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NDIA has always been noted as a land that is abundant in game, and has attracted hunters from all over the world. Vast sums of money have been spent by these hunters so that they could bring in the trophies of the hunt. On the floors of many a palatial home can be found the skins of the tiger, leopard, bear, deer and other animals that have fallen to the marksmanship of the hunter.

Our Bible teaches us that God approves of hunting, and He invites all of His children to take part in a great hunting expedition. The quarry, however, is not the tiger, the leopard, the bear, the deer. The trophy is not the leopard skin rug or the stuffed deer head. The trophy is far more important and precious than these. The trophy of God's hunt is MAN. Speaking of the children of Israel Jeremiah reports: "But, the Lord liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from

all the lands whither He had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers. Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the Lord, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks." Jeremiah 16:15, 16.

Yes, God believes in hunting and He is calling for many hunters today to take part in the greatest man-hunt in the history of the world. And, if I understand this text correctly, this hunt will continue to the close of probation. Down through the years of peace, through the years of war, through the times of trouble and per-

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Division Home Missionary
Secretary

secution when God's people are scattered and hiding in the rocks and caves and mountains, the great hunt goes on, and through the hunters who have united in God's great hunt many souls will be brought to the kingdom of God as trophies of the integrity and faithfulness of hunters.

During this time of comparative peace which we now enjoy God is renewing His call for us to join in the hunt. Following God's plan in hunting will always get good results. Mrs. White says, "For years I have been shown that house-to-house labour is the work that will make the preaching of the Word a success.... This work has also been carried on in —... There are now no less than

fifty new Sabbath-keepers as the result of this personal labour, this hunting for souls."—Evangelism, p. 433.

God's hunting plan, then, includes personal work, house-to-house labour, and it gets results. Think of it, fifty new Sabbath-keepers in one place as a result of the hunt. And this is not an isolated case. Everywhere a consistent plan of house-to-house visitation is carried on, followed up with clear-cut, spirit-filled Bible studies, the hunters will bring back trophies of the chase. In the Southern Asia Division we have seen the results of house-to-house visitation. It encourages us to urge others to take part in this God-blessed activity.

All about us people are living in darkness. The needs of the people, and the method of meeting that need is clearly stated in the following words: "Light, light from the Word of God—this is what the people need. If the teachers of the Word are willing, the Lord will lead them into close relation with the people. He will



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guide them to the homes of those who need and desire the truth; and as servants of God engage in the work of seeking for the lost sheep, their spiritual faculties are awakened and energized. Knowing that they are in harmony with God, they feel joyous and happy. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, they obtain an experience that is invaluable to them."

—Review and Herald, Dec. 29, 1904.

Those who become hunters for God, then, will not only bring back trophies for Him, but will receive blessings beyond their fondest dreams. The joy and happiness that results from bringing a soul to God cannot be substituted by anything else in this world.

Sabbath, March 3, is the day set apart by the General Conference as world-wide Home Visitation Day. Here is our invitation to join God's hunters. Every church member is invited to take part in this great soulhunt on this day. Your pastor and missionary leader will have the church organized so that every member can participate. Each hunter will be teamed with another. Territory will be assigned and literature given for distribution. As you make your contacts watch for openings to return for more friendly visits which later may open the way for Bible studies. By taking part in Home Visitation Day, and following God's carefully laid plans you will succeed as a mighty hunter for Him. In Gospel Workers, page 193 we read: "Your success will not depend so much upon your knowledge and accomplishments, as upon your ability to find your way to the heart. By being social and coming close to the people, you may turn the current of their thoughts more readily than by the most able

With friendliness, a knowledge of God's Word, and the power of the Holy Spirit, let us then press on to the task before us. Let us join the great soul-winning hunt on Sabbath, March 3, and let us make that Sabbath the beginning of a regular, weekly, house-to-house soul-winning programme that will help us to bring many trophies of the hunt to the Kingdom when Jesus shall come to gather His trophies from the caves, the rocks, the mountains, the uttermost ends of the earth. Good hunting!

### **BURMA HOME VISITATION**

C. B. Guild,

President, Burma Union

THERE can be but a single purpose in conducting a Home Visitation Day. That should be to win souls for Christ. But should the brief contact of this one day alone be intended, the purpose is too superficial. We are launching an active soul-winning programme which first of all results in changing our own whole outlook. We begin to rely to a greater degree upon the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Bible study

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Rs. 10,000 in CASH.

According to prophecy, earthquakes, famines, and other disasters were to come upon the world in the last days. We have seen these prophecies fulfilled. Floods and famine have taken their toll during 1955, not only in Southern Asia but in many countries of the world. Because of the needs resulting from these disasters, and because there may be many such disasters in 1956, Seventh-day Adventists throughout the world are asked to contribute to a FAMINE and FLOOD RELIEF FUND. The goal for the world field is \$250,000.00 (Rs. 11,87,500). The goal for the Southern Asia Division is Rs. 10,000.

We know that our believers in the Southern Asia Division will give generously toward this FUND on March 10. So many times we have been on the receiving end. Now is our opportunity to GIVE. Jesus said "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me." Matthew, 25: 40.

On MARCH 10, when the offering is taken up in YOUR CHURCH, plan to give as God has given to YOU.

—W. L. BARCLAY.

will become purposeful and important and we will eagerly absorb more and more of its precious precepts. Prayer will be less general (about the needy people all over the world) and more individual and specific (about Mr.—— who lives on—— street and who needs to overcome his tobacco habit.) Things will mean less and souls will mean more. The fine points of dealing with individuals will take on great significance.

Home Visitation Day is just a plan for getting us started on what we should be doing, and what many are doing throughout the weeks and months of the year. "Home Visitation" is only another way of saying "personal work." Many have been encouraged at the great faith of such men as Moody, Spurgeon, Sunday, and Graham. But some have become discouraged thinking that they could never accomplish any such large results, and so do little or nothing.

But it may be pointed out, as every successful evangelist knows, that experience and the Bible emphasize individual rather than mass conversions.

Visitation in the home is almost invariably one in the series of events which leads people to accept the whole message. One family in Rangoon received the Signs of the Times from relatives in India. Then their names were referred to the Rangoon Signs mailing band who took them over. Each issue of the Signs went as a visitor, and at that stage was better than a living caller, for each number was diligently studied.

Through the Signs mailing band, Mr. Godfrey was led to take the Voice of Prophecy Bible course, which he finished in August 1955, and soon became thoroughly convinced of the right way. He was visited a number of times by the Voice of Prophecy Bible School director and church pastor and studies were given.

His home visitation began with his own family, so that his wife and teenage son and daughter were baptized with him in the Rangoon church on January 21, 1956, the first-fruits of the year. But his home visitation did not stop there. Before baptism, going to another friend with the same belief which he formerly held, he enrolled him in the Voice of Prophecy course. This friend, after studying the Sabbath message began to keep it. Learning of the health programme. He made changes in his diet. His health has greatly improved, he no longer has aching and stiff muscles when he rises, and his eyesight which was very poor has become good again. He also hopes to be baptized

A few months ago the young people of the Rangoon church carried out a programme of visitation in connection with a special week of prayer. Twenty-one of them visited various sections of the city, first of all asking, "Do you have a radio?" The next question was, "Do you hear

the Voice of Prophecy programme over Radio Ceylon?" and then, "Do you listen to 'Our Radio Doctor' from Radio Burma?" They visited 161 homes and found 100 who had radios, of whom 37 listened to the Voice of Prophecy radio broadcast. Then they asked their final question, "May we enrol you in the special, free Bible Correspondence Course offered by the Voice of Prophecy?" Forty-six or approximately one for each four visits enrolled.

The following suggestions for preparation to do Home Visitation may not be amiss: Know your Bible. Have faith in your Saviour and keep Him near. Know the reality and power of prayer. Be confident that Christ will work with you. Put yourself in the other man's place. Do not argue. Do not do all the talking yourself. Do not hurry. Be persistent, but patient. Pray both with and foranywhere. Learn by doing, and lose your fear through experience. Remember, "God and the holy angels are in this work." Do it NOW.

# DO YOU KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOUR?

L. F. HARDIN,

President, Ceylon Union

HAVE you ever become acquainted with your next door neighbour or the family that lives around on the other side of the block, or the one across the street? If you have not made their acquaintance, then why have you not done so? You may say that you do not have time to go visiting all of the neighbours and being socially quainted with them. Everyone is busy these days, but it is said that if you want to get something done, ask the man or woman that is the busiest and you will get it done. However, that is not the reason that I want to bring to you to get acquainted with your neighbours. Each one, as members of the Lord's Remnant Church, has a responsibility placed upon him by Jesus Himself. Jesus said, when He was here on earth, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of

the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." We have a day that is called *Home Visitation Day*. This home visitation gives the opportunity for every one, young and old, to go out and contact those who live near you.

The purpose of this visitation is not just to become acquainted with your neighbours-however, it is to bring to them a knowledge of the soon-coming Saviour who will bring an end to sin and all of the troubles and sorrows of this world. There are those right near to you that have not heard this message of salvation. From Testimonies, Vol. 6, page 29, I quote: "The church of Christ on earth was organized for missionary purposes, and the Lord desires to see the entire church devising ways and means whereby high and low, rich and poor, may hear the message of truth." Everyone in the church has a responsibility to see that the message goes

#### FOUR THINGS

(Author Unknown)

Four things in any land must dwell,

If it endures and prospers well:
One is manhood true and good;
One is noble womanhood;
One is child life, clean and bright;
And one an altar kept alight.

to others. "Let those who desire to work for God begin at home, in their own neighbourhood, among their own friends. Here they will find a favourable missionary field."—Testimonies, Vol. 6, p. 428.

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In Ceylon the members of the Colombo churches have been making a regular weekly visit to many of the people around and in the area of the two churches. Those who have been going out in this visitation programme have found many interesting folk, many who are glad for the visits of our members. By this means several have had the opportunity to have Bible studies with the contacted folk. Thousands of pieces of literature have been given out and the people look forward to receiving these truthfilled tracts and papers. There are many good interests and as these folk study our message there is hope that a good number will accept the truth and be baptized.

During the past years some have slipped back in their Christian experience. The names of these backsliders have been given to our members who are going out visiting, and during this past year several have been reclaimed to the message and to church fellowship again. New hope and courage has been given to them and they are coming to the Sabbath school and church services. A great work is being done by this visitation programme.

May this next visitation day be one of great importance to all of the members of the Remnant Church for the saving of souls in the kingdom of God. Let each one feel the joy that comes in helping a soul prepare for the coming of Christ, our Lord.

# WILL YOU BE THERE WITH US?

W. F. STORZ,

President, Northeast Union

RISE, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee." Isaiah 60:1, 2. The above words were not given only for the direction of old Israel, but likewise for God's church of today. Also the promise that follows that there would be a great gathering as the result of letting the light shine applies to God's people of today as well as to those of any age. It is easy to sit back and think that this command applies to someone who is "more talented than I" but such thoughts will never fulfil God's plan for us. I believe that after authorities rule out the organized work as we know it today, the members of God's church will continue to go forward bearing the standard of truth. Are you a member of God's church; am I one? It takes more than words to answer that question.

Our text states that when the Lord has taken over our lives His glory will be seen in us. After Moses came down from his experience with God on Mt. Sinai God's glory was seen in him. Then, that gave him something convincing to talk about. These are three very logical steps. First, God takes over. Next, the power of God can be seen in our lives. Thirdly, our words, made convincing by our lives, speak God's message with force.

The darkness in this world is very intense today. Day by day this darkness is becoming more dense. Have you ever noticed that a good light makes very little impression in broad daylight, but the feeblest flicker of a candle is most welcome when it is really dark? Friend, no matter how small you may think your light is, it will be most welcome to the man who is groping in darkness. Even just a few words spoken at the right time may be instrumental in placing

someone's feet again on the pathway to the kingdom.

Now, if just a single candle can give a most welcome light in a dark place, just think what many candles will do. March 3, is a world-wide Home Visitation Day. All of God's people around the circle of the earth will that day be out letting their lights shine with a word here, a tract there, or a Voice of Prophecy enrolment further on. What a light over a million candles will make. Will yours be one of them?

I have received several reports in the past few days where the work of a layman has been instrumental in raising up a company of people in an entirely dark area, that is, an area where we have no work or worker.

But right on an equality with this in the record of heaven would be the one of the humble lady that on visitation day went to a home in her village and left a ray of hope with a neighbour who was hopelessly stricken with typhoid. Neither will his joy be greater than that of the brother who left the Voice of Prophecy card at that home that did not seem a very hopeful prospect, and after a number of weeks learned that the members of that household were accepting the Sabbath truth as the result of the Voice of Prophecy lessons that he had introduced there.

Will you also be one of the army of people who, on March 3, will go forth and enrol at least one new student in the Voice of Prophecy Bible Correspondence course? If you will, think of the thousands who in Southern Asia alone on that day will receive the key to a better life.

#### DON'T PASS BY

T. R. TORKELSON,

President, Northwest India Union

ITHIN the shadows of our own homes are sometimes found those who are ready to listen to the truths of the Bible. It is possible to pass by their gates day by day without realizing how much the dwellers within would appreciate a visit from a servant of God.

This fact was impressed on the minds of some of our Delhi church members as they entered into the programme of Home Visitation last year. In an upstairs apartment not a block away from the church they found a young couple who were eager to know more about the truths of the Bible. They had had previous contacts with Adventist people in other places where they had lived but had not met any of them since being transferred to Delhi. Only a few days before the visit of our Delhi church members, the man of this family had gone to Dehra Dun and had met an Adventist sister there and had seen

some books by Mrs. E. G. White inher library. He wanted to get some of those books for himself and was pleased to learn that he could get them in Delhi. The visit made to this family definitely appeared to be a link in the chain of circumstances by which God is seeking to bring them to a full knowledge of the Truth for this time. And it is worthy of note that it would not have taken place had there not been a programme of Home Visitation planned for the church.

In view of such incidents, which can be multiplied many times, it would be difficult to over-emphasize the importance of visiting as many homes as possible on the Sabbath of March 3, which has been set aside for this purpose. Let God's people everywhere be found out visiting the families who live within the shadows of their own homes and churches.

### HOUSE-TO-HOUSE VISITATION

FREDDIE BA TIN
Home Missionary Secretary, Burma Union

N ACTS 2:46, 47 it is revealed that the disciples followed the Home Visitation plan, "And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved."

From the above text, Home Visitation is not a new idea to the children of God. This plan is as old as Christianity. It is interesting to note that the early disciples worked together with one accord. United effort similar to that is bound to make an impression on the people who are visited. The Book of Acts definitely mentioned that they, the disciples, were "having favour with all the people."

Jesus taught His disciples the advantage of house to house work. The early disciples used this method to its fullest advantage. He knows that it is a successful plan, and that is why He has inspired His church to have Home Visitation days throughout the year. It will bring joy to His heart when He sees His people going from house to house, two by two, as the disciples did in olden days. It will bring greater joy to His heart if He could see this type of work being carried on regularly by every church.

During the last Home Visitation Day I visited many homes with one of the hospital workers and found several interested people. One of them was a Voice of Prophecy student who had finished the Burmese course. He is very interested in our message. He has enrolled several people from his office in the Voice of Prophecy course. I am sending him Signs of the Times regularly. Before I left him I gave him a Bible study and he asked me to visit him again and to remember him in prayer.

We visited another Christian family and had prayer with the whole family. They requested us to visit

them regularly. I have given them many Bible studies and had Sabbath school with the children many times. An elderly-looking woman with a baby in her arms greeted us as we tried to pass by her house and she invited us inside. When we were comfortably seated in the guest room she told us that she had attended our

lectures in the town and that she desired to understand more about the Bible. I gave her a Bible study which lasted for one hour. She asked us to remember her family in prayer.

We visited many families, left a piece of literature in most of the homes and enrolled many young people in the Voice of Prophecy Bible course. Like us many home missionaries returned to their homes with joyous hearts as did the disciples, because they had been doing the bidding of the Master.

Let us share the blessings of Home Visitation Day.

#### GO INTO THE HOMES

S. James

Home Missionary Secretary Northwest India Union

NE of God's common commands to man is, "Go." Go here; go there; go and do this; go and say this; go and watch this—going is the key action of many of His commands. It's always a thrill-packed and destiny-bound command. Whenever man obeyed it, it resulted in great blessing and in lifting him above the common crowd. Obedience here results in surprising accomplishments.

What stands between you, as you now are, and you as a great blessing to humanity and the cause of God is this command "Go." What stands between the Seventh-day Adventist Church and its accomplishing its task is the command "Go." Councils, conferences and committees are good and needed, but they will prove a deceptively colossal waste, so far as accomplishing the church's mission is concerned, if they do not contribute to make the churchevery member-GO. Otherwise we will be "committeeing to death" the work of God, as one aptly put it. What is required today of the executive, the evangelist, the pastor, the secretary, and everyone else, is to make himself go and get others going. Glorious and triumphant will be our future if we would stir ourselves

"Go into the homes of the people." This counsel-cry of God comes today to us with renewed fervency and urgency and anticipation. This present day emphasis on Home Visitation is a fulfilment of what the messenger of the Lord saw in a vision as set forth in the following paragraph:

"Hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families, and opening before them the Word of God. Hearts were convicted by the power of the Holy Spirit, and a spirit of genuine conversion was manifest. On every side doors were thrown open to the proclamation of the truth. The world seemed to be lightened with the heavenly influence."—Testimonies, Vol. 9, p. 126.

Let us tabulate the wonderful things in the foregoing paragraph so we may see them clearly:

- 1. Hearts were convicted.
- 2. Spirit of genuine conversion was manifest.
- 3. On every side doors were thrown open to the truth.
- 4. The world lightened with the heavenly influence.

And all these resulted from "visiting families."

God always sees the results of His go-commands, though in many instances He does not reveal them to man; but here He has given in fair details the results that will follow a true Home Visitation campaign. Again, what stands between the church and these great accomplishments is the command "Go." That

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#### GO INTO THE HOMES

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these promises are true will be testified to by many thousands of loyal members. On one Home Visitation Sabbath two of our members visited a friend. They would not have made this visit were it not for taking part in the Home Visitation campaign. This contact resulted in conducting a series of public meetings and in giving away hundreds of pieces of our timely literature. Think! Just one contact developed into the conducting of a small-scale effort with no cost in money. "On every side doors

were thrown open to the truth."

The Home Visitation programme will build the church spiritually, for visiting friends and neighbours in the interests of their spiritual lives demands deep spirituality. In fact, effective Home Visitation is a fruit of deep spirituality. This programme challenges the members to consistent day-by-day living, for success depends on the impact of the influence of our lives on those upon whom we call, they are people who often come into contact with us.

The Holy Spirit descended upon the early Christians while in a home.

This fact is very suggestive. Another of heaven's greatest gifts was given to a man in the home. Would it be that our greater accomplishments will result from our visiting the people in their homes? While we are thankful for the crowds that attend our public meetings, yet, what are they compared to the masses that will perhaps never be attracted to a public meeting?

March 3 has been set apart as the Home Visitation Sabbath. On this Sabbath every member is invited and urged to visit individuals and families in the neighbourhood in the interests of the truths of God. You may have never gone out on a Home Visitation campaign, but you can make your first try this Sabbath. Signs of the Times, Voice of Prophecv enrolment cards, copies of our Present Truth tracts can make very efficient and skilled companions in this work. Pastors, give prayerful and practical thought to this campaign and see that your company is organized and instructed and inspired for an all-out campaign. Let the church reap the rich harvest promised of God to house-to-house evangelism.

Look for no excuse whatsoever to keep you from joining the thousands of God's loyal people in visiting homes with God's message of mercy. May God find you GOING.

#### AT REST

FRISKIN—Noel Gordon Friskin, for the past fourteen years a member of the Bethel Chapel, Colombo, passed to his rest on the evening of November 24, 1955, at the age of fifty-nine years.

During his last few days the name of Jesus was frequently on his lips.

Brother Friskin was largely instrumental in bringing his brother, Evelyn Ellis, to a knowledge of the truth. He was baptized into the Remnant Church just a few days following our brother's death.

He leaves to mourn his son, two brothers, four sisters, and many friends.

The writer officiated at the burial in the General Cemetery, Colombo, where our brother awaits the call of Him who gives life anew to the faithful.—F. R. Scott.

### I DID WHAT GOD WANTED ME TO DO

R. H. BRODERSON,

Home Missionary Secretary, South India Union

HE year 1956 is passing by rapidly and it is time for us to check upon ourselves and to determine whether or not this year is going to be all that we hoped it would be. Looking back at 1955 many of us were not satisfied with the results we had obtained, and realized that we had failed in many instances to do the work God was counting on us to do. We then made our resolutions with a real desire in our hearts that this year would not find us failing wherein we had failed before, and that we would make use of every opportunity God gave to us to help some soul get closer to the Kingdom. The church was established as God's agency for the salvation of men. As members of that church we are, each one, to be soul winners and give heaven's message of love to others. It is not too late for us to get started and do something in a tangible way. March 3 is set aside for our world-wide Home Visitation Day.

This is a time when every worker and layman can go out and call on the homes in their community. First of all we go out knowing that thousands of our fellowmen are going out the same time that we are. In this thought alone we begin to get the courage and strength we need to meet our neighbours. Second, we have the greatest power in the world with us, One who has never been known to fail. He has promised to give us the words we need when we speak, and also He will never leave us. Third, we have the responsibility of the people around us on our hands. God holds us responsible for these souls whether we are laymen or workers. "As we draw nearer to the end of the world the Lord would have His people enter into an even greater ministry of lay evangelism."-Lay Preaching, p. 15. Fourth, we go out not only to be a blessing to others, but to get a blessing for ourselves. "Everywhere there is a tendency to substitute the work of organisations for individual effort. ... Multitudes ... excuse themselves from contact with the world, and their hearts grow cold. They become

self-absorbed and unimpressible. Love for God and man dies out of the soul.

"Christ commits to His followers an individual work—a work that can not be done by proxy."—Ministry of Healing, p. 147.

"Men are in peril. Multitudes are perishing. But how few of the professed followers of Christ are burdened for these souls. The destiny of a world hangs in the balance; but this hardly moves even those who claim to believe the most far-reaching truth ever given to mortals.... There is a stupor, a paralysis, upon the people of God, which prevents them from understanding the duty of the hour.

"The professed followers of Christ are on trial before the heavenly universe; but the coldness of their zeal and the feebleness of their efforts in God's service, mark them as unfaithful."—Christ's Object Lessons, p. 303.

On our last Home Visitation Day many things came up which presented themselves as seemingly good excuses for not going out, but I just had to say to myself, "You are going out, and nothing is going to stop you." This last persuasion won out, and Sabbath afternoon found me visiting my neighbours. I went as perhaps most people go, wondering just what my reception would be. After only a few moments any feeling of anxiety that I had was gone, and instead there was a feeling of happiness for I knew I was out doing what God wanted me to do. I found sometimes that I wasn't doing much talking. The people were unburdening their hearts to me, and I knew I could best help them by listening. In every case when I rose to leave there was that warm "Thank you for coming," and "Won't you come again?" This is the same reception that I am sure you will receive. Remember "The reward offered the winner of souls is priceless." This is the assurance: "It is not a vain thing to serve God. There is a priceless reward for those who devote their life to His service."—Testimonies, Vol. 4, p. 107.

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#### ANOTHER INVESTITURE

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UR young people in India have taken well to all MV activities. All over the Southern Asia Division we find MV camps, classes, and other activities. The camps are very popular and certainly very profitable. The interest is shown in the large investiture services conducted all over the Division. December 23, 1955 we witnessed yet another of these impressive services here at the Division headquarters' church. This, I believe. was the largest we have ever had. Last year's service was the largest up to that time with over seventy young people invested. In this the latest of our services ninety-five bright young people were invested by Brother R. W. Shorter, the Bombay State Section Education and MV secretary and Pastor J. F. Ashlock, the Division MV secretary.

It was an inspiring sight to see this large group of young people all eager to do their parts. The young people's parts consisted of songs, recitations, memory work and explanations of Law and Motto. There were 53 in the 4 pre-Friend classes. There were 11 Friends, 3 Companions, 8 Guides and 15 Master Guides invested. The principals of our two elementary schools with their

teachers are to be commended for the very fine work they have done in training the young people. Present in the audience were 35 more Master Guides, many of whom assisted in the final part of the Investiture service.

We are thankful for the large group of children and youth on our estate. We are grateful for the MV organization and the facilities that have been provided thus making it easier and more interesting for the young people in qualifying themselves for mission service. Young people rightly trained will play a large part in the finishing of God's work in the earth.

### BOMBAY CHURCH DORCAS ACTIVITIES

MRS. M. K. SAMUEL

E HAVE to thank God and congratulate the members of the Bombay Dorcas society for their co-operation, devoted service, and successful activities during 1955.

A sale was conducted during the first week of December 1955. Mrs. A. R. Appel, the Bombay State Dorcas leader, took an active part and worked hard to make the sale a real success. Her counsel and help was much appreciated.

Needless to say our Dorcas leader for the Bombay church, Mrs. D. M.

Members of the Bombay Dorcas society.

Garton, also worked very hard for the sale in spite of her many other activities. Her untiring efforts and that of the other members of the society were crowned with success. Receipts from the sale were Rs. 699-13-3 and the net gain was Rs. 585-2-9.

Special mention should be made of Mrs. Appel's girls' frocks which sold very quickly, and Mrs. Shorter's Xmas and New Year cards which brought in Rs. 79/-. Mrs. Garton's influence in bringing people and her good salesmanship all contributed to making the sale a success.

It is our aim to make this society, during 1956, like the one in the days of the apostles, which served the poor and needy.

### A GLIMPSE OF THE NEW HEBRIDES

OLIVER D. F. McCutcheon

(The Sabbath school offering overflow for this quarter is going to the Australasian Division and so we are sure you will be interested in this article which tells us something of that great field.)

YOU will want to know something of where part of your record 13th Sabbath offering overflow is going for the first quarter of 1956.

The New Hebrides islands-what soul-stirring tales of Adventist missionary pioneering come to the mind from memory's hall! Stories inseparately joined with the names of Calvin Parker, A. G. Stewart, Norman Wiles and a score of others such as these. Stories of cannibals, witchcraft, and the Big Nambus, all linked together with the most devilish. abominable cruelty known to debased humanity. Before the turn of the century, the New Hebrides was the centre of the cruel notorious blackbirding (slave) trade in the Pacific. Not by chance but because of the guiding providence of God, the headquarters on the island of Aore of the Seventh-day Adventist mission, was also the headquarters of the most notorious of all the bullying blackbirders. His home stood within a hundred yards of the present mission headquarters office, and was of necessity surrounded with a strong enclosure. Each of the four gates was surmounted with a human skull and crossed thigh-bones. Outside was the notice "Dogs and niggers are torbidden inside the portals of these gates. Any dogs or niggers found therein will suffer the penalty of DEATH. By order George deLatour." The natives revolted, he was murdered and a punitive naval expedition was sent and most of the unhappy primitive people were shot down in reprisal.

What a contrast is the picture today. Fifty short years have made many changes. From our local training centre, Parker Missionary School, situated on Aore, many national teachers and ministers have gone forth during the years taking with them into many of the islands and hundreds of the villages the wonderful story of God's love. It was in 1912 when the officers of the Australasian Union Conference, feeling their responsibility for the spreading of the Advent message throughout their appointed fields, turned their eyes toward these unhappy benighted islands. From the older mission field of Fiji, Pastor Calvin Parker was chosen as the pioneer Adventist missionary to the New Hebrides. Pastor and Mrs. Parker were experienced in the hardships, privations, and discouragements that come to all pioneer missionaries. With eagerness, and implicit faith in God's guidance, they answered the call, and later in 1912 established their little home on the island of Atchin. This was the centre of the most degraded, disgusting form of cannibalism and devil worship to be found in all of the group. These fearless servants of God never followed in the steps of other mission bodies or of other missionaries. Their's was the task of entering what was absolutely virgin territory, where the feet of white men had never before trod. They were joined a little later by missionaries A. G. Stewart and Norman Wiles. Thus was the work established forty-three years

This group of islands is situated about 1,700 miles north-east of Australia, and about 700 miles northwest of Fiji. There are about eighty islands of which more than forty are inhabited. There are more languages than inhabited islands. The one common language to all is pidgin. The pidgin of the New Hebrides differs a little from other parts of the Pacific,

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#### WEST PAKISTAN UNION

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Secretary-Treasurer: N. R. Fouts

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### REPRESENTING CHRIST IN WEST PAKISTAN

D. S. Johnson

NOTHER profitable Uplift campaign in the West Pakistan Union is drawing rapidly to its close. Early in January the teams of consecrated representatives travelled to their posts of duty.

Many of the factors which make a successful campaign possible are represented well in this one Union field. True Christian benevolence has been practised through the programme of the church. Pastor C. H. Hamel, our leaders at the Karachi hospital and in various other institutions, and departmental activities have provided a solid base for public confidence in Seventh-day Adventist benevolent work.

While in Karachi, the Hospital

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#### FAIREST LORD JESUS

DOROTHY E. WALTER

Fairer far than all the flowers that bloom,

Than all the birds that dance upon the lea:

Fairer far than light that pierces gloom,

Is Jesus, blessed Jesus, now to me. Fairer still than lofty peaks that rise Beyond the dome of visibility;

The trees of centuries are but a guise Of that great majesty enthroned in Thee.

Fairer Thou than kings with sceptred hands;

A thousand princely lords cannot compare;

I would exchange the fairest of earth's lands

For one brief glance of precious Iesus, there.

Fairer yet than all the oceans wide, For sailed I once upon a spanless sea; But now my bark is resting by Thy side:

Fairest of them all art Thou to me.



Committee of the Karachi Chamber of Commerce requested the leaders of our work to sit with them in committee session. The service rendered by the hospital to the business community, and to the family members belonging to the Chamber of Commerce was reviewed. Mutual problems were discussed in an atmosphere of appreciation and understanding.

The chairman of this group is the manager of one of the larger business concerns in Pakistan, and the other six members carry heavy business responsibility. Before the committee adjourned the chairman commented to our group:

"You people have established yourselves as the premier medical institution in this country, and you will have to reckon with that responsibility in laying your plans."

These words are fitting tribute to the doctors, nurses, office workers and other labourers who loyally carry this heavy responsibility. Working with this group, joining in close fellowship with them reveals that to carry this burden, God has chosen them wisely.

The actual accomplishments of this one group is amazing. Thirty-nine thousand patients were registered in the Karachi Hospital during 1955. A large percentage of in-patients admitted are very complicated and difficult cases. Yet Doctors Johannes, Wilkinson, Robbins, and Robson, though not specialists in some of these fields have maintained a high reputation for the institution. After shopping for medical care many cases come to the Seventh-day Adventist Hospital in their extreme need. Usually the needful can be done. R. L. Henrickson, the business manager revealed that Rs. 1,70,000/- in charitable work was done during the past

One gentleman contacted during the Uplift campaign is Mr. Hakim Uddin Sadik. His business partner, a Mr. Hormusji Dalal had been hospitalized with a serious illness early in 1955. Mr. Hakim Uddin under-

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#### **CEYLON UNION**

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#### NEW BELIEVERS IN **COLOMBO**

Francis R. Scott

M OD has richly blessed in soulwinning endeavours in the Colombo area during the past few months. Lay workers have cooperated in bringing in new recruits for the Lord's army.

On October 2 a series of meetings was begun in the Polytechnicpopular Colombo business college which is located on one of the main bus routes and thoroughfares of the city. One significant and unusual feature of the hall was that it was offered, complete with chairs, and lights, absolutely free to us for the seventeen nights of our meetings. Lectures were held on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. We had to use a smaller rear hall for the Wednesday meetings to avoid conflict with the institution's classes, but it too was adequate for our needs, though somewhat crowded. We brought in one hundred of our own folding chairs to supplement those available in the smaller hall.

Free Bibles were offered to those attending all the meetings. This proved to be one of our cheapest forms of advertising. The attendance

closing night, when seventy-three Bibles were presented to those who had not missed a single meeting. The largest attendances were near the 200 mark, and the smallest was 106. The average attendance for the 17 nights was 133. These are not striking figures as compared with the interest in our work as manifested in some places, but to us who have laboured in Colombo and know its difficulties, it was very encouraging. The total offerings amounted to Rs. 310.71 in addition to the sales of the book stand.

Handbills were distributed for the first four week-ends, and our lay members joined heartily in the distribution programme with about forty workers taking part. Many also assisted with the visiting. Two candidates were already prepared for baptism by lay workers, and a third was ready for admittance into church fellowship on profession of faith.

On December 10 and 17 baptisms were held in the two Colombo churches when five precious souls were buried with their Lord in the sacred rite, with one added to the church on profession of faith. This year eleven new members have thus been added to the Colombo churches.

been won. A number have obtained Sabbath privileges from their employers, and other obstacles have been removed as prompted by the held up well right through to the Holy Spirit. We in Colombo face the new year with courage, determined to make it the best year yet in winning souls to the kingdom. We ask the prayers of the "TIDINGS" family that God may give us wisdom that all may be done for His honour and glory.

#### TEMPERANCE WORK AT **JAFFNA**

Another three or four are definitely

planning on baptism within the next

few weeks. Precious victories have

BERNARD PINCHE

N conjunction with the evangelistic effort that is being held at the Town Hall a strong programme of Temperance was carried out in the peninsula. Consultations with the officers of the Education Department revealed that an elocution contest on Temperance would be the best medium to begin the campaign.

We offered Rs. 150/- as prizes for the English and Tamil groups. After elimination contests in the various circuits the finalists for the Tamil group appeared at the Central College Hall on November 11. Eight specially painted large posters provided a fitting background for the speakers. The speeches were of a high standard and indicated the eager desire of young hearts to banish liquor for all time.

On November 18 again at the Central College Hall six finalists for the English group appeared before the judges. An impassioned appeal of a young lady made a deep impression on all those who were present.

Literature in English and Tamil setting forth the evils of liquor were distributed at both contests. Newspapers carried news items and pictures of the campaign. The speeches of the first prize winners were recorded for further publicity work.

Senator S. K. Kanaganayagam, Mr. S. U. Somasegaram, Education officer, Jaffna, Rev. A. S. Veeragathipillai, Methodist minister, Mr. S. Muthusamypillai, manager of the Hindu College and the writer were the judges. Senator Kanaganayagam distributed the prizes.

Pastor F. R. Scott and the new believers.

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#### NORTHEAST INDIA UNION

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### RAYMOND MEMORIAL TRAINING SCHOOL

H. H. / MATTISON

NTIL my recent visit to Falakata to conduct the Week of Prayer at the Raymond Memorial Training School the place was only a name to me. True I had been closely associated with the school when it was the old Ranchi Training School, located at Baragain, Ranchi; and later when it was the Robinson Memorial Training School, located at Karmatar, but I didn't expect to find much that would be recognizable in its present location. In this I was happily mistaken. There was a definite element of continuity which made me feel at home from the very beginning. Some of the present teachers at Falakata had been co-workers of mine in times past; other teachers had been students of mine; and a large number of the present student body are children of former students of mine. The enrolment of the school stands at 133. Of these 48 are high school students. Like her larger sister institution, Spicer Memorial College, the Raymond Memorial Training School has a good number of languages and dialects represented in her student body. The bulk of the enrolment is made up of Santals, Oraons, and Mundas. In addition are to be found Kharias, Boros, Nepalese, Bengalis, and some from the Andaman Islands. The students from beyond our uncrossed borders interested me very much. The nine Nepalese are a fine looking group, and although Hindus they seem to enter into the spirit of the institution in a remarkable manner.

Some features of the school are outstanding, and strike one with force from the time he enters the campus. The student body are cheerful and possess that calm business-like manner which should characterize a Christian student body.

Of course there are conditions which encourage this spirit. Each teacher has his or her responsibility

outside the class room and faithfully cares for it. There is ample profitable employment for all. The students come from poor families and they need work to aid them through school.

At the time of my visit the students were busily engaged in the rice harvest. The girls all work, some cooking in the school kitchen, while others work in the fields cutting rice or in the granary cleaning it. Brother Brock, the able farm manager, is more than busy supervising the work on the five-hundred-acre farm. I was impressed with the variety of crops grown on the school farm. There are sizeable fields of rice, wheat, mustard, jute, corn, and sugar cane. In

the garden was a variety of vegetables suitable for the needs of the school. The garden is supervised by Brother Mod Masih Ekka who has proved himself to be a master gardener. I was especially impressed with the fields of pine-apple, and the guava orchards. They claim that their pine-apples are the tastiest in all of India, and one taste of the canned product convinced me that this was no empty boast.

The school press is managed by Brother Cecil Sulonkey. Aside from their standing orders for the Hindi Sabbath School and Missions quarterlies they do a sizeable volume of work for the folk in the surrounding tea gardens. The press makes a neat profit for the school each year, and for this Brother Sulonkey and the boys working with him are to be commended.

One day Brother Brock asked me if I would like to walk over the farm (Continued on p. 12.)

#### SOUTH INDIA UNION

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### ANACODE EFFORT AND BAPTISM

K. C. CHACKO

NACODE is a small village situated in Nedumangadu taluk near Kattakad District and there are many Christians here as well as Hindus. We erected a nice shed in this place which soon became known as the "Adventist Lecture Hall." Handbills were distributed and invitations sent out to the V. O. P. students residing in the district.

Our evangelistic campaign was started on October 2, at 8:30 p.m. by Pastor J. V. Jacob, the leader of Nedumangad District, and about 150 people attended.

This village was unentered territory as far as our message was concerned.

In the beginning of the effort we had to overcome many difficulties but every day we spent more time in prayer and the study of the Word of God. The Word of God encouraged us very much and the angels of the

Lord were with us from the beginning to the end. By our visiting, our constant prayers, and the giving of Bible studies to the people in their homes, those who were our enemies became our friends. The Holy Spirit was working in the hearts of the people and many became interested in our message. As the result a fine Sabbath school was organized.

In every sermon the central theme was Christ and the Word of God converted the hearts of the people and they confessed their sins and consecrated their lives to Jesus Christ.

As a result of the effort and other meetings held at Anacode and Mangalakal baptismal services were held early in January and sixteen precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism by Pastor J. V. Jacob.

We request the prayers of the "Tidings" family as we endeavour to win more souls for Christ and the eternal kingdom of God from this village of Anacode.



## Peace

MAE C. BRADLEY

Find a man with a heart that is joyful and gay From which love overflows in kind service each day,

One whose love for his God keeps a smile on his face

And a peace in his heart that no trial can erase.

Enter into a home that is founded on love, Where the children are treasured as gifts from above,

Where the parents are gentle and loving and true, And the stranger is welcome his strength to renew.

Go to church where the story of Jesus is told In the same simple way that we heard it of old, Where the pastor will know you and clasp your weak hand.

It is here you will find sweetest peace in the land.

Seek the wide country fields where the lambs are at play;

Songs of birds fill the air with their notes sweet and gay.

The wind in the leaves sings a soft lullaby, And the fleecy clouds peacefully drift in the sky.

While our great men strive vainly for permanent peace,

We can each help a little their load to decrease. We can care for our own church, our home, our own heart.

If success meets us here we have played well our part.



### RAYMOND MEMORIAL TRAINING SCHOOL

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with him. Being accustomed to the usual school farm in this Division field I thought we would make the tour within a very short time. Before we reached the limits of the farm I pronounced the distance more than a Sabbath Day's journey. The river skirting our property is well stocked with fish, and the nearby jungles form a habitat for some wild life such as pythons and leopards.

Brother Chander Kujur is the preceptor. It was obvious that he had more than a passive interest in his

boys. During the week he proved to be a discerning and sympathetic liaison officer. Brother Shanti Besra has been connected with the institution for the longest time in its present and former locations. He is the "buyer" for the boarding in addition to his class room duties. The work of Miss Miriam Bazroy, a graduate of Spicer Memorial College, deserves special mention. She is doing exceptionally good work as primary teacher. What a blessing to have our own Normal Trained teachers in our schools throughout the Division, We need more of them. Brother Rasalam has one of the hardest of the class room tasks: that of guiding the stu-



dents around the pitfalls and over the hurdles of mathematics. I feel, however, that he is equal to the task, and certainly he never spares himself in his efforts to accomplish his work. The other indigenous teacher is Brother Zephaniah Kisku who is also doing commendable work.

The health of the student body is the responsibility of Mrs. Brock. She is assisted by one of the students known to me only as Roland, who has a flare for medical work. Being a graduate nurse Mrs. Brock is well qualified for her work, and the students testify of her good care. Certainly they are living testimonies to the efficacy of healthful living, hard work, and cheerful hearts.

The co-ordinator of all these activities is the school's genial and optimistic principal, Brother L. N. Hare. It would be indeed difficult for the students to be sad and morose in the atmosphere created by Brother and Sister Hare. Mrs. Hare is the preceptress in addition to her teaching responsibilities.

With the background briefly sketched above, one would naturally expect to conduct a successful Week of Prayer. Certainly conditions were favourable. God was with us in a very definite manner. The subject for the week was "Qualifying for Heavenly Citizenship." The students gave good attention and responded by reconsecrating their hearts and lives to the One who died to make heavenly citizenship possible for us all. Attendance at prayer bands, while not compulsory, was practically one hundred per cent. On the last Friday night when the students recounted their blessing of the week I was especially impressed with the testimonies borne by our non-Christian group as well as those of non-Seventh-day Adventist Christians.

Some of the students in the baptismal class face real problems in the matter of securing permission from their parents to be baptized. They especially need our prayers.

Sunday, January 15th, as I rode out of the compound in Brother Hare's Jeep I had a strong desire to remain longer. I felt "surely it has been good to be here."





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#### QUIZ SHEET

MARJORIE LEWIS LLOYD

YOU and I are enrolled in a correspondence course. It's a course in getting ready for heaven. And God is our teacher.

Textbooks? The Bible, and a set of volumes prepared especially for the course.

Required study time? Daily study of both is recommended—the exact time left up to the student. A failure to study means a failure to pass the course.

Help in preparing lessons? Yes, God will help us. The angels will help us. And it is recommended that we help one another. "They helped every one his neighbour," it says in the Textbook.

Quiz sheet? Of course. But we don't write the answers. We live them. God is not so much interested in what we say as in what we are. It is not what we say we have, but what we have, that counts.

But say, friend, what lesson are you on? That's what I really want to talk to you about.

How many lessons are there? Are yours the same as mine? Does God send more lessons to some than to others? What if Jesus comes before you finish the course?

All interesting questions. Does God really require more of some than of others? Does He have a different standard for conference workers than for laymen? Does He require more of the one who has known Him longer than He does of the new believer?

It seems to me that all these questions are answered as we think of our preparation for heaven in terms of a correspondence course.

God has no double standard. He does not condone in one what He condemns in another. His standard for all is, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

But you may get a perfect grade in lesson one without having the slightest idea of the content of lesson thirty. And if Jesus comes before you get to lesson thirty, you'll graduate just the same. The righteousness of Jesus makes up our grade.

But just a minute. The righteousness of Jesus makes up for our lack of opportunity, but never for our neglect. If we just neglect to get on with the course, Heaven will never make up the loss.

God often sends our quiz sheets back marked "incomplete." He sends them back over and over, till we make them up. But they must be made up here. Heaven is not, as many seem to think, a place for making up "incompletes."

Those who have never known the truth about God's Sabbath here may have the opportunity of keeping it in heaven. But those who could have filled out that quiz sheet here can never do it there. God has no double standard. He sends us all the same lessons, which we will receive in due time.

This matter of healthful living makes a convenient illustration. Let

### TEMPERANCE WORK IN JAFFNA

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To further strengthen the phase of the work now begun we plan a few meetings in the congested slum areas. The Divisional Revenue officer Mr. Thambiyah has loaned us a film on Temperance for these meetings.

In 1905 the Spirit of prophecy recorded these words. "Clearly, plainly, earnestly, tell them how thousands of men and women are using God's money to corrupt themselves and to make this world a hell.... Present this matter so clearly that its force cannot but be seen. Then tell your hearers of the Saviour, who came to this world to save men and women from all sinful practices."

In this as in every other phase of our work here in Jaffna our eager desire is to bring men and women from the slavery of sin to the glorious liberty to be found in Jesus Christ our Lord. us say that both you and your roommate, anxious to live healthfully, are vegetarians. You have both passed that good lesson. But you have a friend who, in spite of all your persuasion, still eats meat. Yet that friend, let us say, has had a lesson on the sin of over-eating, which neither of you knows much about. He does not eat between meals.

You and your room-mate, in the middle of the afternoon, when the day seems long, both stop for a snack. And about that time your friend who eats meat, drops by and wonders why both of you frown on his meat but still eat between meals.

Do you see?

Let us stop asking our friends what lesson they are on and then patting ourselves on the back that we're really much farther along. All the time they probably understand some things we haven't thought of.

Instead, let's study together, pray together, work together, and compare notes as we go up the path-, way of life.

But let God grade the papers!— Review and Herald.

### REPRESENTING CHRIST IN WEST PAKISTAN

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stood Hormusji's serious condition and mentioned to Miss Thomas that if Mr. Hormusji's life should be spared he would make a liberal contribution to the hospital. Mr. Hakim Uddin was taken to Mr. Henrickson and was later visited by Pastor Hamel and others. He has chosen to bear the cost of two fourteen bed wards in the proposed addition to the hospital at a cost of Rs. 50,000/.

A Mr. Topal made a contribution of Rs. 5,000/- on behalf of his concern when the hospital was under construction in 1951. The plans for extension were recently presented to him. While visiting recently he said, "If we had known you people as well then as we do now, we should have made a larger contribution." Mr. Topal has again agreed to bear the cost of a room or ward.

During 1955 the Home Missionary activities in West Pakistan have greatly expanded under the departmental leadership of Pastor M. G. Champion. Many tons of clothing

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### UPLIFT

UNION	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	6 90	% 100%	GOAL
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Once again West Pakistan is the first Union to go over the top—Congratulations! Excellent reports have come from South India and Northwest India Unions. These fields find that the going is easier this year. They plan to be over the top before the Division Council in March.

FLASH!—South India over the top! Super goal in sight!

Northwest near the goal!

### REPRESENTING CHRIST IN WEST PAKISTAN

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have been distributed through faithful Dorcas workers and this has filled a great need especially in the cold Punjab and Frontier region. Voice of Prophecy and Temperance work have demonstrated Christian love. The Uplift workers in the Punjab area had realized approximately Rs. 11,000/by the first week in February.

Late in 1953 a clinic was opened in Peshawar, Saddar Bazaar, with Miss Singh in charge. This small clinic has done outstanding service among the very poor in Peshawar. Much maternity work has been done, and God has blessed this project and the faith that has made it possible.

More than Rs. 40,000/- has been received from the Uplift efforts in West Pakistan during the month-long campaign. The literature distributed, and the thousands of friendly visits have demonstrated again the words of our Lord Jesus when He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." It has been demonstrated that

those who have invested in this blessed work have reaped the blessing of God in their work. This public confidence is a challenge to the church everywhere to follow in the footsteps of the Master, "Who went about doing good." The record says, "And God was with Him." God is by the side of those who follow that example.

### A GLIMPSE OF THE NEW HEBRIDES

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being influenced to some extent by the French language. On all government buildings and offices the flags of two nations fly side by side. The New Hebrides is a Condominium and is governed jointly by Britain and France. There are separate police forces and separate district administrations, however, the customs, post and telegraph and treasury departments are jointly administered. The natives are neither British nor French citizens. Of the white residents, 1,300 are French and 400 British. Our missionaries are all from

either Australia or New Zealand.

You ask, what are the results of forty-three years of earnest devoted mission work? Since the beginning of the work in 1912 when the foundations were soundly laid, the gospel story, lived and preached, has continued to push ever onward, until today we can humbly, and gratefully report that of the native population, one in every thirty-five is a Sabbath school member, and one in every fifty is a baptized member of the Remnant Church.

During the past two years 360 souls were baptized. Surely, fellow Sabbath school members these are wonderful returns for your sacrificial giving in the Sabbath school over the years.

Your treasure has gone beforehand into God's treasure-house, and one day soon you will have the happy privilege of meeting those whom you have helped to obtain salvation and a part in His kingdom.

Your brethren in the New Hebrides join with you all in the home bases as we all work and pray towards the setting up of God's kingdom.

# TEMPERANCE INSTITUTE OF SCIENTIFIC STUDIES MAY 13-25, 1956

CHAD B. ISRAEL

THE National Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism has decided to hold the first session of the Asian Institute of Scientific Studies for the Prevention of Alcoholism at Wilson College, Bombay in the month of May 1956.

The 50-Member National Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism which is affiliated to the International Commission for the Prevention of Alcoholism, consists of eminent physicians, educators, religious leaders, businessmen, High Court judges, public health officers, prominent women, statesmen, editors, and graduates.

The Committee aims at furthering, by all proper and legitimate agencies and means, the study of the effects of alcohol on the physical, mental and moral powers of the individual citizen, and on the social, economic, political and religious life of the nation, with a view to educating the public.

The Board of trustees of the National Committee are:

(1) Dr. Harekrushna Mahtab, Governor of Bombay, (2) Shri B. G. Kher, President of the National Committee, (3) Shri Morarji R. Desai, Chief Minister of Bombay, (4) Shri Khandubhai Desai, Union Labour Minister, (5) Dr. Zakir Husain, Vice-Chancellor, Aligarh University, (6) Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, member Council of States, (7) Shrimati Kripalani, member Sucheta (8) Shri G. D. Birla, Sabha, treasurer, National Committee, and (9) Shri Chad B. Israel, General Secretary, National Committee.

Experts in different subjects will conduct the course of studies. Noted national and international authorities will participate.

Those desiring to join the session will be required to apply to the secretary, Post Box 15, Poona 1, before April 1, 1956. (Denominational workers should apply through their respective Unions.) The fees for the course are Rs. 120. Travel, board-

ing and lodging is entirely the responsibility of the trainee. A diploma will be given to the trainees who have fulfilled the attendance requirements and have passed the requisite examination after the completion of the course.

The course will be comprised of lectures, seminars, discussions, and field trips. Efforts are being made to see that trainees from all over the South East Asia bloc participate in the Institue and benefit by the course of scientific studies.

The lectures will cover a wide range of subjects and will include subjects like, Physiology, Psychology, Pharmacology, and "Alcohol and Its Relation to Morbidity, Mortality, and "The Historical Heredity." Also Study of the Temperance Movement in India." "World Trends," "Alcohol as a Public Health Problem," "The Philosophical Background of the Prevention of Alcoholism," etc. In harmony with the trend of modern medicine the emphasis will be toward prevention rather than cure.

### Miscellanp

- Pastors I. M. Chand, S. G. David, and S. Thomas visited Salisbury Park during February to record for the Voice of Prophecy broadcasts.
- A COOD response is reported from the Week of Prayer meetings held by Pastor D. S. Johnson at Spicer Memorial College from February 10-17.
- Mrs. T. M. Ashlock and children, Linda and Frankie, are visiting with Pastor and Mrs. Ashlock in Poona.
- The Division School Leaving Examinations have been prepared in the Educational Department and been forwarded to the field where the students will be examined from March 19-21.
- Mrs. R. H. Broderson made her first visit to S. M. C. and Salisbury

Park when she accompanied Raymond to Poona where he joined the students going to Vincent Hill. Pastor H. H. Mattison also spent the week end of the 11th February at Salisbury Park, and returned with the school party to Vincent Hill.

• Miss Ada Warhurst is recovering from surgery at the Christian Medical College Hospital at Vellore.

• Pastor L. F. Hardin reports that Mrs. Hardin is recuperating after her stay at the Giffard Memorial Hospital, Nuzvid.

• Pastor J. W. Nixon has gone to Burma in the interests of the colporteur work. While there he will also promote the Big Week campaign.

• THE Burma Union is planning its next M.V. camp at Toungoo in April.

● The Bangalore Middle School has opened for the second term on the 29th of February. They anticipate an increased enrolment over last year.

• Saw Ah Chu is planning several V.O.P. rallies in the Rangoon areas during the next few weeks.

• The Tenasserim regional meetings will be held in Yebu from April 18-21.

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### PRAY for the DIVISION COUNCIL

March 9-17

Dear "TIDINGS" Family:

Before this number of the "Ti-DINGS" reaches you many of the delegates will be making their way toward Poona for the forthcoming Division Council, and I know your prayers will accompany them. We wish that everyone throughout the Division could come and spend this time in holy convocation before the Lord, but since this is not possible, certainly all of you can unitedly pray for the council throughout the entire session wherever you are. I know you will do this for much depends , upon this council and its deliberations for the future development of our work in Southern Asia.

We are living in momentous times, and if ever the people of God needed to draw near to Him for wisdom and to one another for fellowship and unity and strength, it is now. Therefore, I would like to appeal to each of you, wherever you are, to not only remember this council in your private devotions, but in your family worship. We would especially solicit your prayers as you meet together in your young people's meeting on Friday night, in your Sabbath services, and in your prayer meetings. My faith is strong in the united prayers of God's people. He never turns a deaf ear to our supplications when we pray with clean hearts, and ask for Divine leadings in His great programme of preparing souls for His kingdom. Pray not only that His presence may be felt in a special way as we meet together, but that He may enlarge our vision for the unfinished task that lies ahead of us.

It is our desire that the plans we formulate may truly be God's plans, and that the work we do together may be for the furtherance of His work throughout the Division. Pray that our fellowship may be sweet, that our consecration will be deep, and that the re-dedication of our lives and our all may be sincere and lasting.

Even though your leaders will be away over two Sabbaths, I trust you will not forget the special offering for Disaster and Famine Relief which will be taken on March 10. Let everyone really sacrifice to make this a most liberal offering.

Then, on the last Sabbath, March 17, as we seek the Lord here in a definite way, will you not join us, wherever you are, in deep heart-searching so that God may unite our hearts and our plans by His Holy Spirit, and thus enable us to sweep forward as a mighty army for the speedy finishing of the work in this great land.

May the Lord be very near to each of you as you pray and give you a rich blessing. Remember the date, March 9 to 17.

-0. O. MATTISON, President.

### DISASTER RELIEF OFFERING

M. E. KEMMERER

N SABBATH, MARCH 10, 1956 all our churches throughout the world field will unite once again to bring in a special offering. The General Conference has sent a special appeal to all our believers on behalf of urgent needs constantly coming up for FAMINE AND DISASTER RELIEF in various stricken areas. The General Conference will pool this world-wide offering into one fund from which some of these urgent needs can be met from time to time.

We here in Southern Asia can easily appreciate the importance of such a united appeal for several areas in our field suffered seriously during the past year from cyclones, floods and other disasters.

In fact, for your encouragement we can tell you that the General Conference and the Division co-operated last year in bringing immediate relief in the form of cash, food, and clothing to some of these stricken areas where our people suffered so much. With this in mind, our offering should be especially liberal to show our love and gratitude to our Heavenly Father and to our fellowbelievers.

Who knows where the next disaster will strike? Perhaps your area will also be affected by such emergencies. As the end approaches we may expect such events to follow in rapid succession and this should remind us of

#### PLEASE NOTE!

Delegates, please bring your Advent Hymnals with you to the Council.

the statement of Jesus Himself, "Look up, and lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh." Luke 21: 28. We are also reminded of a statement by the servant of the Lord in Testimonies, Volume 9, page 11: "We are living in the time of the end. The fast-fulfilling signs of the times declare that the coming of Christ is near at hand. The days in which we live are solemn and important. The Spirit of God is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth. Plagues and judgments are already falling upon the despisers of the grace of God. The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous. They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude."

Certainly, as we read statements like this we can recognize their fulfilment all around us and we should rejoice in our hope of the soon-coming Saviour.

May this blessed hope bind our hearts together in a deeper bond of Christian fellowship and may we respond to this appeal with a liberal offering to help our brethren and sisters who stand in need. God expects you and me to do our part as we are individually able and He will surely add His blessing.

Remember the date, SABBATH, March 10, and give a liberal offering for FAMINE AND DISASTER RELIEF. The goal we have set for Southern Asia is Rs. 10,000. May God bless each one who demonstrates Christian liberality.