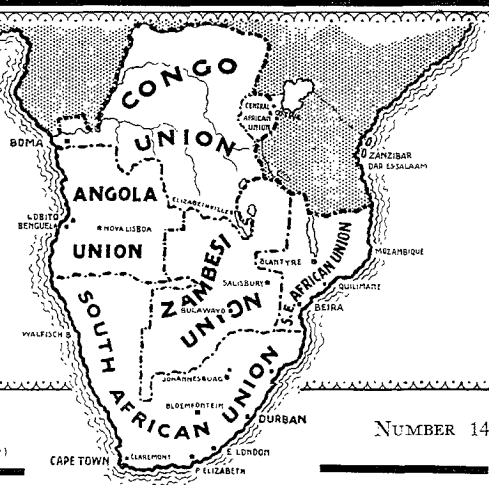


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The Truth Triumphant in Nyasaland

A. F. TARR

ON May 17 Elder Elliott and the writer left Cape Town for Nyasaland where the camp-meeting season was to be spent. Very pleasant stops were made at a number of places en route. At Mafeking, where there was a wait-over of nearly two hours, an early breakfast was enjoyed in the home of Elder and Sister A. N. Ingle. These workers, assisted by Miss A. G. Fleming, were in the midst of an evangelistic effort in that town, and were full of courage and enthusiasm despite the very definite opposition that has been aroused.

Elder J. van der Merwe joined the train at Mafeking, and together we travelled as far as Bulawayo where a meeting of the Zambesi Union committee had been called. Between this committee and meetings with the brethren and sisters of the Bulawayo church a busy week-end was spent. A spirit of optimism—in the face of reduced appropriations—was manifested by Elder Boger and his associates, and the blessing of God attended the deliberations of this committee as plans were laid for carrying forward the work during the remainder of the year.

Brother J. B. Jewell of Solusi, who was visiting his son in Nyasaland, joined us at Bulawayo. During the half-hour stop at Gwelo opportunity was taken to make a brief visit in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Ingle. Dr. Ingle has recently established a practice in the town of Gwelo in addition to his work at the Lower Gwelo Mission.

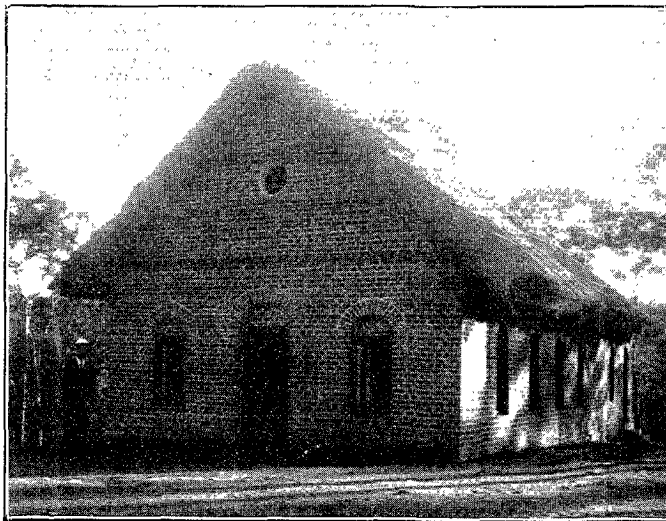
Despite the early hour of the train's arrival at Salisbury, a number of the church members were at the station

to meet us. Brother Hipkin, the church elder, invited us to his home. Assisted by Brother Gorle, V.C., and others of the members, Brother Hipkin is carrying on an active evangelistic programme in and around Salisbury. The entire church, it seems, by prayer and by active service, is assisting in the splendid work which these brethren are doing. The Salisbury church is indeed a light set on a hill.

At Salisbury we were met by Elder H. M. Sparrow, superintendent of the South East African Union, who took us from there by car to Blantyre. Here we were hospitably entertained in Brother and Sister Sparrow's home, where were also Elder Nelson, Brother Davy, Brother and Sister Lyndon Tarr, and Brother Gordon Pearson. The day following our arrival we motored in the rain to Cinyama, a native mission station fifty-two miles from Blantyre, and under the direction of Pastor Roman. Here

Brother G. S. Stevenson who has the supervision of the work in this area, had, with Brother Roman, already commenced the camp-meeting, and both were very pleased to see us. We were able more readily to appreciate their relief when we saw the tremendous gathering of people. Fully 4,000 were present. A splendid time was spent at this camp-meeting, and everyone of the services seemed to be greatly enjoyed. Unfortunately the rain and cold prevented the baptism of the 185 candidates at that time. Most of these have, however, since been baptised. Pastor Roman has a gigantic task in caring for the interests of the work in that important section.

Our next stop was at Malamulo—our oldest mission in this union. Here Brother and Sister Nash, Dr. and Mrs. Marcus, Brother and Sister Davy, Brother Ivan Ansley and Miss Melvill, assisted by a splendid corps of Native workers, are carrying on an aggressive programme. The hospital, the leper colony with its 150 lepers, the print shop, the dairy, marketing over 600 lbs of butter per month, and the carpenter shop, are among the varied interests maintained by the mission. The leper colony presents some pitiful sights, yet everything is being done that can be done to make the patients comfortable and happy. Dr. Marcus and Miss Melvill are untiring in their care for them. Nor are the spiritual needs of the lepers forgotten. A very fine church and school has been erected from funds provided by the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association. It seemed most fitting that the one who ministers to their physical restoration should also minister to their spiritual needs: Dr. Marcus is the elder of the leper church. Associated with him is a Native elder, Moses, a one-time leper but whose disease has been arrested. A



The new leper church at Malamulo Mission, Nyasaland.

statement made by one of the lepers seemed especially significant: "We are even glad that we have leprosy," he said, "for had it not been for our leprosy we would never have known the way to salvation." With many the joy over the spiritual help received at the mission far outweighs the physical suffering that brought them here.

An interesting feature of the leper camp is the building activity. From funds provided by the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association new and more comfortable huts are being erected to replace the former ones. The work of making the bricks and building the huts is being undertaken by the lepers themselves.

Even more pathetic than many of the sights in the leper camp are some of the cases in the hospital. The average Native in these parts seems to put off seeking relief from the white man until he is convinced of the impossibility of doing anything more for himself, and when this time comes the disease, in many cases, has a strangle-hold on the patient. Pitiful indeed were some of the cases we found, both among the men and the women, but more especially among the children, some of them being in quite a hopeless condition.

During our stay at Malamulo the director of education for Nyasaland, and his wife, paid a few days' visit to the mission. Both seemed to enjoy their stay, and the director spoke highly of the work that the mission is doing. Especial interest was shown in what is being done for the girls, and the director expressed the hope that this phase of our work might even be strengthened, and a suitable young lady be secured to give it the added strength.

The Malamulo camp-meeting was a most impressive occasion. Never in the history of our work in this field had so many people been gathered together. The attendance at Sabbath school numbered 5,028—a record attendance for any Sabbath school held in this Division. The attendance at the church service was no less. What would not some of the pioneers of our mission work have given, those who laid the foundation for what is now being enacted, to see the sight that greeted our eyes that Sabbath morning! Surely the Lord of Hosts is setting His hand to the finishing of His work. On the last day of the camp-meeting 238 persons were added to the church by baptism. Of this number twenty-five were lepers.

(To be continued)

Harvest Ingathering Call

JULY 1 TO AUGUST 12

"The night cometh when no man can work."

A Work Wrought of God

F. G. CLIFFORD

"So the wall was finished in the twenty and fifth day of the month Elul, in fifty and two days.

"And it came to pass, that when all our enemies heard thereof, and all the heathen that were about us saw these things, they were much cast down in their own eyes: for they perceived that this work was wrought of our God."

The enemies of God's people were amazed. They did not believe in the revelation of God as taught by Israel, but they were convinced that the work which Israel had done had been done by God. They had seen men, human beings just like themselves, working day by day upon the walls and towers of Jerusalem. They never expected the work to be finished, for difficulties, trials and hindrances were to be found on every side. But as the building of the walls progressed amid difficulties, hardships, shortage of funds, and trials, they became convinced that the work was wrought of God.

The persistent attempts to hinder the purpose of God's people had all failed. In spite of the hindrances, dangers, and discouragements, the work went steadily forward to completion. The secret was that the greater the difficulties the more carefully the people of God laid their plans; the more systematically they co-ordinated their labours, and the harder they worked.

The enemies of God sought to draw the leader away from the work. They distributed letters among the workmen to confuse them; fainthearted helpers wanted to give up the struggle. Some daring spirits even went so far as to plan to kill Nehemiah, the leader. But because the people worked with diligence and depended upon God they knew no failure.

This story in the experience of Israel represents a glorious triumph over difficulties. It will be repeated in our day. Difficulties are no new thing to the people of God. Shortage of materials and workmen have only served to spur them on to more united labour. The humanly im-

possible task has made them realise more fully their dependence upon God. But our dependence upon God does not deprive us of our responsibility to do with our might what God has called us to do. It should give us an even greater incentive to labour untiringly, knowing that we labour not in vain in the Lord.

Today men marvel at the wonderful mission advance that has been made during the last few short decades by Seventh-day Adventists. If, as in Nehemiah's day, all of God's people would bend their energies to the task of spreading the message and building up the work of God, even the enemies of His cause would become convinced that the work is not being done by human effort, but is a work wrought of God. Glory and honour can be brought upon His name when all God's people in times of difficulty and seeming defeat, rise as one man to engage in the work.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign must provide this year a goodly portion of the funds upon which the maintenance of our educational and medical missionary work so vitally depends. There is a place for every believer in this work. Those who have never previously gone out into the field and gathered in the funds should remember the labourers whom the Master found in the market place at the eleventh hour. Truly we are in that hour of earth's history. It is not too late to go out into the vineyard and work.

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Harvest Ingathering Work in 445 B. C.

E. W. MARTER

BACK in the beginning of that 2,300 year period which means so much to us as Seventh-day Adventists, when the work of rebuilding the city of the Lord was the subject dearest to the heart of every son of Israel, there occurred an experience which has been recorded for our encouragement who at the close of that period are seeking to rebuild the church of God, and prepare a people to meet their King. The parallels are numerous and the lessons both apparent and positive.

Nehemiah is cup-bearer to the king of Persia. For ninety years the rebuilding of Jerusalem had been the interest of the people of God, but the last decade, that is, since the great decree of Artaxerxes in 457 B.C., had seen the work go forward with the greatest success. But a reserse sets in, and now to the ears of the man of God there comes the word that his brethren "are in great affliction and reproach," for there were those who had hindered the work, and as Nehemiah declared to the king, there were at least parts

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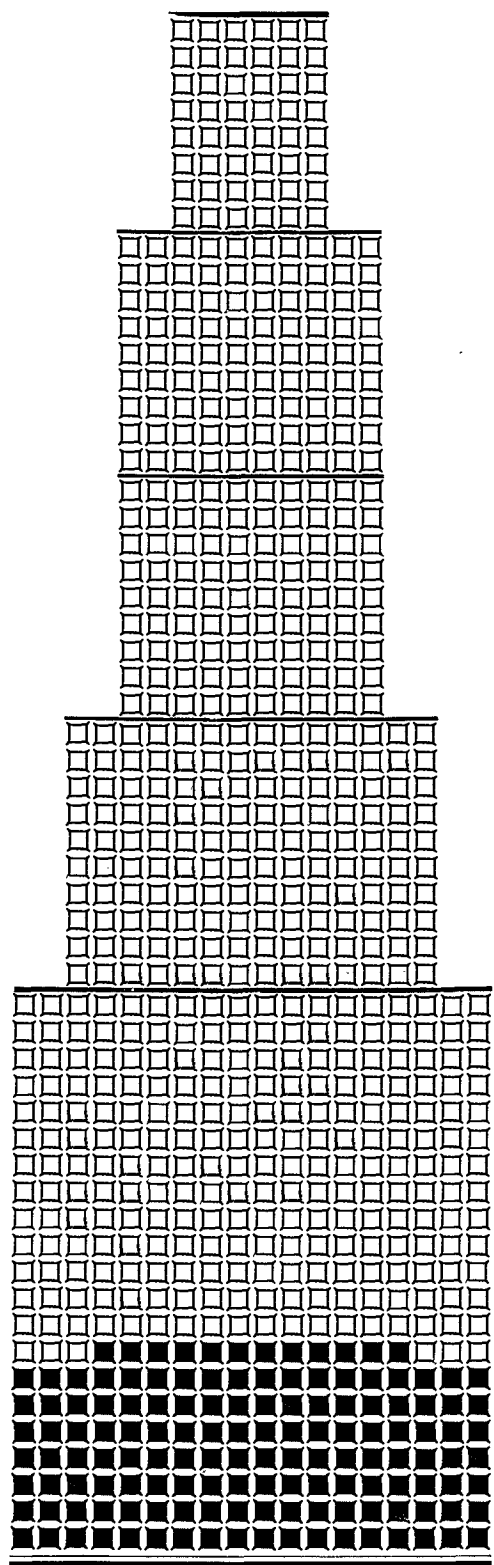
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S. A. Mission £550

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Union £1,385
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of the city of Israel that day "waste." (Neh. 1:3; 2:3.) In the same way for an almost equal period of years, the people of God have been building up His remnant church and preparing for His kingdom. It is also true that the last decade in our experience has seen marvellous forward strides in the work of God. But the enemy of God has been at work, and though we can thank God that the living stones in His house continue to increase in number and strength, yet truly, His people are suffering "affliction and reproach," and we are forced to confess that there are places that lay "waste," for no one is building there.

Preparation

But what did the man of God do in that time of crisis in Israel? To the Lord he went in prayer, and daily for four months his petition ascended to the God of heaven, that He would turn the heart of the king so that he would favour the request for help when the time came to present it. (Neh. 1:1, 4-11; 2:1.) So burdened was he for the prosperity of God's work that his very burden became the instrument in God's hands to interest the king and provide the opportunity for which the faithful man had waited and prayed so long. Then the record, so encouragingly human, tells how that when the king observed his "sorrow of heart," and thus the opportunity to make known his request unexpectedly came, Nehemiah was "very sore afraid." (Neh. 2:2.) Is that, dear believer, how you feel when your long-sought opportunity to solicit help for the cause of God comes? Then read the following two verses and notice that though full of fear he made known the needs of God's cause so earnestly that the king was both interested and desired to help; and notice, too, that there in the court-room in the presence of the king and queen, Nehemiah silently lifted his heart to God, for the simple record is, "So I prayed to the God of heaven." "Nehemiah had complied with the invitation of the King of kings, 'Let him take hold of My strength, that he may make peace with Me, and he shall make peace with Me.' The silent petition that he sent up to heaven was the same that he had offered for many weeks, that God would prosper his request."—*Southern Watchman, March 8, 1904.* Prayer had prepared the way. Prayer then sustained him, and prayer gave him success.

Action

His request follows in verses 5 to 8. Humbly but definitely with full regard to the importance of the work of God and also to the ability of the king to do what he desires, he asks for a royal commission to build up the waste places of Jerusalem, and a free and full supply of the materials necessary to make it once more a strong and defenced city. "And the king granted me according to the good hand of my God upon me." Ah, there was prayerful confidence; there was sound judgment and holy boldness. "Nehemiah

did not depend upon uncertainties. *The means which he lacked he solicited from those who were able to bestow.*—*Southern Watchman*, March 15, 1904. And the next verse closes this part of the account with the further fact that he received no post-dated cheque or evasive promise of help, but royal letters and military escort as well, in order that the work of God might be set forward immediately.

Example

The servant of the Lord wrote, when the Harvest Ingathering work was still in its infancy: "In years past, I have spoken in favour of the plan of presenting our mission work and its progress before our friends and neighbours, and have referred to the example of Nehemiah. And now I desire to urge our brethren and sisters to study anew the experience of this man of prayer and faith and sound judgment, who made bold to ask his friend, King Artaxerxes, for help with which to advance the interests of God's cause."—*Consecrated Efforts to Reach Unbelievers*, MS., June 5, 1914. Among these statements which have appeared in previous years in the *Southern Watchman* along with others quoted in this article, are the following, "He (God) is ready to move upon the hearts of the worldly men, even idolaters (and who are greater idolaters than the money-controlled pleasure-worshippers of the modern world), to give of their abundance for the support of His work; and He will do this as soon as His people learn to approach these men wisely and to call their attention to that which it is their privilege to do." "These men have no sympathy with God's work, no faith in Christ, no acquaintanceship with His Word; but their gifts are not on this account to be refused." "Although now almost wholly in the possession of wicked men, all the world, with its riches and treasures belongs to God. See Ps. 24:1; Haggai 2:8; Ps. 50:10-12.) O that Christians might realise more and more fully that it is their privilege and their duty, while cherishing right principles, to take advantage of every heaven-sent opportunity for advancing God's kingdom in this world."

A Rightful Tribute

In what sense, you may ask, is it a privilege for worldlings to give to God's cause with which they have no sympathy? Let us consider some other questions. Are not the true followers of Christ the salt, the preserving agency, of the world? Would not five righteous persons like Lot have saved Sodom? Was not the empire of Cyrus and Artaxerxes blessed that God's people might be restored? Even so, were it not for the presence of God's people in the earth, and the long-suffering mercy of God, the worldling, the worshipper at the shrines of business and pleasure, would find his delirious, selfish whirl cut short, and would face the awful judgments of God.

Let us, then, with the constant prayer-

fulness of Nehemiah seek God to open the hearts of men. Let us with his courage and faith go tactfully but boldly to those who are able to help, and with earnestness place before them the needs of God's cause. God will use all who consecrate themselves to Him as Nehemiah did. May God grant us many Nehemiahs in this time of need, that the affliction and reproach of His people, allowed for a time to purify and arouse them, might be turned into strength and rejoicing.

Harvest Ingathering and Baptism at Maritzburg

E. L. TRAVERS

ELDER A. C. LEBUTT has been in Maritzburg for three weeks to initiate the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Wonderful success has attended his efforts for he has already

exceeded the workers' goal of £50 by £25-10-0. A faithful response is manifested here to our earnest prayers, surely our God is a wonderful God. The writer had an urgent call to Greytown, forty-eight miles away. While there, inside two hours, gathered in about 22/6; this illustrates what one can do on such an occasion.

It gives great pleasure to report that on Sabbath, June 24, Elder LeButt baptised eight loyal souls. The church was filled during the afternoon to witness the solemn ceremony when these new members were buried with their Lord in the watery grave. The congregation listened to an impressive service, and during the ceremony, many of those present reconsecrated themselves to our Lord. Two of the brethren baptised made great sacrifice for the truth, not being able to get the Sabbath off, they felt it their duty to resign their positions trusting all to our heavenly Father.

"A mighty fortress is our God."

TITHE BULLETIN No. 6

Back Tithe

"Friday morning I spoke on the subject of tithing. This subject has not been presented to the churches as it should have been and the neglect, together with financial depression, has caused a marked falling off in the tithes the past year. At this Conference the subject has been carefully canvassed in meeting after meeting. . . .

"One brother, a noble looking man, a delegate from Tasmania, came to me and said, 'I am glad I heard you speak today upon tithing. I did not know it was so important a matter. I dare not neglect it longer.' He is now figuring up the amount of his tithe for the last twenty years, and says he shall pay it all as fast as he is able, for he cannot have robbery of God registered in the books of heaven meet him in the Judgment.

"One sister, belonging to the Melbourne church, has brought in eleven pounds back tithe which she had not understood that it devolved on her to pay. As they have received the light, many have made confession in regard to their indebtedness to God, and expressed their determination to meet this debt and no longer to rob God. I proposed that they place in the treasury their note promising to pay the full amount of an honest tithe as soon as they could obtain the money to do so. Many heads bowed assent, and I am confident that next year we shall not, as now, have an empty treasury."—*Mrs. E. G. White, in MS., written from Melbourne, Jan. 10, 1893. MS.4-93.*

BRING ALL BACK TITHE BEFORE NEW YEAR OPENS

"Let the neglected tithes be now brought in. Let the new year open upon you as men honest in their deal with God. Let those that have withheld their tithes send them in before the year . . . shall close, that they may be right with God, and never, never again run any risk of being cursed of God."—*Testimonies to Ministers*, p. 306.

INDIFFERENCE

"Nothing but utter inability to pay can excuse one in neglecting to meet promptly his obligations to the Lord. Indifference in this matter shows that you are in blindness and deception, and are unworthy of the Christian name."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 4, p. 476.

PRAYER CANNOT TAKE PLACE OF TITHE

Prayer offered ever so often and ever so earnestly will never be accepted by God in the place of our tithe. Prayer will not pay our debts to God."—*Messages to Young People*, p. 248.

Z. U. Mission

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D. A. Webster _____ Secy.-Treas.

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Inyazura Camp-meeting

HERMANN FICKER

THE first Southern Rhodesian camp-meeting this year was held at Inyazura, June 21-25. The two families of the mission tried to make all the visitors feel at home and on leaving all expressed themselves as having enjoyed their stay very much. On the last day there were twenty-five Europeans and about 900 natives present, in fact as big an attendance as has ever been seen for the last few years.

All were indeed glad to have Elder Elliott there; his splendid messages were very timely and a note of courage to press on was struck for all the people. On Friday evening Elder Boger discussed the primary importance of the saving Sabbath truth and many went away with a firmer purpose henceforth to keep the Sabbath truly to God's honour. On Sabbath morning Elder Elliott pleaded with all for that deep Christian experience which means the complete forsaking of the world. A good number came forward to join the hearer's class and others who wanted special prayer knelt at the rostrum. At the call for the camp-meeting offering over eighteen pounds were pledged. It was inspiring to see the Natives bring in their sixpences and shillings; to them it is a real sacrifice in these days of depression, for work is very scarce and crops have been very bad.

On Sunday afternoon 123 were buried in baptism to arise in newness of life with their Saviour. These were all first carefully questioned as to their repentance, faith and knowledge of our truth. One girl cried bitterly, for although she had been three years in the baptismal class, yet she was told to wait another year for her to grasp our truth better.

The question came to me: Do Seventh-day Adventist mission pay? If you could have looked with me into the faces of these converted heathen you would have agreed with me that it is worth while to bring the glorious gospel to these benighted peoples. Let us ask God to touch our hearts anew so as to give and give again so that our great work may be speedily finished.

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"THOUGH the wicked know it not, they owe even the blessings of this life to the presence, in the world, of God's people whom they despise and oppress."—E. G. White.

Home Missionary Rally

H. HIPKIN

THE little church company of Salisbury had a "feast of good things" from Friday evening, June 16 to Wednesday, June 21. Elder Boger, our conference president, and Brother E. W. Marter, home missionary secretary, came up from Bulawayo. Friday evening Elder Boger spoke on "The Advent Message to all the World in This Generation." Sabbath and Sunday were full days with morning, afternoon and evening sessions; such subjects as "Our First Love—How to Retain it," "Missionary Correspondence," "Making Strong Adventists," "God Given Facilities," "Home Foreign Work" and the "Christian Home" were ably dealt with and enjoyed by those who attended the meetings. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings we had the joy of listening to Elder Elliott, who gave us timely messages from the "good old Book" especially suitable for these days. We thank God for this rare privilege and pray that those who were unable to attend will see in our lives a *something* never before seen of strength, courage, and consecration.

Congo U. Mission

C. W. Bozarth _____ Superintendent
M. Duploux _____ Secy.-Treas.

Gitwe Mission, P.O. Usumbura,
Urundi, via Elisabethville

Congo Union Mission News

THE marriage of Valentine Davies of this union and Edna Bradley of Cape Town took place in Dar-es-Salaam May 15. Brother Davies has been connected with the work in this union for over two years, and is now director of our Buganda Mission. We extend a hearty welcome to Mrs. Davies as she comes to this field, and pray Heaven's richest blessings may attend Brother and Sister Davies as they carry forward the work of God in this country.

Brethren Bozarth and Duploux recently visited our Kirundu Mission. This mission is located the farthest north of any mission in the Southern African Division,—being just one-half degree south of the Equator. Brother and Sister Norcott, who are carrying on the work at this place, are of good courage and pushing the work forward. This is one of the nicest missions we have in the Congo Union, and is especially well located from the standpoint of population. There is a good motor road which passes through the mission property, and located all along this road are large native villages. Brother Norcott reports fifty new people who have

recently taken their stand for the truth, as the result of evangelistic work. They are laying plans for some strong evangelistic efforts for this year. This evangelistic work, together with the large medical work carried on by Mrs. Norcott, should result in a large number of converts for the year. These dear workers, isolated as they are from others of like faith, need the prayers of God's people as they carry forward the work in that most needy field.

We greatly appreciate the spirit of sacrifice and co-operation of the workers of the Congo Union in meeting the 15% cut in our appropriations. One worker in writing regarding this cut has expressed the feelings of the entire force of workers in the following words:

"Although it will mean the cutting of our individual personal expense to an absolute minimum, I certainly believe the only thing for us as workers to do is to bear our share of this cut by reducing our salaries, so that the appropriations for medical, evangelistic and educational work will not have to be reduced. I am sure that if we do our part, the Lord will show us all ways of economising in our living expenses so that none of us will lack for the necessities of life. You may be assured that we are of good courage and will certainly support any move which will prevent the return of any of our already too small force of workers in the Congo."

The medical work at Songa and Ngoma hospitals continues to grow. Both Doctors Sturges and Morel report that they have all the patients they can well look after at the present time. Dr. Morel has the following to say of the Songa work:

"We have been more than busy at the hospital and dispensary. Every bed is filled and three or four are waiting for operations. Last week I removed a goitre from a woman from Samba, and a few days before did an operation for cataract on a blind man from a nearby village. Both are doing well. Last week some of the patients came up and reported a fight was going on at the 'sick village.' On investigation I found seven people all quarrelling over who was to live in the only empty house in the village. We certainly do need wards and more houses in our 'sick village,' and no one is more thankful than I that Mr. Pratt will soon be here to start work on the buildings."

The following word from Dr. Sturges shows how the work is going at Ngoma:

"Things are humming right along over here, with full days at the dispensary. Monday I gave 324 injections for yaws, four for lepers and nearly 100 other maladies. All of this in spite of the fact that nearby there are three white fathers advertising and giving medicines free to the Natives."

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"ABDING in Christ means a constant receiving of His Spirit, a life of unreserved surrender to His service."—E. G. White.

Die Waarheid oorwin in Niasaland

A. F. TARR

DIE 17de Mei het Ouderling Elliott en skrywer Kaapstad verlaat om in Niasaland die kampvergaderings te gaan bywoon. Op pad het ons baie aangename oponthoud op 'n aantal plekke gehad. Te Mafeking, waar ons amper twee uur moes wag, het ons vroeg by Ouderling en Suster A. N. Ingle gebreks. Hierdie werkers was met die hulp van Mej. A. G. Fleming, midde in 'n evangelistiese poging in daardie stad. Hulle was vol moed en entoesiasies nie-teenstaande die seer bepaalde teenstand wat daar was. Ouderling Jan van de Merwe het te Mafeking op die trein geklim en saam met ons gereis so ver as Boelawayo waar die Sambesie-Unie komitee bymekaar gekom het. Ons was druk besig die naweek met hierdie komitee en die samekomste van die broeders en susters van die gemeente van Boelawayo. 'n Gees van Optimisme—in die vooruitsig van verminderde begrotings—is deur Ouderling Boger en sy helpers openbaar, en die seën van die Here het op die besprekings van hierdie komitee gerus, terwyl hulle planne vir die uitvoering van die werk vir die orige maande van die jaar beraam het.

Broeder F. B. Jewell van Soloesi wat sy seun in Niasaland wou besoek, het by Boelawayo saam met ons gereis. Gedurende die half uur oponthoud te Gwelo het ons die geleentheid waargeneem om 'n korte besoek aan Dr. en Mevr. Frank Ingle te bring. Behalwe sy werk op die Laer Gwelo stasie het Dr. Ingle onlangs in Gwelo begin praktiseer.

Hoewel die trein baie vroeg te Salisbury aangekom het, was daar tog 'n aantal gemeentelike op die stasie om ons te ontmoet. Broeder Hipkin, die ouderling van die gemeente, het ons na sy huis genooi. Met die hulp van Broeder Gorle, V.C., en ander lede doen Broeder Hipkin aktiewe, evangeliese werk in en om Salisbury. Dit lyk of die hele gemeente deur gebed en aktiewe diens die goeie werk wat die broeders doen, aanhelp. Die gemeente van Salisbury is waarlik 'n lig wat bo op 'n berg gesit is.

Te Salisbury ontmoet ons toe Ouderling H. M. Sparrow, superintendent van die Suidoostelike Afrikaanse Unie. Hy het ons per motor na Blantyre geneem. Ons is daar gasvry onthaal in die woning van Broeder en Suster Sparrow, waar ook Ouderling Nelson, Broeder Davy, Broeder en Suster Lyndon Tarr, en Broeder Gordon Pearson was. Die dag na ons aankoms het ons in die reën na Sinyama, 'n sendingstasie 52 myl van Blantyre en onder bestuur van Prediker Roman, gery. Hier het Broeder G. S. Stevenson, wat die oorsig oor die werk in hierdie streek het, alreeds met Prediker Roman die kampvergadering begin. Hulle was baie bly om ons te sien. Ons kon hul verlugting goed ver-

staan toe ons die ontsaglike opkoms van mense sien. Daar was seker 4,000 teenwoordig. Dit was 'n aangename tyd en dit lyk of iedereen die dienste geniet het. Ongelukkig het die reën en die koue die doop van 185 kandidate by daardie geleentheid verhinder. Die meeste van hulle is egter sedert gedoopt. Prediker Roman het 'n reusagtige taak om vir die belange van die werk in daardie belangrike deel van die veld te sorg.

Ons volgende oponthoud was te Malamoelo—ons oudste sendingstasie in hierdie unie. Broeder en Suster Nash, Dr. en Mevr. Marcus, Broeder en Suster Davy, Broeder Ivan Ansley en Suster Melvill is besig om met die hulp van 'n uitstekende corps naturelle werkers 'n agressiewe program te volg. Die hospitaal, die kolonie vir melaatses met sy 150 melaatses, die drukpers, die melkery, wat meer as 600 lbs botter per maand na die mark stuur, en die werkwinkel behoort tot die verskillende belange wat die sending behartig. Die kolonie vir melaatses lewer treurige tonele op, tog word al die moontlike gedaan om die pasiënte komfortabel en gemaklik te maak. Dr. Marcus en Mej. Melvill is onvermoed in hul sorg vir hulle. Ook word die geestelike behoeftes van die melaatses nie vergeet nie. 'n Baie mooi kerk en skoolgebou is opgerig met die fondse wat deur die British Empire Leprosy Relief Association verskaf is. Dit lyk ook seer gepas dat die een wat vir hul liggaamlike herstel sorg ook hul geestelike node sou behartig. Dr. Marcus is die ouderling van die gemeente vir melaatses. Saam met hom is 'n naturel-ouderling Moses, vroeër melaats, maar sy siekte is gestuit. Een van die melaatses het die volgende belangrike woorde geuiter: "Ons is selfs bly dat ons melaats is, want was dit nie vir die melaatsheid nie ons sou nooit die weg van saligheid geken het nie." By baie van hulle is die blydschap oor die geestelike hulp wat hulle op die stasie ontvang, van groter gewig as die liggaamlike lyding wat hulle daar gebring het.

'n Interessante onderdeel van die kamp vir melaatses is die bouery. Uit fondse wat die British Empire Leprosy Relief Association verskaf het, word nuwe en meer komfortabel hutte in plek van die oues gebou. Die melaatses maak self die stene en bou self die hutte.

Meer aandoenlik nog as wat mens in die kamp vir melaatses te sien kry, is party van die gevalle in die hospitaal. Dit lyk of die gemiddelde naturel in hierdie streke wag met hulp by die witman te soek, totdat hy oortuig is dat hy homself nie langer kan help nie. Teen daardie tyd het die siekte in baie gevalle reeds te ver gegaan. Party van die gevalle onder manne en vroue, maar veral onder die kinders, was te ellendig; party was werklik

hopeloos.

Terwyl ons op Malamoelo was, het die direkteur van onderwys vir Niasaland en sy vrou die sendingstasie vir 'n paar dae besoek. Dit lyk of albei die besoek geniet het en die direkteur het die werk wat die sending doen, baie geprys. Veral het hy baie belang gestel in die werk wat vir die meidjies gedaan word. Die direkteur het die hoop uitgespreek dat hierdie fase van ons werk mag versterk word en daar 'n geskikte dame mag gevind word om die werk te versterk.

Die kampvergadering te Malamoelo was baie indrukwekkend. Nooit in al die geskiedenis van ons werk in hierdie veld was daar so baie mense bymekaar nie. Die opkoms by die Sabbatskool was 5,028—die hoogste van enige Sabbatskool in hierdie Diyisie. Die opkoms by die kerkdiens was nie minder groot nie. Wat sou party van die eerste werkers in ons sendingwerk, die wat die grondslag van hierdie werk gelê het, nie gegee het nie, om die toneel te sien wat ons daardie Sabbatmore gesien het. Waarlik die Here beweeg Sy hand om Sy werk klaar te maak. Op die laaste dag van die kampvergadering is 238 persone deur die doop in die gemeente opgeneem. Onder hulle was 25 melaatses.

(Word vervolg)



'n Werk deur God gedoen

F. G. CLIFFORD

"En die muur is voltooi op die vyf-entwintigste van Elul, in twee-en-veertig dae.

"En toe al ons vyande dit hoor, het al die nasies rondom ons bevrees geword en neerslagtig gevoel, en hulle het erken dat hierdie werk deur onse God gedoen was."

Die vyande van die kindere van die Here het verbaas gestaan. Hulle het nie in die openbaring van God geglo soos deur Israël geleer is nie, maar hulle was oortuig dat die werk wat Israël gedaan het, deur God gedoen was. Hulle het dag vir dag mense van gelyke beweging as hulself op die mure en torings van Jerusalem sien werk. Hulle het nooit verwag dat die werk sou klaar-kom nie, want die moeïkhede, die beproewings en die hinderpale was aan elke kant. Maar toe die bou van die mure te midde van die moeïkhede, ontberings, tekort aan geld, en beproewings darem aangaan, het hulle oortuig geword dat die werk deur God gedoen was.

Die aanhoudende pogings om die doel van die kindere van die Here te verhinder, het algar gefaal. Nieteenstaande die hinderpale, gevare en ontmoediging het die werk stadig na die voltooiingtoe vordering gemaak. Die geheim was dat hoe groter die moeïkhede, hoe sorgvuldiger die kindere van die Here hulle planne gelê het, hoe meer sistematies hulle te werk gegaan het en hoe harder hulle gewerk het.

Die vyande van die Here het probeer om die leier van die werk weg te trek. Hulle het briewe onder die werkers rondgestuur om hulle in verwarring te bring;

wankelmoedige helpers wou die stryd oopgee; 'n paar van die oormoedige geeste het so ver gegaan om 'n plan te maak om Nehemia, die leier, om te bring. Maar omdat die mense ywerig gewerk het en op God vertrou het, het hulle van geen mislukking geweet nie.

Hierdie geskiedenis in die ervaring van Israël laat ons 'n heerlike oorwinning oor moeilikhede sien. Dit sal in ons dae herhaal word. Moeilikhede is nie 'n nuwe ding vir die kindere van die Here nie. Tekort aan materiaal en werkers het hulle net aangemoedig om meer verend te arbeide. Die by die mens onmoontlike taak het hulle meer volkome hul afhanklikheid van God laat besef. Maar ons afhanklikheid van God neem nie ons verantwoordelikheid weg nie om met al ons kragte te doen wat die Here van ons vra om te doen. Dit behoort ons eerder na te spoor om onvermoed te arbeide, wetende dat ons arbeid nie tevergeefs in die Here is nie.

Vandag verwonder die mense hul oor die wonderlike vooruitgang in die sending wat in die laaste twintig jaar deur Sewende-dag Adventiste gemaak is. As net soos in die dae van Nehemia, al die kindere van die Here hul kragte wou inspan tot die taak om die boodskap te versprei en die werk van God op te bou, sou selfs die vyande van Sy saak oortuig word dat die werk nie deur menslike poging gedaan word nie, maar dit 'n werk is wat deur God gedoen is. Sy Naam kan verheerlik word as al die kindere van die Here in tye van moeilikheid en skynbaar mislukking as een man opstaan om in hierdie werk besig te wees.

Die Oes Insameling Veldtog moet hierdie jaar 'n groot deel van die fondse opbring waarvan die onderhoud van ons opvoedkundige en mediese sendingwerk so bepaald afhang. Daar is 'n plek vir elke gelowige in hierdie werk. Die wat vroeër nooit in die veld uitgegaan het om fondse in te samel nie, moet dink aan die arbeiders wat die Meester omtrent vyfjaar ledig op die mark gevind het. Ons is waarlik in daardie uur van die geskiedenis van die aarde. Dis nie te laat om in die wingerd uit te gaan en te werk nie.

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Doodsberig

Dit het die Here behaag om van ons weg te neem, deur die dood, onse geliefde Suster Judith Sarah Johanna de Wet. (Geb. de Jager). Na 'n smartelike lyding van tien dae is sy op die 7de Junie sag ontslape, in die ouderdom van 43 jaar en 18 dae.

Suster de Wet was 'n jaar gelede deur

Elder Raubenheimer te Potchefstroom gedoop, en was 'n ywerige en onvermoede werkster in die gemeente. Sy was sekretaresse van die Buurtsending in die gemeente van Parys, en op 'n bekwame manier het sy in hierdie werk voorgestaan. Gewis was sy 'n pilaar in hierdie klein gemeente, en ons voel die groot verlies van haar heengaan. Dit is soms onverstaanbaar waarom iemand, so onmisbaar, deur die dood moet weggeneem word, Miskien wil die Here dat van ons ander lede in die gemeente moet ontwikkel en haar voorbeeld van trou en toewyding navolg.

In haar huisgesin sal daar 'n groot gemis wees. Sy laat na, haar man, twee seuns, en vier dogters om haar dood te bewene. Onse innige simpatie met die gesin, as ook met die ander familieledes. Mag die Here hulle troos, en die sware wond in hulle harte genees. Laat ons nie oor haar treur soos diegene wat geen hoop het nie, maar laat ons met blye verwagting uitsien na die dag wanneer die basuin sal slaan, en die wat in Christus gesterf het, sal opstaan.

“Vrome vroeg gestorve vriende,
Wat zijt gij ons slechts vooruit,
Ons zal u allen weder vinden,
Als ons Jezus 't graf ontsluit.”

Skrwyer het die lykrede gehou, en by die graf het Eerw. Liebenberg bemoedigende woorde gespreek oor die hoop van die opstanding. Ons het haar te ruste gelê in die familiekerkhof op die plaas Groot-eiland, waar sy wag op die stem van haar Meester, wat eerlank met basuineklank sal gehoor word. P. A. VENTER.

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Nuus van die Kongo Unie Sending

Die huwelik van Valentine Davies van hierdie Unie en Edna Bradley van Kaapstad het die 15de Mei te Dar-es-Salaam plaasgevind. Broeder Davies is nou meer as twee jaar in hierdie unie werksaam en is nou bestuurder van ons Boeganda Sending. Ons roep Mevr. Davies hartelik welkom toe waar sy na hierdie veld kom en ons bid dat die Here vir Broeder en Suster Davies ryklik mag seën in hul arbeid vir die Here in hierdie land.

Broeders Bozarth en Duploux het onlangs ons Kiroendoesending besoek. Hierdie sending is die mees noordelike sendingstasie in die Suidelike Afrikaanse Divisie—presies 'n halwe graad suid van die ekwator. Broeder en Suster Norcott wat hier arbeide, is volmoed en stoot die werk vorentoe. Dis een van die mooiste sendingstasies wat ons in die Kongo Unie het en veral

van die standpunt van bevolking is dit geleë. 'n Goeie motorpad loop deur die sendinggronde en oral langs hierdie pad kry mens groot kafferdorpe. Broeder Norcott skryf dat as gevolg van evangelistiese werk vyftig nuwe mense onlangs die waarheid aangeneem het. Hulle lê planne vir sterke evangelistiese pogings vir hierdie jaar. Hierdie evangeliewerk en die groot mediese werk wat Mevr. Norcott doen, sal die jaar seker heel wat bekeerlinge win. Hierdie geliefde werkers het in hul afsondering van hul medegelowiges behoefte aan die gebede van die kindere van die Here waar hulle die werk in daardie behoefte veld vorentoe stoot.

Ons waardeer baie die gees van opoffering en saamwerking van die werkers van die Kongo Unie by die korting van 15% in ons begrotings. Een werker skryf oor hierdie besnoeiing en gee die gevoelens van al die werkers in die volgende woorde weer:

“Hoewel dit beteken dat ons ons persoonlike uitgawes tot 'n absoluut minimum moet afbring, meen ek tog dat al wat ons as werkers kan doen, is om ons aandeel in hierdie besnoeiing te aanvaar deur ons salarisse af te bring, sodat dit nie nodig sal wees om die begrotings vir mediese, evangelistiese en opvoedkundige werk te verminder nie. Ek is seker as ons ons deel doen, die Here ons sal leer hoe om in ons lewensuitgawes te besuinig, sodat niemand van ons gebrek hoef te ly wat betref die daelike nooddrif. U kan verseker wees dat ons volmoed is en dat ons enige maatreël sal ondersteun om te voorkom dat iemand van ons alreeds te geringe werkkragte in die Kongo sou moet terugkeer.

Die mediese werk van die hospitale te Songa en Ngoma bly toeneem. Die doktore Sturges en Morel rapporteer albei dat hulle al die pasiënte het vir wie hulle met moontlikheid kan sorg. Dr. Morel sê die volgende oor die werk te Songa:

“Ons was baie besig by die hospitaal en die apteek. Elke bed is beset en drie of vier wag vir operasies. Verlede week het ek 'n vrou van Samba vir 'n kropgeswel geopereer en 'n paar dae gelede het ek 'n blinde uit die naasbysynende dorp vir 'n ster op die oog geopereer. Verlede week kom 'n paar pasiënte vertel dat daar 'n vegparty in die siekedorp was. By ondersoek vind ek dat sewe mense met mekaar stry wie van hulle in die enige ledige huis in die dorp sou woon. Ons het werklik behoefte aan siekekamers en aan meer huise in ons siekedorp en niemand is dankbaarder as ek dat Menr. Pratt netnou hier sal wees om met die werk aan die geboue te begin.”

Die volgende berig van Dr. Sturges wys hoe die werk te Ngoma aangaan: “Ons werk dat dit gons; die hele dag in die apteek. Maandag het ek 324 inspuittings vir frambose, vier vir melaatsheid en amper 100 vir ander siektes gegee. En dit alles ondanks die feit dat daar naby drie wit vaders is wat hul medisyne adverteer en verniet aan die inboorlinge uitdeel.”

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Harvest Ingathering News Flashes

ON page three the Ingathering Victory Tower will be found, which will during the next few issues illustrate the progress of the campaign in all parts of the Division. This week we have a report only from the South African Union Conference. We earnestly solicit prompt and full reports from each individual, church and field that the tower may represent the actual standing of the campaign as it is published.

THE workers in the South African Union Conference have given a splendid lead this year in their pre-campaign efforts. They report that there is a better spirit and a more cheerful response than in 1932.

ELDER DE BEER from Cancele writes that he has just been out on a short tour of the country and has had a very profitable and interesting time. The people from whom he has been soliciting in previous years have proved very friendly, and have evinced a great interest in our truth. He held many meetings in the homes of the people and nearly every night cottage meetings were held. Because of these meetings a family of five have definitely taken their stand for the truth. Others are on the point of accepting. While doing this, he was able to collect about £40.

BROTHER CLAUDE TARR has been working in the Witbank section and has collected over £65. He reports a splendid response on the part of the people and looks forward to a successful campaign.

ELDER D. F. TARR writes, "I have a little over £49 now on my Ingathering goal. . . . I have had a very interesting time. The people all seem so friendly and interested in our work."

THE Sentinel Publishing Company had a Harvest Ingathering Field day on Wednesday, July 12. The office and factory

closed for the day and all joined the Claremont church in an enthusiastic rally under the leadership of Elder Hurlow and Brother Potter.

Most troubles in life are greater in anticipation than they are in reality. It is that way with those notices "Beware of Dogs"—most times there isn't any dog and when there is, often it is an old toothless poodle. It's that way, too, with Ingathering. Once you tackle it in earnest, it is not a fraction as irksome and fearsome as it looks.

A Farewell Message From Miss Thomason



To my many friends in South Africa I wish to say that I have greatly appreciated your many acts of kindness to me and your loyal co-operation during my twenty-seven years of labour out here.

They have been years filled with joy in service for the Master, and it is with great reluctance that I lay the burdens down to take a much needed rest.

May we all remain faithful loyal workers until the end. Then will come the glad re-union.

Sincerely your friend and fellow-labourer,
IDA THOMASON.

Worry is blind, and cannot discern the future; but Jesus sees the end from the beginning. In every difficulty He has the way prepared to bring relief. Our Heavenly Father has a thousand ways to provide for us, of which we know nothing. Those who accept the one principle of making the service and honour of God supreme, will find perplexities vanish and a plain path before their feet.—
Desire of Ages.

A Word of Appreciation for Miss Thomason

J. I. ROBISON

MISS IDA THOMASON, after twenty-seven years of faithful service in South Africa, sailed June 30, from Cape Town, for the States. Miss Thomason came to South Africa from Battle Creek in 1905 and took up work as matron of the Plumstead Sanitarium and continued in that position either at the sanitarium or the nursing home, except for one or two short intervals, until she laid down her duties a few days before she sailed. Her life in Africa has been one of loving service and faithfulness

to duty as has seldom, if ever, been equalled in our work. She will long be remembered by her many patients and friends, but by none more tenderly than by our missionaries on furlough at the Cape who have always found her to be a true friend and a ready helper as far as her strength and position would permit. At times she laboured beyond her strength, for she was often brought almost to the breaking point in her ministry for the sick, and in holding our medical work together during the trying times that it has sometimes faced.

Miss Thomason has had a unique record in her medical work in Africa. In her twenty-seven years of service she has attended over 1,400 women in child-birth, but she has never lost a mother during this time, nor has there ever been a baby die in the home under her ministry. Over this long period of years her record has been perfect as a maternity nurse so far as saving both mother and baby in the hundreds of cases she has attended. Surely this is a remarkable record and there are hundreds of mothers in Africa today who look back upon her efficient ministry with a feeling of deep appreciation and gratitude.

We feel confident that many of our workers in Africa and hundreds of laymen who have learned to know and love Miss Thomason will greatly miss her as she retires from service after these many years. She returns to her home and her people, but she leaves her heart in Africa where scores of friends have learned to love and appreciate her as a personal friend and where she has spent the best part of her life in service for the Master.

'n Besoek te Potchefstroom

DIT was vir ons 'n groot voorreg om op die 24 en 25ste Junie Ouderling Moffitt in ons midde te hê. Ons is seker dat elk- een wat die dienste bygewoon het, 'n groot seën ontvang het. Met dieselfde geleentheid het ons Sabbatnamiddag nagmaal gevier. Ons kon voel dat die Gees van God in ons midde was. Ons hoop dat die saad wat hy hier gesaai het, honderdvoudige vrugte sal voortbring. Ouderling Moffitt het 'n groot verantwoordelikheid en daarom waardeur ons dit ten hoogste dat hy ons so gou besoek het, en ons sal uitsien na die tyd wanneer hy ons weer sal kom besoek.

MEVR. A. H. MILLER.

The Best Things are Nearest

BREATH in your nostrils, light in your eyes, flowers at your feet, duties at your hand, the path of God just before you. Then do not grasp at the stars, but do life's plain, common work as it comes, certain that daily duties and daily bread are the sweetest things of life.—*Lord Houghton.*