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## He is Ever with Us

LONG has been the reign of sin and terrible have been the results that have followed in its wake. Like a tidal wave the curse of sin has rolled over the earth. No part has been exempt, and no race has been immune to its awful ravages. Decay and death have followed everywhere. Could we look down through the past ages we should behold its terrible results all along the way. There have been oppression and war, calamities and destruction, sickness and sorrow, ever since sin first entered this world of ours. One after another of the human family has been touched by the cruel hand of death and has been laid away until this old earth has become one vast burying ground.

Everywhere we find sorrow, sickness, pain and woe. Hearts have been crushed with grief as death has snatched away their loved ones. Tears of sorrow have flowed down the cheeks and vain have been the mere words of man to comfort the sorrowing ones. But more than this. Many are the hearts that are burdened down with grief, unexpressed in words. In silence they bear their load without revealing it to others, and in secret their hearts will bleed because of the oppression which they suffer. Yea, "the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now." Such are the results of sin!

But we need not carry our burdens alone. Our tears do not fall unnoticed. There is One who is interested in us; One who will sympathize with us; One who will be with us throughout this journey of life, even Jesus, the Son of God, who became the Son of Man

that He might be with us. His name was called Emmanuel, "which being interpreted, is, *God with us.*" Matt. 1: 23.

This is one of the sweetest of all the many comforting promises of God. It presents an intimate relationship with our God. He is not a God who is afar off, but one who is near by; one who is with us in all the walks of life; one who cares for us, for He is called, "God with us."

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## One Who Understands

When your heart is crushed and bleeding  
With your sorrow, pain and grief;  
When the hand of death is heavy  
And you long for some relief;  
There is One who will be with you,  
One who ever is your Friend,  
One who trod this way before you,  
One who fully understands.

Yes, there's One, the blessed Jesus,  
He doth all your burdens know.  
You may tell Him every sorrow,  
Every heartache, pain and woe.  
He will press you to His bosom  
With a sympathizing care;  
He will whisper words of comfort,  
And your troubles He will share.

—N. P. NEILSEN.

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Nothing that concerns our comfort is too small for Him to notice, for He numbers the very hairs of our head and marks the sparrow's fall. No problem in our life is too hard for Him to solve, for He upholds the unnumbered worlds on high and calls them all by name. No trial in our experience is

too difficult for Him to unravel, for He knows the end from the beginning. No night in our journey is dark to Him, for "the night shineth as the day" in His presence.

He is not with us simply as a friend walking by our side; not simply as One who is interested in us; but He is with us as our Protector, as our Saviour and Guide. He will take complete control of our lives, if we will let Him. He will enfold us in His bosom and hold us in His hands. He will care for us as though we were the only ones in the universe for whom He died. Underneath us will He place His everlasting arms, and over us His protecting wings. Thus will He be true to His name, which is, "God with us."

He is with us not only when the skies above us are bright and the sun is shining upon our pathway; but He is with us when the storms are raging sore and when the billows of trouble are rolling high. Yea, He comes a little closer to us in the hour of trial. He says, "When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: When thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee." Isa. 43: 2. He is "God with us" in the rain as well as in the sunshine of life.

We may not always be kept from sickness. God may permit us to be laid upon beds of affliction; He may permit us to suffer pain as did Job of old; but He has promised to be with us in our sickness. He will not leave us alone. The Psalmist says, "The Lord will strengthen him upon the

bed of languishing; Thou wilt *make all his bed* in his sickness." Ps. 41: 3. It is the sun shining upon the falling raindrops that forms the beautiful rainbow in the heavens; and thus His presence with us in the hours of our affliction will form the rainbow experience in our lives. In sickness as well as in health He is still the same, "God with us."

There are some things we would be unable to see were it not for the darkness. When the twilight deepens and darkness begins to envelop the earth, new glories are seen in the heavens. One by one the stars appear, until the whole heaven is bestudded with shining lights. These would not be seen were it always day. The darkness opens, as it were, the windows of heaven and gives us a new view of the mighty works of God.

The promises of God are like the stars; but the sweetness of some of them we might never know, were it not for the trials which He permits to come upon us. As the stars can be seen only in the darkness, so the blessings of these promises can be realized only in afflictions.

Are you, dear soul, in deep sorrow or affliction, then remember that God has *not* promised to keep us from the waters of trouble, but He *has* promised to keep us from being overwhelmed by them. He has not promised to always deliver our loved ones from the hand of death, but He has promised to be with us in our sorrow. We may not fully understand it now, but in the great hereafter He can explain to us the reason why He permitted these trials to come to us. It is enough for us to know that a loving hand is guiding all our affairs, and that He will go with us all the way. With Him we are safe.

When the waters of sorrow roll over our souls, He is near to comfort us. When we are called upon to pass through the valley of the shadow of death, we need fear no evil, for He is with us still. In His presence we may rest securely. He watches over the dust. He knows where His saints are resting, and in the glad resurrection morning He will call them forth again. The Psalmist exclaims: "When I awake, I am *still* with Thee." "Still with Thee!" It is "God with us" all the way, even through the portals of

the tomb. "And so shall we ever be with the Lord."

It is sweet to thus be with the Lord. It is blessed to walk with God and enjoy His presence continually. Friends may turn from us and even loved ones may forsake us; but our God will never leave His trusting children. We may be forsaken by men; we may feel alone in the world; but we are not alone, for God is with us. And in the ages to come, when sin is no more, we shall "Follow the Lamb whitersoever He goeth." He will still be "God with us."

N. P. NEILSEN.

### Bible Stories for the Cradle Roll

A NEW BOOK FOR MOTHERS AND TEACHERS OF SMALL CHILDREN

FOR years there has been a demand for a series of Bible stories based on the five year course of Sabbath school lessons for the children, written in a more simplified style than the kindergarten lessons published in *Our Little Friend*. The need has not been sufficiently well met in the small space that could be spared in the *Sabbath School Worker*. In answer to this demand, a series of books is now being prepared. The first book of the series, covering Old Testament stories from Creation to the Crossing of the Jordan, is just off the press.

Aside from the forty-five Bible stories, the book also contains several nature stories, and a number of illustrated fingerplays. It is well illustrated with pictures—some colored—the type of pictures that will help the tiny members of a family and of the Sabbath school to comprehend the stories.

The author, Miss Rosamond D. Ginther, has spent many years in working with cradle roll and kindergarten children of the Sabbath school, and through the experience of these years has gained an insight into the needs of the "lambs of the flock." During the time she has served as assistant secretary of the General Conference Sabbath School Department she has had opportunity to learn the needs of the teachers of these small members of the Sabbath school. To supply these needs she has written these simplified Bible stories. No cradle roll teacher should be without the book. Every Sabbath school

that has a cradle roll enrollment, or a very young kindergarten class, should see that the teachers of these little ones are provided with the book, for beginning with the May issue the cradle roll stories will no longer appear in the *Sabbath School Worker*. The book contains one hundred ninety-two pages, and is attractively bound in red cloth. Price, \$1.25. Order of your Book and Bible House.

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### Another Family Won

A GERMAN family, living in Punta Chica, a suburb of Buenos Aires, about eight miles outside the city limits, is attending the services held in our Florida church.

The first contact was formed by a sister who visited their house, while working in the Big Week campaign. Later, through a visit of one of our colporteurs, they learned more about the truth. Soon another colporteur visited them, finding to her surprise that they were keeping the Sabbath.

In a conversation held with them, the following interesting incidents were told:

The husband and father had been a soldier during the War. He had always been a very devout Catholic, until at the front when he saw German Catholic priests bless the arms to be used in the different engagements against the French. This seemed very out of the way to him, and he left Romanism, without having adopted any other form of belief.

Later they came to the Argentine, where a Bible came to his hands. He read a little here and there in the Book, until he discovered that the Sabbath was the Lord's day. Under a strong impression, he said to his wife: "Someone will visit us, bringing what we shall understand to be a message from God." Later on he read about the victorious, as mentioned in Revelation Chapter 2. Wondering how he could become a victor, he thought of his pipe, and gave it up. Thus, when the canvasser visited his Home with

the Message, he was prepared in a way to receive the truth.

After attending our Sabbath school for several weeks, he started paying his tithe, and now has asked to be baptized.

This is but another testimony to the fact that many are awaiting the visit of our colporteurs, to place them in contact with God's people.

HENRY F. BROWN.

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### Inca Union News Items

ON APRIL 6 Elder J. T. Thompson and family sailed from Callao for New York on the s. s. "Santa Clara." Brother Thompson was in the hospital for eight days just before they left. They are looking forward to a good rest, during their furlough, and expect to return to South America.

MRS. William Schaeffler has been very ill with malaria at their station in Sutchiqui, Peru. She is coming out of the forests to recuperate at Lima. Brother Schaeffler is at present working with his Indians in the coffee plantations of the Peruvian Corporation.

Two years ago Brother Schaeffler came to the harvest with sixty men. They earned four thousand soles. This meant four hundred soles of tithe from the Chunchu Indians. Last year 160 persons worked in the harvest. I do not know just what they earned. The coffee harvest is about the only remunerative work they can get to do.

BROTHER J. L. Brown, together with Brethren Tabuenca and Castellano are just now holding a colporteur institute in Lima.

BROTHER Marin and family left Lima on the s. s. "Santa Clara" on route for Ecuador, their new field of labor.

BROTHER H. B. Lundquist, who has recently been appointed superintendent of the Peru Mission, received a call from the Division to connect with the Division departmental work, as

secretary of the Educational and Young People's Departments. Brother Lundquist has therefore been released for this sphere of activity. The vacancy left by Brother Lundquist is being filled through the acceptance of the call to this work, by Brother F. E. Bresee, former superintendent of the Lake Titicaca Mission. Brother J. W. Wagner, on his return from his furlough, will take up his work as superintendent of the Lake Titicaca Mission, where formerly he served as secretary and treasurer.

### The Publishing Convention in Lima

THE Field Missionary and Tract Society men from all the fields of the Inca Union except the Amazon Mission were present at this very important meeting. It was very impracticable for the Field Missionary secretary from the Amazon Mission to come because of the distance and the very heavy expense. We were glad that the workers of the Peruvian Mission were able to attend this convention.

Elder J. L. Brown was chairman, and guided the convention in the discussion of the topics that were prepared. We were especially favored in having Elder J. A. P. Green from the General Conference with us, also Brother Tucker from the Casa Editora.

Lively and enthusiastic discussions were given to every problem introduced. It was difficult at times to even close for recess according to the program. The high prices which we are obliged to place on our literature constitute a real problem but there was no way to meet it but to get under the load and our bookmen are willing to take our books to the public even though the prices do seem high. The high prices are due in a large measure to the unfavorable exchange between the republics in the territory, and Argentina. New prices were fixed and plans made for keeping up with the ever-changing rates of exchange.

A series of colporteur institutes were planned throughout the union and we are confident of even greater success in the future than we have had in the past.

Brother Cayetano Diaz was placed in charge of the colporteur work in

Bolivia. Brother Diaz occupied this post once before but resigned his work to return to school. We were sorry that Brother Calido's health was such that he was not able to continue his work in Bolivia. He has returned to Argentina. Brother Calido will doubtless take up the colporteur work again as soon as his health is sufficiently improved so that he can work.

Brother Marin, who has been in charge of the colporteur work in Peru for the last four years, is taking up the same work in Ecuador. In the four years that Brother Marin was leading out in this work in the Peru Mission as many books were sold as in the eight years previous to his coming to Peru. We are now expecting to see Ecuador "put on the map" as we some times say.

Brother Carlos Castellano, one of the star colporteurs of the Peru Mission, is now appointed as Field Missionary secretary in place of Brother Marin. If Brother Castellano is able to have the same success as a leader that he has had as a colporteur he will not disappoint us in his present work.

We were sorry that Brother Raul Chavez, who is in charge of the colporteur work in the Amazon Mission, could not be with us but we hope to make him a special visit from the union and give some real study to the problems of that field. His field is not like any other field of the union. There are few cities and the major part of the inhabitants live in villages along the rivers, money is very scarce and means of travel are very meager.

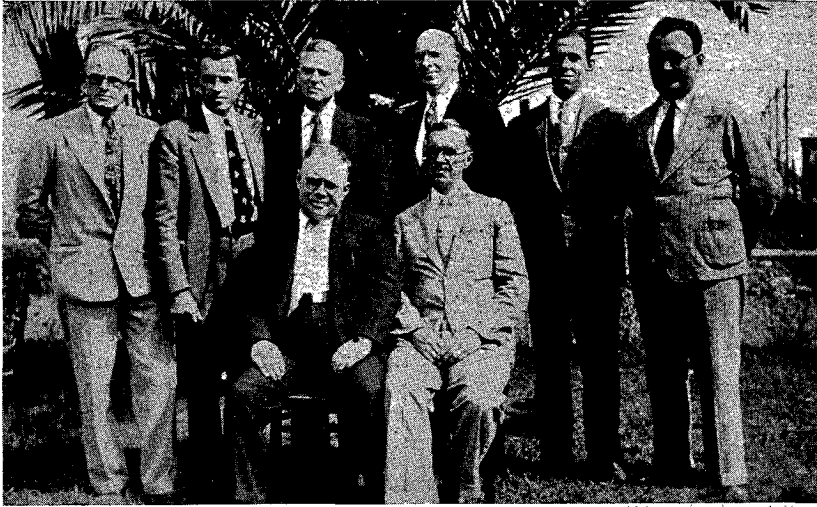
L. D. MINNER.

### "Leave Hananiqui with Us"

(MANY are the experiences of our missionaries as they work in the dark, heathen lands. Here is one which came to Brother William Schaeffler, who is laboring among the Indians of the Perene district in the interior of Peru, as related by him at the time of the workers' meeting held in Lima, March 11-14, of this year.—N. P. N.)

Our health condition required a change and it was voted for us to go home on furlough for nine months. Upon hearing of this the Indian chief came to me one day and said:

"Our tribe is so sad that the people do not even want to work any more.



Members of the Inca Union Mission Executive Committee, reading left to right; standing: C. H. Baker, Secretary of the Educational, Miss. Volunteer, and Sabbath School departments; B. L. Thompson, Cashier; H. B. Lundquist, Director of the Peru Mission; F. E. Bresee, Director of the Lake Titicaca Mission; P. R. Tabuenca, Secretary of the Publication and Home Missionary departments; Francisco Brouchy, Director of the Ecuador Mission. Seated, Elder L. D. Minner, Superintendent of the Union, and H. M. Colburn, Secretary-Treasurer. Elders F. A. Stahl, Director of the Upper Amazon Mission, and J. D. Replogle, Director of the Bolivian Mission were not present.

At the regular yearly meeting of the Union, Brother H. B. Lundquist was appointed departmental secretary, in charge of the Educational and Miss. Volunteer Departments of the South American Division; Brother F. E. Bresee was made Director of the Peru Mission and Brother Jacob Wagner, Director of the Lake Titicaca Mission.

It is because of your vacation. They say you will never come back again. We do not want this. You must leave Hananiqui (our little girl) here, so we will know for sure that you will return."

I told the chief that we could not do this for our girl was born in the mission field, and neither my mother nor my wife's mother had ever seen her. So we must take her along. The chief went and talked with his people and then came back and said to me, "I will let you take one of my girls along with you and then you must come back and bring her to me again."

But we could not do this either, for it would cost us too much to take her along. The chief was very sad. I then put a post, about five feet high, in front of our meeting hall. I cut nine notches in it for the nine months of our vacation. Then I called the people of the tribe together. Three chiefs and I put our hands upon that post, and I promised them that if God willed I would come back again when the moon should be full the ninth time. I told them to fill one notch with clay every time the moon would be full, and thus when the notches were all filled I would return with my family.

Finally the time came for us to leave. The chief came to me and he started to scratch his head, which is a sign that he wants to ask some favor. He said:

"Brother, who will preach the gospel to us if you should die on your trip? Therefore leave Hananiqui here."

This indicates how these Indians appreciate the gospel, and this was the reason why they were so anxious that we should leave our little girl with them. We returned when the nine notches were filled.

### Some Experiences in Opening Our Work in the Yungas of Bolivia

THE first seeds of truth in the Yungas were sown by some of our Indian believers from one of the old, established mission stations of the Lake Titicaca Mission. Our brethren went there to buy fruit and they carried the message with them. The first interest was manifested by an old chief who asked for a school among his people. He did not keep pace with the message as it took root there but he served as an entering wedge. At first

we had one school then later we had several schools. Brother J. D. Replogle came to us from Uruguay and established the mission in the Yungas. He fostered the schools and did medical work for two or three years before there were any baptized members. There were many believers, however.

There was serious opposition to our schools by the enemies of the truth, and the religious meetings were often molested. At one place the school house was destroyed and the believers abused. Threats of complete annihilation were often circulated, but the interest grew and the work advanced.

The first baptismal class was in the neighborhood of fifty. The service was held in secret for there was great opposition. The second baptismal class was composed of forty-two members. This time we held the service in the city bath house. The Catholic priest forbade the people attending the service but there was a large attendance. He told them that the bath house would become a heap of ruins after that service but it did not and a definite interest on the part of many new people was created by this service.

The national congressman visited the place and he was so well impressed with the work of Brother Replogle among the people, that he made him a special visit and asked if it would not be possible to get an Adventist doctor. This was the beginning of our large medical program in the Yungas. The congressman I have mentioned visited our office in La Paz and assured us that he was in earnest and was willing to favor us in every way possible if we would call a doctor for the Yungas of Bolivia. Dr. Graybill from the Juliaca Clinic came to Bolivia and helped us for a few months. Then we called Dr. H. E. Butka from the White Memorial Hospital and he worked with us nearly three years. Dr. J. W. Taylor is now in the new hospital which the city of Chulumani built and gave to us to operate.

We now have several hundred baptized believers in this section of Bolivia and a prosperous work there. Dr. Taylor reported something over 13,000 treatments during the year 1932. The work there has not been a burden to the cause as nearly enough funds have come into the treasury through the medical work to pay the expenses of the station. The schools are self-sup-

porting and our work in the Yungas is known over a large part of the Bolivian republic.

We have a nice mission home near the new hospital which is occupied by the doctor. We now have three foreign workers connected with the work in the Yungas and almost wholly without expense to the cause from the stand-point of the budget.

L. D. MINNER.

### "Our Pastor with Wings"

THE Peruvian aviation officials have shown their great appreciation to missionary William Schaeffler for the airplane landing station prepared by the mission Indians near the Perené river. This station has served the passenger planes as well as the army planes many times. Often on their cross-forrest flights, they alight for one reason or another. Sometimes a shortage of gasoline, or perhaps a tropical storm causes a forced landing. Then it is when this clearing in the forest becomes a beauty spot.

The aviators have at different times invited missionary Schaeffler to accompany them on their exploration flights over the wild sections of Peru. This they have done because they trust in his knowledge of the country. He has served them as guide and helper as they mapped out new regions.

Since these excursions are free to Brother Schaeffler, and without cost to the mission, they are accepted for missionary purposes. Brother Schaeffler appreciates them because they offer him the privilege of viewing his territory for many miles around from the air as he could do in no other way. Then, too, they afford him the opportunity of meeting some of the wild men of the forest whom he would never meet if he were to go on foot.

On hearing the roar of the engines and on seeing the "terrible, indescribable bird," the Indians scatter and seek the darkest jungle for protection. Their bows and arrows are dropped because they seem useless before such a powerful *bicho* (creature). On his return to the mission, Elder Schaeffler sends out groups of his Indians to these vastnesses of the jungle to get in contact with these frightened wild men. On finding them, the people ask in amazement: "What was that *bicho*



Brother William Schaeffler, "Our Pastor with Wings" is the tall man without a hat standing back of the indians, together with one of the mail planes and the pilots which fly over his territory. The indians, who a few years ago were primitive savages, have learned to love and obey the Gospel as is indicated in the accompanying article.

which flew over us the other day? Where did it go?" The mission Indians explain: "That was our *Pastori* (pastor) with wings." Again the query: "How does he have wings and how can he make so much noise?" Now the way is open for a fuller explanation and a portion of the third angel's message is given to these needy folk of the jungle. It is told them that the *Pastori* has a great message that must be sounded through the heavens and in the earth with great power.

Curiosity is converted into interest and fear into confidence. Many of these Indians who have never ventured as far as the mission station, will now follow the mission Indians for days just to see the flying pastor and hear his message. After spending some days or weeks, as the case may be, these once wild men return through jungles, over swamps, and rivers, as tame men, to tell others the things they have "seen and heard."

God inspires his faithful, self-sacrificing missionaries to rise to every opportunity and use every means of making known the glad tidings of salvation and of reaching even those who for ages have been lost to the world and buried in the jungle which is, indeed, typical of their ignorance and sin.

J. L. BROWN.

### The Inca Union Bookmen's Convention

IT WAS a Wednesday morning, the 19th of March, at 8:30 o'clock, when all the representatives of the Inca Union Mission, together with the Division brethren and Elders O. Montgomery and J. A. P. Green, of the General Conference, met in the chapel belonging to the Miraflores, Peru, church, to begin our Bookmen's Convention for this field.

The two brethren from the General Conference, already referred to, those from the Division, and also Brother M. V. Tucker, from the Buenos Aires publishing house, helped us greatly in our meetings.

The convention was a new experience to many of the workers who were gathered for the meetings, and we believe it has created a closer relationship between all our workers and the publishing work, giving them a special interest in our Book and Bible Houses and our canvassers in the field.

The suggestive goals that we presented to the delegates, were accepted with enthusiasm and a strong determination to work to reach them. All pledged themselves to greater activity in the work, hoping thus, with the Lord's blessings, to be able to meet the hard times that await us. During the

convention we were able to appreciate a spirit of comradeship and heartfelt cooperation. All present felt their heartstrings touched, and each one learned his responsibility in the work, not only regarding his general relationship to our work, but also his responsibilities towards each of the departments.

The central thoughts presented by those who spoke to our brethren were as follows: "The great need the world has today of our message; the world is turning toward our truth; we need God's power in our lives to be able to do the work that must be done now, and the need of intimate and firm cooperation on the part of all in the activities that together comprise our denominational missionary enterprise." We were led to realize that none in our field can give all their energies to one line of work. All the workers feel that they have a responsibility towards every department, and in a special way to the one whose interests were stressed during the convention.

Several recommendations were passed, which were referred to a committee for study and approval. We see better days ahead for our department and for all lines of work in this union mission. With the cooperation of all our workers and each of our members, the word of the Lord will go forward with increasing success during 1933.

The personal testimonies borne by our workers in the devotional meetings, told of the feeling each one of God's children should have towards the Lord's work this year.

The Inca Union Mission sincerely appreciates the help the brethren from the General Conference, the Division and the publishing house were able to give us. We will never forget the inspiration their visit was to us, nor the many lessons we have learned from them during their stay with us. It is our part, brethren, to show by our united labors, that these meetings have been of lasting benefit to us.

Although one-fourth of it has already slipped away, 1933 calls us to do greater things than ever before for the forwarding of the cause and the ingathering of souls.

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### East Brazil News Notes

BROTHER Daniel Feder reports a good interest in Bello Horizonte, Minas, with a goodly number waiting for baptism. We understand that he is to start, or has begun another series of meetings in that important center.

A SHORT time ago Pastor G. Streithorst baptized seven in Alegre, and received two more on profession of faith. These are partial results of the meetings Brother Streithorst held there last year, in which Brother Samuel Thomas and Jorge Hoyler assisted. Brother Thomas is still working there, preparing others for baptism.

BROTHER Jorge Hoyler reports good interests in Campos in the state of Rio. This is a part of the territory in the state of Rio that pertains to the Rio-Espirito Santo Mission. Brother Hoyler has been working there now for over a year.

BROTHER E. M. Davis is visiting many of the groups in the interior of the states of Rio and Minas Geraes. We understand that in several of these places there are persons ready to be baptized.

BRETHREN Halliwell and Wissner are visiting the river work in the Lower Amazon Mission. From a telegram received from them we judge that the work is onward in that interesting and important field. We greatly regret that those who were called to open up two new schools among the Indians were unable to respond to the call due to health conditions. We solicit the prayers of God's people that workers may be found who will be able to carry the message to these people.

H. B. WESTCOTT.

NOT only must the iron be in the fire, but the fire must get into the iron in order for it to weld. Thus must we not only be in the church as members, but the truth must be in us, then will we have union.

### Faithfulness

WE HAD traveled by horseback for nearly an hour and a half. As we alighted in front of a house, we saw the sad, tired face of the young wife and mother of the home. Before arriving we had learned that the husband, Idalicio, was very sick, and the expression on the wife's face revealed that he was no better.

Soon after entering the house, we were ushered into the room of the sick husband. The young worker who accompanied me entered first. When I went in he said to me in English, "I think the man will soon be dead." I confess as I looked into the face of the poor brother I was of the same opinion. His pulse was so faint we could scarcely detect it in his wrists. I placed my hand upon his temple which also showed a very weak heart action.

Inquiry revealed that he had been suffering for more than five weeks with dysentery. In talking with him it was clear that he was still rational. I asked him about his faith in God. He assured me that it was firm.

I stepped into the next room to talk with the wife and her mother giving some counsel as to the care to the patient. They told me that he was suffering constantly, being unable to sleep at all, and that this was his worst day.

The worker, who had remained with our brother, came out where we were and said that the sick one had requested prayer, which, of course, we had planned to have with and for him. Something else that Idalicio had said impressed me greatly. He had asked that his wife bring their tithes and offerings to us. It is the custom in many of these out-of-the-way places that our brethren keep their tithe and offerings until the workers arrive. Our sick brother feared that because of the many cares his wife might forget to give us the funds they had in hand. The amounts were not large, it is true, but the zeal and faithfulness of this poor sick brother weighed big with me.

May the faithfulness of this brother, in the vast interior of Brazil, be an encouragement to all who read this article to make greater sacrifices, that God's work may go forward in this time of depression.

H. B. WESTCOTT.

## Cooperation Brings Results

SINCE our publishing convention in Brazil a greater spirit of cooperation has been manifested by the workers and we are already enjoying the results in a more efficient work in the institutes and greater courage among the departmental secretaries. Let me quote a few lines from each of two letters just received from the Brazil Union Publishing Department secretaries.

Brother B. Silveira of the East Brazil Union says: "We have just finished the Rio-Minas Geraes institute. We had twenty colporteurs in attendance, some being new ones. This institute, as usual, was a real feast for the pioneers of the printed page. God visited us and we are all enthusiastic and of good courage. . . . Therefore we hope to do a better work this year than we did last year. . . . We have started two colporteurs off with the exclusive magazine work, others taking subscriptions with 'Patriarchs and Prophets', the girls with single magazine copies, while the rest go with 'The Return of Jesus,' 'Our Day,' and 'The Life of Christ.'

"I am very happy because Elders Westcott and Davis were with us through nearly all of our institute. This was indeed a great help and a good example for our colporteurs. Now everyone can testify to the fact that the colporteur work is considered important, as was also stated by these leaders."

Elder Margarido, Publishing Department secretary of the South Brazil Union, also states: "I am not exaggerating when I say that we had a splendid colporteur institute in Sao Paulo, and still another in Mafra, Santa Catharina, which was the best one I ever took part in through all my experience in the colporteur work (17 years). We had fifteen colporteurs of a good class present and Elder Wilcox was with us all the time. Elder Stoehr and the secretary-treasurer stayed by us through the whole institute. Our colporteurs returned to their territories full of courage. The individual goals amounted to 100 contos. We hope that this will be the best year in the history of the colporteur work in this field. When we have cooperation on the part of all, the work is bound to go forward. . . . I am happy because things are chang-

ing. Glad for the publishing convention which was recently held in Sao Paulo. Our workers learned something new, and so did the leaders. I also learned many good things.

"God's cause must go forward with increasing success, because it is His will."

May this same spirit of cooperation continue in the Brazilian unions, and also grow in the Spanish unions of our large Division. Thus will we see larger results in the output of the printed page, and a greater ingathering of believers.

J. L. BROWN.

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## Gleanings of Progress Throughout the Field

Conducted by N. P. Neilsen

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SEVEN persons were baptized by Pastor A. L. Westphal at Pelotas, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.

PASTOR J. G. Garcia baptized twelve people at Conchas, Sao Paulo, Brazil, on March 4.

THE baptisms for the year 1932 in the South American Division were 2,385, an increase of 302 over that of 1931.

THE tithe of the Sao Paulo Conference for the first two months of this year showed an increase of 969\$200 over the same period of last year.

THE church membership of the South American Division at the close of 1932 was 22,931, a net increase of 1,777 over that of the preceding year. We thank the Lord for this increase, and take courage.

UNDER date of April 3, Brother Ellis R. Maas, principal of the Collegio Adventista, Sao Paulo, Brazil, writes: "We have experienced many evidences of the Lord's keeping power. Our attendance is as good as it was last year. By all appearances we will reach the number that was calculated in our budget."

THE tithe of the South American Division for 1932 was \$143,513.61. This is a loss of \$2,476.04 when compared with that of the previous year. However, the Sabbath school offerings

for last year were \$49,774.20, or an increase of \$785.54 over that of 1931.

RECENTLY a baptism was held in the Montevideo church by Pastor Enrique Brown, and eight persons gave testimony of their faith and were added to the church. We rejoice in this. Four others manifested their desire to take the same step on the first opportunity.—*El Herald*o.

NINE people were baptized at Temuco, Chile, at the close of an excellent general meeting held there. March 29 to April 2. This general meeting was attended by nearly four hundred of our people from that section of the conference and the Lord greatly blessed us in the services.

BROTHER Hans Mayr, who is working in Manaos, Amazonas, writes: "The work here is very encouraging. We hope soon to have a good baptism. Our public meetings are always well attended. God's last message to this world is being announced here in Manaos, and our prayer and greatest desire is that many souls may make their decision for the truth while there is yet time."

BROTHER Guilherme J. Itin, secretary treasurer of the Northeast Mission, East Brazil, writes: "I returned from our meetings in Sao Paulo with joy and courage, and I began to distribute the blessings received, to our field. You well know that the crisis, the drouth and the poverty make our work difficult in our field, still our hope is in the Lord that also this year we may have a good harvest of souls for His kingdom."

RECENTLY some baptisms were held in the Northeast Brazil Mission. Brother Storch, the superintendent, writes as follows: "Recently forty-five persons were baptized in Natal, seven in Santa Cruz, twelve in Floresta, two in Leoes and twenty-four in Victoria. The twenty-four baptized in Victoria accepted the truth during a series of public meetings held by Brother Theophil Berger and the writer:

THE Sabbath school membership of our Division at the close of 1932 was 24,011. This is a net increase for the year of 2,136 members. The number of Sabbath schools was 787, an increase of 31 for the year.

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PASTOR F. R. Kuempel, who has been working in Castro, Parana, Brazil, writes under date of March 2, that fifty-two persons have now been baptized there. He says: "All these people have been won from the darkness and confusion of Catholicism, and we already have another baptism in view." Three Sabbath schools have been organized there. May the Lord continue to bless the good work that has been started in that new center!

BROTHER E. Doehnert, Field Missionary secretary of the Rio Grande do Sul Conference, gives us the following encouraging words. "I have just returned from our colporteur institute in Pelotas, where we were greatly blessed. They all say that it was the best institute that we have ever had in our field, and we hope that the results of it will continue to be manifested in our activities during the year. We now have twenty regular and some part time colporteurs, and all are of good courage."

PASTOR J. H. Boehm recently baptized twenty-one persons in and around the Municipio do Guahyba. "These were all brought into the truth through our books, and were wholly instructed by the colporteurs in that district. The colporteurs are full of courage to continue with this kind of service. The new converts have found the Saviour who pardons their sins, and with joy they carry the good news to many others."

UNDER date of March 17, Brother Saturnino de Oliveira, Field Mission-

ary secretary of the Rio-Minas Geraes Mission, wrote the following encouraging words: "The colporteur work is going very well this year. Last year we had an increase of about 17:000\$000 (\$2,175.00) over the year 1931. This year we already have a good increase over the first two months of last year. We had a very good colporteur institute here in Rio. At present we have twenty-three colporteurs working in our field."

ELDER J. Berger Johnson, manager of the Brazil publishing house, writes: "The work here in the publishing house is going well. We have had plenty of work since the beginning of the year. I believe that the last three months are the best we have had since the crisis struck us. In all the departments of the house the workers have found themselves fully occupied. Our stock of several different books is running out and it is going to be very difficult for us to get new editions in time. *O Atalaia* gives us much more work now, for the April edition calls for 25,000. . . . During the first two months of this year our sales were thirty-eight contos more than for the same period of last year."

WRITING from Bahia, Brazil, under date of March 17, Pastor H. B. Westcott, superintendent of the East Brazil Union Mission, says: "I have come here to attend the colporteur institute which begins tonight. This is the third institute which I will have attended this year. The other two have been precious occasions, and I hope that this one will be also. . . . Our annual financial statement shows that our tithes and offerings made a good substantial increase in 1932 over 1931. I am hoping that this year will be still better. . . . I believe the baptisms for the first quarter of this year will be far in advance of those for the same period of last year."

WORDS of courage come to us from all parts of the field, and such messages cheer us on in spite of the crisis through which we are passing. As a sample we quote the following from a letter written by Sister Alicia Zorub, our stenographer in the South Brazil Union office. She says: "The workers here are all of good courage and disposed to do more for the cause of God than they have done in the past.

The Lord is blessing the efforts that are being put forth. This gives us great joy."

WRITING from Alegre, Espirito Santo, Brother Samuel Thomas says: "We are working in a new field, but God has blessed us so that we already have a very active Sabbath school with twenty-eight members. Two months ago seven were baptized and a group was organized by Pastor Streithorst. Three different denominations have had a strong campaign against our work here; but we have confidence in the assistance and power of God, that He will help, and that His work will go forward."

### Division News Notes

ON APRIL 25th, Brethren C. L. Bauer and R. R. Breitigam, embarked on the "Cap Arcona" en route for Brazil. Brother Bauer will do the auditing of the South and East Brazil Union books before returning to Buenos Aires, while Elder Breitigam will visit among the churches of these unions. This will be Elder Breitigam's last trip before he leaves for the States on furlough.

ELDER N. P. Neilsen left the latter part of April for Posadas, Misiones, Argentine, where he visited among some of the German churches for a few days, before returning to Buenos Aires.

ELDER H. B. Lundquist, our new Educational and Missionary Volunteer secretary, together with Sister Lundquist and the children, has arrived in Buenos Aires, and we extend to them a cordial welcome. Brother Lundquist has entered into his new work with whole-hearted enthusiasm, and before many months have passed he will no doubt have made a visit to all the fields in order to better acquaint himself with the task that lies before him, as well as the personnel of his departments.

As THIS goes to press, we find our English stenographer, Miss Gertrude E. Hansch, together with Sister N. P. Neilsen, enjoying a two weeks' vacation at the school in Puiggari. Sister Neilsen expected to have her tonsils removed while there, but found it was not necessary. Miss Hansch is spending her time resting.