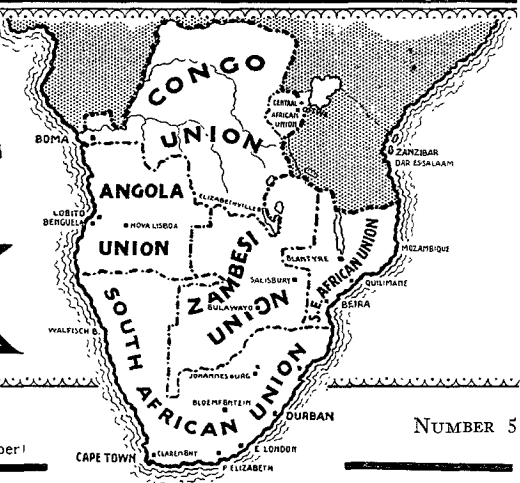


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Union Conference Camp-meeting

Come to the Feast

N. C. WILSON

It is time that our people throughout South Africa begin to lay definite plans to attend the Union camp-meeting to be held in Bloemfontein April 14-22. In six short weeks this most important convocation of God's people will be in session. It is none too early to seriously lay plans for this meeting that we may receive the rich blessings which, we are confident, are in store for those who will attend.

We live in an hour of great need, spiritually. There is no question in our minds as to the lateness of the hour—all things proclaim in unmistakable language the imminence of our Saviour's return. The great question in our minds is with reference to our preparedness for the issues and opportunities of the climax which we face in world affairs. Our people generally feel the need of a spiritual awakening and revival and a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit to enable us as individuals and as a people to cope with the tremendous problems of these stirring times. The conviction has fastened itself upon many that the time has come—the hour of destiny—when God's people shall quickly finish the work both in their own lives and in the world at large and go in to possess the land.

This is the time—above all times—when God's people should heed the instruction in Joel, "Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children." Joel 2:15, 16. Similar calls to gather God's people are found elsewhere in the Sacred Word. Anciently God laid great stress and importance upon the general gatherings of His people. He commanded, "Thrice in the year shall all your men children appear before the Lord God." No excuse for absence was accepted. All business and personal affairs had to be laid aside and left behind while days were devoted to spiritual service and heart searching. Attendance at the annual gatherings was of first importance to God's people of old—God definitely required it. And

what a wise requirement it was, for scattered as Israel was during those times—surrounded by the heathen—it was easy and natural for them to either entirely lose out spiritually or else to lose the keenness of their spiritual perception. However these annual gatherings of God's people kept them closely in touch with God and with one another, bringing to them spiritual inspiration and blessings.

If God's people anciently needed the inspiration and blessing to be gained from general gatherings how about spiritual Israel today? The same tendencies to worldliness and spiritual weakness are our dangers as were theirs. There was never a time during the centuries when God's people were in such great need of meeting together in annual convocation as at the present time. God has made the same provision for keeping the remnant church loyal and pure to Him as was made for the early church. The annual gatherings of the remnant church bring inspiration, unity of faith and action and great spiritual blessings. Surely the message found in Heb. 10: 25 is present truth for God's people today: "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."

The Bloemfontein camp-meeting will serve both conferences. It will be an important meeting—the workers will be gathered in from various parts of the Union. Most of the European workers from the Mission Department will be present. The Division Conference officers and departmental secretaries will attend. The General Conference has arranged for Elder Elliott to be with us. Dr. Tonge will be present to give medical attention. Helderberg College and the Sentinel Publishing Company will be represented. In connection with the camp-meeting a business session will be held at which time Union Conference officers will be elected and other very important business attended to. We have come to the time when larger plans must be wisely and carefully laid for finishing the work.

We extend a hearty and sincere invita-

tion to our dear people, one and all, scattered over South Africa to attend the Union camp-meeting at Bloemfontein, April 14-22. We invite you now to begin praying that the windows of heaven may be opened in rich blessing upon this meeting. It will require sacrifice and effort to attend, but the blessings received will far outweigh any inconvenience. God is calling His people to gather at Bloemfontein for the annual convocation where He has promised to meet with them.

An Interesting Comparison

J. F. WRIGHT

THE year 1932 has gone down in our records as yielding the largest fruitage yet known in this Division. During the first three quarters 2,418 were baptised. Only three unions have so far reported for the fourth quarter, but their figures alone bring the total to 3,342. The remaining three unions have not yet reported but when they do, the total baptisms for 1932 will doubtless exceed 3,500.

Now for an interesting comparison. Eleven years ago, the entire Division membership stood at 3,239. Thus you will observe at a glance that we have baptised more people during 1932 than we had church members when the Division was organised in 1921. Isn't this a wonderful record? It is almost inconceivable, yet the figures reveal this to be the case. And now today, we have 18,722 baptised believers.

Truly, brethren and sisters, the last few years have been exceptionally blessed of the Lord in soul-winning endeavour. Thousands of souls have been won to the message. It is indeed cheering to witness such marvellous results attending our feeble and unworthy efforts. But it all reveals that we have come to the day when copious showers of the "latter rain" are descending upon God's people. Let us therefore take new courage and press speedily onward in the finishing of the blessed task committed to our care.

A Retrospect--

1932 in the Cape Conference

Statistical Notes

In spite of depression conditions, 1932 in the Cape Conference has been a good year. Our loyal members have rallied as never before, and we are happy to report that while tithe receipts have not reached the figure of the previous year by a long way, mission offerings, not counting the Harvest Ingathering receipts, have amounted to practically the same figure as for 1931. This to us is a true indication of the loyalty of our constituency to the message. Funds have been received from our churches as follows:

Week of Sacrifice	£233	9	2
Big Week	151	2	9
Save Our Missions	78	17	5
Annual Offering	138	0	0
Sabbath School Offering	1652	3	0
Foreign Missions	19	0	9

The Harvest Ingathering amounted to £1730-8-10 or £30-8-10 over the goal of £1700. Receipts from camp-meeting pledges, which were divided between Helderberg College and evangelistic work in the European Department, and the Good Hope Training School and evangelistic work in the Coloured Department, amounted to £259-11-8.

The past year has been a record year for baptisms. In the European Department 123 were baptised and in the Coloured Department 99, making a total of 222. From this it will be realised that evangelism has been a strong feature during 1932. No doubt readers of the *OUTLOOK* have read with interest reports of the various efforts conducted in this conference during the past year.

Home Missionary Notes

DURING the past year no less than 20,000 persons have received help of one kind or another at the hands of our church members and Missionary Volunteers. Studies in the Scriptures totalling 5,500 have been given to interested folk in the neighbourhood of our churches, and nearly 60,000 pieces of denominational literature have been distributed to the public throughout the conference. Missionary correspondence has been conducted with no less than 2,500 persons in an endeavour to interest them in the gospel message, while 13,000 homes have received calls from our members throughout the year.

The missionary work in the conference shows an appreciable increase over 1931, especially in Bible readings and the distribution of literature, which indicates that our believers are alive to the call of the hour—soul winning.

The conference committee has invited the Port Elizabeth church to conduct a lay effort in the city of Port Elizabeth during 1933, and this invitation has been gladly accepted and the effort will commence in the near future.

The conference reached 86% of its Big

Week goal as compared with 38% in 1931. The Harvest Ingathering goal was successfully passed although total receipts fell slightly below those of 1931. However, there was manifested, throughout the whole field, a deeper spirit of consecration to the work of solicitation and a greater degree of perseverance than ever before.

We thank our heavenly Leader for the gracious blessings bestowed upon the missionary efforts of our people in this conference during 1932—all the praise is due to Him.



Sabbath School Notes

At the close of 1932 there were thirty-six Sabbath schools operating in the Cape Conference. Twenty-six of these were in the European Department, and ten in the Coloured Department. Our total Sabbath school membership was 1,465,—981 in the European Department and 484 in the Coloured Department. This represents a total increase over the previous year of eighty-four.

Bookmarks during 1932 were issued as follows:

1 year	115
2 year	47
3 year	20
4 year	10
5 year	13
6 year	6
7 year	3
10 year	6

There were approximately 1,880 honour cards sent out to our Sabbath school members. In order for a Sabbath school to become a pennant Sabbath school it must reach its goal of 1/3 per week per member, plus 4/- per member on thirteenth Sabbath. Pennant Sabbath schools in the Cape Conference are East London, Somerset Strand, Steynsburg, and Karmmelk-spruit, (Lady Grey).

The Cape Conference ranks one hundred per cent in reporting Sabbath schools.

Notwithstanding the financial conditions obtaining during the year the total drop in Sabbath school offerings was only a little over £30. Truly our Sabbath school members in the Cape Conference have the mission fields at heart.



Literature Ministry Notes

THOUGH 1932 presented greater difficulties in every way than did 1931, yet the men of the literature ministry faced them willingly and with a firm trust in their heavenly Father.

The total volume of business for 1932 fell short of that for 1931 by only a little over £400—for which we are very thankful. This result speaks volumes for our faithful colporteur-evangelists and reveals a fine spirit of consecration and faith.

Several souls have taken a definite stand as a result of the work of our colporteurs

and they will be added to the church by baptism, we hope, early in this year.

Twelve students from Helderberg College joined our forces in November 1932 and laboured in a very strong way during the summer campaign. Three outstanding names are Norman Cowley (student colporteur band leader), Lionel Staples and Danie Ficker, all of whom—though working in difficult territory—did remarkably well. Miss Anna Ficker—our only girl colporteur-evangelist—did yeoman service in a very difficult section of the field and braved the many difficulties which confronted her in a truly commendable spirit.

Brother Fred Ficker—1932 graduate from Helderberg College—joined our forces for 1932 as a regular colporteur-evangelist and is labouring in his usual persevering way over in East London.

We have room in our ranks for two more believers who are prepared to brave the difficulties of this highly important branch of the Lord's work.

The office of colporteur-evangelist is, remember, a sacred calling and equally as important as the ministry. It brings a rich experience to those who engage in it in sincerity, and who place their trust firmly in the Lord. If you plan to join up with us please get in touch with,

Mr. F. E. Potter,
P.O. Box 378,
Port Elizabeth, C. P.,

who will gladly give you full particulars.

Here are the names of our regular colporteur-evangelists. Drop them a word of cheer and ask them how they like their work. Their replies, we are sure, will inspire and encourage your hearts:

D. D. Toerien,
C. S. Pike,
J. J. B. Combrinck,
Ernest J. Stevenson,
Fred Ficker.



Missionary Volunteer Notes

For the Missionary Volunteers in the Cape Conference, 1932 has proved a good year and the results of their missionary endeavours are indeed encouraging. We feel that our Missionary Volunteers are really alive to the work to which they have been called, and that there exists among them a spirit of true missionary zeal.

We have twenty-two Missionary Volunteer societies with a total membership of 547. Of this number 152 are Junior members.

We feel happy to report an increase of nearly 3,000 in the number of books, papers, and tracts mailed, lent, and given away during the past year, the total amount distributed being 26,720. We truly believe that some souls have been brought to a knowledge of the truth as a result of this faithful work. Then, too, 18,450 persons have received needed help from our Missionary Volunteers scattered throughout our conference. Other items of missionary work are as follows:

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SOUTH AFRICAN UNION CONFERENCE

STATEMENT OF TITHE AND MISSION OFFERINGS

(For 12 months ending Dec. 31, 1932, as compared with correspond. period of 1931)

Tithe

European	1932	1931	Increase	Decrease
Cape Conference	£4403 17 4	4889 4 11		485 7 7
Natal-Transvaal Conference	5560 3 11	5508 15 4	51 8 7	
Kaffirland Mission Field	236 9 10	195 13 11	40 15 11	
Tvl.-Delagoa Mission Field	363 7 5	362 10 7	16 10	
Total	£10563 18 6	10956 4 9	93 1 4	485 7 7
<i>Net decrease, European</i>				392 6 3
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Mission	1932	1931	Increase	Decrease
Cape Coloured	£725 5 7	743 6 6		18 0 11
Kaffirland Mission Field	181 2 3	166 0 2	15 2 1	
Tvl.-Delagoa Mission Field	477 13 8	429 7 6	48 6 2	
Total	£1384 1 6	1338 14 2	63 8 3	18 0 11
<i>Net increase, Mission</i>				45 7 4
GRAND TOTAL	£11948 0 0	12294 18 11	156 9 7	503 8 6
<i>Net decrease</i>				346 18 11

Mission Offerings

	1932	1931	Increase	Decrease
Sabbath School	£3338 18 0	3289 19 9	48 18 3	
Foreign	19 8 6	20 0 7		12 1
Annual	290 12 9	356 8 9		65 16 0
Harvest Ingathering	4001 2 4	4667 14 11		666 12 7
Camp-meeting	188 15 5	285 15 4		96 19 11
Missionary Volunteer	16 6	11 2	5 4	
Big Week	309 8 2	209 3 9	100 4 5	
Save Our Missions	139 2 2		139 2 2	
Week of Sacrifice	444 5 2	436 4 3	8 0 11	
Totals	£8732 9 0	9265 18 6	296 11 1	830 0 7
<i>Net decrease</i>				533 9 6
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<i>As Contributed by Fields</i>				
Cape Conference	4003 1 11	4353 9 1		350 7 2
Natal-Transvaal Conference	3324 8 10	3519 10 1		195 1 3
Kaffirland Mission Field	440 5 1	398 2 4	42 2 9	
Tvl.-Delagoa Mission Field	964 13 2	994 17 0		30 3 10
Totals	£8732 9 0	9265 18 6	42 2 9	575 12 3
<i>Net decrease</i>				533 9 6

We are pleased to be able to publish the foregoing report of the South African Union Conference tithe and mission offering receipts for 1932. These figures are deserving of special attention.

Tithe

A net decrease of £346-18-11, or less than 3 per cent compared with 1931, the figures being as follows:

1931	£12,294 18 11
1932	11,948 0 0
Decrease	£346 18 11

Had it not been for the greater faithfulness in tithe paying, and for the new members coming in, the decrease must without doubt have been considerably larger.

Mission Offerings

Despite the decrease in tithe the personal

gifts of the members are larger than in 1931, the decrease in total mission offerings being due entirely to smaller Harvest Ingathering gifts from the public. The increase of £133-3-1 in the contributions made by our own members is remarkable indeed at a time of depression such as the country is passing through. The following offerings shows increases.

Offering	Amt. of Increase
Sabbath School	£48 18 3
Missionary Volunteer	5 4
Big Week	£100 4 5
Save Our Missions	£139 2 2
Week of Sacrifice	8 0 11
Total	£296 11 1

The Kaffirland Mission Field alone reports a net increase in the total offerings (including Harvest Ingathering), this increase amounting to £42-2-9.

The OUTLOOK readers will rejoice with the members of the South African Union Conference in this splendid achievement.

A. F. TARR.

Enlarged Evangelism versus Diminished Budgets

J. F. WRIGHT

EVEN though our appropriations have been materially reduced for 1933, word is now coming through to the Division office, from various union and local field committees, telling of enlarged plans for evangelism. The news is so cheering that we feel constrained to pass the same along to our brethren and sisters.

At present, Elders F. G. Clifford, A. W. Staples, and J. H. Raubenheimer are conducting efforts in Bloemfontein, Queenstown, and Bethlehem respectively. Elder A. N. Ingle will open an effort right away in Mafeking. Elder B. W. Abney has just started an effort in Wynberg. The auditorium was completely filled on the first night. This effort certainly promises to be another good one for the Cape Coloured people. Thus our local conferences have certainly launched out strongly in soul winning early in the new year. This is most encouraging.

Then, we learn that the South African Union has arranged for twenty efforts, of at least eight weeks each, to be conducted in the Mission Department during the present year. While we cannot give exact figures for the other union fields, yet we know that a large number of efforts are being planned for, despite reduced appropriations. On every hand calls and appeals press in upon these brethren. And so, they feel forced to answer as many as possible.

Now as we pass along this splendid news to our people we earnestly solicit the prayers of all in behalf of these various efforts. Pray daily, dear brethren and sisters, that God will water abundantly the seed being sown, so that another large harvest of souls will be garnered into the kingdom this year. If we will nobly and humbly do our part, the Lord will not disappoint us. We can, without question, be assured of this fact.

Camp-meeting Announcement

THE South African Union Conference camp-meeting will be held in Bloemfontein, April 14-22. We have been fortunate in securing one of Bloemfontein's parks—Victoria Park—for our use. Three or four meeting tents will be erected, also a dining tent. It may be possible to erect a few living tents. However, we are working to the plan of securing rooms for those who attend. Rooms in the vicinity of the park are available at a very reasonable rate. Railway concession privileges will be granted so the cost of travelling will be minimised.

Full particulars regarding rooms, railway concessions, etc., will be furnished by Elder J. E. Symons, Box 468, Bloemfontein.

A complete statement regarding plans for this important meeting will appear in the next issue of the OUTLOOK.

A Retrospect — 1932 in the Cape Conference

(Concluded from page 2.)

Bible readings given	1,185
Missionary visits	4,945
Persons taken to S. S.	615
Treatments given	1,781
Clothing given away	2,083
Missionary letters written ..	1,523

We truly feel very proud of our Missionary Volunteers when we think of the splendid way in which they did their part in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Although they did not quite reach the amount they collected the previous year, yet £346, about £86 over their goal, is just a splendid sum for our band of Missionary Volunteers. Just a few more short months and we shall face another Harvest Ingathering campaign, but our courage is very good and we believe that we shall go forward once again victorious. Big week, too, saw the Missionary Volunteers over their goal of £20.

During the past year we issued 104 Reading Course, 11 Standard of Attainment, and 16 Bible Year certificates.

Quite an interest has developed in Junior Missionary Volunteer work and we are pleased to report that 29 members qualified for the Friend pin and 16 for the Companion. Very impressive investiture services were held at the time these pins were presented.

We wish at this time to thank the leaders and secretaries of our societies for their loyal co-operation during the past year, and to extend a welcome to the new officers for the new year. And, to our faithful Missionary Volunteers throughout our conference we send Christian greetings, with a prayer that God will continue to bless their willing services for Him, who did so much for us.

Contributed by

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Greetings to the Missionary Volunteers

W. COWPER

GREETINGS to our five hundred and two members scattered throughout Natal, Transvaal and the Orange Free State. From Louis Trichardt in the north to Rouxville in the south; from Durban in the east to Bloemhof in the west, is established a chain of light which is helping to spread the truth of the last angel's message in the Natal-Transvaal Conference.

As we review the work of the past year truly we can say, "What hath God wrought!" Never was there a time, such as now, of opportunities to our youth,

and our young people are seizing them. Confidence, strength, and consolidation, are everywhere and as we face 1933 it is with the joy in our hearts that we are a year's march nearer our Lord's return.

1932 goes down as a record year in the annals of our missionary work in this field. Just to give you a few interesting items.

Total honour points (1931)	102,926
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Total Honour Points (1932)	227,229
Reading Course Certificates (1931)	22
Reading Course Certificates (1932)	149
Friend pins issued (1931)	5
Friend pins issued (1932)	73
Companion pins issued (1932)	9
No. observ. Morning Watch (1931)	158
No. observ. Morning Watch (1932)	149
Harvest Ingathering receipts (1931)	£232
Harvest Ingathering receipts (1932)	£247

And now, young people, we face 1933. The year 1932 was good—remarkably good, but that does not help us one bit for the work that has to be done this year. The work is going on apace in heaven; it must go on apace in this earth. If you do not keep up with the work you will be left behind. The light will go on and you will

be left in darkness. Let us arouse, young people! Gird the armour on and let us hasten to the fray. Who will gain the victory this year—Prince Emmanuel or the Hosts of Evil? Prince Emmanuel every time, rings back the answer. Then what of you Christian warrior? Are you going to triumph with it? The cause of God makes advance steps every year and therefore you must do the same.

Our slogan is—"1932 was good, 1933 will be better." Young people, here are some goals that have been set that we can better nerve ourselves and gauge our strength for 1933:

Honour points	250,000
Reading course certificates	150
Friends	80
Companions	50
Morning watch	100%

Leaders promote the Progressive Membership classes for 1933. You will find they deepen spirituality, enlarge the missionary spirit and consolidate the society by making leaders of its members. Every seventh Missionary Volunteer in the Natal-Transvaal Conference wears a Friend pin. What is the average in your society?

Unie Konferensie Kampvergadering

N. C. WILSON

Dis tyd dat ons mense oor heel Suid-Afrika begin plan maak om van 14-22 April die Unie Kampvergadering te Bloemfontein by te woon. Binne ses weke sal hierdie belangrike byeenkoms van die kindere van die Here plaasvind. Dis dus nie te vroeg nie om planne te maak om hierdie vergadering by te woon, sodat ons die ryk seënings wat ons daar wag, mag ontvang.

Ons leef in 'n tyd van groot geestelike behoefte. Ons twyfel nie of dis die laaste uur nie—alle dinge verkondig in onmiskenbaar taal dat die wederkoms van die Here op hande is. Die groot vraag in ons harte is of ons wel bereid is vir die gebeurtenisse en die geleentheid van die klimaks wat ons wag. Algemeen word daar onder ons mense behoefte gevoel aan 'n geestelike ontwaking en herlewering en 'n magtige uitstorting van die Heilige Gees om ons individueel en as 'n volk in staat te stel om met die groot vraagstukke van ons veelbewoë tyd te worstel. Die oortuiging het in meer as een hart posgevat dat die uur gekom het—die uur van ons lotsbeskikking wanneer die kindere van die Here die werk in hul eie lewe en in die wêreld daarbuite gaan klaarmaak om die land in besit te neem.

Meer as ooit is dit vandag die tyd om gehoor te gee aan die oproep van die profeet: "Blaas die basuin te Sion, heilig 'n vaste, roep 'n verbodsdag uit. Versamel die volk, heilig die gemeente, vergader die oudstes, maak die kinders bymekaar." Joël 2: 15, 16. In die ou dae het die Here nadruklik die belangrikheid van die algemene vergaderings van Sy volk aangetoon en bevel gegee dat al die mansense driekeer per jaar moes opkom. Niemand mag afwesig wees nie. Al die besigheid en privaat aangeleenthede moes wag en agtergelaat word. Die dae is deurgebring in

geestelike diens en hartgrondige ondersoek. Dit was van die grootste belang in die ou dae dat hulle die jaarlikse vergaderings sou bywoon. Die Here het dit bepaaldelik ver wag. En dit was 'n baie verstandige ding in die dae toe Israël versprei gewoon het en omring was deur heidene. Hoe gemaklik en natuurlik was dit vir hulle om geestelik te verval en hul geestelike insig te verloor. Hierdie jaarlikse vergaderings het hulle weer in aanraking met die Here en Sy volk gebring. Dit was vir hulle 'n geestelike besieling en groot seën.

As die kindere van die Here in die ou dae die herlewering van die jaarlikse vergaderings nodig gehad het, hoeveel te meer die geestelike Israël in ons dae. Dieselfde neiging tot wêreldgesindheid en geesteloosheid bedreig ons vandag sowel as hulle toe. Die Here het dieselfde voorsiening in die ou dae gemaak om die gemeente van die oorblyfsel getrou en rein te bewaar. Die jaarlikse vergaderings bring vir ons nuwe besieling, eenheid van geloof en handeling en groot geestelike seënning. Die boodskap van Hebr. 10: 25. bevat nog 'n les vir ons vandag: "En laat ons ons onderlinge byeenkoms nie nalaat nie soos party die gewoonte het, maar laat ons mekaar vermaan en soveel te meer nou dat u sien dat die dag nader."

Die Bloemfonteinse Kampvergadering sal albei die konferensies dien. Dit gaan 'n belangrike vergadering wees. Van oor die hele Unie sal die werkers saamkom. Die meeste Europeaanse werkers van die Sendingdepartement sal daar wees. Die beampptes van die Divisiekonferensie en die departementele sekretarisse gaan daar wees. Die Generale Konferensie gaan Ouderling Elliot uitstuur. Dr. Tonge gaan daar wees om mediese advies te gee. Verteenwoordigers van Helderberg Kollege en van die Sentinel gaan daar wees.

In verband met die kampvergadering sal daar 'n besigheidsgadering gehou word om die beamptes vir die Uniekonferensie te kies en ander belangrike besigheid te behandel. Die tyd is daar dat ons verstandig en versigtig groter planne moet maak om die werk klaar te maak.

Ons noui dus al ons mense oor heel Suid-Afrika ernstig en dringend om van 14-22 April die Unie-kampvergadering te Bloemfontein te kom bywoon. Ons vra u om nou alreeds te begin bid dat die Here ons op daardie kampvergadering ryklik mag seën. Dit vra opoffering en besliste poging om te kom, maar die seën wat u daar sal ontvang, is groter as elke ongerief.

Die Here roep Sy kindere om vir die jaarlikse byeenkoms te Bloemfontein te vergader, waar Hy hulle 'n seën bereid het.



'n Spesiale Oproep tot Gebed —Sabbat die Vierde Maart

N. C. WILSON

'n Aantal van ons evangeliste is alreeds in die midde van die geveg. Hulle worstel met ontsaglike vraagstukke. Oor heel Suid-Afrika word daar in baie Adventistiese huisgesinne vir hierdie broeders gebid. Maar ons noui elkeen van ons mense wat hierdie berig lees om saam met ons 'n besonder uur van gebed te hê, dat die Here ons predikers en werkers wat nou pogings hou, ryklik mag seën.

Ouderling Staples het Sondagaand 12 Februarie sy lesings in die Stadsaal te Queenstown begin. Broeder en Suster J. J. B. Combrinck, Suster Milford en Broeder en Suster Fowler help hom in die poging.

Ouderling Clifford het Sondagaand 19 Februarie in die Stadsaal te Bloemfontein sy lesings begin. Ouderling en Suster Le Butt, Suster Dixie en Broeder Retief help hom.

Ouderling Raubenheimer het ook Sondagaand 19 Februarie te Bethlehem sy lesings begin. Broeder en Suster Stephen Hiten, Suster Dixie en Broeder W. Cowper help in daardie poging.

Ouderling B. de Beer en sy helpers het onlangs in Boksburg begin lesings hou.

Vroeg in Maartmaand begin die kerk van Port Elizabeth onder Broeder Potter 'n goed georganiseerde poging. Hulle gee ons 'n goeie voorbeeld.

Ouderling Abney en sy helpers het te Wynberg 'n poging begin.

Hierdie lang lys van evangelistiese dienste kan ons nog met 'n langer lys van pogings in die Sendingdepartement aanvul. Hulle het vir 1933 ongeveer twintig pogings vir die Suid-Afrikaanse sendingveld georganiseer. Ervare manne soos Broeders J. N. de Beer, W. C. Tarr, E. M. Howard, H. L. Ferguson en anderse hou nou goed georganiseerde en gereelde pogings. Daarby dink ons aan die baie Naturelle-predikers en werkers wat nou vir die publiek pogings hou en hul uiterste bes doen om siele te win.

Om hierdie rede versoek ons dat daar op Sabbat die vierde Maart in al ons gemeentes en huisgesinne ernstig vir die baie evangelistiese pogings sal gebid word, sodat hul 'n groot sukses en tot seën sal wees. Die Here sal tog seker ons gebede wil verhoor en ons werkers wat dag vir dag voor die publiek opstaan om siele te win, seën en hulle goeie sukses gee.

'n Interessante Vergelyking

J. F. WRIGHT

Die jaar 1932 staan op ons boeke as 'n jaar van groot vrugbaarheid in ons Divisie. Gedurende die eerste nege maande van 1932 is daar 2,418 mense gedoop. Vir die vierde kwartaal het net drie Unies rapport uitgebring; dit bring die getal op 3,342. Die orige drie Unies het nog geen rapport ingestuur nie. As hulle rapport inkom, sal daar seker meer as 3,500 doopgevalle vir 1932 wees.

Laat ons nou sien. Elf jaar gelede was daar in die hele Divisie net 3,239 lede. Ons sien dus dat ons in 1932 meer mense gedoop het as daar lede was toe die Divisie georganiseer is. Is dit nie wonderlik nie? Mens kan dit amper nie verstaan nie. Maar die syfers maak die feite openbaar. Vandag het ons 18,722 gedoopte lede.

Die Here het die laaste jare wonderlik gesêen. Duisende siele is vir die waarheid gewin. Dis aanmoedigend om te sien water wonderlike resultate ons swak en onwaardige pogings bekroon het. Dit wys dat ons in die tyd van "die late reën" is. Laat ons dus met nuwe moed voorwaarts gaan en die taak wat ons opgedro is, klaarmaak.

N.-T. Konferensie

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Groete aan die Sendingvrywilligers

WENTZEL COWPER

GROETE aan ons vyf honderd en twee lede oral in Natal, Transvaal en Oranje Vrystaat. Van Louis Trichardt in die noorde tot Rouxville in die suide; van Durban in die ooste en Bloemhof in die weste lê 'n ketting van lig wat die waarheid van die derde engelboodskap in die Natal-Transvaal konferensie help versprei.

As ons laaste jaar se werk beskou, kan ons met reg sê: "Wat het die Here gedaan!" Daar was nog nooit so 'n tyd van geleentheid vir ons jongmense nie. En hulle maak van die geleentheid gebruik. Oral sêen ons vertrou, krag en saamsmelting. Ons begin 1933 met blydskap omdat ons 'n jaar nader is aan die koms van ons Here.

1932 staan as 'n buitengewone jaar aangeteken. Laat ek u 'n paar dinge mag noem:

Totale Eremerke vir 1931	102,926
Totale Eremerke vir 1932	227,229
Leeskursus-sertifikate (1931)	22
Leeskursus-sertifikate (1932)	149
Vriendespele (1931)	5
Vriendespele (1932)	73
Kameraadspelle (1932)	9
No. wat Morewaak hou (1931)	158
No. wat Morewaak hou (1932)	149
Oes-Insameling (1931)	£232
Oes-Insameling (1932)	£247

1932 was 'n goeie jaar, maar dit help ons nie vir 1933 nie. In die hemel gaan die ondersoek aan, op die aarde moet die

werk gelyke tred hou. Anders word ons agtergelaat. Anders gaan u lig uit en die duisternis sal u omring. Laat ons ontwaak! Doen die wapenrusting aan en haas u tot die krig! Wie gaan hierdie jaar win? Prins Emmanuel of die heirleërs van die Bose? U antwoord is "Emmanuel." Goed, maar hoe omtrent selfs as Christenstryder, gaan u triomfeer? Die saak van die Here gaan elke jaar vorentoe en u moet dieselfde doen.

Ons wagwoord is: "1932 'n goeie jaar, 1933 beter." Hier volg 'n paar doeleindes om na te strewen en u krag te meet vir die jaar 1933:

Eremerke	250,000
Leeskursus-sertifikate	150
Vriendespele	80
Kameraadspelle	50
Morewaak	100%

Leiers, bevorder die klasse vir Uitbreidende Ledetal vir 1933. Dit verdiep die geestelike lewe, maak die sendinggees wakker en bind die vereniging deur leiers van die lede te maak. Elke sewende Sendingvrywilliger in die Natal-Transvaal Konferensie dra 'n Vriendespele. Hoe staan dit met u kring. Wees wakker en aan die werk. Nou is dit die gulde oomblik vir ons, jongmense.

Doodsberig

WESSELS.—Petrus Johannes Daniel Wes-sels is die 14de Februarie 1856 op Benaudheidsfontein gebore. Die plaas lê op die grenslyn van Kaapkolonie en Oranje Vrystaat in die distrik van Kimberley. Broeder P. J. D. Wessels is die 13de Februarie 1933 te Retreat in die ouderdom van sewenen-sewentig jaar oorlede.

Reeds in sy kinderjare op die plaas het hy hom tot goddelike dinge aangetrek gevoel en was as jonkman in twyfel oor die ongerymdheid in die leer van die Bybel en die praktyk van belydende Christene. Hierdie twyfelsug het hom jarelank agtervolg en op die ou end laat siek word, sodat hulle vir sy lewe bang was. In hierdie toestand omhels hy die belofte van Jak. 5:15 en belowe die Here om die Woord van God alleen te volg. Hy het onmiddellik gesond geword en nooit weer medisyne gebruik nie. Ook het die Here hom meer as een keer wonderlik gehoor waar hy op verskillende plekke vir die siekes bid. Hierdie ervaring bring vrede vir sy eie siel. Hy het ook begin vra waarom die ouderlinge en diakens dan nie meer volgens die woord van die apostel Jakobus handel nie. Sy eie broer vra hom toe: "Waarom hou jy dan nie die Sabbat nie?" So het Broeder Wessels opnuut sy Bybel gaan studeer en die Woord het hom oortuig van die waarheid van die sewende-dag Sabbat, veral Matt. 5:16-18. 26 November 1855 was die eerste Sabbat wat die eerste Sabbathouer in Suid-Afrika op grond van die Woord gehou het. Hy het nie geweet dat daar nog ander Sabbathouers in die wêreld was nie. Die Hollandse Kerk het hom oor sy Sabbatvier afgesny. Maar ons broeder het, waar hy gaan, die nuwe waarheid met blydskap bekend gemaak.

Toe ontmoet hy Broeder Hunt, 'n ou Sewende-dag Adventist wat van Amerika uitgekom het om diamante te grawe. Hy het hom vertel van Sabbathouers in Amerika en Europa en hom die *Review and Herald* gegee. Die gevolg hiervan was dat

hy en Broeder van Druten Amerikatoe skryf en geld stuur om 'n Hollandse prediker te laat uitkom. Hulle stuur toe in 1888 Ouderlinge Boyd en Robinson. En Broeder en Suster P. J. D. Wessels word die eerste lede van die eerste Sewende-dag Adventiste kerk te Beaconsfield.

Die nuwe waarhede van die wonderlike boodskap het die siel van Broeder Wessels met vrede vervul. Hy het toe rondgegaan om die boodskap te predik. Onder die wat dit uit sy mond gehoor het, noem ons Ouderling D. F. Tarr, Ouderling H. J. Edmed, oordele Broeder J. A. Commis, Broeder E. Ingle en ander.

In 1890 het Broeder Wessels met sy familie Kaaptoe gekom. Toe die gemeente van Claremont georganiseer is, was hy die eerste ouderling. Sy lewelijk was hy 'n getrou lid van die gemeente.

In 1893 was Broeder Wessels leier van die ekspedisie na Suid-Rhodesië om daar 'n sendingstasie te kies. Hy en Ouderling Robinson het saam Dr. Jameson gaan sien. Broeder Wessels het hom persoonlik geken en van hom 12,000 more-grond vir 'n sendingstasie gekry. Soloesi was die eerste Sewende-dag Adventistiese sendingstasie in die hele wêreld. Die Generale Konferensie het Broeder Wessels vir sy lewe lid van die Sendingraad van S. D. A. gemaak. Hierdie klein saadjie het gegroei totdat daar vandag deur Sewende-dag Adventiste in Suid- en Sentraal Afrika alleen sendingwerk in sestig verskillende tale en dialekte gedaan word.

In al die jare het Broeder Wessels duidende ponde gegee om hierdie werk in Afrika en ander lande te help versprei.

In 1878 is hy met Maria Elisabeth van Zyl getrou. Hulle het sewe kinders gehad, vyf lewe nog. As liefhebbende vader en man het Broeder Wessels sy kinders in die waarheid opgevoed, sodat algar getrou lede van die gemeente is. Sy heengaan word betreur deur sy geliefde eggenote, drie seuns, twee dogters en veertien kleinkinders en baie vrinde en bekendes. Die agterblywendes kinders is: Johan van Standerton, Charles van Retreat, Petrus van Californië, Susie van Wellington en Marie van Trompsburg, O. V. S.

Ons het die versekering dat waar Broeder Wessels met vurige verlange uitgesien het na die koms van die Here, hy ook met al die heiliges sal opstaan uit die graf en die Here tegemoet gevoer word in die lug.

"Salig is die dode wat in die Here sterwe." Dit geld ook ons broeder waar hy rus, en sy werke volg hom.

Ouderlinge F. J. Wright, W. H. Hurlow en skrywer het die begrafnisdiens geleid. Broeder P. J. D. Wessels rus in die dodeakker van Plumstead tot die more van die opstanding.

J. I. ROBISON.

Sitting van die Suid-Afrikaanse Uniekonferensie

Die sestiende sitting van die Suid-Afrikaanse Uniekonferensie sal van 16-21 April 1933 te Bloemfontein O. V. S. saamkom. Die beamptes vir die nuwe tydperk sal dan gekies word en ander besigheid wat voor die konferensie mag kom, afgehandel word.

Die eerste vergadering sal Sondagmore die 16de April om tien uur gehou word.

N. C. WILSON, *Voorsitter*,
J. E. SYMONS, *Sekretaris*.

17 Februarie 1933.

Bekendmaking Omtrent die Komende Kampvergadering

Die kampvergadering van die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie Konferensie sal van 14-22 April te Bloemfontein gehou word. Ons het permissie gekry om in Victoria Park ons vergaderings te hou. Ons sal daar drie of vier tente opslaan en ook 'n eettent. Altemit kan ons 'n paar wootente opslaan, maar ons plan is dat die wat gaan kom, kamers gaan neem. Naby die park kan mens teen redelike prys kamers kry. Ons sal ook konsessie op die trein kry, sodat die reiskoste minder sal wees.

Al die besonderhede omtrent kamers, konsessie, ens. kan u kry van Ouderling J. E. Symons, Bus 468, Bloemfontein. Die volgende uitgawe van die OUTLOOK sal besonderhede omtrent hierdie belangrike vergadering bevat.

Kampvergadering van die Suid-Afrikaanse Uniekonferensie

DATUM—

14-22 April 1933.

PLEK—

Victoria Park, Bloemfontein, O.V.S.

KONSESSIES—

Ons het aansoek gedoen vir konsessies vir afgevaardigdes wat met die trein konferensietoekom. Doen aansoek vir die gebruiklike konsessievorm by *Pastor J. E. Symons, P.O. Box 468, Bloemfontein, O.F.S.*

VERBLYFPLEK—

Ons het 'n komitee benoem wat besig is om gemeubileerde kamers naby die Victoria Park te kry. Laat ons net weet of u 'n enkel of dubbel kamer wil hê, ook die datum, dag en uur van u aankoms te Bloemfontein. Skryf besonderhede aan Ouderling Symons. (Sien bostaande adres.)

KOSVERSORGING—

Daar sal 'n eettent wees volgens die bekende kafeteria-plan onder die bekwaam bestuur van Mevr. R. C. Honey en Ouderling P. A. Venter. U sal dus al u maaltye by die eettent op die gronde self kan geniet. Vir verder inligtings lees wat Ouderling N. C. Wilson in hierdie uitgawe van die OUTLOOK skryf.

'n Terugblik en 'n Oproep

A. BOEKHOUT

Die afterwe van ou Broeder P. J. D. Wessels roep herinnering wakker. Onuitwisbaar staan die name van Broeders Scholtz en Wessels as die eerstelinge van die groot oes van later dae. Met oop Bybel het hulle in hul eenvoudigheid die land deurgegaan en die Sabbatwaarheid verkondig aan hoogstaande predikante in die dorpe en aan nederige, godvresende plaasboere langs die grootpad.

Hul woord het oortuigend gewees, want

dit het in goeie aarde geval. Dit was in dae van godsdienstige herlewering in Suid-Afrika. Aan die hoof van sake op maatskaplike en godsdienstige gebied het manne gestaan wat opreg en kinderlik God gedien het, manne soos Dr. Andrew Murray, Prof. Hofmeyr, Oom Paul Kruger. En die volk het in hul voetspore gewandel.

Uit daardie vër verlede kom daar 'n roepstem tot ons, jong en oud, om die werk van die eerste broeders weer op te neem, en die Sabbatwaarheid en ander waarhede van dorp tot dorp, van boereplaas tot boereplaas te dra soos hulle gedaan het.

Maar ons moet weet dat die ou godvrugtige geslag van hul dae met sy kinderlike geloof en ontsag vir die Bybel nie meer daar is nie. Ons het nou te doen met 'n onverskillige kritiese, ongelowige, partysugtige, wêreldsgesinde klas mense wat wel meer geleerd is en meer boeke gelees het en nog lees, maar wat die persoonlike dors na geregtigheid en kennis van God mis. *Ons sal hulle moet win deur uit te leef wat ons bely.*

Tog is daar nog genoeg eerlike, dorstende siele in ons land wat vra na die Here en Sy sterkte. Dit sal dus die moeite loon om hulle op te soek en uit die groot menigte uit te sif soos diamante vir die kroon van die Here Jesus.

Wie dan onder ons met traktaat en papiere wel toegeruste gemeentes gaan hom wy aan hierdie wagtende taak? Wie sê met woord en daad: "Here, hier is ek, stuur vir my?"

Die al te laat oes onder die blanke bevolking van Suid-Afrika sal ook dan nog gesoende vrugte afwerp.

Die Here seën oorvloedig die broeders in die pogings wat nou in die verskillende dorpe gehou word.

Toewyding

Die belofte van God is: "En julle sal My soek en vind as julle na My sal vra met jul gans hart." Jer. 29:13.

Die gans hart moet aan God gegee word, anders kan die verandering wat ons in Sy ewebeld sal herstel, nie in ons gewerk word nie. Van nature is ons van God vervreem. Die Heilige Gees beskryf ons toestand in hierdie woorde: "Dood in sondes en misdade." Ef. 2:1. "Die gans hart is krank en die gans hart is mat." Daar is niks heels aan nie." Jes. 1:5, 6. Ons word in die strikke van Satan gehou waaronder ons gevange is "na sy wil." 2 Tim. 2:26. Die Here wil ons genees, ons vrymaak. Maar dit vra 'n totale verandering, 'n vernuwing van ons hele natuur en daarom moet ons ons geheel aan Hom oorgee.

Die stryd teen die eie ek is die grootste stryd wat ooit gestry is. Die oorgawe van onself en van alles aan die wil van God vra 'n worsteling. Maar die siel moet hom aan die Here onderwerp, voor hy in heilighede kan vernuut word.

Die bestuur van God berus nie soos Satan dit wil voorgee, op 'n blinde onderwerping, 'n dwang sonder verstand nie. Daar word 'n beroep op die verstand en op die gewete gedoen. "Kom en laat ons saam redeneer" is die uitnodiging van die Skepper aan die skepels wat Hy gemaak het. Die Here forseer nie die wil van Sy skepsele nie. Hy kannie 'n hulde wat nie gewillig en gereedlik gegee word nie, aanneem nie. 'n Eenvoudig gedwonge onderwerping sou elke werklike ontwikkeling van gees of karakter

belet, en die mens eenvoudig in 'n outomaat verander. Dis nie die bedoeling van die Skepper nie. Dis Sy begeerte dat die mens, die kroonstuk van Sy skeppende mag, die hoogs moontlike ontwikkeling sal bereik. Hy hou ons voor oë die toppunt van seëning waar Hy ons deur Sy genade wil bring. Hy nooi ons onself aan Hom te gee, sodat Hy Sy wil in ons mag werk. Dit hang van ons af of ons verkies van die slawery van die sonde verlos te word en deel te hê in die heerlike vryheid van die kindere van God.

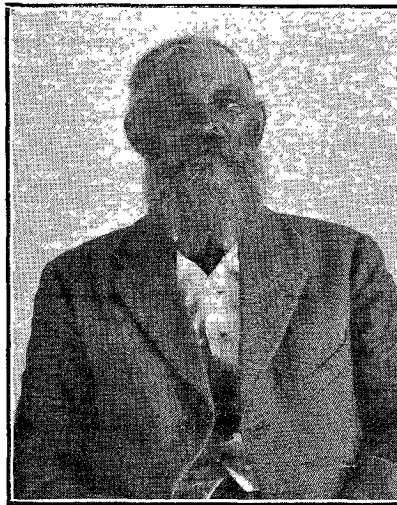
As ons onself aan God gee, moet ons noodsaaklik alles wat ons van Hom skei, opgee. Daarom sê die Heiland: "So kan dan ook, niemand van julle wat nie afsien van al sy besittings, My discipel wees nie." Luk. 14:33. Wat ook die hart van God aftrek, moet mens opgee. Mammon is die afgod van baie mense. Geldgierigheid, d'e begeerte na rykdom is die goue ketting wat hulle aan Satan bind. Reputasie en wêreldse eer word deur 'n ander klas mense aanbid. Die lewe van selfsugtige gemak en vrywees van verantwoordelikheid is die afgod van ander. Maar hierdie slaafse bande moet mens verbreek. Ons kannie vir die helfte aan d'e Here en vir die ander helfte aan d'e wêreld behoer nie. Ons is nie die kindere van die Here nie, of ons moet dit volkome wees. Daar is mense wat bely God te dien, terwyl hulle op hul eie poging steun om Sy wet te gehoorsaam, 'n regskepe karakter te vorm en die saligheid te verwerf. Hul harte word nie bezeug deur 'n diepe gevoel van die liefde van Christus n'e, maar hulle probeer die pligte van die Christelike lewe na te kom as iets wat die Here van hulle vra om die hemel te win. So 'n godsdiens is niks wêrd nie. As Christus in d'e hart woon, sal die siel so met Sy liefde, met die blydschap van gemeenskap met Hom vervul word, dat die siel Hom sal aankleef. En deur Hom te aanskou, sal die eie ek vergeet word. Liefde tot Christus sal die dryfveer van sy dade wees.—*Mevr. E. G. White, in "Skrede na Christus," blss. 45-47.*

Obituary

WESSELS.—Petrus Johannes Daniel Wes-sels was born February 14, 1856, on Benaudheidsfontein farm which is on the border of the Cape and the Orange Free State in the Kimberley district, and died on February 13, 1933, at Retreat, being just seventy-seven years old. Brother Wes-sels spent his boyhood days on the farm and early developed a keen interest in things spiritual and as a young man became troubled over inconsistencies in the teaching of the Bible and the practice of professed Christian people. Living for some years torn by doubts as to which he should believe, his church, or his Bible, he finally fell sick and his life was despaired of. While in this condition his mind was turned again to God's Word and to the promise, "the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him." Believing this promise, he covenanted with the Lord that if his life were spared he would take the Bible as the word of God and would follow its teaching irrespective of the practice of professed Christian people. As a result of this experience he was immediately healed, and threw away his medicines and became a

firm believer in praying for the sick, subsequently having some very remarkable answers to prayer for the sick in various places. This new experience brought peace to our brother's soul and he immediately began to ask why the deacons and elders of his church did not pray for the sick for healing as promised by the apostle James. This led his own brother to ask him, "If you are such a Bible man, why do you not keep the Sabbath?" Brother Wes-sels replied that he did, but when his brother pointed out that the Sabbath was the seventh day of the week, whereas the church kept the first day, he was astonished and determined to study his Bible for the truth on this important question.

Beginning with Matthew he began to read his New Testament through to find out how and where Jesus had changed the day as his brother had claimed. Coming to the fifth chapter, verses sixteen to eighteen, he found that Jesus had not only not changed the law of God, but had definitely stated



that he would not change so much as a jot or a tittle of His law, and that the Sabbath would be observed in the earth made new. Brother Wes-sels therefore immediately began to observe the seventh day Sabbath keeping his first Sabbath on November 26, 1885, being the first person in South Africa to step out upon this truth as found in God's Word. He did not know at that time that there were any other Sabbath keepers in the world. As a result of this step he was disfellowshipped from the Dutch Reformed Church, but rejoiced in the new found light and began to proclaim it wherever he went.

Shortly after this, Brother Wes-sels met a Brother Hunt, an old Seventh-day Adventist brother living in Beaconsfield who had come over from America to work in the Diamond Fields. This brother told him that there were other Sabbath keepers in America and Europe and gave him some literature. This news brought great joy to our brother and so he and Brother van Druten who had accepted the Sabbath truth, now joined in sending to America for ministers to teach them the truth more fully. Brother Wes-sels and Brother van Druten sent money to America to pay the way of these workers to South Africa and as a result Elders Boyd and

Robinson came out in 1888 and raised up the Beaconsfield church, the first Seventh-day Adventist church in South Africa, of which Brother and Sister Wes-sels were charter members.

After the truth in its fullness was heard by our late brother there sprang up an unquenchable fire in his heart to tell others of the wonderful message that had brought such peace to his own soul. He at once became an itinerate self-supporting minister proclaiming the Sabbath truth and the soon coming of our Lord wherever he went. Among those who first heard the message from his lips were Pastor D. F. Tarr, Pastor H. J. Edmed, the late Brother J. A. Commin, Brother E. Ingle and many others.

In 1890 Brother Wes-sels and his family moved to the Cape and upon the organization of the Claremont Seventh-day Adventist church Brother Wes-sels was chosen as its first elder and has been a faithful and loyal member of this church ever since.

In 1893 Brother Wes-sels was the leader in an expedition into South Rhodesia to obtain a grant of land for a mission site. He and Elder Robinson interviewed Dr. Jameson, whom Brother Wes-sels knew as a personal friend, and obtained a grant of 12,000 acres of land where was founded the Solusi Mission, the first Seventh-day Adventist mission for the heathen to be established anywhere in the world. Brother Wes-sels was a life member of the Seventh-day Adventist Mission Board, being appointed such by the General Conference. This small beginning in mission endeavour forty years ago has grown through the years until now in South and Central Africa alone mission work is being carried on by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in sixty different languages and dialects.

Brother Wes-sels through the years gave thousands of pounds to help extend the cause of truth in Africa and in other lands, and has always been a loyal supporter of the cause to which he gave his life so many years ago.

Our late brother was married in 1878 to Maria Elisabeth van Zyl and to this union were born seven children, of whom five survive. In his home life our brother was ever a faithful father and a loving husband. His children were reared in the truth and have all proved loyal members of the church he loved. There are left to mourn their loss, his faithful wife, three sons, two daughters and fourteen grandchildren, besides other relatives and friends. The surviving children are: John of Standerton, Charles of Retreat, Peter of California, U. S. A., Susie of Wellington and Marie of Trompsburg, O. F. S.

We rest assured that at the coming of our Lord and Saviour, to which event he looked forward with such confidence, our brother will arise and be caught up together with the saints of God to meet his Lord in the air. The blessing of the apostle, who said, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth," is surely his, and as he rests for a little time from his labours his works will surely follow him. Funeral services were conducted by Elder J. F. Wright, assisted by Elder Hurlow and the writer, and Brother Wes-sels was laid to rest in the Plumstead Cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver.

J. I. ROBISON.

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A Special Call to Prayer— Sabbath, March 4

N. C. WILSON

A NUMBER of our evangelists are already in the thick of the battle and are grappling with tremendous problems. In many Adventist homes throughout South Africa these brethren are being especially remembered in prayer at this time. However we invite our people everywhere into whose hands this message falls to join in a special time of prayer during the coming few weeks that Heaven's abundant blessings may be showered upon our ministers and workers now engaged in active evangelistic service.

Elder Staples started his series of meeting in the Town Hall at Queenstown Sunday night, February 12. With him are associated Brother and Sister Combrinck, Sister Milford and Brother and Sister Fowler.

Elder Clifford started his series of meeting in the Bloemfontein Town Hall Sunday evening, February 19. With Elder Clifford are associated Elder and Sister Le Butt, Sister Dixie and Brother Retief.

Elder Raubenheimer started his evangelistic meetings in Bethlehem also on Sunday evening, February 19. Brother and Sister Stephen Hiten, Sister Dixie and Brother W. Cowper are associated in service at Bethlehem.

Then Elder de Beer and his co-workers are hard at work in Boksburg North where they recently opened a series of meetings.

The Port Elizabeth church, assisted by Brother Potter, is launching a well organised evangelistic campaign beginning early in March. This is a worthy example indeed.

At Wynberg Elder Abney, assisted by an efficient group of workers, has opened an evangelistic campaign.

To this long list of evangelistic services being held in the European and Coloured Departments could be added a still longer list of efforts just starting in the Mission Department. About twenty efforts have been planned for the South African Mission Field for 1933. Such experienced men as Brethren J. N. de Beer, W. C. Tarr, E. M. Howard, H. L. Ferguson, and others connected with the Mission Department are conducting well organised and regular evangelistic efforts. Then we think of the many native ministers and workers who

are giving active service just now in holding meetings for the public and who are rendering efficient and loyal service in soul winning.

We earnestly suggest that especially on Sabbath, March 4, prayer be offered in our churches and homes for the many evangelistic meetings now being held. Let us make Sabbath, March 4, a day of special and fervent prayer for these evangelistic groups that great success and blessing may attend the meetings being held. Surely God will be pleased to answer our prayers and give great blessing and success to our workers who meet the public from day to day in soul-winning endeavour.

Union Conference Camp-meeting

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DATE—

April 14-22, 1933.

PLACE—

Victoria Park, Bloemfontein, O.F.S.

CONCESSIONS—

We have applied for concession privileges for delegates travelling to the conference by railway. Apply to Pastor J. E. Symons, P.O. Box 468, Bloemfontein, O.F.S., for concession form.

ACCOMMODATION—

A locating committee has been appointed to secure furnished rooms in close proximity to Victoria Park. Write stating whether you require a single or a double room, also give the date, and, if possible, the time of your arrival in Bloemfontein. Send these particulars to Pastor J. E. Symons (address as above).

CATERING—

A dining tent operated on the cafeteria plan will be under the able management of Mrs. R. C. Honey and Pastor P. A. Venter.

You will be able to secure all your meals at the dining tent right on the camping ground.

For further information read Pastor N. C. Wilson's article in this issue of the OUTLOOK.

In addition to the treatments given, a strong, spiritual work has been carried forward for the lepers and as a result a fine company of believers has been organised. Some months ago, a splendid church building was erected in the colony, and the writer certainly considered it a rare privilege to have the pleasure of preaching the sermon at the time of its dedication. We thank God for this added memorial erected to the worship of His name and we pray that many of the lepers who now worship upon the Sabbath day in this new church will be prepared to meet the Lord Jesus in peace when He shall appear.

Upon the last Sabbath of my visit to Malamulo, an ordination service took place at the close of the morning hour. At this time Brethren W. L. Davy and Lyndon Tarr were set apart to the work of the gospel ministry. Elder O. U. Giddings, the retiring superintendent, and Elder H. M. Sparrow, the incoming union superintendent, assisted the writer in the service. The spirit of the Lord drew very near and a solemn service was witnessed by the workers and the hundreds of natives in attendance. We pray that God will bless the faithful, loving ministry which these two brethren will continue to render in the great Nyasaland field.

South African Union Conference Session

THE sixteenth session of the South African Union Conference is called to convene at Bloemfontein, Orange Free State, April 16-21, 1933. Officers will be elected for the ensuing term, and such other business transacted as may properly come before the conference.

The first meeting will be held at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, April 16.

N. C. WILSON, *Chairman*,
J. E. SYMONS, *Secretary*.

February 17, 1933.

Thy love to me, O God,
Not mine, O Lord, to Thee,
Can rid me of this dark unrest,
And set my spirit free.

—Horatius Bonar.

Seed Thoughts

"DAILY prayers are the best remedy for cares."

"THE shortest route to the man next door is by the way of God's throne."

"GUARD well thy thoughts: our thoughts are heard in heaven."

"WHEN the outlook is not good, try the uplook."

"God gives opportunities; success depends upon the use made of them."

"LIFE is a sheet of paper white,
Whereon each of us may write
His line or two, and then comes night."

Ordination and Dedication Services

J. F. WRIGHT

WHILE in Nyasaland recently, it was the privilege of the writer to be present and participate in the dedication service of the new leper church at Malamulo Mission. For several years work has been carried on in treating the lepers at this place. The British and American Leprosy Associations have contributed toward the support of this colony. A splendid work has been achieved, and a number of lepers have been healed.