educational secretary, the principal of the junior middle school of the territory concerned, and the local field educational secretary. This committee should make proper arrangements for inspecting and rating primary schools (grades one to six) annually.

We recommend, That a Division accrediting committee be formed, consisting of the Division educational secretary, principal of the training school for the Union, and the Union educational secretary. This committee shall make arrangements for the inspecting and rating of schools above the primary (six grades) annually.

We recommend, That the Philippine Seventh-day Adventist Academy be authorized to conduct fourteen grades of work, and be known as the Philippine Seventh-day Adventist Junior College.

Policy Governing the Opening of Primary Schools

We recommend, That faithful adherence be given the following policy governing the opening of primary schools:

(1) That the approval of the mission committee and the local educational secretary be secured before any primary school be opened, even when the school is to be operated on a self-supporting basis.

(2) That when the school must be dependent upon funds coming from territory outside its own locality, the approval of both the Union and local committees shall be secured before opening said school.

Plans Leading Toward Self-Support

We recommend, That earnest study be given by those responsible for the conduct of schools, to the question of school finance, looking toward a greater degree of self-support in all grades of our schools; and that to assist in the attainment of this aim, the Division educational secretary be asked to furnish each Union with a detailed suggestive plan that will facilitate progress in this line.

Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department

WHEREAS, The Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department has already brought great blessing to many of our young people in sections of the Far East where its work has been promoted; and believing that its work and uplift should extend to all our young people in the Far East,—

We recommend, (1) That all our Union and local missions foster and develop the Young People's Missionary Volunteer work as rapidly as efficient leadership can be secured.

(2) That our goal shall be a junior society in every primary school and a senior society in each of our middle and higher schools; and,—

(3) That in all churches where there are young people and it is possible to secure proper leadership, societies be organized.

(4) That where young people in any church are too few to make practicable the organizing of a society, these young people be sought out, and plans made for enrolling them as members of the conference or mission Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society.

WHEREAS, The children and youth among us are deprived of the blessing and inspiration of much of the good literature available for young people in other lands; and,—

WHEREAS, It is imperative that the very best literature be substituted for that which is trashy and positively dangerous to morals and character-building; therefore,—

We earnestly request, (1) That our publishing houses give careful consideration to the matter of providing much more in the line of instructive, inspirational, helpful stories, biographies, and so forth, in our church papers, enlarging these papers where necessary to accomplish this end.

(2) That careful consideration be given to the matter of getting out in an economical way in the vernaculars annually at least one inspirational book for our young people. We would suggest that such books as "The Lighted Way," by Kern; "In His Name" and "Soul Winning," by Thompson; "Life of Victory," by Mac Guire; "Alone with God," by Mrs. E. E. Andross; "The Advance Guard of Missions," by Clifford G. Howell; and others, be considered favorably in this connection.

(3) That the Missionary Volunteer Department select or prepare a few tracts and leaflets that will exert a molding and stabilizing influence upon our young people, and that these tracts be translated and circulated among the youth.

We recommend, That necessary certificates and blanks be provided in the vernaculars for use in promoting the activities of the Educational and Young People's Missionary Volunteer departmental work in the various language areas, after consultation with the Division Missionary Volunteer and Educational Departments.

WHEREAS, There is great need of instruction throughout our fields in Missionary Volunteer plans and methods,—

We recommend, That abridged editions of "Missionary Volunteers and their Work," and "The Junior Manual," be published in Chinese, Korean, Japanese, and Malay, to contain approximately 150 and 75 pages, respectively.

We recommend, That in other vernaculars small leaflets on organization be published as a guide for the organization and prosecution of this work.

We recommend, That the Division Missionary Volunteer Department arrange to get out as soon as possible a Standard of Attainment Manual in Chinese.

We recommend, That the Missionary Volunteer secretary of each Union, in consultation with the Division Missionary Volunteer secretary, arrange for the setting of goals annually in his field in Missionary Volunteer lines; namely,—

- (1) Young people converted and added to the church
- (2) Number observing Watch
- (3) Number reading Bible through
- (4) Number receiving Standard of Attainment certificate
- (5) Number receiving Reading Course certificate
- (6) Money raised for missionary work

We recommend, That the General Conference plan of setting apart annually one Sabbath in March as Missionary Volunteer Day, be adopted as our policy in the promotion of this department in the Far East; and that the Sabbath thus set apart be followed by the Missionary Volunteer Week of Prayer.

Missionary Volunteer Society Goals—1926

We recommend, the following goals for the Missionary Volunteer Societies of the Far East for the year 1926—

Young people won to the truth	540
Standard of Attainment Certificates issued	385
Reading Course Certificates issued	755
Bible Year Certificates issued	660
Number observing Morning Watch	4,985
Offerings for Home Missions through the M. V. Society (goal)	\$300.00
Offerings to Foreign Missions through the M. V. Society (goal)	\$800.00

Promotion of Reading Courses

We recommend, That a continuous effort be made in all Unions to promote the annual Teachers', Y. P. M. V., and Junior M. V. Reading Courses; and that certificates be provided and given to those completing the courses, as recognition for such endeavor.

Union Educational and Young People's Secretaries

WHEREAS, In some of our Unions we have large and growing constituencies, necessitating the establishment and conduct of a large number of schools and the organization and development of the young people's work; and,—

WHEREAS, At the present time we do not have Union educational and young people's missionary volunteer secretaries free to visit schools and churches within such Unions,—

We recommend, That in these larger Unions an educational and missionary volunteer secretary be largely released from local responsibility in order that the interests of the youth may be looked after properly.

The Chinese "Christian Educator"

WHEREAS, There is a need in our fields for some organ of communication with our school teachers, home missionary and missionary volunteer leaders, church officers, and ministers; therefore,—

We recommend, (1) That in an endeavor to meet the growing needs of the China field, the Chinese "Christian Educator" contain—

- Practical instruction for teachers
- Missionary Volunteer programs, with suggestions for carrying them out
- Home Missionary programs
- Practical instruction for church officers
- Instruction for ministers

and that to this end, the paper be enlarged if found necessary.

(2) That publishers, missions, and departmental secretaries put forth an earnest effort to get this paper into the hands of all Chinese-speaking workers of the classes named.

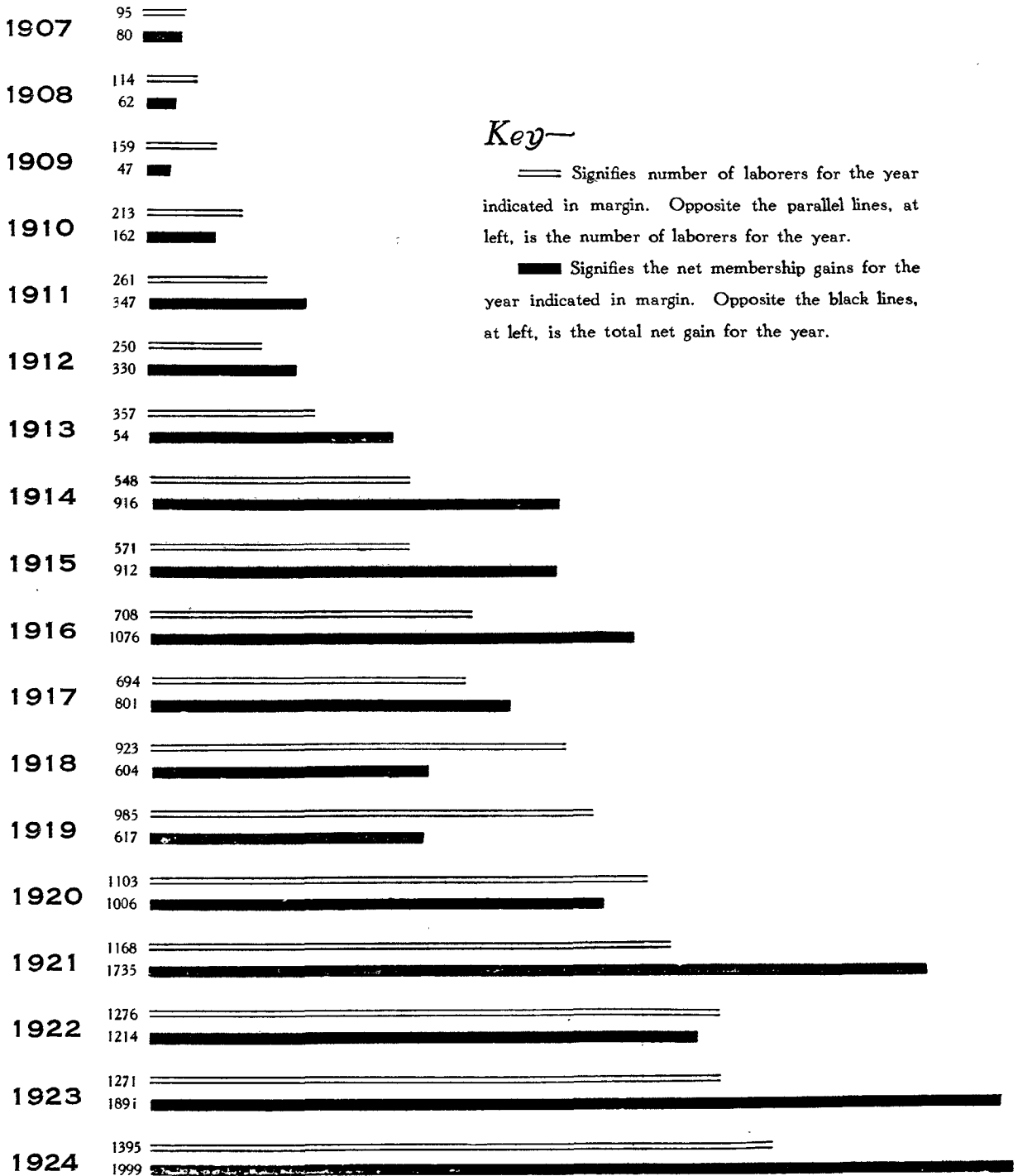
(3) That the material for the Chinese "Christian Educator" be furnished by the educational, missionary volunteer, and home missionary departments, and by the Far Eastern Division Ministerial Association; and further, that duplicate copies of such portions of this material as may be of general value, be passed on to fields in other language areas.

GAIN IN MEMBERSHIP—FAR EASTERN DIVISION

As compared with total laborers, both foreign and native



Against each year, from 1907 to 1923, the first number and the light lines represent the total laborers in the Division, and the second number and the dark line represent the net gain in membership for the year



THE FAR EASTERN DIVISION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS
 STATISTICAL SUMMARY --- INCLUDING PROVINCIAL MISSIONS --- FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1924
 WITH COLUMNS SHOWING STATUS DEC. 31, 1922, AND GAINS FOR TWO YEARS

All monies in
U. S. Gold

Name of Union Missions and Provincial Missions	Number of Churches	Baptized Membership Dec. 31, 1924	Net Gain during Yr. 1924 (Minus sign--loss)	Baptized Membership Dec. 31, 1922	NET GAINS during the two yrs. 1923, 1924	Percentage of Gain for the 2-yr. period	Number of BAPTISMS during Yr. 1924	Number of BAPTISMS during Yr. 1923	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Licensed Missionaries	No. of Colporteurs	Total No. of Laborers Dec. 31, 1924	Foreign TITHES Receipts during Yr. 1924 (gold)	Native TITHES Receipts during Yr. 1924 (gold)	Per Capita NATIVE TITHES Yr. 1924 (gold)-using membership Dec. 31, 23 as basic figure	No. of Sabbath Schools Dec. 31, 1924	Sabbath School Membership, Dec. 31 '24	Total Sabbath School Offerings for Mis- sions during 1924 (gold)	Number of CHURCH SCHOOLS	Total enrollment of Church schools Dec. '24
All figures in U. S. Gold																					
PHILIPPINE UNION	98	5296	805	3578	1718	48	1279	1029	16	32	33	72	178	\$ 2533.78	\$18723.10	\$ 4.19	152	5019	\$ 4649.44	11	654
Northern Luzon Mission	14	745	244	395	350	89	247	118	4	4	2	17	38	1652.90	3.31	23	766	565.03	3	97	
East Visayan Mission	5	500	177	206	294	143	122	122	1	3	2	14	29	2169.92	6.72	22	483	664.93			
West Visayan Mission	29	1585	583	638	947	148	660	383	3	7	8	11	33	3802.64	3.80	42	1250	1135.22	3	182	
Central-So. Luzon Conf. Union (inclg. Biool)	50	2415	-250	2339	76	3	225	406	5	13	5	27	53	186.25	10897.41	4.09	62	2462	2553.86	4	145
		51	51		51		25		3	5	16	3	25	2347.53	200.23	3.92	3	38	130.40	1	230
CHOSEN UNION	21	1519	159	1197	322	27	265	287	10	23	59	31	149	2674.48	3915.56	2.93	85	3721	2483.79	30	1078
West Chosen Conference	10	720	43	566	154	27	127	155	2	6	21	11	41	1466.49	2.17	36	1879	1155.29	15	457	
Central Chosen Mission	7	432	65	324	108	33	59	81	1	4	9	8	28	1337.85	3.65	20	828	692.04	6	147	
South Chosen Mission	2	305	50	227	78	34	69	40	2	7	9	10	31	775.55	3.09	25	806	504.98	6	250	
Kando Mission	2	62	1	80	-18	--	10		1	1	3			155.57	2.65	4	208	131.48	2	76	
Union Mission								11	4	5	17	2	49	2674.48	180.10					1	148
JAPAN UNION	9	425	49	323	102	31	77	35	8	7	10	12	46	1722.43	5169.98	14.36	15	536	2150.90		
Kyushu Mission	2	41	1	39	2	5	7	4		1		2	3	482.54	12.06	2	40	154.83			
Chugoku Mission	1	57	13	28	29	103	14	4	1	1	1		3	941.43	21.39	3	73	365.41			
Kansai Mission	2	97	30	73	24	33	25	7	1	2	2	4	9	1231.64	18.38	4	141	578.66			
Kanto Mission	3	185	8	166	19	11	20	15	1	1	2	5	9	2144.82	12.12	3	209	906.08			
Tohoku Mission	1	28	-14	17	11	65	2	5		1		1	2	127.09	3.18	2	59	79.50			
Hokkaido Mission		17	11	--	17		9	2		1			1	155.64	25.94	1	14	66.42			
Union Mission									5		5		19	1722.43	86.82					1	50
MANCHURIAN UNION	9	202	27	145	57	39	42	40	2	5	11	9	31	675.73	655.96	3.95	11	291	444.56	6	132
Fengtien Mission	7	152	24	101	51	50	33	31	2	2	7	6	20	413.34	476.48	3.91	8	206	282.39	4	92
Kirin Mission	2	50	3	44	6	13	9	9		3	4	2	11	262.39	179.48	4.08	3	85	162.17	1	28
Union Mission												1								1	12
CENTRAL CHINA UNION	22	1454	162	1217	237	19	292	199	10	20	68	42	216	2562.43	2453.81	1.94	69	2232	1737.26	20	406
Honan Mission	7	566	113	376	190	50	147	117	3	5	21	12	71	903.47	2.04	23	908	653.61	7	159	
Hunan Mission	6	456	46	405	51	12	86	56	1	4	26	16	66	695.24	1.71	23	720	482.71	5	78	
Hupei Mission	7	313	6	309	4	1	50	23	1	5	11	6	41	542.21	1.79	14	339	330.04	4	92	
Kiangsi Mission	2	71	6	70	1	1	9	3	2	3	7	7	26	251.54	4.12	6	215	184.61	2	55	
Shensi Mission		48	-9	57	-9	--			1	2	2	1	8	61.35	1.08	3	50	86.29	2	22	
Union Mission									2	1	1		4	2562.43							
NORTH CHINA UNION	3	191	14	160	31	19	39	30	5	4	15	9	50	781.27	525.68	3.15	12	428	442.24	6	231
Shantung Mission	2	93	1	66	7	8	15	6	1	2	8	2	23	15.00	259.84	2.95	8	253	209.13	5	181
Chihli Mission	1	98	13	74	24	32	24	24	3	2	8	6	25	2.50	265.84	3.37	4	175	233.11	1	50
Union Mission									1		1	1	2	763.77							

SOUTH CHINA UNION		35	2262	135	2073	189	9	198	78	18	68	46	13	266	3644.51	3308.18	1.58	80	3744	1824.94	48	2410	
Cantonese Mission		7	353	30	323	30	9	59	16	5	17	18	5	56	22.97	755.75	2.40	16	412	790.72	8	247	
Hakka Mission		4	818	55	763	55	7	55		3	24	2		49		631.34	.83	21	1231	286.02	10	720	
Kwangsi Mission		5	147	22	125	22	18	41		1	2	7	1	28		216.14	1.79	8	203	191.95	2	82	
North Fukien Mission		6	337		282	55	19	5	55	1	11	1		26	21.20	499.21	1.50	7	375	86.68	8	292	
South Fukien Mission		5	272	12	260	12	4	12	4	5	4	6	5	52		675.03	2.64	9	721	291.49	7	461	
Swatow Mission		8	335	16	320	15	4	26	3	2	8	10	1	50		530.71	1.67	19	802	178.08	13	628	
Union Mission										1	2	2	1	3	3600.00								
WEST CHINA UNION		2	90	6	69	21	30	10	22	5	5	12	1	26	616.13	326.76	4.48	7	183	329.19	4	136	
East Szechwan Mission		1	59	7	48	11	23	10	22	2	1	5	1	10	284.42	175.71	3.66	5	109	179.86	2	45	
West Szechwan Mission		1	31	-1	21	10	47			3	3	5		12	297.43	147.39	5.46	1	62	129.80	2	91	
Tibetan Mission											1	2		4	64.28	3.66		1	12	19.53			
Union Mission																							
EAST CHINA UNION		26	1101	157	834	267	32	155	165	9	9	57	12	140	3833.02	2574.07	2.79	64	2413	2020.58	24	638	
Anhui Mission		5	282	26	242	40	16	36	15	3	5	17	4	47		516.79	2.06	13	466	349.39	11	254	
Kiangsu Mission		15	607	103	431	176	41	80	116	2	3	18	4	50	1023.50	1831.83	3.67	24	1297	1617.56	7	216	
South Chekiang Mission		6	212	28	161	51	32	39	34	2	19	3	37		5.00	225.45	1.27	27	650	153.63	6	168	
Union Mission										2	1	3	1	6	2804.52								
Division Headquarters										6	4	35	1	119	5869.55							1	287
MALAYSIAN UNION		19	1502	382	844	658	60	481	270	19	54	50	48	158	4417.47	11265.53	10.52	47	1658	4579.73	16	709	
Battakland Mission										1		1		9	232.70	241.77		3	100	89.89	2	155	
British No. Borneo		2	155	-7	131	24	18	17	26	1	3	4		16	194.80	467.80	2.92	7	139	221.93	7	136	
East Java Mission		1	144	34	77	67	87	79	33	2	8	6	15	16	345.20	2723.68	25.70	5	110	571.54			
Malay States Mission		1	160	25	122	38	31	30	13	1	7	2	9	11	231.80	826.88	6.22	6	142	470.31	2	25	
North Sumatra Mission		1	43	22	16	27	168	20	5	1		4	3	6	295.38	331.81	17.46	4	58	163.66			
Siam Mission		1	55	3	18	37	205	21	14	1	4	3	4	10	270.63	338.43	7.16	3	110	220.73	1	18	
Singapore Mission		3	261	11	249	12	5	28	17	2	3	3	5	15	1922.01	2385.37	9.62	6	279	1496.40	1	18	
South Sumatra Mission		1	73	22	50	23	46	18	11	1	2	3		7	199.33	420.61	9.36	2	121	384.71	1	40	
West Java Mission		6	338	105	132	203	156	108	129	2	2	6	9	19	605.74	3025.23	15.33	7	321	773.02	1	27	
Celebes Mission		2	180	131	49	131	267	128		1	1	2	2	4	119.83	356.19	7.58	4	278	187.54			
Union Mission		1	93	36		93		32	22	6	4	15	1	46		147.76	2.11					1	290
EAST SIBERIA UNION		7	802	103	514	288	56	154	121	3	2	4	7	17	341.70	3795.19	5.45	17	768	1247.52	2	52	
DIVISION TOTALS		251	14844	1999	10954	3890	35	2992	2276	111	215	400	257	1395	\$29722.50	\$52713.82	\$ 4.20	559	21034	\$22110.15	169	5783	

THE INADEQUACY OF STATISTICS

Some things cannot be put in tables of statistics. You cannot tabulate loneliness, or show the curve of hope deferred which makes the heart sick. Yet these are the things which make the difference between the shedding of ink and the shedding of blood for the Kingdom. The end of the survey is only the beginning of the missionary enterprise. Evangelism is necessarily individual. . . . It is the individual we must love and understand and win for Christ. What we need, therefore, is a survey in spiritual terms, not a counting of heads, but an estimate of thought and emotions and will. Dynamics are far more important than statistics. This is true of both sides of the line of our spiritual conflict. David Livingstone cannot be represented by a dot on the map of Africa, nor can a spot of red stand for the Mahdi who changed the whole history of the

Sudan with his baptism of blood and fire. One man with God is a majority. Such an one can chase a thousand and two of them put ten thousand to flight. You cannot prepare a statistical table of the fruits of the Spirit nor of the works of the flesh. Yet it is these imponderable forces which will determine the victory or defeat on the mission field. . . . It is the strength of these imponderable forces -- that is to say, the presence of the One Commander -- which enables the missionary beneath the walls of an Arabian city or on the borderlands of Africa to look upward with confidence and see by faith the future result of his toil -- "the great multitude which no man could number" -- a world where statistics are inadequate to express realities, where finance and budgets have lost all significance and gold is used for paving-stones. -- Dr. S. M. Zwemer, in "The Moslem World," July, 1920.

Unoccupied Fields in the Far East

Table A

	Population
NORTH CHINA UNION	
Shansi - - - - -	11,080,827
CENTRAL CHINA UNION	
Kansu - - - - -	6,927,997
WEST CHINA UNION	
Yunnan - - - - -	9,839,180
Kweichow - - - - -	11,216,400
MANCHURIAN UNION	
Heilungkiang - - - - -	2,863,644
TIBET - - - - -	6,430,000
CHINESE TURKESTAN - - - - -	2,619,679
MONGOLIA - - - - -	7,780,000
SOUTH CHINA UNION	
Macao - - - - -	74,688
Annam - - - - -	5,731,189
Cambodia - - - - -	2,000,000
Cochin-China - - - - -	3,795,613
Tongking, Laos - - - - -	7,438,250
Hainan - - - - -	1,500,000
Formosa - - - - -	3,654,398
MALAYSIAN UNION	
Madoera - - - - -	1,743,818
Bangka and Billiton - - - - -	222,723
Ternate (Moluccas and dependencies) - - - - -	149,245
Dutch New Guinea - - - - -	195,460
Dutch Timor and dependencies - - - - -	1,146,660
Bali - - - - -	947,233
Lombok - - - - -	617,781
Portuguese East India (Portuguese Timor, etc.,) - - - - -	377,815
Labuan - - - - -	6,546
Brunei - - - - -	50,000
TOTAL population unentered regions - - - - -	87,299,046

NOTE: In several countries and provinces already entered our mission work touches less than one per cent of the people dwelling within the land; and any approximately correct estimate of unentered regions should include the greater portion of lands not named in this table, the aggregate population of which totals more than 500,000,000.

Table M

THE MOSLEM WORLD

NUMBER OF MOSLEMS IN THE FAR EAST	Estimated by Dr. Zwemer July, 1923
Borneo - - - - -	152,500
Brunei - - - - -	23,900
Sarawak - - - - -	150,000
Straits Settlements - - - - -	258,791
Federated Malay States - - - - -	420,840
Protected Malay States - - - - -	758,060
Siam - - - - -	150,000
Portuguese East Indies - - - - -	9,000
Dutch East Indies - - - - -	36,000,000
French Indo-China - - - - -	328,600
Philippines - - - - -	586,999
China Proper - - - - -	6,433,000
Dependencies of China - - - - -	2,703,000
Total Moslems in Far East - - - - -	47,984,690
NUMBER OF MOSLEMS IN OTHER LANDS	
India and Burma - - - - -	70,355,469
North America - - - - -	11,000
Central and South America - - - - -	193,429
Australia - - - - -	25,000
Polynesia -- Fiji - - - - -	15,000
Europe (including Siberia) - - - - -	17,769,957
Africa - - - - -	59,444,397
Total Moslems in other lands - - - - -	147,844,242
Moslems, World Total - - - - -	195,828,932
Per cent of all Moslems in the Far East - - - - -	24 1/3 %

Table N

Populations in the Far Eastern Division

(According to the latest official census taken in the various lands)

EAST CHINA UNION - - - - -	75,662,029
Anhui - - - - -	19,832,665
Chekiang - - - - -	22,043,300
Kiangsu - - - - -	33,786,064
NORTH CHINA UNION - - - - -	76,217,960
Weihaiwei - - - - -	147,177
Chihli - - - - -	34,186,711
Shansi - - - - -	11,080,827
Shantung - - - - -	30,803,246
CENTRAL CHINA UNION - - - - -	126,282,787
Honan - - - - -	30,631,909
Hunan - - - - -	28,443,279
Hupeh - - - - -	27,167,244
Kiangsi - - - - -	24,446,800
Shensi - - - - -	9,466,658
Kansu - - - - -	6,927,997
WEST CHINA UNION - - - - -	70,838,390
Szechwan - - - - -	49,782,810
Yunnan - - - - -	9,838,180
Kweichow - - - - -	11,216,400
MANCHURIAN UNION - - - - -	22,083,434
Fengtien - - - - -	12,824,779
Kirin - - - - -	6,405,011
Heilungkiang - - - - -	2,863,644
TIBET - - - - -	6,430,000
CHINESE TURKESTAN - - - - -	2,619,679
MONGOLIA - - - - -	7,780,000
Inner Mongolia - - - - -	6,743,000
Outer Mongolia - - - - -	1,037,000
SOUTH CHINA UNION - - - - -	87,403,111
Fukien - - - - -	13,157,791
Kwangsi - - - - -	12,258,335
Kwangtung - - - - -	37,187,701
Macao - - - - -	74,688
Annam - - - - -	5,731,189
Cambodia - - - - -	2,000,000
Cochin-China - - - - -	3,795,613
Tongking, Laos - - - - -	7,438,250
Hongkong - - - - -	625,166
Hainan - - - - -	1,500,000
Formosa - - - - -	3,654,398
PHILIPPINE UNION - - - - -	10,350,640
JAPAN UNION - - - - -	58,481,500
CHOSEN UNION - - - - -	18,313,800
MALAYSIAN UNION - - - - -	65,714,976
Java - - - - -	33,240,353
Madoera (often included with Java) - - - - -	1,743,818
Sumatra - - - - -	6,075,287
Bangka and Billiton - - - - -	222,723
Dutch Borneo - - - - -	1,626,001
Celebes (including Menado) - - - - -	3,108,337
Amboina (including Ceram and dependencies) - - - - -	277,966
Ternate (Moluccas and dependencies) - - - - -	149,245
Dutch New Guinea - - - - -	195,460
Dutch Timor & dependencies - - - - -	1,146,660
Bali - - - - -	947,233
Lombok - - - - -	617,781
Portuguese East Indies (Portuguese Timor, etc.,) - - - - -	377,815
British North Borneo - - - - -	258,355
Sarawak - - - - -	1,115,644
Labuan - - - - -	6,546
Brunei - - - - -	50,000
British Malaya (Straits, F. M. S., Unfed. M. S.) - - - - -	3,332,603
Siam (including Bangkok) - - - - -	9,223,179
Total Population Far Eastern Division - - - - -	626,078,206
Total Population of World - - - - -	1,748,000,000
Percentage of World's Population in the Far Eastern Division - - - - -	35 3/4 %

Far Eastern Division Language Table

At the close of 1924 the work of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination was being carried on in the Far Eastern Division in forty-five languages and distinct dialects, as follows:

Thirty Languages in which Seventh-day Adventist literature is now published in the Far East

Amoyese (Hokkien)	Malay (Arabic)
Baba-Malay	Mandarin
Batak (Toba-Batak)	Mongolian
Bicol	Nias
Cantonese	Pampangan
Cebuan (Visayan)	Panayan (Ilongot)
Dusun	Pangasinan
Dutch	Russian
English	Shanghai
Ibanag	Siamese
Ilocano	Sundanese
Japanese	Spanish
Javanese	Tagalog
Korean	Tibetan
Malay (Java)	Wenli
	<i>Total, 30</i>

Fifteen additional Languages in which oral work is carried on in the Far East, with no denominational literature in the vernacular

Ambonese (Ambon and Ceram)
Angkola-Mandailing Batak (Sumatra)
Benguet-Igorot (Philippines)
Bontoc-Igorot (Philippines)
Foochowese (served by Wenli)
Hakka (served by Wenli)
Hainanese (Hailam) (served by Wenli)
Kalinga (Philippines)
Lepanto-Igorot (Philippines)
Tompakew (Celebes)
Tingian (Philippines)
Miao (served by Wenli)
Ningpo (China; served by Wenli)
Swatowese—T'ie Chiu (served by Wenli)
Wenchowese (served by Wenli)
<i>Total, 15</i>

Name of Union	1923 Total Sales	1924 Total Sales	1924 Total Gain	1924 Losses (sales)	Membership Jan. 1, 1924	Average sales per Member 1924	Per cent Gain or loss over 1923
Philippines	\$ 60,841.68	\$ 68,841.68	\$ 8,000.00	\$	4,491	\$ 15.33	13.15% Gain
Malaysia	36,539.30	43,161.67	6,622.37		1,120	38.54	18.12% "
Japan	17,936.69	15,259.38		2,677.31	376	40.58	14.92% Loss
Central China	12,873.20	12,287.90		585.30	1,292	9.51	4.50% "
Chosen	12,305.49	11,470.26		824.23	1,360	8.43	6.77% "
South China	10,750.65	11,768.62	1,017.97		2,127	5.53	9.47% Gain
Manchuria	6,013.25	4,521.38		1,491.88	175	25.84	24.89% Loss
East China	5,488.47	4,001.65		1,486.82	944	4.23	27.08% "
North China	3,445.57	2,801.89		643.68	177	15.83	18.68% "
East Siberia	1,248.75	1,043.00		205.75	699	1.49	16.47% "
West China	1,201.36	1,080.19		121.17	84	12.66	10.00% "
China sales, miscellaneous not credited to provinces	2,364.20	5,665.39	3,301.19	(NOTE: The net Gains in Literature Sales during the year 1924, after losses are deducted, are \$ 10,894.39)			
Division TOTALS	For Yr. 1923 \$ 171,008.62	For Yr. 1924 \$ 181,903.01	\$ 18,941.53	\$ 8,047.14	12,845	\$ 14.16	SALES-- 6.25% Gain in Yr. 1924
		NET GAIN	of \$ 10,894.39				

Table B

MEMBERSHIP CHART --- FAR EASTERN DIVISION --- FOUR YRS. --- 1920 - 1924									
BAPTIZED MEMBERSHIP							NUMBER OF WORKERS		
Name of Union Mission	Total Members Dec. 31 1924	Total Members Dec. 31 1923	Net Gain One yr. --1924	Total Members Dec. 31 1920	%Gain four-year period	Baptisms in yr. 1924	Total Wkrs. Native, & For'n 1924	Total foreign workers Dec. 31 1924	Total foreign workers Dec. 31 1920
Division							119	44	66
Philippines	5,296	4,491	805	2,177	143 %	1,279	178	26	26
Chosen	1,519	1,360	159	1,032	47 %	265	149	23	23
Japan	425	376	49	286	48½ %	77	46	18	15
Manchuria	202	175	27	135	50 %	42	31	8	15
Central China	1,454	1,292	162	1,121	30 %	292	216	30	26
North China	191	177	14	83	118 %	39	50	12	9
South China	2,262	2,127	135	1,652	37 %	198	265	36	37
West China	90	84	6	75	20 %	10	26	10	8
East China	1,101	944	157	644	71 %	155	140	19	21
Malaysia	1,502	1,120	382	500	200 %	481	136	54	44
East Siberia	802	699	103	425	87 %	154	17	3	
TOTALS Yr. 1924	14,844		1,999		92½ %	2,992	1,373	283	290
Totals Yr. 1923	12,845	12,845						289	
Totals Yr. 1922	10,954							288	
Totals Yr. 1921	9,740							300	
Totals Yr. 1920	7,705			7,705				290	

Table E

TITHE = Far Eastern Division = 1924								
All monies in U. S. Gold.								
Name of Union Mission	BAPTIZED MEMBERSHIP		1924 -- TITHE RECEIPTS			1924 -- PER CAPITA TITHE		
	Total Members Dec. 31 1924	Total Members Dec. 31 1923	Foreign Tithe 1924	Native Tithe 1924	Total Tithe Foreign and Native 1924	Combined Foreign & Native 1924	Average Native Only 1924	Average Native Only 1923
Division			\$ 5,889.55					
Philippines	5,296	4,491	\$ 2,533.78	\$18,723.10	\$21,256.88	\$ 4.73	\$ 4.19	\$ 4.53
Chosen	1,519	1,360	2,674.48	3,915.56	6,590.04	4.85	2.93	2.82
Japan	425	376	1,722.43	5,169.98	6,892.41	18.33	14.36	15.17
Manchuria	202	175	675.73	655.96	1,331.69	7.61	3.95	4.11
Central China	1,454	1,292	2,582.43	2,453.81	5,036.24	3.88	1.94	1.79
North China	191	177	781.27	525.68	1,306.95	7.38	3.15	2.72
South China	2,262	2,127	3,644.51	3,308.18	6,952.69	3.27	1.58	1.50
West China	90	84	646.13	326.76	972.89	11.58	4.48	3.63
East China	1,101	944	3,833.02	2,574.07	6,407.09	6.78	2.79	2.08
Malaysia	1,502	1,120	4,417.47	11,285.53	15,683.00	14.00	10.52	10.70
East Siberia	802	699	341.70	3,795.19	4,136.89	5.92	5.45	1.43
TOTALS Yr. 1924	14,844	12,845	29,722.50	52,713.82	82,436.32	6.42	4.20	3.97
Totals Yr. 1923	12,845		26,348.80	42,339.55	68,688.15	6.27	3.97	
Totals Yr. 1922	10,954		23,642.72	35,302.08	58,944.80	6.05	3.74	
Totals Yr. 1921	9,740		24,899.51	32,600.89	57,500.40	7.46	4.23	
Totals Yr. 1920	7,705		15,703.07	33,168.83	46,871.90	7.28	4.95	
Totals Yr. 1919	6,699		14,197.84	23,966.37	38,164.21	6.27	3.94	
Totals Yr. 1918	6,028				28,809.34	6.15		

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Table G

SHOWING DEVELOPMENT IN KOREA YEAR BY YEAR

All monies in U. S. gold

Year	No. of Churches	No. of Baptized Church Members	Total Baptisms during year	NET GAIN in membership during year	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Licensed Missionaries	Colporteurs	Total Workers Foreign and Native	Total TIME Receipts both Foreign and Native together	Total TIME NATIVE TIME Receipts listed separately	No. of Sabbath Schools	Sabbath School Membership	Total Sabbath School Contributions to Missions	No Church Schools	Church School Enrollment	Total Retail Value of BOOK and PERIODICAL SALES
1904	4	72															
1905	4	72		0	1	1	1	3		100.00				10.00	1	18	
1906	5	100		28	1	5	5	6		100.00					2	35	
1907	5	105		5	2	3	8	13		65.83					2	75	
1908	4				2	6		14		150.00					6	14	
1909	4	96		-9	2	2	7	1	21	501.00				240.00	1	14	15.00
1910	4	96		0	2	2	7	1	21	674.17				32.16	12	179	30.00
1911	4	159		63	3	12	17	4	45	786.90				80.53			30.00
1912	5	200		41	4	1	7	60		1,120.59				98.97	4	112	1,342.77
1913	8	420	66	220	3	12	39	6	54	1,155.27	403.44			164.83	9	215	
1914	10	585	137	365	3	18	35	22	78	1,388.56	597.93			253.25			1,021.89
1915	12	704	189	119	2	20	29	25	90	1,428.44				359.82	8	161	1,734.09
1916	19	860	178	156	5	31	32	28	106	2,048.80	1,179.18			297.71			1,667.98
1917	17	882	84	22	6	25	7	22	96	1,952.38	1,317.93			594.96			1,836.16
1918	17	923	116	41	6	15	44	15	106	2,504.73	1,433.26			699.93			2,501.13
1919	24	1,021	124	98	10	22	40	33	131	3,262.40	2,066.33			899.21	7	136	3,447.10
1920	20	1,032	131	11	11	18	39	22	124	4,348.40	2,829.44			1,319.71	13	349	7,377.83
1921	20	1,146	104	114	9	21	52	22	128	5,213.62	2,849.03			2,179.03	23	684	11,878.61
1922	20	1,197	112	51	9	23	43	22	136	4,778.63	3,057.95			2,515.09	16	771	9,452.54
1923	20	1,360	227	163	10	29	55	25	149	5,061.02	3,382.50			2,318.13	20	962	13,005.69
1924	21	1,519	265	159	10	23	59	31	149	6,590.04	3,915.56			2,416.27	23	963	12,305.49
1925														2,483.79	30	1,078	11,470.26

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Table K

SHOWING DEVELOPMENT IN MANCHURIA YEAR BY YEAR

Year	No. Churches	No. of Baptized Church Members	Total Baptisms during year	NET GAIN in membership during year	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Licensed Missionaries	Colporteurs	Total Workers Foreign and Native	Total TIME Receipts both Foreign and Native together (gold)	Total TIME NATIVE TIME Receipts listed separately (gold)	No. of Sabbath Schools	Sabbath School Membership	Total (gold) Sabbath School Contributions to Missions	No. Church Schools	Church School Enrollment	Total Retail Value of BOOK and Periodical Sales (U. S. gold)
1914	1	6			1	1	3		5	\$ 124.83		1	7	\$ 8.57			\$ 11.98
1915	1	17	9	11	1	4	4		9	200.24		2	23	62.26			77.58
1916	1	35	18	18	1	7	4	3	15	339.59	85.17	5	53	149.34			629.51
1917	2	54	18	19	2	5	1	4	18	412.86	203.80	6	85	215.92			1,975.61
1918	2	65	24	21	2	7	3	3	17	692.17	242.61	6	98	264.15	1	12	2,180.10
1919	3	87	23	22	2	7	7	4	23	705.17	335.80	7	123	201.51	2	30	3,351.06
1920	6	135	28	48	3	9	11	6	31	1,099.61	434.55	9	186	300.79	2	38	3,657.88
1921	5	127	26	-8	1	8	10	7	38	1,142.35	357.79	9	182	366.33	4	57	3,512.83
1922	7	145	36	18	1	7	14	6	37	1,285.75	500.38	10	255	498.72	6	98	5,603.30
1923	8	175	40	30	1	6	24	13	43	1,369.08	596.23	10	231	460.60	6	113	6,013.26
1924	9	202	42	27	2	5	11	9	31	1,331.69	675.73	11	291	444.56	6	132	4,521.38
1925																	

Literature Sales in the Far Eastern Division---1907 to 1924

(U. S. Gold)

Table D

Year	JAPAN	CHOSŬN	PHILIPPINES	MALAYSIA	CHINA AND MANCHURIA	SUNGARI-MONGOLIA	TOTALS
1907				\$ 4,257.56	\$ 287.45		\$ 4,545.01
1908			\$ 1,630.23	3,513.42	350.00		5,493.65
1909		\$ 30.00	927.25	3,640.28	1,000.00		5,597.53
1910	\$ 400.00	30.00	1,000.00	4,308.45	711.66		6,450.11
1911	2,020.67	1,342.77	554.02	978.98	1,108.51		6,002.95
1912	500.00	800.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,700.00		5,000.00
1913		1,021.89	1,344.59	1,529.37	2,644.32		6,540.17
1914		1,714.09	6,401.58	1,114.12	3,067.99		12,297.78
1915	1,843.02	1,667.98	12,678.74	919.54	5,660.35		22,769.63
1916	1,070.18	1,816.16	13,349.05	1,928.24	10,789.73		28,953.36
1917	4,666.13	2,501.13	20,940.26	3,143.54	12,537.64		43,788.70
1918	4,836.23	3,417.10	47,547.38	5,688.09	16,236.10		77,724.90
1919	7,465.46	7,377.83	42,787.11	21,257.24	15,050.77		93,938.41
1920	11,115.41	11,878.61	55,306.05	35,342.03	22,281.22		135,923.32
1921	14,960.00	9,309.00	42,644.36	23,387.00	27,686.00	\$ 354.00	118,340.36
1922	17,933.32	13,005.69	51,174.82	27,211.14	29,537.00	1,495.39	140,357.36
1923	17,936.69	12,305.49	60,841.68	36,539.30	42,136.71	1,248.75	171,008.62
1924	15,259.38	11,470.26	68,841.68	43,161.67	36,461.63	1,043.00	181,903.01
Grand Totals	\$100,006.49	\$79,688.00	\$428,968.80	\$218,917.97	\$234,912.47	\$4,141.14	\$1,066,634.87

Statistical Report of the Far Eastern Division Mission

1 Number of Mission	2 NAME OF MISSION	3 Number of Mission Stations	4 Number of Mission Outstations	5 Number of Organized Churches	6 Baptized Membership of Organized Churches	7 Baptized During Quarter	8		9		10		11 BIBLE WOMEN (not including column 10)		12 Other Foreign Women (Unlicensed)	13 BOOK AND PERIODICAL CANVASSERS		Number of Mission		
							Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native		Foreign	Native		Foreign	Native
1	Division	1					5	1	4		35					1		1		
2	Philippine Union	5	136	98	5296	1279	7	9	2	30	17	16		11		1	71	2		
3	Chosen Union	3	17	21	1519	265	5	5	5	18	13	46				2	29	3		
4	Japan Union	1	14	9	425	77	4	4		7	5	5		9		1	11	4		
5	Manchurian Union	2	8	9	202	42	2		2	3	4	7		1		1	8	5		
6	Central China Union	5	63	22	1454	292	5	5	10	10	15	53		11		3	39	6		
7	North China Union	2	9	3	191	39	4	1	2	2	6	9		1		1	8	7		
8	South China Union	7	86	35	2262	198	12	6	4	64	20	26		16		1	12	8		
9	West China Union	3	4	2	90	10	4	1	1	4	5	7		2			1	9		
10	East China Union	3	59	26	1101	155	6	3	2	7	11	46		1	23	2	10	10		
11	Malaysian Union	12	22	19	1502	481	17	2	8	26	30	20		4	4		1	47	11	
12	East Siberian Union	1	17	7	802	154	1	2	1	1	4	4		1	2	1	1	6	12	
13	TOTALS, Year 1924	45	435	251	14844	2992	72	39	41	172	161	239		6	71	10	15	242	13	
14	<i>The totals given below for preceding years reveal the growth year by year.</i>																			
15	Totals, Year 1923	44	343	235	12845	2276	73	43	41	153	165	228		2	75	8	11	193	15	
16	Totals, Year 1922	46	337	230	10954	1901	61	38	55	155	159	203		5	79	10	13	192	16	
17	Totals, Year 1921	46	299	201	9740	2126	59	33	48	154	138	192		5	54	8	17	145	17	
18	Totals, Year 1920	40	267	169	7705	1538	61	26	49	133	170	147		1	55	9	3	178	18	

25 Number of Mission	26 Average Attendance S. S.	27 S. S. Offerings to Foreign Missions for First Twelve Sabbaths	28 Thirteenth Sabbath Offering	29 Total S. S. Offerings for Quarter, including Thirteenth Sabbath Offering	30 Retail Value of Periodical Sales (including Subscriptions)	31 Value of Book Sales (on Basis of Retail Price)	32 Total Retail Value of Book, Tract, and Periodical Sales (All Literature)	33 No. of Church Buildings Owned by Mission	34 Estimated Value	35 Approximate Seating Capacity	36 Number of Church Schools Conducted	37 Enrolment Church Schools	38 Number of Mission
1													1
2	4101	4181.77	667.67	4849.44	\$10705.34	\$58136.34	\$68841.63	72	\$17532.00	6735	10	424	2
3	2988	2201.18	282.61	2483.79	6597.93	4872.33	11470.26	50	11539.00	5050	29	930	3
4	377	1461.00	689.90	2150.90	3862.15	11397.23	15259.38	7	16000.00	900			4
5	221	362.07	82.49	444.56	3238.79	1232.59	4521.38	2	6000.00	275	5	120	5
6	1859	1326.48	410.78	1737.26	5756.03	6531.82	12287.90	19	10127.00	1800	18	254	6
7	412	366.27	75.97	442.24	1476.13	1325.76	2801.89	1	1500.00	400	5	150	7
8	3167	1461.29	363.65	1824.94	5350.73	6417.89	11768.62	17	13225.00	3600	45	2147	8
9	166	242.07	87.12	329.19	124.32	955.87	1080.19	1	3000.00	250	4	136	9
10	1950	1766.98	253.60	2020.58	1976.74	2024.91	4001.65	6	24175.00	1650	22	537	10
11	1446	3330.88	1248.85	4579.73	5023.66	38138.01	43161.67	6	8200.00	700	14	294	11
12	719	1122.06	125.46	1247.52	29.72	1013.28	1043.00	1	12233.00	450	2	52	12
13	17406	17822.05	4288.10	22110.15	\$33486.25	\$148410.76	\$181903.01	182	123531.00	21810	154	5044	13
14	<i>Totals Year 1923, 1922, 1921, 1920, given below</i>												
15	14871	17083.04	3606.19	20689.23	31114.44	79878.66	171008.62	140	89212.45	20725	131	3884	15
16	12897	15549.52	3062.86	18612.38	35660.30	80306.93	140357.35	76	36675.50	10163	139	3927	16
17	10836	14771.82	3007.07	17778.89	39749.91	78157.47	119327.06	71	35036.00	8855	127	3846	17
18	9062	12368.76	2617.15	14985.91	28638.11	86431.74	129713.20	69	36863.00	9015	109	2833	18

for the Year Ending December 31, 1924

All Values in U. S. Gold

14 MEDICAL WORKERS (including those licensed)		15 OTHER WORKERS (not else- where listed)		16 TOTAL LABORERS (net total)		17 TITHE RECEIPTS U. S. GOLD			18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
Foreign	Native	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Total tithe Receipts (Foreign, and Native)	Tithe Per Capita	Total offerings Foreign Missions Excepting S. S. and Y. P. S., as noted Columns 27, 51	Total Contributions Home Mission Work Exclusive of Harvest Gathering and Sustentation Funds	Total Receipts, Harvest Gathering Work	Total Contributions for Local Church Work not included in Columns Nos. 20 and 21	Number of Sabbath-Schools	Membership		
3	4	53	44	75	5889.55		5889.55									
		17	26	152	2533.78	18723.10	21256.88	4.73	1138.44	321.72	7301.19	32.20	152	5019		
		17	23	126	2674.48	3915.56	6590.04	4.85	581.17	178.17	35.00	1133.01	85	3721		
			18	28	1722.43	5169.98	6892.41	18.33	636.61	78.48	1235.91	6163.78	15	536		
		4	8	23	675.73	655.96	1331.69	7.61	124.94	112.91	548.36	96.18	11	291		
3	12	22	30	186	2562.43	2453.81	5016.24	3.88	527.52	.67	2097.48	793.32	69	2 32		
		8	12	38	781.27	525.68	1306.95	7.38	257.08	13.30	1522.31	18.19	12	428		
3	7	57	36	229	3644.51	3308.18	6952.69	3.27	845.60	13.43	102.94	162.76	80	3744		
1	1		10	16	646.13	326.76	972.89	11.58	155.73	21.14	30.00	80.46	7	183		
		26	19	121	3833.02	2574.07	6407.09	6.78	412.83	54.83	1096.97	578.89	64	2413		
3		17	54	104	4417.47	11117.77	15535.24	14.00	474.07	484.13	8169.29	297.89	47	1658		
			3	14	341.70	3795.19	4136.89	5.92	224.39		302.24	147.52	17	809		
13	24	226	283	1112	29722.50	52566.06	82288.56	6.42	5378.38	1278.78	22441.69	9504.20	559	21034		
13	27	266	289	982	26348.80	42339.35	68688.15	6.27	6399.41	2178.86	16087.21	3397.51	530	18180		
16	44	268	288	988	23642.72	35302.08	58944.80	6.05	4662.38	564.93	14839.51	3154.85	501	16261		
13	30	232	300	868	24899.51	32600.89	57500.40	7.46	1329.50	1017.26	18232.66	6152.58	423	13970		
18	49	229	290	813	13703.07	33168.83	46871.90	7.28	2008.39	2852.12	6129.41	1814.61	382	11663		
39	40	41	42	43	44		45		46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53
Number of Intermediate Schools	Enrollment of Intermediate Schools	Number of Training Schools	Training Schools Enrollment of	Total Enrollment	NUMBER OF FOREIGN TEACHERS		NUMBER OF NATIVE TEACHERS		Total No. of Teachers	Estimated Value School Buildings and Equipment	Expense of Maintenance of Schools	Number of Young People's Societies	Membership	Y. P. S. Contributions for Foreign Work	Y. P. S. Contributions for Home Mission Work	Y. P. S. Contributions for Local Society Work
		1	287	287	5	4	6	4	21	\$17000.00	\$25000.00					
		1	230	654	4	5	11	7	27	7180.03	10778.80	49	1149		.17	53.38
		1	148	1078	2	2	38	3	45	14076.60	12602.13	31	1474	18.58	11.20	1.43
		1	50	50	2	3	2		7	3000.00	2864.00	4	65			
1	12			132	1		4	2	7	630.00	644.49	8	153			
2	152			406	2	4	32	4	42	16400.00	5082.00	3	223			
1	81			231	2	2	9	3	16	4500.00	1092.00	2	120			
3	263			2410	4	7	80	21	112	40182.00	19232.20	8	222	2.77	65.29	3.00
				136	1	1	11	2	14	650.00	1470.00	2	41		.16	6.51
2	101			638	1	1	24	8	34	2892.14	3839.05	11	614			2.25
1	125	1	290	709	4	4	23	10	41	29786.00	13711.86	4	261	3.96		26.90
				52			1	3	4		783.27	1	43	3.90	2.57	1.16
10	734	5	1005	6783	27	33	243	67	370	136296.77	97099.80	123	4365	29.21	79.39	94.63
12	935	5	989	5808	24	33	225	72	354	107774.77	100306.74	88	3200	66.90	285.36	241.40
7	681	5	867	5475	23	27	220	59	329	100697.16	77345.49	76	2835	202.15	48.09	266.95
5	422	5	766	5034	22	20	176	46	264	93467.65	47366.69	36	1062	30.07		97.54
5	340	5	567	3747	18	20	147	42	227	81068.87	46084.97	28	692	20.54	53.60	90.45

Report of the Far Eastern Division Sabbath School Department for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1924

All values in U. S. Gold

Conference or Mission	No. Schools	Membership	Average Attendance	Senior Division	Youth's Division	Primary Kindergarten	Cradle Roll	12 Sabbath Offering	13th Sabbath Offering	Total Offerings
Central China	69	2232	1859	1782	141	283	26	\$1326.48	\$410.77	\$1737.25
Chosen	85	3721	2988	1963		1593	165	2264.37	363.42	2627.79
East China	64	2413	1950	1560	383	470		1785.85	264.84	2050.69
East Siberia	17	809	719	539	117	152		963.17	183.30	1146.47
Japan	15	536	377	375	10	151		1460.86	689.93	2150.79
Malaysia	46	1658	1446	1100	158	379		3795.67	1428.07	5223.74
Manchuria	11	291	221	164	120	6	1	365.08	89.94	455.02
North China	12	428	412	230	38	141	6	365.90	76.74	442.64
Philippines	145	5019	4101	3128	395	1215		3838.83	766.52	4605.35
South China	83	3744	3167	1311	876	351		1473.77	367.12	1840.89
West China	7	183	166	93	55	55		224.07	87.12	311.19
Total	554	21034	17406	12245	2293	4776		\$17864.05	\$4727.77	\$22591.83

An Analysis of the Statistical Reports for 1924

UNTIRING diligence on the part of many local and union mission secretaries with the assistance and counsel of union superintendents has brought to us full statistical data for the year 1924. This was presented in partial form at the time of the Spring Council of the Far Eastern Division Committee and now is given complete in a series of statistical tables and summaries on pages 11-22 of this issue.

Membership Gains

Net gains in church membership during the year 1924 were slightly in excess of those of any preceding year, the total aggregating 1,999, bringing the number of baptized believers in the Far Eastern Division up to 14,844. The membership gains for the past few years, in four-year periods, together with the gain during 1924, are:

Membership gains 1900-07	322
Membership gains 1908-11	601
Membership gains 1912-15	2,678
Membership gains 1916-19	3,098
Membership gains 1920-23	6,146
Membership gain 1924	1,999
Total membership Dec. 31, '24	14,844

The membership chart given as Table B sets forth in graphic form a number of details for study and reference.

Gains by Individual Unions

The total net gains in church membership during 1924, and during the five-year period 1920-24, have been realized in varying proportion from the eleven union missions in our territory, as follows:

Union	Membership Gain in 1924	Membership Gain for 5 yrs. 1920-24
Philippines	805	3,633
Chosen	159	498
Japan	49	120
Manchuria	27	115
Central China	162	417
North China	14	116
South China	135	899
West China	6	26
East China	157	472
Malaysia	382	1,047
East Siberia	103	467

Gains by Provincial Missions

In further analysis of gains in church membership, attention should be called to substantial advances in several of the provincial missions, notably the following:

Provincial Mission	Membership Gain in 1924	Membership Gain for 5 yrs. 1920-24
Northern Luzon	244	545
East Visayan	177	445
West Visayan	583	1,425
Bicol	51	51
West Chosen	43	248
Central Chosen	65	120
South Chosen	50	125
Kansai	30	16
Fengtien	24	91
Honan	113	154
Hunan	46	146
Cantonese	30	122
Hakka	55	474
Kiangsu	103	303
East Java	34	106
Malay States	25	130
West Java	105	274
Celebes	131	180

A complete record of the year's showing by provincial missions, and of the status of these provinces two years ago as compared with the close of 1924 is given in Table O on the two middle pages. This table will bear close study. Some provinces have far outstripped others similarly situated as regards territory and workers. Sometimes there have been extenuating causes for such marked differences in net results attained for expenditure of time and effort; but usually we find that by God's grace hindering causes may be removed, and desert places may be made to blossom and bud and bring forth many-fold.

The Sabbath School Department

A summary of Sabbath school statistics for the Far Eastern Division appears on the upper half of page 22. The total membership, 21,034, gives promise of many increases in the church membership during the year 1925; for the Sabbath school membership at the end of 1924 was 6,190 in excess of our baptized church membership. Gains in gifts through the Sabbath school are not increasing proportionately with the membership. The goals fixed during the Spring Council of 1925 should assist materially in our effort to attain as quickly as possible an average of \$1,000 gold a week for missions through the Sabbath schools of the Far East.

The Publishing and Home Missionary Departments

For detailed information on the results to date from publishing department activities, see Tables "C" and "D" also the Language Table given on page 18. These speak for themselves, and give ground for large hope for the immediate future. The 1925 Literature Sales Goals for Big Week Mission Extension are listed in column I on page 7.

Educational and Young People's Work

Gradually our youth are being gathered into our own schools—primary, intermediate, academic. Many are being trained for service. Recommendations regarding this work are given on pages 7-10; statistics showing the present status appear in the two double page tables shown on pages 12-13 and 20-21. In Table "O," on pages 12 and 13, church school statistics are given in the last two columns; in the tabl

appearing on pages 20-21 Educational statistics are given in columns 36-48, Young People's Missionary Volunteer statistics in columns 49-53. Detailed statistics year by year on Educational and Missionary Volunteer work are given in tables "F," "G," "H," "J," "K," "M," in the last few columns.

Progress by Unions

Certain of the statistical tables set forth with considerable detail the progress year by year in various Union fields—Table "G" for Chosen; Table "H" for South China; Table "J" for Malaysia; Table "K" for Manchuria; table "M" for Philippines. Owing to the difficulty of segregating statistics for Mandarin China during years when the work was conducted under one central organization, Table "F" has been prepared to show progress year by year throughout all China, including the three outer provinces of Manchuria. Those who are close to the China work sometimes despair of ever seeing the work move rapidly in that great field; yet when we survey the work in its entirety for the past twenty years, we can see solid, substantial growth. To God be all the praise.

The figures given in Table "J" for Malaysia, Table "M" for the Philippines, Table "K" for Manchuria, and Table "H" for South China, bear silent witness to many steady gains.

Tithes and Offerings

Detailed summaries of Tithes and Offerings appear on pages 16 and 17.

Naught whereof to Boast

Table "L" should cause us all to seek God anew for special blessing and help in the winning of souls; for from this table it is apparent that scarce a tithe of what should be accomplished by our working force is being attained year by year. The low average of about one new believer a year (net increase) for each mission worker, maintained for many years, is now being slowly changed, and this is a source of satisfaction and of thanksgiving to God. The next year or two should make it impossible for us to give a table of this sort on one page, in view of the greatly increased length of lines for 1925, 1926, and onward. God will honor our faith as we continue to labor with all diligence and in His name for an abundant ingathering of souls during 1925. c.

A Growing Work

Sister B. Miller writes from Kuan-san, under date of June 5:

"I am rather a prisoner here. Yesterday a man in authority came to ask what I am doing here. When I told him that I am a missionary, he told me not to enter the street, but to keep inside, as he feared the students here might break out and harm me. I believe he meant to say "kill" me. He was very polite. I asked him if I could go to Shanghai. He said, "No; that would be very dangerous," and advised me to stay inside the house for the present.

"I am glad to say that the Lord is giving me work to do within these walls; for every morning and afternoon I spend several hours in Bible study with both men and women."

"For almost three months now I have been visiting our stations in the Kiangsu and Chekiang provinces. The Lord is blessing me, and I praise His name for what He is doing. In spite of war and confusion our work everywhere is growing beyond our hopes or expectations. The harvest is ripe, but where are the reapers

to share the great harvest God is Himself preparing?

"I have just received a letter from one of our Bible women telling me that at Bao Sjing every Sabbath twenty women meet for worship. We have had work there for only about one year. The work for the women is steadily growing.

"I believe that the Lord will yet do a great work for the women of China who still sit in darkness and are without hope in God. In many homes those who have come to know and to love the Saviour have torn down their idols and given them to me; and I know that it is only the power of God that can accomplish such a change in human hearts. May God grant us as workers more full and complete consecration to Him is my earnest prayer."

A Successful Mission School

At Hsueh Yuen Chiao, where Brother Gin Yao Gwang is running a mission school, nine souls were recently baptized. Of these, two were from the school. When Brother Gin first

went to that village, there were thirty i attendance at the mission school and 210 at the government school. Brother Gin was sure that that was not the right proportion, so he set about to change it, asking God to give him wisdom.

The Lord likes to answer such prayers. Last fall there were 160 enrolled in our school; but they could not all be housed them all, so thirty were obliged to go elsewhere. Now we have two full time teachers and one part time. More than a dozen of the pupils are asking for baptism; but because they are so young and live in heathen homes, we have thought best that they wait.

Among those baptized was a young man who has been a Taoist priest. We believe that this young man will lead all his family to the Saviour. The interested ones in this place have their own chapel fitted, furnished and rented all at local expense. We are glad for what the Lord is doing there. In July another class will be ready for baptism, and then there will be enough members to organize a church at Hsueh Yueh Chiao. G. J. Gjording.

Far Eastern Division Outlook

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From South China Prof. Kern passed on to Singapore, where he is to meet with the students of the Malaysian Union Seminary. Brother Kern plans on returning to the States via Manila, spending a fortnight or so with the young people of the Philippine Union before sailing per *S. S. Empress of Russia*, July 18, for Vancouver.

Statistical Number

On pages 13-23 of this number are given statistics of various phases of the work of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination in the Far Eastern Division. These figures have been arranged in the form of "Tables" in order to facilitate study and reference.

Taking Mid-Year Inventory

"We shall easily pass last year's record of net gains in membership," remarked a union superintendent in my hearing the latter part of May. And thus it seems to be in several of the Unions. The returns for the first quarter are not all in at this writing, and it is difficult to forecast the gains; but it is hoped that we shall at least gain as much this first quarter as we have lost through the transfer of the East Siberian Union to the European Division; namely, four hundred eighty-nine. We shall quickly make this up, and at the same time exceed the totals for 1924. But the accomplishment of this is dependent in part on ceaseless vigilance and untiring effort; and the suggestion made to us by Pastor Evans on the first page of this issue is timely and helpful. Let us take inventory as we come to the close of the first half of 1925; and let us make sure of rounding out the year's work as befits those held accountable for the souls of men.

En route from Sweden

Through Washington we have been informed of the sailing of Brother and Sister Nils Dahlsten from Europe May 30, for China. They are on the *S. S. "Fulda,"* of the North German Lloyd Line, and are due to arrive in Shanghai July 23. Following a period of language study, Brother and Sister Dahlsten are to labor in the Manchurian Union.

Departures

From Shanghai, June 15, for the United States, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Williams, of the Central China Union, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Scharffenberg and family, of the Shanghai Missionary College, on furlough.

From Singapore, late in May, Sister V. L. Beecham and children, for the United States, on furlough. Brother Beecham is remaining in the Malaysian Union until next year.

From Yokohama, June 18, for the United States, Pastor and Mrs. H. A. Oberg, of Seoul, Chosen.

Harvest Ingathering Papers for 1925

Orders for Harvest Ingathering papers for 1925 have been received from some sections of the Far Eastern field, but many orders are yet to be filed. These should be forwarded early to Mr. H. W. Barrows, treasurer of the Far Eastern Division, 25 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China, in order that the papers may be in hand in time for the opening of our Harvest Ingathering Campaign scheduled for September 12 to November 14, 1925.

The Chinese Harvest Ingathering Special for 1925 is now in type, and the color-cover is being run. Sample copies of the completed paper will be mailed out, as usual, to all our workers in Chinese territory and in touch with Chinese, about the close of June. If orders have not been placed in sufficient amount, supplemental orders should be sent in early.

Attention is once more called to the opportunity we have in the Far East of placing many copies of the Harvest Ingathering paper in the hands of those speaking various languages other than English or Chinese. The 1925 edition can be had in the following languages: French, Spanish, Swedish, Danish-Norwegian, Russian, Italian, Portuguese, Dutch, German, Roumanian, Yiddish, Polish, Servian, Japanese. Aside from the American edition in English, there is an edition published in Great Britain, and another in Australasia.

Siam: Opportunities Today

The Kingdom of Siam dates back to the first dynasty, *A.D. 1257*, and was closed to foreign influence until 1833, at which time treaties were made with all the great nations of the world, and printing was introduced into the country. When the judgment hour struck, Siam's doors were opened, and they have remained open, awaiting the coming of the last gospel message.

Three and a half millions of Laos in the eastern part of the country are without the influence of a foreign missionary. Korat, the chief city and trading center of the East country receives traders from all parts of that vast territory. It is stated that half a million people pass through this city every year. Numerous cart roads and canals terminate here which reach to every part of the country. Air mail service is in operation between the chief markets, which makes it possible to send magazines to the thousands of Chinese living in the country.

It takes a long time to get literature translated and printed in a new language. Some one should be here preparing to give the message to this needy field. We are thankful for the promise of the book "Light for Our Day" in the near future. This can be used to a limited extent all over Siam, but cannot be read by the Lao people. Let us hope that the Laos, as well as many other dialects of the Siamese, may not have to wait much longer for the coming of the messenger of light.

R. P. Abel.

Recommending and Doing

Now that sundry recommendations have been adopted by the brethren in counsel, it remains for us to give study to these, and to carry them into effect insofar as circumstances may permit. In union of effort there is strength. United endeavor, in harmony with the spirit of the recommendations set forth on pages 2-10 of this issue will surely bring untold blessing to every department of our work in the Far East.

The Midsummer Offering—July 18, 1925

Let all remember the Midsummer Offering to be taken up Sabbath, July 18, 1925. This offering is for the general support of our mission work, and is to be reported through the regular channels to the mission treasury. c.

Troublous Times in China

Once more we are constrained to acknowledge the tender mercies of our Heavenly Father in protecting His own during the troublous times that have come to many sections of the China field. The promise of our Lord, "Lo, I am with you always," is very precious and reassuring, and we believe our associate workers will continue their labors with unflagging zeal, despite the many hindrances.

As we write these lines, dark clouds are sweeping over vast areas of the China field already occupied by our workers, and our thoughts and prayers are with the evangelists, the colporteurs, the Bible women, and the faithful brethren and sisters comprising our church membership. We trust all will remember that we are sojourners in a land of promise, and that our kingdom is not of this earth, but is an abiding one, even the Heavenly kingdom. Partisan politics have no place in our program. We are here to reveal the love of Jesus to every man and every race.

It is useless to forecast probabilities, as those who receive this paper will be in touch with the situation perhaps as fully as are we. We are praying that the Lord may overrule, so the gospel message may be sounded speedily throughout China. c.

An Announcement

Recently the General Conference Committee has arranged for Brother J. M. A. LeMarquand, secretary-treasurer of the British Columbia Conference, to assist missionaries on and off the boats sailing from the port of Vancouver across the Pacific. Brother LeMarquand's address is 605 Carter Cotton Bldg., Vancouver, B. C. Canada.

Central China Sets a New Goal

We have had a splendid meeting here in Hankow, and it has been very encouraging to see how the Chinese workers have responded to the instruction given. One afternoon near the close of the conference I listened to one of the best testimony meetings I ever attended. Every worker testified, saying in one way or another that he had received a new vision, and had learned the proper method of working since coming to the conference. A number expressed their desire to keep the second coming of Christ ever before them. The brethren set goal to gain 2,500 new church members by the next biennial session. I believe they can make it 3,000, if the present spirit of consecration is maintained. We have expected too little in the past. Now with enlarged vision and increasing faith, we should bear abundant fruitage for the Lord.

J. J. Strahle.
Hankow, May 17, 1925.

Reports of Biennial Sessions

Many reports are in hand from the biennial sessions of the Central China, North China, Chosen, and Manchurian Unions; and these must necessarily be held over until later issues. The Lord has been meeting with our brethren and sisters in the union sessions, and many blessings are being reported.