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“FORGIVE US -- AS WE FORGIVE.”

WE are not forgiven *because* we forgive, but *as* we forgive. The ground of all forgiveness is found in the unmerited love of God; but by our attitude toward others we show whether we have made that love our own. Wherefore Christ says, “With what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged; and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.”

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But sin is not to be lightly regarded. The Lord has commanded us not to suffer wrong upon our brother. He says, “If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him.” Sin is to be called by its right name, and is to be plainly laid out before the wrong doer.

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We ourselves owe everything to God's free grace. Grace in the covenant, ordained our adoption. Grace in the Saviour effected our redemption, our regeneration, and our exaltation to heirship with Christ. Let this grace be revealed to others

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Give the erring one no occasion for discouragement. Suffer not a Pharisaical hardness to come in and hurt your brother. Let no bitter sneer rise in heart or mind. Let no tinge of scorn be manifest in the voice. If you speak a word of your own, if you take an attitude of indifference, or show suspicion or distrust, it may prove the ruin of a soul. He needs a brother with the Elder Brother's heart of sympathy to touch his heart of humanity. Let him feel the strong clasp of a sympathizing hand, and hear the whisper, Let us pray. God will give a rich experience to you both. Prayer unites us with one another and with God. Prayer brings Jesus to our side, and gives to the fainting, perplexed soul new strength to overcome the world, the flesh, and the devil. Prayer turns aside the attacks of Satan.

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How little do we enter into sympathy with Christ in that which should be the strongest bond of union between us and Him.—compassion for depraved, guilty, suffering souls, dead in trespasses and sins! The inhumanity of man toward man is our greatest sin.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

THE BIBLE STUDY.**THE GIFT OF PROPHECY.**

1. Gen. 2: 15-24. Originally, before sin, the Lord walked and talked face to face with man.
2. Gen. 3: 8. After sin, the Lord still desired to communicate with man in the same way.
3. Gen. 3: 8, last clause. But man's attitude towards the Lord was changed by his sin. His conscience made him afraid of God: so that when the Lord came to tell him of the plan of salvation, man hid himself from God.
4. Exod. 3: 6. last clause, Moses. Exod. 20: 21. Israel. Isaiah 6: 5, and Isaiah, though children of God cherished the same fear.
5. Rev. 6: 14-17. This same fear will possess the wicked when they see the Lamb of God.

Note.—From the above it must be clear that the consciousness of guilt becomes so great in God's presence, that even good men cannot endure personal contact with Him. Some plan had to be created, however, by which there might be communication between God and man. The privilege of prayer is the plan for man to approach God. The Gift of Prophecy became the plan for God to approach man.

6. Exod. 20: 1-17. The giving of the Law at Sinai was an effort of the Lord's to renew contact, and talk to His people.
7. Exod. 20: 18, 19. But the unwilling people requested that the Lord would speak to them through a man.
8. Deut. 18: 15-18. The Lord accepted their request.
9. Num. 12: 6-9. Making an exception, the Lord said He would make known His will to chosen men by visions and dreams.
10. Deut. 18: 18. 2 Peter 1: 21. He would indite their messages.
11. Heb. 1: 1. When a prophet spoke, God spoke through him.
12. Luke 24: 25, 44. Christ recognized all that the prophets had spoken.
13. 1 Cor. 12: 28, Eph. 4: 11. The Gift of Prophecy belongs to the Christian church.
14. Rev. 12: 17, 19-10. It is integrant in the remnant church.
15. 1 Cor. 1: 4-8. Those who are waiting for Christ's coming will enjoy the movings of the Holy Spirit

only in proportion to their acceptance of the Spirit of Prophecy.

16. 1 Thess. 5: 20. Therefore we are enjoined not to despise the voice of the prophet of God.

H.J.E.

THE SUBTIL CRUELTY OF WORLDLINESS.

Many young people are inclined toward a worldly life. They do not realise the words of Paul, who stated plainly that "The flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh, so that you may not do the things that you want to do," by nature. Gal. 5: 17. We have omitted the reason, which is included in the text: "for these are contrary the one to the other." Jesus said the same thing in other words, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself," or, "refuse to gratify his inclinations." Working this out in his own life, Paul kept his "body under." Self-control, guided by the righteous counsels of God's word, is true temperance—a fruit of the Spirit that will safeguard us in the environment of sin and folly.

Are you, dear young friend, inclined to worldliness? Let me tell you of a vulture whose wings often soared high up into the heavens and enjoyed the sweetest breezes that waft the skies far above the world. One day, while soaring higher and higher its quick vision espied a dead carcass lying on a flotilla of ice. Speedily yielding to its natural cravings, it swooped down, planted its feet in the victim of death and gorged itself, until, being tired of the pleasant gratification of its appetite it essayed to rise again. But its feet were frozen to the carcass. It then endeavoured to flap its wings, but, alas! they too had become fettered by the freezing atmosphere, and soon, exhausted in its vain struggles to get free, it fell helplessly upon its carcass and died.

Likewise, you may find some gratification for your appetite of the carnal kind, when you gorge your brain, and sensuate your nerves, feeding your fancies and carnal inclinations on the things of this world. But—yes, there is that BUT! May it not be that when you desire to leave the world and its follies, you may find yourself fastened with bonds you cannot break that will make your every effort a mockery? My dear young friends remember the vulture and keep to the heights of Christian spirituality.

H.J.E.

THE CAYMAN ISLAND MISSION.**A TRIP TO THE CAYMAN ISLANDS.**

It was the writer's good pleasure to spend a few days during the month of December in the Cayman Islands, with Pastor and Mrs. I. G. Knight, and Bro. Frank Fletcher of Jamaica. Brother Fletcher has been working in these Islands for the past year and a half. Pastor and Mrs. Knight came to the field during mid-year of 1929, Brother Knight to act as Superintendent of the Cayman Mission field, and Sister Knight to look after the departmental work.

Since the arrival of Pastor Knight two Church buildings, one in Georgetown and the other in Cayman Brac, an Mission House of four rooms have been erected, the cost of all of which being within the limit of the \$1,500 allocated. The church-building and home in George Town, Grand Cayman, have been erected largely by the labours of Elder Knight's own hands. It has been a marvel to all the community that a man of his advanced years could be so active and accomplish so much in the way of hard mechanical labour.

During my stay at Georgetown public services were held each evening for ten days, and there was a good interest on the part of the many friends who attended. Personally, I have never met a finer class of people than the Caymanians. They showed me every kindness and courtesy. Though the Islands are small and the population is limited I am confident that the message of God for these last days will find a ready response in the hearts and lives of many of these fine noble people. The religion of the three Islands, Grand Cayman, Cayman Brac, and Little Cayman, is entirely Protestant. It is rather unusual to find a community where the Catholic religion is not found, as in these Islands. The Presbyterians and Baptists are predominant. We have three organized churches and companies of Seventh Day Adventists and several isolated believers in other sections. This message is finding earnest seekers after truth and light in all lands. Rev. 14: 6, 7. Matt. 24: 14.

A. R. OGDEN,

Superintendent,
Antillian Union Mission

NEWS NOTES.

The following statement has been handed in by the Conference Treasurer, showing the extent to which the Conference has been able to assist the churches in their buildings during 1929, without infringing upon the Budget. It is interesting to note how the 13th Sabbath overflow provided £91 17s. 3d. and the Harvest Festivals £71 4s. 3d. The Church Building Fund also came to the rescue with £301 18s. 6d. making a total of £465. We are erecting better buildings in better places and with better appearance. We hope it all means that better (spiritually) worshippers will benefit.

**DISBURSEMENTS TO CHURCH BUILDINGS.
1929.**

1.—13th SABBATH OVERFLOW—

Belfield	50	0	0
Gayle	10	0	0
Bonny Gate	10	0	0
Axe and Adze	10	0	0
Regent Street	6	17	3
Hector's River	5	0	0
Total	£91	17	3

2. CHURCH BUILDING FUND.—

(a) Clear Gifts:

Bagbie	3	0	0
Riversdale	10	0	0
March Town	132	0	0
Croft's Hill	5	0	0
Campbell's Castle	10	0	0
Gayle	35	0	0
Blue Hole	5	5	0
Mt. Providence	25	0	0
Bird's Hill	6	0	0
Regent Street	9	8	6
Newell	20	0	0
Linstead	1	5	0
Ocho Rics	40	0	0
Total	£301	18	6

(b) Refunds, Harvest Festival, etc.—

Belfield	30	19	3
Newport	4	2	0
Manchioneal	0	5	0
Gayle	14	10	4½
Old Harbour	0	6	8
Sherwood Forest	6	8	3
Port Maria	0	5	0
Port Antonio	2	4	11½
Bonny Gate	1	14	10
Collecting Cards	0	18	0
St. Ann's	9	9	11
Grand Total	£71	4	3

Pastor Stockhausen sent us a New Year's Message too late for insertion in the January "Visitor," which reads as follows:—

"The sun is fast moving toward the horizon for the last time in 1929. In a little while we will have crossed the dividing line between two years. As I look back over the closing year, I see much to praise our loving Heavenly Father. Varied have been my experiences, and I feel that the Lord has blessed my feeble efforts during the year, and I now dedicate my life to His service anew for another year.

Since leaving Kingston, I have spent many happy hours looking into the faces of and talking to the brethren on this side of the Island. The weather has been all that could be desired. On Sunday morning I had the pleasure of baptizing eight candidates at Blue Hole, two of whom were from Port Antonio, two from Long Bay, and the remaining four from Sherwood Forest. This brings my total to one hundred and two for the year. I am setting my goal at one hundred and twenty-five for 1930."

Pastor A. R. Ogden, always a welcomed visitor to this part of his field, returned from the Cayman Islands in time to spend the New Year's season in Kingston. His initiation into the mysteries, rolling, pitching, and other vagaries of the S.S. "Cimboco," formed interesting material for a book, but we are not permitted to tell all that happened, except to say that Pastor Ogden in all his travels never knew the superthrill of seasickness before. Read his report of better things elsewhere.

There is nothing more enjoyable than to read of the progress of the Lord's work as the days go by. In a private letter from Pastor Fletcher, he gives a review-summary of the work for 1929 in his district. He says, "Even my little corner has not been forgotten by the Lord. I am pleased to report the final number of baptisms for 1929, which is 97. These were all in my own district. We have also finished two church buildings, one of which has been dedicated—Bagbie and Bonny Gate. The Belfield church is nearing completion. Gayle church is well advanced. Broadgate and Watermount meeting houses raised up and almost completed. Three churches have been organized. I thank the Lord that while I had to give so much of my personal labour to the church building construction the soul-

winning side has not been neglected. I have several more awaiting baptism which must wait until the New Year."

Brother and Sister Nation, who have been staying at Seaford Town, wrote that "The Week of Prayer" was a real source of encouragement to this church. Every morning at five o'clock we had our reading. Though sometimes it was very cold, yet the members with many friends and neighbours were willing to leave their beds to enjoy the wonderful feast provided in the readings.

Sister Annabelle Parchment, who kindly held the Seaford Town School until the end of the year, to enable the Conference to adjust the teacher appointments, left for her home just before Christmas. It is very pleasing to the executive to be able to find faithful and helpful, as well as qualified young people who will help out in an emergency. We thank you Sister Annabelle.

1928 has been a record year, perhaps, in testing the possibility of calling into the Lord's service temporarily and for special emergencies, capable and consecrated young persons to help out. Bro. E. L. Hinds has spent week-ends helping the company at Linstead, and others stepped into the lines to help out the Big Week and Harvest Ingathering Campaigns. The results in each case have been very gratifying, and we have received messages of appreciation of the help thus afforded from several churches. Souls have been won also, and, while we thank each of those who have come forward and responded to our call, we also thank the Lord for his blessing that has followed the plan.

BLUE HOLE.—The very profitable time we have spent with Pastor W. H. Randle deserves to be mentioned. He has been occupied with several church duties such as Bible studies, teaching singing, etc., and presided over the first three meetings of the Week of Prayer. On Sunday morning, Dec. 15, he buried two precious souls with their Lord in baptism. The decorum of those at the river side was splendid. After receiving these candidates into fellowship, the election of officers took place. The Holy Spirit was felt in all these meetings. Elder Randle has always manifested his companionship with Jesus, but that has seemed to be doubled in this recent visit. He prayed as never before, and seems to have received new power from

God. He imparted to us much courage and good cheer, and we have been greatly benefited by his visit.

W. F. LANGLEY.

The Week of Prayer was greatly appreciated in Kingston in the different churches. The attendance was splendid, and the results impressive. After reading the touching appeal of Pastor C. H. Watson on the last Sabbath morning, the great assembly at North Street rose to their feet in new consecration and in fuller degree. In the evening service for the Young People, which was attended by a large number of adults, the young men and women and even the children solemnly surrendered their lives to Jesus. Such meetings are very sweet and serve to draw hearts together in victory which we trust will be enduring.

Some of us who have been looking for Jesus to come for many years are made happy over the delay when they see how it is giving opportunity for our dear young people to enter the fold, and the older ones to put away that which so easily besets them still. Yet conditions on every hand and in every phase of human experience indicate that there will not be many more such weeks. Who knows whether the next Week of Prayer will not be spent behind prison bars, or among the seven last plagues. Much as we have enjoyed our prayer-weeks and days of the past, we still look lovingly, longingly, and with deep yearning for that day when prayer will give place to praise, faith, to sight, and sorrows to the tear-wiping. The Sabbath school lesson for the last day of that feast, Dec. 21, reminded us of the promise that, "He that shall come will come, and will not tarry," and our hearts respond, "Even so, Come Lord Jesus!"

There are five Church schools operated with assistance from the Conference, Seaford Town, Guy's Hill, March Town, Contented Hall and Kingston. The amount contributed toward these schools in 1929, amounted to £184 10s. 0d.

The College was very happy to receive Pastor A. R. Ogden, President of the Union and Pastor H. J. Edmed, President of the Conference for a visit last week end. Pastor Ogden addressed the student body at the vesper hour. Mrs. Orrett from Kingston accompanied them and spent a few days at the College with friends.

VICTORY! Another victory has been added by the Lord's goodness and the co-operation of our church members to the Jamaica field. What seemed to be impossible has been achieved, and all those who have nobly taken part and done their bit will rejoice with us in the results of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Our goal was £1,250, and on Dec. 31, the amount realized in actual cash was £1,275. We believe that if it were possible for us all to assemble in one place and offer our praises to God, He would hear the heartiest "Praise God" that ever ascended from human lips in Jamaica. Truly our members are rapidly uniting with the "It can be done" society, and now we trust that out of this great effort many souls will be added to our ranks. Let us pray and work that it may be so.

We truly hope that this success will cause those who did not take part to take courage and join with us in the next Campaign. For if every member had done his part, and the children had all taken hold, we would have had at least £2,000. This shows that in preparing candidates for baptism, we should make it clear that one of their new obligations will be to "get a move on." Drones may have their uses, but they kind of hinder when there is anything doing. This Message is a movement, and all who unite with it are moving on with it if they are truly converted. As the work progresses we are more and more convinced that the work of God in this earth can never be finished until every member is drawn into the activities of the movement.

Sister Ivy Wilson, who has so ably carried the work of Head Mistress of the North Street Church Day School for some time, has placed her resignation in the hands of the Church owing to domestic reasons, and Brother Colin Pitter has accepted the invitation of the Executive to fill her place. The pupils have learned to love Sister Wilson, and will be sorry to miss her from the desk as they return. We have often visited the school while in session, and have greatly appreciated Miss Wilson's work. We are sure, however, that the school has a capable Master in Brother Pitter, and we are specially glad to welcome him to the list of our Church school teachers as having graduated at our Mandeville College. Before commencing his work, Bro. Pitter spent some time in study with Brother Bailey,

the Educational Secretary, and Prof. O. W. Tucker, arranging his programme, and we believe that the new arrangement will prove a source of confidence to those who send their children to our school. It is also gratifying to know that two new graduates of our college have been added to our work at the commencement of 1930. We wish them both—brethren Pitter, and Kissendal of March Town—success.

CHEERFULNESS.

"Cheerfulness," says Ruskin, "is as natural to the heart of a man in strong health as colour to his cheek, and where ever there is habitual gloom there must be either bad air, unwholesome food, improperly severe labour, or erring habits of life." It is an erring habit of life if we are not first of all cheerful. We are thrown into a morbid habit through circumstances utterly beyond our control, yet this fact does not change our duty toward God and toward man—our duty to be cheerful. We are human, but it is our high privilege to lead a divine life, to accept the joy which our Lord bequeathed to His disciples.

Our trouble is that we do not halt will. After a man's habits are well set, about all he can do is to sit by and observe which way he is going. Regret it as he may, how helpless is a weak man, bound by the mighty cable of habit, twisted from tiny threads which he thought were absolutely within his control. Yet a habit of happy thought would transform his life into harmony and beauty. Is not the will almost omnipotent to determine habits before they become all-powerful? What contributes more to health or happiness than a strong, vigorous will? A habit of directing a firm and steady will upon those things which tend to produce harmony of thought will bring happiness and contentment, the will, rightly drilled—and divinely guided—can drive out all discordant thoughts, and usher in the reign of perpetual harmony. It is impossible to over-estimate the importance of forming a habit of cheerfulness early in life. The serene optimist is one whose mind has dwelt so long upon the sunny side of life that he has acquired a habit of cheerfulness.

Campbell's Castle company report a programme that was successful in raising £1 13s. 4d. towards their group for a church building. Prof. Tucker presided, and several of the College teachers assisted.

Brother J. Edwards relates the story of the Bird's Hill church in praying for the recovery of Sister E. Douglas. She had been ill for some time, and the doctor diagnosed her case and pronounced it "bone disease." He said she would die in a few weeks. After special prayer, however, Sister Douglas was able to walk several chains to church, and attended the full service which Pastor W. H. Randle conducted. For this marked favour from the Lord the brethren offer praise to Him.

One of the most pleasant, and, we trust profitable visits that have come into our programme in Jamaica was a visit to the Southfield and Newel churches in company with Pastors A. R. Ogden and B. A. Meeker, with a call at Mandeville College before and after, mid-week-end in January. The country presented a wonderful contrast with the condition, that prevailed after the recent dry spells and every where smiling faces and charming country greeted us. Even the drive down the Devil's Back was enjoyable. Pastor Ogden was specially interested in this trip because it brought him in touch with families that have given so many sons and daughters to the work. Need we speak of the Crawfords, the Parchments, the Wrights, the Reids, the Brodies and the Johnsons, and others whose names have been so closely intertwined with the history of our work in Jamaica. Some of these families were represented by grandpas and grandmas whose hairs have silvered in the service and sacrifice of the Third Angel's Message. Infirmity and disease have incapacitated some, but all are "going strong" in their loyalty and devotion to God and His cause. Grandpa Crawford though unable to walk, sits serenely in his chair and greets one with his old-time smile, while his agile wife ministers as of old to the servants of God, with characteristic hospitality. Dear Brother Brodie, prostrated with a long drawn out arthritis, and unable to move, greets one with a sweet smile of resignation that would melt the hardest heart, while his devoted sister gives her strength and talent for the relief of their helpless brother. Truly it is wonderful how the grace of God sustains in affliction! Grandpa Parchment feels the weight of declining years, yet his sunset is golden with memories of the growth of God's great work. Three meetings at Southfield, and two at Newel—all of which were filled with interest of the deepest earnestness, gave Pastor Ogden opportunity to tell some of the thrillings that

go with the Message. His sermons were rich in faith and courage, and when the public meetings were held there was no room for those who attended. The sermons were naturally long, but the time was all too short for many. At Newel, the church was packed, as well as the yard around the small building. The Holy Spirit was there, and when we left Monday morning, there was a pang of regret that silently stirred within our hearts.

On the return journey, we spent several hours at the College. This is always an enjoyable privilege. There seems to be an air of application to duty combined with an endeavour to cater to the happiness of visitors in that institution. We spent some time looking around. We saw the rooms the lady students painted, as well as those coloured by their brothers, and we concluded that our dear sisters are a good match for the boys when it comes to such a competition. The bright buff colour is a marked improvement, and the few rooms we were permitted to view were neat and comfy.

The sheet metal work was in full swing, and young men were busy fulfilling contracts that help. The bakery was producing some of the bread that has such a cake-like flavour; and the furniture shop was ready, aye ready, sir, when the time came for class work. The Laundry was fine, and considering the out-of-date equipment, we felt to congratulate the school on its efficiency. We did regret more than words can express that funds are too limited to provide greater facilities for all this good work. But we are hoping that the Lord will provide in the way He seems to have chosen, by a steady process, more advantages and better equipment.

Professor Tucker has a right to be proud of his school, and we hope the plans he has formulated for better class rooms, dormitories, and other necessary appointments may soon be realized.

We were glad to find Prof. Rathbun much improved in health; and it was interesting to watch the students adapt themselves to the cafeteria plan, collect their trays and food from the counter, mark the price ticket and pass on. We noticed too that some of the students are finding plenty of adipose tissue since they went to the school, and we decided that there is a bunch of fine young men and women, with the advantage of a very efficient teaching staff. And we cannot forget the wonderful vegetables, potatoes, bananas, eggs, milk and - (even) cream, and other products that respond to the

magic wand of Professor Parchment. Our only shadow during our stay was found in the incessant rain and the thought that we cannot be students at the W.I.T.C. But, of course, that is open to our youth!

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS.

A merry Christmas awaited the members of the Conference Committee as they responded to the call to meet in counsel Dec. 24-26. Pastor S. U. Powell was unavoidably detained, but all the other ministers attended, and were invited to join in the discussions, so that the field was thoroughly represented.

A very sweet spirit prevailed, and every item on the agenda, was discussed calmly and with harmony of thought and decision. Each minister presented the very pressing needs of his district and, after cutting out the things that could wait a little longer, when the value or cost of the requests was aggregated the amount required was £4,800. As the cash available would only amount to £590 a committee of three was appointed to recommend how this sum should be distributed and for what purpose. Their recommendations will be made known at a later date.

The following goals were set for 1930: Big Week, £200. Harvest Ingathering, £1,250; Baptized members to be gained, 500.

The date of our next Conference session was fixed, subject to the acceptance of the Union Conference Committee for some date near to the close of the General Conference meetings. Mandeville was recommended as the place for the Conference.

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Resolutions were passed, inviting Pastor and Mrs. E. E. Andross and Pastor A. R. Ogden to visit this Island at the end of February and conduct three Conventions for our Young People and Church Officers in different parts of the Island.

(2) That Church Schools assisted from Conference funds be required.

- (a) to conform to the Laws of the land regarding school buildings, ventilation, sanitary fixtures etc.
- (b) to make sound provision for the regular payment of their teachers.
- (c) to encourage all our children to attend.

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Sabbath School Department

MRS. H. J. EDMED.

A GOOD BEGINNING FOR 1930.

Our Kencot school has won back their Pennant. We trust they will never lose it again. Their increase in the number of Honor cards secured it to them. Well done, Kencot!

In a letter from Sister V. Peake, the newly appointed superintendent at Mandeville, she says.—“We are determined to have the Pennant. Our lesson study is well up, also offerings, so our prospects look good for obtaining it. I am working and praying for it this quarter.” Enclosed in Sister Peake’s letter were the names of 22 who had enrolled for the Sabbath School Worker’s Training course. Sister Rathbun is in charge of the class and we look forward to sending a number of certificates to our Mandeville school at the close of the course. Sister Crawford has won certificates for the 1928 and 1929 courses and Sisters Rathbun and Grounds for that of 1928.

Another encouraging letter has come from our Superintendent at Glengoffe—Sister M. Howell—which reads as follows: “I have been reading the “Visitor” in which I have seen that there are many Sabbath Schools laying hold of the Pennant and are endeavouring not to let it go. As Superintendent, I do not want my school to be behind in any good thing, so would you be kind enough to send me all information this week. Plans were laid at the beginning of the quarter to increase our offerings and the teachers were asked to set class Goals. The Goal set for the school is 7/3. We began the quarter with a membership of 40 and on January 11th, had 53 enrolled, 29 having studied their lesson each day. We were successful in reaching our offerings goal with a little overflow. I am sure we could all say, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’ Surely God can use every member of the Glengoffe school.”

NOTE THIS.

Bro. H. A. Mullings of Santa Cruz has completed a six year’s record in Daily Study and Perfect Attendance. He is the happy recipient of the Book-

mark given for the five year period. At the close of December Sister A. A. Plummer of Old Harbour also completed a six year’s record. Others have good records for shorter periods. These are for—

4 Years.

Mr. John Mullings, Newell.

3 Years.

Miss A. W. Sangster, March Town.

Miss Daisy Stewart, Mt. Carey.

Mrs. C. E. Mullings, Newell.

Mr. C. E. Law, Regent St., Kingston.

Mr. C. W. Gibson, Spanish Town.

2 Years.

Mr. C. J. Ogilvie, Bagbie.

Mr. Luther Morgan, Beeston Spring.

Mr. R. J. Edwards, Campbell’s Castle.

Mrs. Adina Francis, Craig.

Mr. James Bailey, Mt. Providence.

Mr. Thomas Samuels, Newell.

Miss Icy Mitchell, Regent St., Kingston.

Mr. Gabriel McIntosh, White House.

From the reports received thus far we have the names of 54 who merit at the close of December last the Bookmark for a year in Daily Study and Perfect Attendance.

May the year 1930 be a record one in the study of the Book of books.

Publishing Dept.

Byron A. Meeker.

Brother Leslie Dillon and C. J. Ogilvie have entered the West Indian Training College for the second semester. They have been canvassing, and come with enthusiasm for a better preparation for their work. Bro. Dillon said he had the great joy of leading a soul to Jesus last year in the colporteur work.

Brother Kenneth Destoe is just taking up the colporteur work since accepting the Truth last September. He tells us he has been successful under God in leading four precious souls into the light.

Bro. C. E. Williams a Minister of another Church is entering the colporteur work. We hope that our brethren will remember these new workers and our regular colporteurs in prayer.

BYRON A. MEEKER, F. M. S.

Home Missionary Department.

Byron A. Meeker.

Organize the church for service. Every member of the church may have some place in the plan. At least three bands could be operative in each church, namely:- Christian Help Band, Prayer and Personal Worker’s Band and Literature Band. The bands should be encouraged to co-operate in times of general campaigns such as Big Week and Harvest Inathering.

Territory may be districted and a group of workers assigned to each territory. In each district all the activities of the church should be represented.

The object of all activity is the salvation of souls. May God give each of us a burden for others. Cottage meetings and Bible Readings may be conducted by our members who are prepared. A thorough study of the Sabbath School lessons will prepare many for this work.

There are only a few foreign missionaries compared to our force of Home Missionaries.

Every member of the church is called to be a home missionary first. The call to go far away may never come. Does not your church need you? Can you not hear the Master say: “Go work today in my vineyard?”

Well our churches will grow and prosper if our members will unite together for advancement. Jesus said: “My people shall be willing in the day of my power.” Are you willing? Some day willing workers will hear the welcome call, “Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.”

THAT HOME MISSIONARY SERVICE.

In response to requests we give here a suggestive programme for the Sabbath morning services.

9.30 a.m. Sabbath School.

10.45 a.m.—Sabbath school closes.

10.45 a.m., or immediately after the S.S. is dismissed, sing one verse of a Hymn, during which the Home Missionary officers distribute the report forms for following sabbath, and collect reports for the past week. Announce any plans of work, campaigns, or other Home Missionary work, offer a short prayer, and close promptly at 10.55.

Some larger churches may need fifteen minutes. But by increasing the number of distributors and collectors, the meeting can be kept within the ten, or at the outside fifteen minutes. Close with prayer, But the prayer should be short.

11.15, commence the morning service. Let this service be as follows: Have everybody in their seats quietly and as eleven fifteen, the preacher and his associates quietly ascend the rostrum. They kneel while all the congregation bows in silent prayer. As they arise from their knees, all the congregation arises and sings the Doxology. The Tithes Collection Hymn is next sung while the envelopes are collected. The announcements should follow immediately after the prayer for God's blessing on the tithes and offerings. Then the opening service should begin, and this should not be later than 11.30. After the sermon, sing a hymn or render some selection appropriate to the subject of the sermon or Bible Study. Close with a short prayer, after which all be seated for a minute with heads bowed in silent prayer until the Leader or minister says "Amen." Then all should rise and quietly pass out without stopping to talk in the Church building.

This is suggestive, and each Church must adopt such plans as may seem easiest and best. But we have found this programme to work very impressively.

We desire to emphasize that the dismissal of the sabbath school does not mean the dispersion of its members. But the Sabbath School closes, and immediately the Missionary Secretary and officers occupy the time with the ten-minute missionary service, the great object of which is merely to collect reports, distribute forms to fill in, and make announcements of Missionary activities and plans. If members will fill in the forms before they come to church and be ready to hand them in, time will be saved. Absolute quietness should be observed in this service as in any other service.

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- (d) to select their teachers in counsel with the Conference Executive officers,
- 3.(a) That our church school teachers be chosen preferably from those who have graduated in the Normal Course at the W.I.T.C.
- (b) that our church schools be standardized and superintended

by the Educational department of the Conference.

- (c) church school teachers be required to attend an Institute for teachers appointed by the Conference during the summer vacation.
- (d) That classes, methods, and text books, harmonize with our denominational standards.
- (4) That each church be encouraged to provide a suitable ordinance set, and a cupboard in which to store them in the church building.
- (5). That each church in a district be encouraged to join in an effort to complete one church building at a time in their district, by donations of labour, and money, or materials, programmes, harvest festivals, etc., in counsel with their superintendent and the Conference Executive
- (6). That all funds thus provided shall be reported to the office treasurer and accounted for by the local Pastor when the edifice is completed, copy of statement, invoices, etc., being placed in the office file.
- (7). That where companies desiring to erect a House of Worship do not have any members skilled enough to do the work, the Conference endeavour to supply a man to lead out in the construction work with the aid of the local members, under the joint counsel of the district Pastor and the Conference President.

In re-districting the Island, Flower Hill church was placed in Pastor Geo. Smith's territory: Porus, Newport, Grove Town, Campbell's Castle, were added to Pastor Randle's District: Southfield was added to Pastor Rashford's district: and the company at Parrottee was advised to unite with the Newell church: Spanish Town, Linstead, Ewarton, and Duxe's were placed under Pastor H. Fletcher's direction: and Troy and Craig were advised to unite in erecting a good building to serve the district around Troy.

Our Churches were urged not to allow their buildings to become delapidated but to attend to repairs as and at the time needed without delay.

The College very kindly placed their rooms at the disposal of the committee, and provided very happily for their entertainment. The work concluded with a College Board meeting, and we trust

that all the decisions reached may prove helpful in building up and strengthening the work.

A ROYAL EXAMPLE.

When Prince Alfred (Duke of Edinburgh) went to South Africa many years ago, in H.M.S. "Euryalus," the captain invited some of the natives to come and see the wonderful Man O' War with its big guns and its army of naval men. They felt very proud too, for they would see the Prince, who they expected would be dressed in royal splendour and surrounded by many courtiers like a king. But when they came aboard they were astonished to find His Royal Highness with bare feet and a broom, washing the deck. At first they were very much puzzled, for they had always supposed that an English Prince would be far too proud to work. Then too, they had thought that no one could be "Boss" to a son of Queen Victoria. The Prince and the Captain made things clear to them, however, explaining that England's greatness is largely due to her love of work, and submission to all authority. Before they left the ship they gladly offered the Prince their homage and declared their allegiance to the Queen.

This reminds me of the visit of Jesus, to this world. He came as a poor worker assisting his father at the carpenter's bench, and when people went to see Him, they could not understand that the Son of God would mix with the common people and live and work like a sinful man. When they met Him walking to do some job on a house, with His tools on His back, they could scarcely believe that this was the Prince of Peace, the Son of the Living God. But, like the Duke of Edinburgh, he got as near to us as He could, that He might know by experience all about the struggles and labours of His people. As a boy, He must often have washed papa's feet when he came home from his work, and helped His mamma wipe the dishes, chop the wood and run to the shop to buy. He loved to work and to be submissive, and He learned obedience by the things that He suffered, and all this made Him great—the greatest Teacher the greatest physician, the greatest Prince, and to-day the world recognizes that He was the greatest Man that ever lived, and that He was the Son of God, and we are glad to acknowledge Him as our personal Saviour, Sovereign and Prince.

H.J.E.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE.

WHO'S WHO.

WILLIAM CAREY.

William Carey, pioneer Baptist Missionary to India, was born at Paulerspury, England, August 17, 1761. The son of a weaver, he was very poor, but his property was an advantage as it helped him to form a strong character. As a boy he was very studious, never giving up until he thoroughly mastered the thing he was studying. He himself said: "I chose to read books of science, history, voyages, etc., more than any others. Novels and plays always disgusted me." He was a great lover of Nature, and took great delight in gardening.

At seventeen he was apprenticed to a cobbler, in whose library he found a New Testament commentary. The Greek characters were new to him, so he began a study of that language. Strange to say, he was addicted to lying, and it was because he was discovered lying to his employer that a young Baptist companion began to take interest in his spiritual welfare. At this time Carey was a "churchman." He was soon converted, and baptized into the Baptist faith. Before he was twenty, however, he had married a girl who cared nothing for religion then.

Carey's interest in the heathen was aroused by Captain Cook's "Voyages Around the World," and in 1786, before he was ordained, he unburdened his heart to a ministers' convention. He was held up to ridicule by a Dr. Ryland, who was later converted to the idea of Christian missions. As a minister, Carey was obliged to do his cobbling while preaching, and in his workshop he hung a map of the world he had made, and filled it with suitable information as fast as he could gather the facts. He studied French, Dutch, Latin, and Hebrew, thus unconsciously preparing for the great work before him. At a ministers' meeting in 1792, he gave to the world the great motto of missions: "Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God."

Carey's great aim was to arouse the church to the obligation to carry the gospel to earth's darkened millions. But great movements come slowly into being. Carey had been agitating this question for years, and now, in 1792

as the result of a tract he had written on missions, the Baptist Missionary Society was formed on Oct. 2. Carey's opportunity to go was not long in coming, for on Jan. 10, 1793, he was chosen as colleague to Dr. John Thomas, a missionary to India.

Arriving at his field of labour, he had to face the opposition of the East India Company, but after months of untold hardships he and Dr. Thomas were given the management of two indigo factories. Here Carey learned Bengali and Sanskrit, and translated the New Testament into the former language. But in the midst of success came sadness. In 1798 his wife became insane and died in 1807. It was about this time that Carey used his influence to secure a law forbidding the burning of widows with their dead husbands.

In 1800 Carey and Thomas saw the first fruits of their labours in the baptism of Krishnu, who afterward became a faithful minister. In 1801 the New Testament in Bengali was published, and about that time Carey was given a chair in Fort William College. His salary of £600 was afterwards raised to £1,500, but he lived on £50 a year and gave the rest to missions. It is said that the once penniless cobbler gave to missions not less than £40,000 in all. With his colleagues, Marshman and Ward, who went out to India in 1799, he published the Scriptures in forty languages and dialects. He gave forty-one years of service to India, and lived to see a college for native workers, a medical mission, a leper hospital, and at least thirty large mission stations. His last work was to revise the Bengali Bible.

A man of sterling character and unswerving purpose, he was fully devoted to the cause of Christ, and has left the impress of his life upon the history of missions. But his humility was as great as his devotion, and his desire to uplift Christ and Christ alone was reflected in his dying words to Mr. Duff, his successor: "Mr. Duff, you have been speaking about Dr. Carey, Dr. Carey; when I am gone, say nothing about Dr. Carey—speak about Dr. Carey's Saviour."

He breathed his last on June 9, 1834.
P. J. BAILEY.

FIND THE ANSWER.

QUESTIONS FOR FEBRUARY.

1. Where do you find Paul's argument for the support of the Gospel ministry?
2. In what chapter does the same Apostle liken the church to the human body?
3. Name five of the Judges of Israel.
4. What does the parable of the lost piece of money teach?
5. Whom did God first call to be His mouthpiece in the early days of the Advent Movement?

ANSWERS FOR JANUARY.

1. By Peter, when, as Christ and His disciples passed through Caesarea Philippi, He asked them, "Whom do ye say that I am?" Matt. 16:16.
2. The Israelites knew of and kept the Sabbath when the manna was first sent Ex. 16:27-30.
3. Achan. Josh. 7:25, 26.
4. 1907.
5. Phillippi. Acts 16:12.

M. V. NOTES

OFFICERS' FEBRUARY SCHEDULE.

1. Check up the condition of your working bands and prayer bands. See that each band is functioning, and that members are reporting faithfully. Have oral reports in your meetings.
2. Find out how many of those taking the Bible Year are up to date in their reading. Encourage those who have been reading from 1929 to finish up before the end of March.
3. Missionary Volunteer Week of Prayer begins on March 8 this year. Prepare the ground for it both in Prayer bands and in the general meeting of the Society.
4. Show an interest in the Standard or Attainment class; it would be better if you were members of it yourselves. If you have certificates, then put seals on them.
5. Send me your goal for 1930. It is important that I know what each society is planning to do for the year.
6. Strive to have every member observing the Morning Watch.

LITTLE FOLKS' CORNER.

A LITTLE GIRL RAISES £64.

Many years ago a young minister began work in a small Town in South Africa. He erected a tent with a wooden frame and a sheet of canvass thrown over it in which to hold meetings. Nicely printed hand-bills were issued inviting the people to the meetings. At first he had to take these round himself, but as the congregation became larger, he managed to get some of them to help him, until the tent was filled with interested listeners each night. In a few weeks, forty-eight of these began to observe the seventh day and were baptized. They had a lot of Little Folks too, and they soon wanted to build a church and start a church school. The Mayor of the town heard of their desire and gave them a lovely piece of ground in the best part of the town. Then they held a meeting to see how much money they could raise for the building. A list was made and each one told how much they would give in a year by paying so much each month—some £25, £10, some £5, etc. The young minister was very poor, but felt that he should be an example, and he and his wife promised £10, trusting that the Lord would help them to save it out of their little wages.

They had two little daughters, one about ten years old and the other two years younger, and after they had promised their £10, their oldest girl stood up and said she would give £5. This frightened her papa and mamma very much, as they felt that what she gave would have to come out of their pockets. But they kept quiet, believing that the Lord had moved upon her to promise, and that He would provide the money somehow.

When the meeting broke up they had over four hundred pounds promised and felt very happy. Yet they still wondered how that extra £5 would come. But a few days afterwards, the little girl came to her Daddy and asked him to lend her 2/6. He had always taught his children never to borrow, and at first tried to put her off. But she pressed for it, and as he trusted her he put the half-a-crown in her hand and she went off smiling.

For several weeks afterwards, as he used to come in for his evening meal, he would find a lot of little girls sitting

on the front verandah, enjoying themselves, but he did not think but that they were playing. However, one day he was asked to visit some churches many miles away in the country, and as he was packing, his little girlie came and said "Papa, see these two boxes?" showing him two very large card boxes, "You must take these with you and sell them see?" Her papa did not like this, as he did not know what was in the boxes, and he did not think ministers should engage in selling things. So he said, "No, papa cannot sell things." But she urged him that he must, and replying to his question, stated that, "There are Ladies Fascinators, Baby's sockies, wool jackets, etc." Poor papa tried to hide his feeling of dislike for any such a mission. But as she pressed, he finally consented, and when he arrived at the first town he asked the lady of the house in which he stayed if she wanted any of the things. She looked at them, and immediately bought several pieces and offered to sell the rest as it was "for the church."

The minister then travelled into the country where he held three weeks special revival meetings. Many of the young people gave their hearts to Jesus and at the end, several were baptized in a beautiful pond beneath a lofty mountain.

Then came the last of the meetings. The little church was full, and everybody seemed specially happy that day. As the time for final consecration was called, the local leader stood up and told the young minister how much the Lord had blessed the church in the meetings. The lady who promised to sell the things for the little girl had brought them out there, and they had quietly sold them for him, and he stepped forward and placed a bag of money in the minister's hand, saying "This is what we have received from the sale of your little girl's work, and we pass it to you as a token of our gratitude to God, and our desire to help build the church." Many faces were wet with tears which his sweet smiles of joy, as the minister, overwhelmed with surprise and joy, burst into tears. God had indeed honoured the little girl's faith, and it was not long before that little group of children joyfully listened to the story of how the Lord multiplied a little girl's promise of £5 into a bag of £64. The

happened over thirty years ago. The church was built and a fine school was established.

H.J.E.

HONOUR NAMES.

Honour names are the names of those who answer the questions. This month we have the following list of Little Folks, Uivia Henriques, Veta Henriques, Ena Henriques, Carmen Bradshaw, Vashtiana Oliver, Aston Oliver, Wilbert Oliver, Eric Plummer, Oswald Laird, Aston Davis, Edgar Bennett, Louise Bennett, Eudora Webber, Rebertha Lindo, Floris Green, Claud Nelson, Nicoida Nelson, Elizabeth Garrick, Edna D. Bridge, Isola Lindo, Luther Morgan, Ethel Morgan, Charles Morgan, Arthur Morgan, Emeris Wilkie, Luna Davis, Cinderella Oliver, Rebertha Eyre Shaw, Melvin Frater, Wilford Gray.

The answers are—

1. The heaven was created first.
2. Jesus Christ kept the first Sabbath.
3. Peter, the apostle walked on the water
4. The Tree of Life bears twelve manner of fruits.
5. Zachariah 8-5.

QUESTIONS FOR FEBRUARY.

1. How did Jesus prove that He can forgive our sins in Matt. 9:1-7.
2. Which of the apostles was converted by a voice from heaven?
3. Who saw a great sheet let down from heaven?
4. What was the name of the angel that talked with Daniel?
5. What man was put into a lions' den because he prayed to God?

Some of my Little Folks have sent in some nice letters. Here is what Little Folk Luna Davis says, "I have great pleasure in joining the Little Folks family, and I am now sending in my first attempt to answer the questions. I enjoy reading the stories in the Little Folks' corner and shall always look forward to the next copy of the "Visitor."

Another is from Isola Lindo. "I cannot express my joy in words to show how glad I was to see my name has been printed in the "Visitor," and that other questions have come for me to answer.

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They seem as if they are very hard at first, but after putting on my thinking cap I find that there are no difficulties in them. I never spend a happier time than when answering the questions."

"The man with one foot in the grave is all right if the other foot is in heaven."

7. Plan definitely with the officers of the church for the meetings to be held during M. V. Week, and make sure that each young person in the church who is not converted will receive special attention at that time.

INTER-AMERICAN READING COURSES FOR 1930.

SENIOR—"Great Controversy," Chapters 1-18.

"In the Land of the Pagodas."

JUNIOR—"Really Trulies," "Book of Missionary Heroes."

Look up the prices of these in the 1930 Catalogue and order at once from the Tract Society, so as to get an early start on your Reading Course work.

A letter from Blue Hole states that the young people raised more than half of the Harvest Ingathering collected by the Church. We should be glad to know how many M. V. Societies equalled that record.

Mandeville has ordered a six month supply of 25 *Present Truth* for gratuitous distribution by mail Pray that God will fulfil the promise, "My word shall not return unto me void."

CHURCH LEADERS PLEASE NOTE.—You will before long receive a copy of the March "Church Officers' Gazette." The purpose of sending you this is that you may plan with the young people for Missionary Volunteer Week which begins March 8. The programme for the week will be found in the paper. Please give the matter your prayerful attention.

P.J.B.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS—YEAR 1929.

Churches & Cos.	Members.	Tithes.			S.S. Off.			Missions.													
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.											
Axe and Adze	25	25	2	6½	12	14	6½	5	15	8	Mahogany Grove	29	7	15	3½	2	1	0	5	15	11
Bagbie	34	29	1	5¾	13	19	6½	10	3	9¼	Manchioneal	32	40	10	0½	20	18	11¼	21	7	3
Balldonny	23	11	3	4¾	4	12	7	11	7	0	Mandeville	89	170	15	4¾	69	4	9¾	81	11	11¼
Beeston Spring	10	8	9	3½	4	6	0½	5	6	6½	Campbell's Castle	..	..	..	..	5	0	0½	6	8	10
Belfield	33	13	11	8	6	18	11	42	9	3¼	March Town	..	..	..	..	44	4	0	26	19	2½
Broadgate	..	..	..	..	3	8	6¾	5	11	11	Mile End	..	..	..	..	4	1	5¼	8	2	4½
Bellas Gate	22	13	1	2¾	2	16	3¾	8	19	4	Montego Bay	55	97	16	5	35	7	5¾	31	15	10½
Beverley	..	5	14	7	4	0	4¾	4	7	5	Moore Park	33	40	19	7½	16	6	7½	14	0	3¾
Bird's Hill	..	..	..	..	4	0	4¾	8	19	4	Mt. Carey	24	45	14	10¾	12	8	11½	18	10	6
Bluefields	65	41	9	9½	13	18	7	4	7	0	Mt. Peace	..	..	..	..	2	0	4	2	10	3
Blue Hole	27	13	2	6¾	2	10	0	1	7	0	Mt. Providence	36	33	4	3¾	7	3	3¾	9	11	11½
Bonny Gate	11	7	5	7½	3	15	8¾	7	13	0½	Newell	40	39	1	4¼	12	2	10½	8	19	7¾
Brittonville	14	8	3	6¼	4	0	7¾	8	19	4	New Port	33	8	3	4¾	4	12	5¾	5	0	8½
Bryant Hill	22	35	5	4	9	14	4¾	1916	9	8	New Roads	8	18	5	5¾	2	14	9¾	2	13	9
											Norway	..	..	..	..	1	12	9	0	5	1½
											Old Harbour	..	..	..	..	7	5	0½	4	13	3
											Orange	22	15	19	8	8	16	10¾	10	3	8
											Ocho Ros	15	10	14	8¾	14	11	6¾	14	0	3¼
											Port Antonio	135	111	17	2	42	13	0	52	16	0½
											Tuscan	..	..	..	..	1	7	6	4	15	4
											Port Maria	19	38	3	11½	12	2	5¾	11	1	8
											Porus	14	6	18	11¼	8	11	7¾	9	4	0½
											Prospect	..	..	..	..	0	17	0	0	2	6
											Race Course	..	..	..	..	1	12	6	1	2	0
											Riversdale	60	37	11	8¾	14	3	9	15	15	10
											Williamsfield	..	..	..	..	12	14	9¾	2	16	2½
											Rollington Pen	44	27	7	6¾	9	9	2¾	23	19	3½
											Santa Cruz	25	28	10	11	7	2	8½	6	19	10½
											St. Ann's Bay	49	40	13	5½	16	12	9¾	26	2	9
											Sheffield	23	19	15	7¾	7	2	3¾	5	8	1½
											Sherwood Forest	69	27	1	6¾	14	0	10	9	8	7½
											Southfield	20	17	0	2¾	9	13	1	13	7	11
											Spanish Town	78	32	3	8¾	48	5	7¼	31	18	4½
											Spring Garden	4	12	11	0	4	4	3½	4	8	1½
											Springfield	..	..	..	..	7	4	6½	11	1	4½
											Swift River	15	39	3	7¾	6	18	3	15	15	8½
											Sav-la-Mar	11	18	7	0	2	2	6	3	9	9
											Seaford Town	6	34	14	8½	14	3	4¼	14	14	1
											Trinityville	18	13	12	5¾	9	12	3¾	10	12	7¾
											Troy	13	7	1	10¾	2	6	6	5	16	8¾
											Upper Regent St.	117	129	3	3	37	7	0	37	17	7½
											Vaughansfield	20	26	15	0	8	8	6	9	9	10¼
											Waterloo	22	5	10	7¾	5	17	2¾	4	13	4
											Water Mount	17	7	18	4¾	2	19	5½	6	4	2¼
											White Hill	24	11	9	3¾	3	17	3	6	18	2½
											Conference and Isolated	..	656	18	11¾	19	16	2½	206	13	7¾

NOTE.—"Sabbath School Offerings" includes Thirteenth Sabbath, Birthday, and Investment offering, and "Missions" includes all other funds that go to missions, such as Harvest Ingathering Big Week, Annual Offering, Midsummer Offering, Week of Sacrifice, and the regular Missions Offering.

J. W. GROUNDS, Treasurer.