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FORWARD

ADVENTIST

YOUTH!

NINETEEN hundred and fifty-eight is a year of great promise for the Adventist youth in the Southern Asia Division. The Golden Anniversary of the Missionary Volunteer society has confronted us with the unfinished task. The divine destiny to which Missionary Volunteers are called has been vividly portrayed in all of our centres. Nearly a thousand of our workers and young people have qualified for the senior Missionary Volunteer Leadercraft certificate. This means that they are better prepared than ever before to launch a forward surge during 1958.

No one can travel in the Southern Asia Division without recognizing the difficult factors with which the Third Angel's Message has to contend. Yet the Christ of Pentecost still lives. Our God is well able to fulfil His promises and raise up a standard against the enemy. The call of 1958 is first the call to prayer and deep spiritual heart-searching. Prayer and faith and work provide the combination which gives assurance of triumph.

In our College, high schools, and training schools throughout Southern Asia there must be a dynamic Missionary Volunteer youth pro-

gramme in action. "The Advent Message to All the World in This Generation" is to be the spirit breathed by these future workers.

Training exercises in which the young people on our campuses spread out into the villages for evangelistic witnessing must be well organized. Every student in our school should have the privilege of uniting in one of these aggressive Share Your Faith bands where his talents can be used for the winning of souls. The standard set by our Missionary Volunteer societies on the school campus will determine the future of our youth movement throughout the division.

The servant of the Lord has said that youth can most effectively work for their fellow youth. The majority of converts in the future will be from among the youth of India, Ceylon, Pakistan, and Burma. They will be more ready to accept the new way of life in Christianity. It is therefore imperative that our youthful Missionary Volunteers be trained, drilled, and ready to infiltrate communities, villages, cities everywhere to gather in the harvest that has been promised under the power of the Holy Spirit.

It is reassuring, after visiting for

three months in the Southern Asia Division, to know that 1958 will see progress in the devotional, educational, and Share Your Faith programme in all of the unions. To all the workers, both European and indigenous with whom I had the pleasure of fellowship, I send heartfelt greetings and express my personal gratitude for the many kindnesses shown while I was among you. To the young people whom I met in the various educational centres and in the worship services I send personal greetings and offer a fervent prayer that each one will

L. A. SKINNER

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fulfil his God-given mission and experience the joy of abundant living.





EVANGELISM

IN SOUTHERN ASIA

J. F. ASHLOCK, *Secretary, Ministerial Association*

EVANGELISM embraces all of the efforts of both ministry and laity to bring men and women to a saving knowledge of the true and living God. It includes both public and personal soul-winning endeavours.

Evangelism is the most important thing in all the world; it is the biggest and most honourable work in which men and women can engage; it is the supreme mission of the church, the primary business of every member. Evangelism has been in every age the greatest and holiest service committed to mortal man, but in this last generation it scales the highest peaks, sounds the lowest depths, encompasses the broadest expanses and reaches the zenith of privilege and responsibility. Evangelistic zeal should characterize every faithful Seventh-day Adventist who believes the coming of the Lord Jesus to be very near. Lesser consecration, devotion and enthusiasm is a denial of a true disciple's faith, a betrayal of his Lord.

The members of the Division Committee and other representatives from the unions and local fields at the December 1957 meetings in Poona pledged anew their devotion of body, soul and spirit to a Christ-centred ministry. They prayed for a keener realization of the seriousness of the hour, for a sincere reformation of spirit, and for a resurgence of true Christian faith that will result in the glorious triumph of the Message. They called upon the ministry and laity—old and young—throughout India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon to join in seeking and finding those about them who are waiting and anxious to be gathered into the fold of the true Shepherd. They

felt in their inmost hearts that, "nothing is to be permitted to hinder this work. It is the all-important work for time; it is to be as far-reaching as eternity."—*Testimonies* Vol. 5, p. 456. They set a goal of 1,100 baptisms for the first

five months of 1958. This goal for baptisms when attained will represent the greatest number ever added to the church in Southern Asia in any first five months of any year, but with God's blessings it can be reached.

The need of the unwarned and unsaved multitudes on every hand makes a stirring appeal to every true Christian. The lateness of the hour and the bigness of the task constitute a mighty challenge to every church member. The divine command of our Captain, "Go ye," is the marching order that demands immediate action on the part of every soldier of the cross. Therefore, Arise, O Church of God, Evangelize! Evangelize!

REMEMBER A FRIEND

GEORGE F. BROWN

When trials sweep down on our path like a storm,
When good resolutions are scattered and torn,
Whene'er blank discouragements stare in our face,
Bewildered we stand, a pitiful race,
O may we like Job, when our trials begin,
Retain our integrity, fearing to sin.
For God turned the bondage of Job in the end
And doubled his store, when he prayed for a friend.

O Lord, help us now as to Thee we do come
With burdens too heavy to carry alone;
When praying for self may we never forget
That others are having their trials to meet.
Their clouds may hang heavy and dark as the night;
A prayer in due season may let in the light.
So may our petitions for self alone end.
God doubles our store when we pray for a friend.

Christ's prayer on the cross could ascend for His foes
With heartbroken utterance—God only knows.
'Twas Heaven's example of genuine love,
Of pure self-forgetfulness, born from above.
Then let us lay hold of this wonderful life,
The power that keeps us from sin and from strife,
And as oft as our prayers to Heaven ascend,
Remember the blessing, and pray for a friend.

OUR GREATEST NEED

A. E. RAWSON

SOME time ago I was going through my sermon notes and clippings and came across an article entitled, "Our Greatest Need" written by P. E. Berthelsen. I read it several times. Each time I read it, it seemed to have a deeper meaning. Although it was written several years ago, it is just as applicable today, and so I am passing it on to you in the hope that you, too, may realize to an even greater extent than ever before the challenge of our times.

"Some time ago, on the front page of the *Chicago Tribune*, there appeared an illustration picturing the world as wounded, suffering, and bleeding, lying on a table, in a large operating room. Many eminent physicians and surgeons were in attendance to diagnose the case.

"After careful inspection, a prolonged consultation followed, the verdict being that the only hope for the sick world was a major operation, to remove the old human nature. On a table the partial contents of that nature were revealed as envy, hatred, enmity, spite, revenge motivated by malice, greed, and avarice.

"Yes, the old world needs a new nature if strife is to cease. The evils cherished in the hearts of men have brought on the present terrible condition. The prophet Jeremiah describes the natural heart of man in these words: 'The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?' Jer. 17:9.

"As individuals our greatest need now is a new nature. The old, carnal nature must be changed. But it can never be accomplished in the life of man by his own efforts. 'Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil.' Jer. 13:23.

"Realizing the sinfulness of his

old nature and the enormity of his sin, David prayed: 'Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a steadfast spirit within me.' Psalm 51:10, R.V., margin. It is not a theoretical knowledge that is needed, but a spiritual regeneration, which requires creative power. It is not a modification or improvement of the old life of sin, but a new life, a new nature altogether. That new nature is Christian; it is Christlike. Hence the new nature means living as Christ lived.

"There is power in the gospel to create this new nature in man. The word "power," so often used in the New Testament, is translated from the Greek word from which we get such words as 'dynamite' and 'dynamic.' Paul writes: 'I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power (dynamite) of

God unto salvation to everyone that believeth.' Rom.1:16. By the same power Christ was raised from the dead. (Eph. 2:1.) It is the Holy Spirit's power in man, received through the exercise of faith, that regenerates, creates a new nature, a spiritual life, a Christlike life.

"The chief desire of the new life is to please God in all that is done and said. All that is incompatible with the will of God, that is detrimental to soul and body, will naturally disappear. The Bible will be carefully and prayerfully studied and followed. God's law of love, the ten precepts, His standard of righteousness, will be cherished. Will you open wide your heart's door and by faith receive this blessed experience into your life?"

Yes, indeed, we need a new, clean heart. If the heart is clean, our lives will be radiant. We will not only reflect the life of Jesus, but we will have a new vision and a desire to give the gospel to a perishing world.

Our lives will not only be aglow with the truth, but our light will lead others to Christ. We are told:

"Your light may be small but,



remember, that it is what God has given you, and that He holds you responsible to let it shine forth. Someone may light his taper from yours, and his light may be the means of leading others out from the darkness."—*E. G. White.*

We would suggest that you make Voice of Prophecy graduates liv-

ing near your home your personal responsibility and lead them to the foot of the cross. Take this burden upon your heart and remember there are scores of people within a short distance of your home who need your help and who may be led to Jesus through the shining of your light.

are the first fruits of our continuous and faithful labours at Nandyal. The two daughters of this widow are planning to go to our Narsapur High School in the next academic year. Please remember the work yet to be developed in the Nandyal area.

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A FISHERMAN FOR CHRIST

I. SUBUSHANAM

JEEVARATHNAM of Gudiwada is a fisherman by trade; like the fishermen of Galilee he followed Jesus with implicit faith daily longing to learn more of Him. Desiring to know all the truth in the Bible, he attended many revival meetings conducted in his vicinity. He respected every preacher of the gospel. As he was illiterate he called one preacher to come to his house to live. He supported the preacher out of his meagre income for over eight months.

After the day's labour Jeevarathnam would ask his preacher to read to him from the Bible. Listening carefully he would ask questions whenever he did not fully understand the Scripture. One day while they were reading he questioned his preacher about the Sabbath. The preacher said that Sunday was the Sabbath. However, from what he had heard from the Bible the fisherman could not agree with the preacher. A long discussion followed one night. The preacher, not being able to satisfy the fisherman, left him and disappeared.

About this time Evangelist P. S. Prasada Rao was preparing for an evangelistic effort in Gudiwada. It provisionally happened that the evangelist was bringing his equipment by the same bus on which the fisherman was travelling. Not knowing what the equipment was for, Jeevarathnam thought, "How good it would be if someone would use this equipment for religious

meetings instead of for some drama or show."

A short time later one of the handbills announcing meetings came to Jeevarathnam. When he went to the meetings he saw in the auditorium the equipment that he had seen in the bus. Jeevarathnam felt sure that his desire for truth would be fulfilled. He attended every meeting, rain or shine. Imagine his joy when he heard the Sabbath truth being preached! In spite of strong opposition he soon requested baptism and joined the Sabbath-keeping Christian church.

As soon as he heard the truth he began to witness for the message. Now his family is ready to be baptized, and two other women are keeping the Sabbath with his family. The courage of this humble fisherman is strong. God has made him a fisher of men.

FIRST FRUITS OF NANDYAL

M. B. ALEXANDER

IN CONTINUATION of the evangelistic campaign conducted by Pastor G. Isaiah, the president of the South Telugu Section, the writer has been following up the work at Nandyal, for the past few months. As a result of this effort, three families, consisting of ten members, have decided to join their hands with the Remnant people. Out of this small group, a widow mother and her two daughters were baptized on December 7, 1957 by Pastor R. John Moses of Mahabubnagar.

These three believers in Christ

AKOLA RECEIVES THE MESSAGE

U. R. ANANDA RAO

UNDER the leadership of Pastor M. D. Moses the North Maharashtra workers are going forward in evangelism.

The city of Akola, in Vidharba, with a population of nearly one and a half lakh, had not heard the third angel's message. So we felt impelled to begin evangelistic meetings there.

Pastor Moses began his series of lectures on October 27, 1957, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Shinge and Mr. and Mrs. Ananda Rao. Some Christians attended our lectures but nearly ninety-eight per cent of our attendance consisted of those of the Hindu religion and included some of the leading families of the city. A doctor and his wife received Bibles as a gift for regular attendance. Another important man of law also received a Bible for regular attendance.

After presenting the Sabbath, an invitation was given to the hearers to attend the Sabbath school. Nearly twenty-five people attended the first Sabbath school. A college principal who attended remarked that it was the first Sabbath school of its kind conducted in the history of Akola.

On December 22 the lectures were concluded and many testified that the Adventist church is the only true church. At least one of these has already begun to pay tithes and is a member of our Sabbath school and we trust many will follow his example and eventually take their stand with God's Remnant people.

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B. PINGHE

MOST mechanically I was cycling down the sun-drenched street. Now and again I stopped to pass on a handbill for the effort meeting of that evening. The unmerciful sun—the meagre results of all our work for many months—the poor attendance at the meetings—all moved into each other creating a shroud of discouragement. I rounded a corner and on seeing a particular house I suddenly felt impelled to stop.

What effect would a handbill and invitation have in a home where the people were diametrically opposed to the Truth? What were the possibilities of leaders from another denomination attending meetings where the gathering was not too impressive? These and like thoughts raced through my mind as I walked over to present a handbill.

Later in the evening the place for the meeting was all arranged. Brother Swissesamuthu, who was speaker at the meetings, and I had prayer seeking the Lord's direction and presence through the programme.

Children in groups began to trickle in and occupy the seats. Some adults came in between. Our eyes were upon the gates hoping that some passer-by would turn in to build up the attendance. Then I saw them! Two adults and some children from the house I visited in the morning! Perhaps they were walking along to some other place. Would they turn in? Almost breathlessly we waited and then

Yes, they turned in at the gate!

There is no doubt in my mind that God had a hand in the events of that day. The message was the message for these very souls. Through His servant, Brother Swissesamuthu, God brought con-

viction to the hearts of these friends that the sacrifice on Calvary makes it necessary to keep the Commandments.

Attendance at the meetings continued. At this time I found the writings of Sister White specially helpful to me. "The very last work in the controversy may be the enlightenment of those who have not rejected light and evidence, but who have been in midnight darkness, and have in ignorance worked against the truth."—*Evangelism*, p. 306. "The wisest, finest labour should be given to those who are not of our faith."—*Ibid*, p. 562.

Prayer, the reading of God's word, articles in the *Review* and *The Youth's Instructor*, helpful studies in the home and above all the persuasive voice of the Holy Spirit contributed to the saving of one of these souls for Christ.

We were reminded of Jesus on the shores of the sea of Galilee as we stood on the beach at Kankasanturai. The blueness of the sea and sky was both deep and rich. A soft breeze, the gentle flip flap of the ripples, rustling coconut leaves, all provided a rich symphony as we spoke of God's love and our relationship with Him. We bowed our heads in prayer as we sought God's aid to remain faithful to the end.

Thirty voices sang, "I will follow Thee, my Saviour," as this precious soul was buried and taken back from a watery grave in the likeness of the Lord "to fulfil all righteousness."

NORTHEAST INDIA UNION*President:* W. F. Storz*Secretary-Treasurer:* A. R. Appel*Office Address:* Karmatar P. O., Santal Parganas, E. Rly.**ORDINATION SERVICE IN
ASSAM SECTION**

D. S. JOHNSON

BROTHER B. J. Williams of the Assam Section was ordained to the Gospel ministry in the Shillong church on Sabbath afternoon, January 11, 1958.

Pastor E. E. Roenfelt, Associate Secretary of the General Conference, was present and delivered an address which stirred the ministers and laymen present to dedicate their lives to soul-winning work. The prayer of ordination was offered by the writer, and Pastor W. F. Storz gave the charge to be faithful in service. The secretary-treasurer of the Northeast Union, Pastor A. R. Appel, was present and extended a welcome to Brother Williams as he joined the ranks of the ministry.

After receiving and accepting

this message in 1930, Brother Williams attended our schools at Gilberttown and Fletcher in Carolina. He later attended Southern Missionary College, and during the years between class sessions he devoted his time to colporteur work. During the war he was drafted into the army, but as soon as he could he completed his college work at Washington Missionary College in 1946.

After service in India at Spicer Memorial College, Assam Training School, and as secretary-treasurer of the Northeast Union, he has now been called to head the staff of workers in the Assam field.

The annual committee of the Assam Section was held January 13, and 14. Brother Lian Chamliana has been appointed secretary of the field. We see evidences of God's blessing upon these arrangements, and believe the future of the work in the Assam Section is unusually bright.

How We Entered into the Chin Hills

L. NGUL KHAW PAU

THE Chin Hills is a mountainous part of Upper Burma. In 1899 the American Baptist Missionaries entered Haka. Slowly they spread out through many parts of the Chin Hills until World War II. I became a member of that denomination and was appointed an elder of our village church. When we prayed in our meeting on Sunday, we asked God: "Oh Heavenly Father, Thou art the true God, who created the heavens and the earth in six days, and rested on the seventh day, today; Thou hast blessed and sanctified today (that is Sunday), so clean us, too, from all sin as Thou hast cleansed this day." We believed Sunday to be the seventh day of the week, and worshipped on that day.

In 1946 I met Vanlalrawna, a Lushai boy with a very good appearance. When I made his acquaintance I offered him some cigarettes, but he said, "Friend, thank you very much; I am a Seventh-day Adventist, so I don't use tobacco or any other unclean things, as unclean flesh, etc." Then I drew back my cigarette tin to me with shameful face, and wondered about him. Then I asked him, "What kind of people are Seventh-day Adventists?" That began a discussion about Bible truth. He told me his experience. He also had been a Baptist believer. But in our discussion, I objected very seriously, saying that Sunday is the seventh day of the week. In the Chin Bible the word for Sabbath was translated "Nipi" and when we named the days of the week, "Nipi" was Sunday. But opening the Bible to Luke 4:16 and 23:50-56, my friend made it clear to me that the Lord was crucified on Friday and the next day was the Sabbath of Creation. That is the day our Lord Jesus had observed. When I continued to discuss with

him, he said: "You may become a Seventh-day Adventist someday, because you are a pious man and you love God." Then we each went our separate ways.

I wondered at all I had heard but didn't mention it when I went home. Moreover, I still served as an elder in my church. In the latter part of 1952 my mind became agitated by certain happenings in the church and I remembered my Seventh-day Adventist friend's words, "You may become a Seventh-day Adventist someday." Pastor A. E. Anderson was sent to

the Chin Hills to pioneer the work. When he went through the Tiddim Hospital, he talked to me and showed me my last letter to the mission in India. He had already won several souls in the Chin Hills and in the latter part of 1953 he moved with his family to Tiddim. Within a few months of his arrival there many souls were converted to God, including Brother Go Za Kham, an editor of Lungvak magazine, as well as pastor of Leilum Village ABM church. Brother Go Za Kham contacted me and we joined the baptismal class conducted by Brother Anderson. After we finished our class, Pastor P. A. Parker came up and baptized fourteen of us on May 8, 1954. This was the first baptismal service held by us in the Chin Hills.

In 1954 Pastor Anderson conducted efforts in the villages of Bukphir, Laitui, Kaptel and Leilum with the help of Brethren



Baptismal service of our first group of believers in the Siyin valley.

So I wrote a letter to the Assam Seventh-day Adventist Mission, Aijal, India, and asked the difference between Baptists and Adventists. They replied: "Brethren Zakhuma and Lalkhuma have been sent to the Chin Hills as missionaries from the Assam Mission. You can contact them, or our office at 68 U Wisara Road, Rangoon."

Before I could do anything about contacting these men I was accidentally injured by a bombshell explosion and admitted to the Civil Hospital, Tiddim. That was in April 1953.

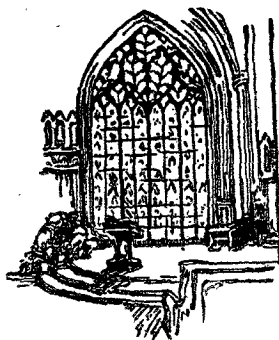
While I was at the hospital,

Zakhuma, Lalkhuma and Go Za Kham. He made trip after trip through the hills, high and low, and through the valleys. He preached by interpreters and thus sowed the seeds of truth in the Chin Hills. In April 1955, the Burma Government called him back to Rangoon. He left all his goods, and his new believers, who numbered about forty, were scattered. We felt like orphans because of A. E. Anderson's absence and Satan laughed! He was almost able to puff out our light. But God was not absent from us.

In October 1955, Brother Go Za

Kham and I went down to Kalemyo fifty miles from Tiddim by truck. We held a short effort at Sing-u-nau village. There was also present an overseas missionary who had been invited to oppose us. He made us hold a debate as he still believed Sunday to be the seventh day of the week, as I had also believed in the past. He said, "We observe the seventh day of the week, because God created the

A CHURCH DEDICATION



To dedicate a church to God
Is a simple thing to do;
Some songs are sung, a prayer is made,
And a sermon's given, too.
The folks are there from near and far,
They come, both great and small;
The building is the Lord's, they say,
And ready at His call.
But it means more than that, my friend,
The church is more than boards.
It means that all the members, too,
Agree to be the Lord's.
Unless the members give themselves
In service for their King,
The dedication of the house
May not mean anything.
The church includes the members,
Who must dedicate their all—
Their time and talents to be used
Whene'er the Lord shall call.
It means surrender of ourselves,
A daily death to sin;
To give our lives and pledge our hearts
To try some souls to win.
—Author Unknown.

work. We also expect to open new fields in 1958, and increase the number of our believers.

The work opened in the Siyin valley this year (1957). My family and I entered this valley last July. We located at Khuasak village in a rented house. The pastors and leaders of the local church forbade their people to listen to our message. So we could not hold any public effort. But I tried visiting the homes, one by one, and now there are some faithful souls converted to God's last message. On November 16, 1957 Pastor R. H. Woolsey came up, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Murrill, and held a baptismal service for twelve souls. These twelve souls are the first group of baptismal candidates for this area. Among them is an old officer of the British Indian Army, who had served in Government service over thirty years. He is now pensioned. Another is the doctor for this valley and another is a man who donated his land to be used for God.

SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION

Calendar of
Special Days and
Offerings
1958

- February 1 Uplift Rally, H. M. Offering
- February 15 Famine and Flood Relief Offering
- March 1 Uplift Victory Day, H.M. Offering
- March 8 General Conference
- March 15 "Million Dollar" Offering
- April 5 Tithe Covenant Day
- April 5 Home Visitation Day, H.M. Offering
- April 19 Christian Education and Offering
- April 26 "Southern Asia Tidings" Offering
- May 3 Christian Home and Family Altar Day, H.M. Offering
- May 17 Spirit of Prophecy Day
- June 7 Dorcas Welfare and Evangelism & Dorcas Offering
- June 21 Christian Health Day
- July 5 Medical Missionary Day, H.M. Offering
- July 12 Mid-Summer Offering
- July 19-26 MV Week of Prayer
- August 2 Home Missionary Day and Offering
- August 16 Sabbath School Rally Day
- August 23 Bible Society Offering
- September 6 Home Missionary Day and Offering
- September 20 Tithe Covenant Day
- October 4 Home Missionary Day and Offering
- October 4-11 "Review and Herald" Campaign
- October 18 Colporteur Rally Day
- October 25 Temperance Day and Offering
- November 1 Lay Witnessing Day, H.M. Offering
- November 8 Voice of Prophecy Evangelism Day and Offering
- November 22-29 Week of Prayer and Sacrifice
- November 29 Week of Sacrifice Offering
- December 6 Home Missionary Day and Offering

heaven and the earth in six days, and rested on the seventh day. He also blessed and sanctified it. So we the Christians observe it for a memorial of Creation, and that day is Sunday." Then we proved from Luke 23:50-56 that the day of the crucifixion was Friday and that even now the Roman Catholic Mission abstains from eating flesh on Friday which is another witness that our Lord was crucified on Friday. The Scriptures told us that the crucifixion day was the preparation day before the Sabbath. "They rested the Sabbath day according to the Commandment." As a result of this discussion thirty souls decided to believe the Bible and accept the true message. They were baptized by Pastor P. A. Parker in 1956 and at present are one of the most faithful church organizations in the Chin Hills.

Now we have over a hundred members in the Chin Hills and twelve workers. We also have several hundred interests. We are glad for God's blessing on our

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THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING

- March 29 Southern-European Division
- June 28 Australasian Division
- September 27 Inter-American Division
- December 27 South American Division

Miscellany

- THE Assam Section reports 173 baptisms for the year 1957. One hundred and four were baptized during the fourth quarter of the year. Manipur reports eighty-seven baptisms, and the Lushai Hills report twenty-eight.
- ON Sabbath, January 10, twenty-five persons were baptized in the Garo Hills. These persons were prepared through efforts and personal work by Brethren Prem Bazroy and Dhap Singh, assisted by local workers. Thirteen were baptized at Puntimari and twelve at Dilma. God is blessing the work in this area in a remarkable manner.
- BROTHER B. J. Williams has been appointed the president of the Assam Section and Brother Lian Chamliana has been appointed secretary. Brother Chamliana will also be the office accountant.
- CONSTRUCTION on the workers' new quarters at the Assam Training School is progressing well. Much of the work is being done by the students and staff. More accommodation is still urgently needed.
- PASTOR George W. Maywald reports enthusiastic Union-wide support for the 1958 Uplift Campaign. Several units have already reached their goals.
- THE Northwestern India Union has gone over the Delhi Uplift goal of Rs. 10,500.00 within ten days. This is the largest amount of Uplift ever raised in Delhi in such a short period of time, and certainly gives that Union a good start toward their yearly goal. Other fields are just getting started on their Uplift programme and we hope to have more reports in before the next "TIDINGS" goes to press.
- BROTHER and Sister Reginald Shires have just been transferred to Vizagapatam for pastoral and evangelistic work. They have been able to locate a place to live, and are laying excellent plans to develop the work there.
- MR. and Mrs. C. H. Tidwell and family left Bombay on Jan-

uary 14 for furlough. Brother Tidwell will work toward his Ph. D. degree during this furlough period. We pray that the Lord will bless this family while they are away from the field and bring them again safely to Southern Asia.

- Miss Lois Votaw, cousin of Mrs. Tidwell, from the Surat Hospital, accompanied the Tidwells to Poona for the weekend prior to their departure.

- IN the South India Union the E. D. Thomas Memorial High School was the first institution to reach the yearly Uplift goal with Rs. 2,100.00 received. This is Rs. 100.00 above their goal of Rs. 2,000.00. Kottarakara High School was a close second, having received Rs. 2,070.00, Rs. 70.00 above their goal of Rs. 2,000.00—D. S. J.



The Division Sabbath School and Home Missionary Departments have recently revised all their report blanks.

Will all the Sabbath school and home missionary secretaries of all the churches, local sections, and unions please **DISCARD ALL THEIR OLD REPORT BLANKS?**

The new report blanks are now available in the form of pads. Each pad has enough blanks to last for two years and the pad is made in such a way as to enable the secretaries to keep a permanent record of their reports right in the pad.

Perhaps some of you are already using these new report pads. Will the others, who are still using the loose sheet report blanks, kindly discard them and place their order for the new report pads through their Union H. M. secretaries who will forward it to Pastor O. W. Lange, Post Box 15, Poona 1, India.

MEET OUR WORKERS



S. James entered Prakasapuram High School in 1933 as the result of the labours of the late Pastor V. D. Koilpillai. He was baptized during his stay there. The following year he entered the South India Training School at Krishnarajapuram. After completing his junior College Commercial course there in 1938 he joined the staff of the Oriental Watchman Publishing House as stenographer.

The following year Brother James moved to the Division office and for two years was secretary for Pastor N. C. Wilson, the Division president. He was then transferred to the Division Secretarial department and during the next fourteen years served as office secretary in this important department.

In 1954 our brother answered a call to the Northwestern India Union. For two years he was secretary of the Home Missionary and Sabbath School departments there and then in 1956 Voice of Prophecy secretary of the Northwestern India Union. Brother James is doing a good job in this capacity at the present time.

STOP PRESS!

Good news has just been received (January 24)!

Northwestern and South India Unions have reached their Uplift goals!

Congratulations!

Who will be next?