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Will Christ Come in 1961?

By W. A. Hilliard

For more than one hundred years Seventh-day Adventists have been proclaiming to the world Jesus is coming soon. Ever since the disappointment in 1844 the message has been heralded to the world by the living preacher, by the printed page and more recently by radio, television and recordings. Beginning with English, the message has been preached "with tongues" until today the church is using 791 languages and is working in 195 nations which comprise 99% of the world.

Christ told His disciples that when the gospel had been preached in all the world, "for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Matthew 24:14. Often we look at the statistics and feel somewhat self-confident in an almost accomplished task. We read the daily paper and see the fulfillment of the other signs on every hand. We take pride in the fact that even world leaders and scientists have joined us in proclaiming the end of the age. Yet from the human view-point others marshal figures to show that the population of the world is increasing at a much faster rate of growth than is the church membership. In other words, we are losing ground faster than we are gaining it.

We may ask ourselves the questions, "Will Christ come in 1961? If not, why not? Are the scoffers right in saying 'My Lord delayeth His coming?' What can I, as a church member, do to hasten Christ's coming?"

Sister White, God's messenger to the church, has written many

times to the church, showing that the delay is caused by certain lacks on the part of the church. The responsibility is ours. Note the dates when she wrote the various words of counsel.

"Had Adventists, after the great disappointment in 1844, held fast their faith, and followed on unitedly in the opening providence of God, receiving the message of the third angel and in the power of the Holy Spirit proclaiming it to the world, they would have seen the Salvation of God, the Lord would have wrought mightily with their efforts, the work would have been completed, and Christ would have come ere this to receive His

people to their reward." Ms. 4, 1883, in **Testimony of Jesus**, pp. 99, 100.

"If all who had labored unitedly in the work of 1844, had received the third angel's message and proclaimed it in the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord would have wrought mightily with their efforts. A flood of light would have been shed upon the world. Years ago the inhabitants of the earth would have been warned, the closing work completed, and Christ would have come for the redemption of His people." **Great Controversy**, p. 458. (Originally in Vol. 4, of **Spirit of Prophecy**, p. 291, published in 1884).



Pictured are five men who were ordained December 10, 1960, in a Sabbath afternoon service at the Balestier Road English Church during the Southeast Asia Union Session. Shown left to right are: Pastor W. A. Hilliard, Pastor C. P. Sorensen, Cheah Hun Young, Samuel S. Tsai, James Wong, W. Y. Chen, P. G. Miller, Pastor F. R. Millard, and Pastor F. L. Peterson.

"By giving the gospel to the world it is in our power to hasten our Lord's return . . . Had the church of Christ done her appointed work as the Lord ordained, the whole world would before this have been warned, and the Lord Jesus would have come to our earth in power and great glory." **Desire of Ages**, pp. 633, 634. 1898.

"Had the purpose of God been carried out by His people in giving to the world the message of mercy, Christ would, ere this, have come to the earth, and the saints would have received their welcome into the city of God." **Testimonies**, Vol. 6, p. 450. 1900.

"There are those who say not only in their hearts but in all their works, 'My Lord delayeth His coming.' Because Christ's coming has been long foretold, they conclude that there is some mistake in regard to it. But the Lord says, 'The vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come.' It will not tarry past the time that the message is borne to all nations, tongues, and peoples. Shall we who claim to be students of prophecy forget that God's forbearance to the wicked is a part of the vast and merciful plan by which He is seeking to compass the salvation of souls? Shall we be found among the number who, having ceased to cooperate with God, are found saying, 'My Lord delayeth His coming?'" **Review and Herald**, June 18, 1901.

"I know that if the people of God had preserved a living connection with Him, if they had obeyed His word, they would today be in the heavenly Canaan." **General Conference Bulletin**, March 30, 1903.

"Upon us is shining the accumulated light of past ages. The record of Israel's forgetfulness has been preserved for our enlightenment. In this age God has set His hand to gather unto Himself a people from every nation, kindred, and tongue. In the advent movement He has wrought for His heritage, even as He wrought for the Israelites in leading them from Egypt. In the great disappointment of 1844 the faith of His people was tested as was that of the Hebrews at the Red Sea. Had the Adventists in the early days still trusted to the guiding Hand that had been with them in their past

experience, they would have seen the salvation of God. If all who had labored unitedly in the work of 1844 had received the third angel's message and proclaimed it in the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord would have wrought mightily with their efforts. A flood of light would have been upon the world. Years ago the inhabitants of the earth would have been warned, the closing work would have been completed, and Christ would have come for the redemption of His people." **Testimonies**, Vol. 8, pp. 115, 116. 1904.

"If every soldier of Christ had done his duty, if every watchman on the walls of Zion had given the trumpet a certain sound, the world might ere this have heard the message of warning. But the work is years behind. While men have slept, Satan has stolen a march upon us." **Testimonies**, Vol. 9, p. 29. 1909.

"Will Christ come in 1961?" It does not all depend upon God. The answer to that question must come from you and me, and from our united church members around the world. Peter says that by our "holy living and godly conduct" we are to be expecting and helping to hasten the coming of the day of God." 2 Peter 3:12, Weymouth translation. The testimony of Peter agrees with the Messenger to the Remnant Church. We can hasten the coming of Jesus.

"Therefore, beloved, as you are expecting this, earnestly seek to be found by Him, free from blemish or reproach, in peace. And regard the forbearance of our Lord as salvation. . . . You, therefore, beloved, being warned beforehand, must be on your guard so as not to be led away by the errors of lawless men nor fall from your own steadfastness. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord

and Saviour Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:14-18, Weymouth translation.

Let us hope and pray and work as if we believed that He is coming in 1961. Then, whenever He comes, He will find us watching and ready.

The Challenge of 1961

By Milton Lee

The other day I was reading an editorial in one of the leading Chinese newspapers of Singapore. The subject was "The Road to Peace and Security." It pictured a distraught world at the end of 1960. The writer mentioned the political complications which had arisen in such areas as Laos, Algeria, and the Congo. He called attention to the fact that the United Nations Organization had contributed little during the year to the solution of these problems. Yet the editor hoped that a certain world figure would be successful during 1961 in closing the gap between east and west, thus bringing the human race to a time of peace and security.

What a vain hope! We who have the "more sure word of prophecy" know that world peace will not be brought about by the efforts of men. In fact, man trusting in his ability, can only make matters worse. Such is the prophetic picture. "And the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner." Isa. 51:6 It is not in man to cure his own ills, let alone the world's.

1961 will not be a year of peace and security. That must wait until Christ ushers in his kingdom of "righteousness, and peace, and joy." Romans 14:17. The road this side of that kingdom will become increasingly difficult to travel. The Seventh-day Adventist evangelist will find his path beset with



Pastor and Mrs. W. E. Smith and sons Danny and Billy. The Smiths have been living in Malacca since the end of October, 1960. During the recent Malaya Mission Session they were called to Penang where Pastor Smith will serve as chaplain of Penang Sanitarium and Hospital and pastor the English church.

obstacles on every hand. The revival of nationalism and many Eastern religions will make the promulgation of Christianity a task which will require genuine courage and faith.

The great danger to us in Southeast Asia is that political unrest will so occupy our thoughts that the vision given to us as a people becomes dim. Let us not forget that what we have failed to accomplish during times of freedom and prosperity must be completed under forbidding circumstances. There is to be no let up in the proclamation of Christ's imminent return until He actually appears!

Difficulties do not always impede the progress of the Gospel program. Strife, and unrest usually places in the hearts of its victims a deeper longing for the opposite—peace and security. The millions of the Far East are longing for stable governments, for stable economy. They have become disappointed in the strivings of men in this direction. And they are looking for something which man cannot give. What better times is there to preach "Christ, the answer to the World's Need," than now?

The times in which we live demand a renewed sense of urgency. We should say with Christ, "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work."

There will be no better time to spread the Message than now. Each day hereafter will bring with it more—not less—problems. In view of this fact, together with the lateness of the hour, should we not lay definite plans to evangelize our respective Mission fields in the shortest time possible?

The lack of funds should not curtail the program of evangelism. For the basic, cheapest, and most effective method of proclaiming the Second Coming of Christ is through the individual witness. Our Mission presidents should study with the church pastors how to train the laity. Then the entire church should be organized as an army to go out and testify for Christ. Long periods of training do not need to be given. Aside from tracts, elaborate preaching aids do not need to be supplied. Fill the laity with the Spirit of God, and their witness will bring hearers to repentance. It worked



Delegates to the Malaya Mission Session held in Southeast Asia Union College chapel from December 19-22. The president of the Malaya Mission, T. C. Chin, and W. Y. Chen, the secretary-treasurer of the mission, and shown sitting, the seventh and eighth from the right.

in the apostolic church. It will work now.

1961 may be a dark year in the history of this sin-cursed earth. But it can become a glorious year for God's Remnant people. May it be a year of revival and fruitful witnessing on the part of each Seventh-day Adventist worker and layman in the Southeast Asia Union is my sincere prayer.

A Plan for Your Life

By Daniel R. Guild

Jesus lived a God-planned life. His life was planned hundreds of years before He was born. He was ever conscious of this fact, and He submitted fully to God's plan. He said, "I do always those things that please Him." John 8:29.

Just as the life of Jesus was planned before His birth, even so there is a plan for every life marked out in the mind and heart of God.

How God Guides

How can I know God's plan for my life? God guides in three ways: (1) the Bible, (2) providential circumstances, (3) the direct communication of God to the heart. These three means of guidance have been known to Christians for centuries.

According to the Psalmist, the Bible is life's Guidebook: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Psalms 119:105. Concerning the life ex-

periences of Bible characters Paul writes: "Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." 1 Corinthians 10:11.

God also guides us by providential circumstances. He is pictured in the twenty-third psalm as being the Good Shepherd. A shepherd guides his sheep through rich valleys of prosperity, as well as through perplexing ravines. He cares for his sheep in sickness and holds their head when they find themselves at the door of death. The Psalmist, after picturing God as the Good Shepherd guiding His sheep through life, concludes the Shepherd Psalm with the words: "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." Psalms 23:6. His thought is simply this: If God has guided me all through life, surely He will continue to guide me in the future. It gives dignity to the experiences of life to realize that whether they be bitter or sweet, God is guiding us through them. We have a Shepherd who is ever at our side.

God also guides us by direct communications with our heart. Through prayer we talk with God. Through inner impressions to our heart He talks with us. By sanctifying the conclusions of the higher judgments which our mind makes, God speaks.

The Guides Must Harmonize

Many individuals do not live God-guided lives; they are led only by their inclinations and impressions. The Bible warns, "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are ways of death." Proverbs 16:25. Our feelings must harmonize with Bible truth. In fact, all of the guides must harmonize before it is safe to conclude that God is guiding.

The Bible is a final and conclusive guidebook. Never should we allow ourselves to be led by providential circumstances or by direct impressions if they are leading us away from the Bible path. The Lord admonishes: "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Isaiah 8:20. The meaning cannot be misunderstood; the Bible is the final test for determining a right course of action.

The Bible is a safe and wonderful guide. It is a shield against temptation. Matthew 4:1-11. It gives us daily spiritual food. Jeremiah 15:16. It contains the key to eternal life. In it we can find the answer to our every need: "My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19. Following all the Bible teachings is the golden doorway to a life of genuine freedom. John 8:31, 32. The Bible "is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Timothy 3:16, 17. "If God's word were studied as it should be, men would have a breadth of mind, a nobility of character, and a stability of purpose rarely seen in these times." —Ellen G. White, *Steps to Christ* page 90.

Submission to the Father's Plan

When Satan came to Jesus in the wilderness of temptation, he was attacking Jesus on the point of submission. Should the Saviour seek satisfaction in the things of the world or in full submission to His Father's will? Satan said, "If you deviate from the life your Father has planned, you will find real joy and happiness. I will give you fame, fortune, pleasure, if you will follow my plan instead," even

quoting Scripture in an attempt to lead Jesus astray; but each time Jesus won out with the words, "It is written." Matthew 4:1-11.

The great lesson from the life of Jesus is His submission to the Father's will. Jesus said, "I do always those things that please Him." John 8:29. Even when tried to the utmost in the terrible agony of Gethsemane, Jesus cried out to His Father, "If it be possible, let this cup pass from Me: nevertheless not as I will, but as Thou wilt." Matthew 26:39. After a life of perfect submission to His Father's plan, His dying words were, "It is finished." John 19:30. Jesus was in reality saying, "My God-planned life is now completely and perfectly lived out."

Jesus knew that hesitation and self-will bring tension and frustration. He also knew that submission ends the conflict and brings full release. As God's voice is heard speaking harmoniously through His word, through the providential circumstances of life, and through the direct communications to the heart, our attitude must ever be one of submission to His guiding hand. An overflowing consecration produces the bloom of a calming faith.

Sister White expresses it beautifully in these words: "Faith in God's love and overruling providence lightens the burdens of anxiety and care. It fills the heart with joy and contentment in the highest or the lowliest lot. Religion tends directly to promote health, to lengthen life, and to heighten our enjoyment of all its blessings. It opens to the soul a neverfailing

fountain of happiness. Would that all who have not chosen Christ might realize that He has something vastly better to offer them than they are seeking for themselves. Man is doing the greatest injury and injustice to his own soul when he thinks and acts contrary to the will of God. No real joy can be found in the path forbidden by Him who knows what is best, and who plans for the good of His creatures. The path of transgression leads to misery and destruction; but wisdom's 'ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.' Proverbs 3:17."—**Patriarchs and Prophets**, page 600.

Note: This article is taken from a very timely book written by Pastor D. R. Guild, entitled, *WE CAN HAVE PEACE*. In this book of twenty chapters Pastor Guild presents our beliefs in a most interesting unique way. Truly upon the pages of this inspiring book, "Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other." Psalms 85:10.

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A HEART TO UNDERSTAND

By Eleanor E. Howe

Today, dear Father, give me grace
To serve Thee faithfully;
A heart to understand the needs
Of those along the way.

O let me not pass by a friend,
Unheeding of his care,
Unknowing of the heavy weight
It is his lot to bear!

O tune me, God, to feel the grief
That these, my brothers, know;
And give me words of strength
and hope
To ease their hidden woe!



Christmas reunion of twenty-five former students of Southeast Asia Union College who are studying in Australia. They met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Pohan in Sydney. They closed their party by singing their S.A.U.C. school song.

We Welcome You!

**P. H. Romulo MV Secretary
N. Philippine Union Mission**



The Far Eastern Youth Congress that will convene in Manila on April 4-9, 1961 is for all the many thousands of young people scattered throughout the length and breadth of the

territory which comprises the Far Eastern Division of Seventh-day Adventists. This Congress is for you, the Adventist youth. All the activities in this Youth Congress will be geared to help you realize that you are a part of the militant church which is bound to triumph in the end. You will see in this Congress different nationalities of one faith, one hope, one objective, and one God. Associating with the Adventist youth of different nations, speaking different languages, will make you feel that you are an integral part of a world-wide movement. At the congress you will catch the vision of the unfinished task which had been committed particularly to the youth who had pledged themselves as followers of the lowly Nazarene.

As you listen to the "Share Your Faith" experiences of the young people from the different countries, you will be kindled with enthusiasm to do your share in hastening the coming of our Lord and Master. I am sure that after hearing the wonderful sermons and Bible studies from our world leaders and Elder H. M. S. Richards, director of the Voice of Prophecy of the General Conference, you will go home from this congress feeling that the money, time, and effort spent have not been squandered but well invested which will pay high dividends in the long run. You will go back home filled with wonderful stories and experiences which you can utilize in leading your fellow youth, who were not privileged to attend the Youth Congress, into a stronger and more effective work in giving the message of salvation to those who are captives of the prince of darkness.

There will be colorful events

A group of Murut Sabbath School members in North Borneo.



which will depict the humble beginnings of the work of God in the different countries of the Far East, and how the work prospered in a mighty way through consecrated human instrumentalities. There will be workshops to sharpen our youth in the different evangelistic phases of our work. You will hear the very best of music and song. Come and join the parade of Master Guides who will stand as guards of honor for the Master Guides who will be invested. Only Master Guides will participate in the investiture service. See the MVs in uniform. See the Pathfinders busy in the different activities of their club. Behold the young men and women in uniform preparing themselves to serve God when their country calls for them. There are other inspiring features during this coming Youth Congress—to miss them will be tragic.

The youth of the North Philippine Union Mission are ready to give you, the other youth of the Far Eastern Division, a warm and hearty welcome!



Methods of Discipline

By Bernice Neff, R.N.

Anyone brought up in a Christian home knows by heart the verse, "He that spareth his rod hateth his son; but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes." Prov. 13:24. We might call this philosophy of child rearing the "spare the rod and spoil the child" theory.

"The mother may ask, 'Shall I never punish my child?' Whipping may be necessary when other resorts fail, yet she should not use the rod if it is possible to avoid doing so. But if milder measures prove insufficient, punishment that will bring the child to its senses should in love be administered. Frequently one such correction will be enough for a lifetime, to show the child that he does not hold the lines of control. . . . Many times you will find that if you will reason with them (the children) kindly, they will not need to be whipped. And such method of dealing will lead them to have confidence in you. . . . Never give your child a passionate blow, unless you want him to learn to fight and quarrel." Child Guidance, pp. 250, 251.

Apparently there are relatively few times when whippings are necessary. When they are, if they are carried out in the manner described by Mrs. White, no harm comes to the child. The Bible also states: "Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged." Col. 3:21. In summary we may say that the whipping method is useful, but only rarely so, and then it must be carried out in an attitude of love and in the absence of anger and fear.

"It is the work of the Parents to restrain and guide and control. They cannot commit a worse evil than to permit their children to

gratify all their childish wishes and fancies, and leave them to follow their own inclinations." Child Guidance, p. 223.

"Tell your children exactly what you require of them. Then let them understand that your word is law and must be obeyed . . . It is far better for your boy to obey from principle than from compulsion."—*Ibid.*, p. 225.

An interesting statement on the proper time to begin discipline is this: "The moment that the child begins to choose his own will and way, that moment his education in discipline is to begin." *Ibid.*, p. 230.

"Your children may have done something that demands punishment; but if you deal with them in the spirit of Christ, their arms will be thrown about your neck; they will humble themselves before the Lord and will acknowledge their wrong. That is enough. They do not then need punishment. . . . Sometimes they will have to be punished, but never do it in such a way that they will feel that they have been punished in anger . . . Mothers, however provoking your children may be in their ignorance, do not give way to impatience. . . . You should correct your children in love . . . When you are obliged to correct a child, do not raise the voice to a high key . . . Do not lose your self-control."—*Ibid.*, pp. 244-246.

If children were raised by the methods suggested here, there would be little delinquency, and children would grow to be happy, well-adjusted adults.

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Pastor Mandatang Gaban baptizing in a pool at Lumpoho, North Borneo. The old woman sitting is anxiously awaiting her turn.

What's New in Southeast Asia

The Wonderful Power of the Gospel By Inauk S. Gullah

The Lord not only commissioned His followers to "go . . . and teach all nations," but He also assured them that He would be with them "always, even unto the end of the world." Yes, to very believer this command and assurance is, indeed, a challenge of his faith and duty to God and His saving power, and of his love towards his fellowmen.

I thank God and praise His Great Name for giving me the privilege of witnessing the harvest of 12 souls for His Kingdom, from the Murut tribe of North-Borneo, among whom He sent me with His Light. They were baptized by Pastor M. Agian. Another 12 interested souls are now preparing to accept Christ as their personal Saviour.

Following are the names of some of those baptized and who are preparing to be heirs of His Kingdom:

Taman bin Galai, chief of Kampong Tiulan, is an old man of much experience. He was once a member of the Police Force, an overseer of the Public Works Dept., and other government jobs. While still young, he boldly stepped out of heathenism and accepted the Catholic faith, but he never experienced a real change until he and his wife went down into the watery grave.

Siambing and Sorom are a respectable old couple to whom their community looked for counsel and advice. Like all Muruts, they were habitual drinkers, smokers, hog-eaters, etc. To them to stay "alert" was to drink. Praise the Lord, today it is the Holy Spirit of God that keeps them "alert."

Agiliu binte Sulun never paid any attention to her children. Instead of properly feeding them, Agiliu used most of her money for strong drink. Her children roamed the village and countryside half starved, almost naked and suffering from all kinds of disease. Then, one day Jesus came into her heart and changed her life entirely. She is now a cheerful woman, regaining her youthful look and dearly loved by her children and relatives.

And there is Sipin bin Gullah, who had been a smoker since he was three years old. He could go without food for a couple of days, but not so with cigarettes. Today, the ex-chain smoker is an entirely changed man. He has been born again in the newness of life and hope in Jesus.

Let us remember these new souls in our prayers, and God's work among the Murut tribe.

Progress of the Ulu By Mandatang Gaban

Lumpoho is one of the cool kampongs of the Ulu Tuaran District, nestled in a valley several thousand feet above sea level. The inhabitants of the kampong belong to the Taga'as tribe of the Dusun race of North Borneo. Taga'as was the leading tribe during the head hunting days. When the Seventh-day Adventists began their work among the natives of Borneo, the Taga'as tribe readily received the truth. Lumpoho had a part in the spread of the gospel for some of the new Seventh-day Adventist villages were started by faithful members from Lumpoho. The most outstanding of these villages are Malangang and Goshen. Today these two kampongs are outstanding S.D.A. villages.

The first Seventh-day Adventist ordained pastor among the natives was born in Lumpoho. Last November the writer visited his birthplace. What progress Lumpoho has made, for now it is a S.D.A. village. On Sabbath morning, November 26, the writer baptized 14 souls who were mostly his own relatives. Today the Ulu people are requesting schools. Let us pray for their needs.

Evangelism in Kuala Lumpur

By E. C. Saw, Secretary
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Recently a series of evangelistic meetings was concluded in the Seventh-day Adventist church in Kuala Lumpur. The series ran for nine weeks, five nights a week. The young people of the church helped to distribute handbills, provide for the special music, and also served as ushers. Benjamin Ku, principal

of our elementary school, and K. L. Chia, a ministerial intern, also assisted in the music.

At the close of the meetings, a baptismal class was organized. Thus far 11 people have been baptized. Others are still receiving Bible studies. Just lately, a new Voice of Prophecy course with personal instruction was introduced. Forty graduated from the course and some of these have started to attend the church services.

Those who have been baptized have gone through trying experiences. One young man, the only son in the family, came from a home that had for many generations worshipped idols. When he told his mother that he was going to be a Seventh-day Adventist, she cried and pleaded with him not to disgrace the family name. In spite of bitter opposition, he was baptized. Today he is not only rejoicing in the message but he is witnessing for his Master in his own home.

A young Indian man whose parents are Hindus was threatened with disinheritance if he continued to attend the meetings. Needless to say, he had to face many trials and overcome many obstacles before he was finally baptized.

One lady had been a member of another Protestant church for more than 15 years. When she embraced our message she found herself in a hostile atmosphere. Her sons and daughters objected to her joining the Adventist church. She also faced her husband's displeasure. For a long time she agonized in prayer. She came forth victorious. Not only is she now happy in the truth but she has even convinced some of her children to attend church.

A young man was an active leader in a Protestant church. When he decided to keep the Sabbath, relatives and friends did their best to put obstacles in his way. Ever since his baptism he has been holding firm to his new-found faith. ".....Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Zechariah 4:3.

Ambassador Speaks to Bangkok Missionaries

By Chester H. Damron, Pastor
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The Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital was host to all the mis-



Pastor E. C. Saw standing at extreme right and his wife sitting right front. The group shows nine of the eleven who were recently baptized at the close of the evangelistic meetings in the Kuala Lumpur English Church. Pastor T. C. Chin, president of the Malaya Mission stands at the back.

sionaries of all denominations in the area on December 1, 1960. The hospital gave a luncheon to the ministers so plans could be discussed for the beginning of a Bangkok Ministerial Association.

The speaker for the occasion was United States Ambassador U. Alexis Johnson. His topic of discussion was one of courage and thanks to the work accomplished by American Missionaries abroad. He stated that the cultural diplomacy and technical assistance of the United States was fostered and pioneered by the missionaries. He referred to the types of assistance founded by our Christian missionaries, such as modern medicine, printing, and the translating of the Bible into various languages and dialects. "This people-to-people program of cooperation between the United States and other countries of the world owes much of its success to the missionaries of past years and today," he said.

There were twenty-one missionaries in attendance at the meeting from the following missions: American Baptist, Christian Missionary Alliance, International Church of Presbyterians, Southern Baptists, Seventh-day Adventists, and Y.M.C.A.

We feel that such a program of public relations as the above mentioned does much to create goodwill among fellow missionaries. Chaplin E.B. Smith, of the Sanitarium, planned the program and

it met with good success. This is just one more area of endeavor for Christ that is opened to our mission in Thailand.

News Items

● From our students abroad we have received this recent news. Joyce Tan and Jonathan Kong, former students of Southeast Asia Union College, were nominated by Walla Walla College to represent them in **Who's Who In American Universities and Colleges, 1960-61** edition. This is an outstanding achievement, indicating that Joyce and Jonathan are considered among the top 19 students in their school in all-around college life. Joyce is graduating from Premedical and Jonathan from Business Administration.

Ann Chan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chan of Singapore, has been elected secretary of her junior class at the College of Medical Evangelists in Los Angeles.

● On Sunday, December 11, at the College Cafeteria a pot luck supper was given to entertain the delegates to the Union Session and as farewell for Pastor and Mrs. James Wong. Mrs. B. T. Hammond and sons were also guests of honor as they were returning to Australia from Penang. There was a special program in the chapel by local and visiting artists following the supper. The Wongs will be missed throughout the Union.

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● Pastor James Wong, Pastor Jerry Chang and family, Esther Wong and her mother Mrs. K. S. Wong and children sailed December 17, for Kuching. Pastor Wong to be principal of Sunny Hill School, Pastor Chang the pastor of the Kuching Church, Esther Wong to teach at Sunny Hill School, and Mrs. K. S. Wong from Haadyai to visit. Mrs. James Wong and 2 daughters followed a few days later by plane.

● Esther Tan and Dr. Wong Chye Tong were united in marriage by Pastor D. Guild in the Balestier Road Seventh-day Adventist Church in Singapore, on Sunday, December 18. They will reside in Malacca where Dr. Wong is in private practice.

● Jan Hutauruk and bride Evelyn Manullang stopped in Singapore during January enroute to Penang where he will serve as pastor of the Malay Church. They were married on December 29, 1960, in the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Bandung.

● Dr. B. T. Hammond, director of the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital, returned to Australia in October for surgery. Because of serious complications several operations have been necessary, and since Dr. Hammond will be many months recovering, he has requested permanent return. Mrs. Hammond and sons passed through Singapore in December and have arrived safely in Australia. The Hammonds will be missed by their many friends.

● A cable has been received that the two Hall families and the Abel Pangans have evacuated from Laos to Thailand.

● In a recent letter from Ray Seet, a former S.A.U.C. graduate, tells of transferring from E.M.C. to A.U.C. this school year. During the summer Ray canvassed and sold US\$1,450.00. He also reports for Regina Lim who sold US\$1,600.00 worth of literature.

● Pastors F. R. Millard and F. L. Peterson from the General Conference were guest speakers at the Southeast Asia Union Annual Session from December 8-14. Their inspiration and help during the session was much appreciated.

● R. H. Wentland Jr., the principal of the Vietnames Training School in Saigon, has been called to be the Sabbath School, Temperance and MV Secretary of the Southeast Asia Union Mission. We welcome the Wentlands to our Union.

● We are happy to welcome home Peggy Kong, Ruth Chu, and P. K. Saraphy who have been studying at Australasian Missionary College. Miss Chu and Miss Saraphy have joined the staff of teachers at the Southeast Asia Union College where they will teach in the secondary school. Peggy plans on further studies.

● Mrs. Emily Poey has recently joined the staff at SAUC. She has taught many years in Singapore and Malaya schools. We are happy to have her with us.

● In Saigon, December 1, 1960, Peter Albert was born to Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Ordelheide. In Bangkok to Dr. and Mrs. R. Van Arsdell was born a son, Kent, on January 7, 1961.

Literature Evangelists

J. S. Bernet

OCTOBER—NOVEMBER 1960

CAMBODIA MISSION—R. E. Neall

	Hours	Riels	Total
Quach Minh	173		11,355.00
Edith Giang	112		14,800.00
2 Colporteurs	285		26,155.00

MALAYA MISSION—E. H. Wu

		M\$	
Yap Ming	281		616.00
S. S. Daniels	280		2,763.00
Mrs. H. Chin	30		967.50
Low Mau Yong	108		82.80
C. K. Tan	119		838.70
Tsen Thau Nam	322		2,207.90
Yap Ying Choong	61		703.50
John Chew	296		235.00
Kwek Hui Choo	50		452.10
Khor Thye Peng	409		1,693.20
Khoo Kok Cheng	331		970.70
Lim Gim Chew	396		1,231.50
Wong Sheong	355		483.90
Wong Fong Kiew	91		224.00
Tan Wei Fen	74		18.40
Wee Hong Kee	189		90.20
D. Saraswathie	80		220.00
Tan Boon Peng	144		285.00
Mrs. R. A. Pohlan			520.00
Chinese Signs Campaign			2,898.00
Miscellaneous (Jan-Nov.)			3,109.70
19 Colporteurs	3616	M\$	20,611.10

STUDENTS

Peter Choo	138		343.85
Robbey Leong	24		169.60
Appa Rao	4		88.00
Chung Fung Cun	48		260.00
A. Hutabarat			18.00
Hew See Keong			28.00
Yee Sai Kow			27.00
7 Colporteurs	214		934.45

THAILAND MISSION—E. Lim

Yung Yong	166		4,850.00
Chee Miang Poh			888.00
Fong Yuk Kee			360.00
Miscellaneous			2,140.50
3 Colporteurs	166		8,238.50

VIETNAM MISSION—Do Binh

Phu Tai	276	VN\$	12,770.00
Le Huong	191		9,500.00
Pham So	408		9,381.00
Pham Cuu	368		10,908.00
Nguyen v Phi	217		4,250.00
Duong Thuong	289		13,567.00
Quach dai Nguyen			3,204.00
Tran thanh Xuan			876.00
Tran Dao	146		13,534.00
Huyhnh tu Nhon	347		29,800.00
Luong Huy	384		11,530.00
Truong Khoi	253		8,000.00
Do dinh Sanh	189		8,110.00
Pham Hong	262		9,162.00
Truong Nga	256		25,865.00
Vo Tan	230		8,720.00
Nguyen h Thang			760.00
Vo V Sau			4,500.00
Chin Jee Keo			2,300.00
Tran ngoc De			1,200.00
Tran ngoc Hien			4,080.00
Cash Sale			1,365.00
22 Colporteurs	3816	VN\$	193,382.00