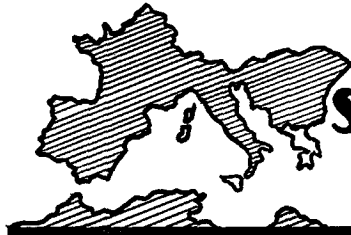


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The Secret of Success

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Every normal person in this world finds a desire in his heart to be a success in life. This is true of the Christian as well as of the man of the world, only the true Christian has an entirely different conception of what constitutes true success. To harbor this desire in the heart is not wrong. The evil lies not in having such a desire, but in entertaining false ideas of what constitutes success and in employing wrong means and methods to achieve it.

The Lord has made it very clear in His word that He wants His children to prosper both individually and collectively. His plan for His people of old was that they should be "the head and not the tail", and His plan for His people today is the same. It is His purpose that His church shall be a mighty influence in this world, and that it shall prosper in the accomplishment of the great and important task that He has committed to it.

Success, then, is a thing to be desired. But the strongest and most earnest desire will not suffice to bring it to us. If we really want it, we must seek for it, labor for it and sacrifice for it. It can never be obtained without real effort. Those who desire it must be willing to pay the price.

Human effort alone, however, no matter how great, can not assure us of success. This is especially true in the work of God. Without divine help and blessing, all human plans, and labors, and sacrifices will be in vain. Without help from above, we can do nothing. But, thank God, we can do all things through Christ. Through Him, glorious success will crown our efforts.

This divine blessing, which is the first requisite to success, the Lord is willing to bestow upon all who will be true and loyal to Him. To us today, as well as to His people of old, the Lord says, "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success." Concerning king Uzziah, who reigned fifty and two years in Jerusalem, the Bible record contains this significant statement, "And as long as he sought the Lord, God made him to prosper." And of his son we read: "So Jotham became mighty, because he prepared his ways before the Lord his God." The word of God abounds with promises and statements such as these. Again and again the Lord assures His people that if they will be loyal and true to Him He will bless and prosper them in their undertakings.

To us, as a people, God has committed a large and important work - a work that is dear to our hearts. For its success we have toiled and prayed, and sacrificed. Every forward move, every sign of progress has cheered our hearts. Now our great desire and concern is to see it carried forward with success to a speedy and triumphant finish. If we will be loyal to our God, loyal to the principles of His work, loyal to the Message, and true to the trust He has committed into our hands, He will wonderfully bless and prosper us in His work and grant us glorious success. This He is willing to do, yea eager to do: "For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him."

The Work in Our Missions

D. N. Wall

Starting from Marseille on one of the big boats of the "Messageries Maritimes" line, we voyaged by way of Zanzibar, touching Mombassa and Dar es Salaam on the East coast of Africa, and after our vessel had plowed through the Mediterranean Sea, passed through the Suez Canal, the Red sea, and continued its course for many days in the blue waters of the Indian Ocean. After having covered a distance of 10,000 kilometers, we arrived in the harbor of Majunga, which is the first call of the mail boats from Europe and one of the principal harbors of the great island of Madagascar. Brother and Sister Long and their two children were with us, returning from their furlough in Europe to enter upon a further term of service in this island field, which they have learned to love.

Majunga, meaning "a city of flowers", is a beautiful thriving city with several factories, and has 20,000 inhabitants. As soon as the boat dropped its heavy anchor, Brother M. J. Bureau, the director of the Madagascar Mission, came on board to welcome Brother and Sister Long and their children, back to this needy mission field and also to meet the writer. The Long family however, continued their voyage with us to Tamatave, where they left the boat to proceed to their new field of labor.

Brother Bureau informed us that our native believers in the city had arranged for a meeting and were expecting us. As we had but a short stop in this harbor, we immediately proceeded to the place of meeting. Since we had quite a distance to go, we decided upon taking rickshaws as a means of conveyance, which by the way was a new experience to the writer. As we neared the place of meeting, we saw our native believers with their smiling faces, waving their hands at us. Our stay being very brief, we had time for only one meeting. But many remained after the service to visit with us. We have a native worker and 53 Sabbath school members in this place. They meet in rented quarters, but have been granted a plot of ground by the government in a central location along one of the main boulevards. These native believers are very enthusiastic in their service for the Master and are determined to have a chapel which they sorely need. The chapel in this prominent location where the ground is high, will be seen from a long distance and that from every direction. They took us to this building lot, where they had hauled the necessary sand and stones for the chapel. They also have about 5,000.— French francs in cash, but they need another 30,000.— French francs in order to build the chapel. There are bright prospects

for great results in soul-winning in this city.

Brother Bureau joined our company as we proceeded on our voyage, and early Friday morning, the 23rd of March, our steamer entered the large Diego-Suarez bay, and the picturesque city of Diego-Suarez came into full view. We had barely cast anchor, when in this early morning hour we were greeted by our missionary family, Brother and Sister Tolici and their children, their faces beaming with joy, when we shook hands.

I had been anxiously waiting to see these missionaries, since I had been associated with them in Rumania a number of years ago, and had a part in selecting them for this mission field. Seventh-day Adventists are the only denomination in Rumania who have sent out missionaries from that land. Brother and Sister Tolici are therefore the only missionaries who have ever gone out from Rumania. They have labored with success in Madagascar during the five years which they have spent on the island. They have, however, been in their present field, Diego-Suarez, but a short time. Nevertheless they have won a number of souls. They very kindly invited us to come with them at once to their modest home, so that they might have as much time as possible to visit with us. When we reached the shore in a little row-boat, we were met by a number of native converts. Several of these people have already been baptized and are organized into a group, while at the time of our visit ten other native converts were preparing for baptism. We had the joy of having several meetings on the Sabbath. Although the work in this city in the extreme North of the island has really only been started, there are most promising prospects for the future development of the work. It is very gratifying to see that our work is getting a strong foothold in these important coastal cities.

The next city to visit in the course of our voyage was Tamatave, which is another seaport and borders on a very wide bay, closed in by coral reefs. This city of 15,000 inhabitants suffered severely from a cyclone in March of 1927. However, these thrifty people have been busy in rebuilding and beautifying their city. As soon as our boat touched the dock, we were met by two of our native evangelists, Brethren J. Ramamonjisoa and J. W. Ralibera, who greeted us with smiling faces and gave us a most hearty welcome, informing us that they had arranged for three meetings to be held during our brief stay, and that the first meeting was to begin at once. It was to be a native wedding, and the

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Statistical Report of the Southern Europ. Div. of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1935

Name of Conference or Mission	Number of Churches	Prev. Qu. Members- hip	Baptism	Vote	Letter	Total Gains	Apostasy	Death	Letter	Total Losses	Net Gain	Present Members- hip	Ord. Ministers	Lic. Ministers	Miss. Licentiate	Other Workers	Canvassers	Total Workers	Number of Sab. Schools	Sab. School Members- hip	Average Attendance													
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22													
1. SOUTHERN EUR. DIV.													6	5	8	—	—	19																
2. FRANCO-BELGIAN U. C.																																		
3. Belgian Conference	13	511	17	—	27	41	5	—	27	32	12	523	3	1	2	1	—	7																
4. East France »	17	428	3	—	—	3	—	3	4	7	—	424	5	3	4	1	12	25	17	439	360													
5. North » »	13	536	12	—	2	14	3	3	6	12	2	538	3	3	4	—	16	32	14	454	320													
6. South » »	24	554	—	2	10	12	2	3	10	15	—	551	6	3	3	—	15	27	31	465	398													
	67	2029	32	2	39	73	10	9	47	66	7	2036	22	15	21	5	57	120	79	1970	1563													
7. JUGOSLAVIAN UNION CONF.																																		
8. Danube Conference	56	1385	26	3	1	30	2	2	—	4	26	1411	4	1	3	1	—	9																
9. Sava »	31	566	10	—	3	13	5	3	—	8	5	571	3	1	—	—	20	27	57	1849	1276													
10. Morava »	21	620	—	—	2	2	3	5	2	10	—	612	3	1	1	—	25	30	23	765	644													
	108	2571	36	3	6	45	10	10	2	22	23	2594	15	5	4	1	56	81	111	3420	2531													
11. RUMANIAN UNION CONF.																																		
12. West Muntenian Conference	116	4287	14	7	100	121	31	8	103	147	—26	4261	11	3	6	3	28	51	116	7035	3525													
13. East » »	70	2192	4	2	33	39	19	13	42	74	—35	2157	10	2	2	1	11	26	70	3027	2186													
14. North Moldavian »	68	2338	28	1	53	82	17	17	53	87	—5	2333	6	2	3	1	11	23	68	3809	2059													
15. South » »	5	1583	1	7	41	49	8	7	42	57	—8	1575	8	3	1	1	14	27	55	2396	1618													
16. Transylvanian »	122	3007	7	19	39	65	37	19	42	98	—33	2974	9	—	4	5	15	33	141	4287	3110													
17. Banat »	60	1579	4	4	15	23	13	11	20	44	—21	1558	7	2	3	1	12	25	66	2360	1565													
	487	14986	58	40	281	379	125	75	307	507	—128	14858	54	15	20	14	91	194	516	2914	14063													
18. SWISS UNION CONFERENCE																																		
19. German Swiss Conference	35	1390	15	—	3	18	5	3	4	12	6	1396	9	1	9	6	26	51	34	1279	909													
20. Leman »	20	977	4	1	10	15	8	8	7	23	—8	969	5	2	2	7	17	33	25	676	541													
	55	2367	19	1	13	33	13	11	11	35	—2	2365	14	3	11	13	43	84	59	1955	1450													
21. IBERIAN UNION MISSION																																		
22. Spanish Mission	10	358	—	4	—	4	—	1	—	1	3	361	3	1	1	—	—	5																
23. Portuguese »	6	277	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—2	275	2	3	2	1	14	22	6	204	233													
24. Island »	1	41	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	41	1	1	—	—	2	4	2	66	65													
	17	676	—	4	—	4	2	1	—	3	1	677	9	10	8	1	37	65	27	681	689													
25. ITALIAN UNION MISSION																																		
26. North Italian Mission	14	361	12	—	15	27	3	—	15	18	9	370	2	1	3	1	—	7																
27. South » »	12	282	11	—	2	13	7	1	2	10	3	285	3	2	4	2	16	26	18	409	338													
	26	643	23	—	17	40	10	1	17	28	12	655	9	6	10	3	22	50	33	734	649													
28. NORTH AFRICAN UNION MISS.																																		
29. Algerian Mission	8	215	3	—	3	6	10	—	3	15	—7	208	1	—	2	—	—	3																
30. Moroccan »	2	53	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	—3	50	1	1	1	—	2	5	3	50	72													
	10	268	3	—	3	6	10	—	6	16	—10	258	4	5	5	3	13	30	12	258	249													
31. EQUAT. AFRIC. MISS. *)																																		
	2	93	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	93	1	2	2	—	—	5	23	1837	1708													
32. MADAGASCAR MISSION *)																																		
	7	308	11	—	2	13	—	2	2	4	9	317	3	1	9	2	15	30	14	728	561													
33. MAURITIUS MISSION *)																																		
	9	498	24	—	—	24	—	1	—	1	23	521	2	—	12	—	1	15	30	887	613													
RECAPITULATION																																		
1. Southern European Division	67	2029	32	2	39	73	10	9	47	66	7	2036	6	5	8	—	—	19																
2. Franco-Belgian Union Conference	108	2571	36	3	6	45	10	10	2	22	23	2594	15	5	4	1	56	81	111	3420	2531													
3. Yugoslavian » »	487	14986	58	40	281	379	125	75	307	507	—128	14858	54	15	20	14	91	194	516	22914	14063													
4. Rumanian » »	55	2367	19	1	13	33	13	11	11	35	—2	2365	14	3	11	13	43	84	59	1955	1450													
5. Swiss » »	17	676	—	4	—	4	2	1	—	3	1	677	9	10	8	1	37	65	27	681	689													
6. Iberian Union Mission	26	643	23	—	17	40	10	1	17	28	12	655	9	6	10	3	22	50	33	734	649													
7. Italian » »	10	263	3	—	3	6	10	—	6	16	—10	258	4	5	5	3	13	30	12	258	249													
8. North African Union Mission	2	93	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	93	1	2	2	—	—	5	23	1837	1708													
9. Equat. African »	7	308	11	—	2	13	—	2	2	4	9	317	3	1	9	2	15	30	14	728	561													
10. Madagascar »	9	498	24	—	—	24	—	1	—	1	23	521	2	—	12	—	1	15	30	887	613													
11. Mauritius »																																		
Totals 1st quarter 1935	788	24439	206	50	361	617	180	110	392	682	—65	24374	139	67	110	42	335	693	904	35384	24076													
» 1st » 1934	757	23172	211	44	388	643	169	59	410	638	5	23177	137	62	106	43	346	694	895	32415	28693													

*) Report for the fourth quarter 1934.

Financial Report of the Southern Europ. Division of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1935

Name of Conference or Mission	Total Tithe	Total Offerings (incl. Specials)	Contributions for Home Miss. Work	Contributions for Local Church Work	Colporteur Book Sales
1	2	3	4	5	6
1. SOUTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION					
2. FRANCO-BELGIAN UNION CONF.					
3. Belgian Conference	F. Fr. 63,409.—	10,456.25	—	—	46,897.80
4. East France Conference	" " 52,034.—	9,738.50	47.90	113.45	34,011.60
5. North " " " " " " " "	" " 68,680.—	14,918.80	573.45	2,806.50	62,414.—
6. South " " " " " " " "	" " 48,747.50	19,672.85	1,796.50	738.—	35,548.25
	F. Fr. 232,870.50	51,716.40	2,417.85	3,657.95	178,871.15
	\$ 9,198.30	2,161.29	95.50	144.48	7,065.40
7. JUGOSLAVIAN UNION CONF.	Dinar 49,138.50	15,186.63	—	—	28,042.—
8. Danube Conference	" " 33,717.30	9,053.39	—	—	19,723.—
9. Sava " " " " " " " "	" " 45,630.50	8,559.13	—	—	56,977.—
10. Morava " " " " " " " "	Dinar 128,486.30	32,799.15	—	—	104,742.—
	\$ 2,274.20	580.55	—	—	1,853.94
11. RUMANIAN UNION CONFERENCE	Lei 572,404.70	173,866.—	—	—	221,211.—
12. West Muntanian Conference	" " 226,830.—	88,029.—	—	—	76,715.—
13. East " " " " " " " "	" " 207,175.50	58,942.—	—	—	84,152.—
14. North Moldavian " " " " " " " "	" " 167,326.—	45,253.—	—	—	95,901.—
15. South " " " " " " " "	" " 297,703.40	77,538.75	—	—	108,962.—
16. Transylvanian " " " " " " " "	" " 145,422.70	35,123.50	—	—	112,331.—
17. Banat " " " " " " " "	Lei 1,616,862.30	478,752.25	—	—	699,272.—
	\$ 9,701.20	2,872.52	—	—	4,195.63
18. SWISS UNION CONFERENCE	Sw. Fr. 36,126.—	7,981.70	1,756.—	4,985.—	35,856.—
19. German Swiss Conf.	" " 23,889.10	7,168.16	1,451.79	2,381.35	25,239.65
20. Lemane Conference	Sw. Fr. 60,015.10	15,149.86	3,207.79	7,366.35	61,095.65
	\$ 11,642.90	2,939.07	622.31	1,429.07	11,852.55
21. IBERIAN UNION MISSION	Pesetas 9,103.50	3,421.45	—	—	38,271.90
22. Spanish Mission	" " 5,147.—	1,041.80	—	—	18,945.35
23. Portuguese " " " " " " " "	" " 698.30	265.15	—	—	1,219.70
24. Island " " " " " " " "	Pesetas 14,948.80	4,728.40	—	—	58,442.95
	\$ 1,943.40	614.68	—	—	7,597.58
25. ITALIAN UNION MISSION	Lire 17,767.40	4,950.85	216.80	—	22,665.70
26. North Italian Mission	" " 8,587.30	2,728.80	204.75	—	11,193.55
27. South " " " " " " " "	Lire 26,354.70	7,679.65	421.55	—	33,859.25
	\$ 1,367.80	398.58	21.87	—	1,757.29
28. NORTH AFRICAN UNION MISSION	F. Fr. 19,339.—	3,280.40	13,061.95	—	22,145.50
29. Algerian Mission	" " 4,482.—	898.85	—	—	9,270.—
30. Moroccan " " " " " " " "	F. Fr. 23,821.—	4,179.25	13,061.95	—	31,415.50
	\$ 940.—	165.07	515.94	—	1,240.91
31. EQ. AFRICAN MISSION *)	F. Fr. 3,685.30	2,083.10	—	—	—
	\$ 145.60	82.48	—	—	—
32. MADAGASCAR MISSION *)	F. Fr. 9,608.50	5,902.20	—	—	10,974.25
	\$ 379.50	233.13	—	—	433.49
33. MAURITIUS MISSION *)	Rs. 3,764.50	2,582.16	24.44	120.61	360.—
	\$ 1,368.80	938.87	8.88	43.85	130.90

RECAPITULATION

1. Southern European Division	\$	9,198.30	2,161.29	95.50	144.48	7,065.40
2. Franco-Belgian Union Conference	\$	2,274.20	580.55	—	—	1,853.94
3. Jugoslavian " " " " " " " "	\$	9,701.20	2,872.52	—	—	4,195.63
4. Rumanian " " " " " " " "	\$	11,642.90	2,939.07	622.31	1,429.07	11,852.55
5. Swiss " " " " " " " "	\$	1,943.40	614.68	—	—	7,597.58
6. Iberian " " Mission	\$	1,367.80	398.58	21.87	—	1,757.29
7. Italian " " " " " " " "	\$	940.—	165.07	515.94	—	1,240.91
8. North African " " " " " " " "	\$	145.60	82.48	—	—	—
9. Eq. African Mission *)	\$	379.50	233.13	—	—	433.49
10. Madagascar " " *)	\$	1,368.80	938.87	8.88	43.85	130.90
11. Mauritius " " *)	\$	—	—	—	—	—
Totals 1st quarter 1935	\$	38,961.70	10,986.24	1,264.50	1,617.40	36,127.69
" 1st quarter 1934	\$	39,272.10	10,913.69	896.55	1,567.68	38,770.87

*) Report for the fourth quarter 1934

Specification of Mission Offerings (Column No. 3)

	Sabbath School Offerings (exc. 13th Sabbath)	13th Sabbath Offering	Harvest Ingathering	Annual Offerings	Miscellaneous Offerings	Self Dental Offerings	Special Offer.		
							Big Week	Young People's Collection	(Relief Fund) Weekly Offerings
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1.									
2.									
3.	7,642.—	2,146.90	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	56.30	578.65	32.40
4.	5,980.45	3,498.60	—.—	77.—	—.—	—.—	113.30	—.—	74.15
5.	6,656.90	2,346.15	5,703.75	—.—	—.—	—.—	212.—	—.—	—.—
6.	7,909.05	2,610.60	8,505.30	373.25	—.—	—.—	149.15	55.50	—.—
	28 188.40	10,597.25	14,209.05	450.25	—.—	—.—	530.75	634.15	106.55
	1.1'3.44	418.59	561.26	17.78	—.—	—.—	20.96	25.05	4.21
7.									
8.	10,045.25	1,596.—	2,206.50	67.75	—.—	—.—	43.50	888.25	339.38
9.	5,014.50	1,100.—	2,069.—	3.—	—.—	40.—	12.—	557.75	257.14
10.	5,360.50	1,118.25	891.50	5.—	—.—	6.—	235.—	664.25	278.63
	20,420.25	3,814.25	5,167.—	75.75	—.—	46.—	290.50	2,110.25	875.15
	361.43	67.51	91.46	1.34	—.—	—82	5.14	37.36	15.49
11.									
12.	120,743.50	23,755.—	6,412.—	10,477.—	—.—	485.—	1,264.50	3,943.75	6,785.25
13.	56,659.—	12,844.—	6,971.—	5,713.—	—.—	—.—	655.—	2,524.—	2,663.—
14.	43,513.50	8,601.—	3,732.—	778.—	—.—	—.—	60.—	806.—	1,451.50
15.	29,280.—	7,856.—	1,770.—	2,060.—	—.—	5.—	583.—	2,145.—	1,554.—
16.	48,115.—	12,324.25	10,532.50	2,690.—	—.—	28.—	535.—	1,791.—	1,523.—
17.	21,904.—	7,885.50	3,025.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	80.—	1,011.—	1,218.—
	320 215.—	73 265.75	32,442.50	21,718.—	—.—	518.—	3,177.50	12,220.75	15,194.75
	1,921.29	439.60	194.65	130.31	—.—	3.11	19.07	73.32	91.17
18.									
19.	5,085.—	1,100.—	904.70	11.—	165.—	—.—	184.—	380.—	151.—
20.	3,971.92	1,850.59	616.65	200.60	159.70	—.—	52.—	309.10	7.60
	9,057.92	2,950.59	1,521.35	211.60	324.70	—.—	236.—	689.10	158.60
	1,757.23	572.41	295.15	41.05	62.99	—.—	45.79	133.68	30.77
21.									
22.	2,382.80	701.70	—.—	25.—	32.65	—.—	187.30	92.—	—.—
23.	777.95	263.85	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—
24.	200.18	47.97	—.—	17.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—
	3,360.93	1,013.52	—.—	42.—	32.65	—.—	187.30	92.—	—.—
	436.91	131.76	—.—	5.46	4.24	—.—	24.35	11.96	—.—
25.									
26.	2,982.65	1,109.20	178.—	112.50	—.—	209.25	163.—	139.50	56.75
27.	1,891.60	550.90	273.90	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	12.40	—.—
	4,874.25	1,660.10	451.90	112.50	—.—	209.25	163.—	151.90	56.75
	252.97	86.16	23.45	5.84	—.—	10.86	8.46	7.89	2.95
28.									
29.	2,471.65	483.75	—.—	85.—	—.—	—.—	240.—	—.—	—.—
30.	688.70	210.15	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—
	3,160.35	693.90	—.—	85.—	—.—	—.—	240.—	—.—	—.—
	124.83	27.40	—.—	3.36	—.—	—.—	9.48	—.—	—.—
31.									
	419.45	—.—	—.—	1 528.15	140.50	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—
	16.57	—.—	—.—	60.36	5.55	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—
32.									
	1,735.90	728.95	—.—	1,745.10	—.—	—.—	1,692.25	—.—	—.—
	68.57	28.79	—.—	68.93	—.—	—.—	66.84	—.—	—.—
33.									
	235.70	153.96	1,646.98	495.52	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—
	103.88	55.98	598.84	180.17	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—

RECAPITULATION

1.									
2.	1,113.44	418.59	561.26	17.78	—.—	—.—	20.96	25.05	4.21
3.	361.43	67.51	91.46	1.34	—.—	—82	5.14	37.36	15.49
4.	1,921.29	439.60	194.65	130.31	—.—	3.11	19.07	73.32	91.17
5.	1,757.23	572.41	295.15	41.05	62.99	—.—	45.79	133.68	30.77
6.	436.91	131.76	—.—	5.46	4.24	—.—	24.35	11.96	—.—
7.	252.97	86.16	23.45	5.84	—.—	—.—	8.46	7.89	2.95
8.	124.83	27.40	—.—	3.36	—.—	—.—	9.48	—.—	—.—
9.	16.57	—.—	—.—	60.36	5.55	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—
10.	68.57	28.79	—.—	68.93	—.—	—.—	66.84	—.—	—.—
11.	103.88	55.98	598.84	180.17	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—	—.—
	6,157.12	1,828.20	1,764.81	514.60	72.78	14.79	200.09	289.26	144.59
	6,389.03	1,614.17	1,526.53	540.86	320.38	14.12	209.25	181.75	147.60

writer was asked to officiate. We met in our own new chapel, which our believers in Europe have helped to build. The chapel is located in the center of the village, and we were impressed with the neat native dwellings and the clean streets. We have 97 Sabbath school members in this village and 35 in a small village just a little distance from Tamatave. This gathering in our own chapel was a beautiful sight. Our native believers are very neat and clean. The men and women with their white "lamba", a large square of cloth folded round the body something like the Roman toga, and which is the characteristic native dress, look very tidy and graceful. Many friends and neighbors had been invited, and so we had a large meeting. After the meeting we were invited to a clean Seventh-day Adventist home where cold drinks, wedding cake and a variety of fruits were served. A large number of rickshaws had been engaged to take us from the chapel to this home, and after refreshments had been served, back again to the chapel for another meeting.

Before we bade our people good-bye, we walked along the beautiful beach near which are many graceful palm trees. One of the native evangelists told us that our believers often meet on this beach on Friday evenings to give further study to the Sabbath school lesson before Sabbath morning. He also spoke about the faithfulness of our believers in paying their tithe.

As our boat was ready to leave, they bade us Godspeed, and soon Brother Bureaud and I were out on the blue sea once more, now on our way to the island of Mauritius. I was profoundly thankful to God for what my eyes had seen of the triumph of the third angel's message in these three harbor towns of Madagascar, and I was happy to think, that on my return from Mauritius I was to have six full weeks to visit other churches and groups, besides mission schools and a publishing house. I did not realize, however, that what I would be privileged to see during these six weeks in Madagascar and before then in the very interesting Mission of Mauritius, would far exceed my highest expectations, and that besides, a happy surprise was awaiting me on another island. However, this I must reserve for a further report.

The Value of Time

Diverse talents have been entrusted by our heavenly Father to diverse persons, but one talent is common to all: the talent of time. "Our time belongs to God. Every moment is His, and we are under the most solemn obligation to improve it to His glory. Of no talent He has given

will He require a more strict account than of our time." — *Christ's Object Lessons*, page 345.

The Christian world is asleep while precious time, every moment of which is "freighted with eternal consequences," is flying past. "Now it is high time to wake out of sleep, for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." We often say that time flies, but it is not so much that time flies, as that we do not make the right use of it, and time wasted is worse than no time at all. Said one, "I wasted time, and now doth time waste me."

Strange it is how some people squander their time and then complain that they have no time, no time for Bible study and prayer, no time for home missionary work, no time for self-improvement. "Upon the right improvement of our time depends our success in acquiring knowledge and mental culture... A few moments here and a few there, that might be frittered away in aimless talk; the morning hours so often wasted in bed; the time spent in travelling on trams or railway cars, or waiting at the station; the moments of waiting for meals, waiting for those who are tardy in keeping an appointment, - if a book were kept at hand, and these fragments of time were improved in study, reading, or careful thought, what might not be accomplished." — *Christ's Object Lessons*, page 347.

The counsel of the wise man is apt, "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." We ought to have a definite aim in all we do. We must budget our time for a given task and then bend every effort to finish it in that given time. It was Seneca who said, "There are some hours which are taken from us, some which are stolen from us, and some which slip from us." Idle people complain that they have no time to do what they wish to do. It is not the time but the will that is wanting. The Turks have a proverb that the devil tempts the busy man, but the idle man tempts the devil.

Martin Luther realized that we ought to use our time to the fullest extent in the service of God and of mankind, when he wrote, "The human heart is like a millstone in a mill; when you put wheat under it, it turns and grinds and bruises the wheat to flour; if you put no wheat it still grinds on - and grinds itself away."

Parents should teach their children the value and right use of time. Teach them that to do something which will honor God and bless humanity is worth striving for. Even in their early years they can be missionaries for God. Parents cannot

commit a greater sin than by allowing their children to have nothing to do." — *Christ's Object Lessons*, page 349.

"See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil." "The value of time is beyond computation. Christ regarded every moment as precious, and it is thus that we should regard it... But time squandered can never be recovered. We cannot call back even one moment. The only way in which we can redeem our time is by making the most of that which remains, by being co-workers with God in His great plan of redemption." — *Ibid.*, page 346.

The Quarterly Summaries

Actions were taken at the 1934 Division Council the purpose of which was to strive for greater results during 1935 both in the ingathering of souls and in the raising of funds for the maintenance and the extension of the work.

The statistical and financial reports for the first quarter of the present year are contained in this issue of the *Quarterly Review*. It will be noticed that in the number of baptisms we lacked five in reaching last year's figure; the total being 206 against 211. However, six more were accepted by vote during the first quarter of this year, making a gain this year of one for the two items combined.

From the financial statements it will be seen that there has been a small increase in total mission offerings, while the tithe receipts show a slight decrease. We are hopeful, however, that the second quarter's reports will reveal a marked improvement over those for the first.

Reports that have come to us from most parts of the Division indicate that there have been many baptisms during the months of April, May and June. Large gifts have been received in connection with the annual meetings held during the spring and early summer months, and the "Melting Pot" and the "Week of Sacrifice" offerings also seem to have brought good results.

It is our sincere prayer that the Lord will in a special manner pour out of His Spirit upon workers and church members during the second half of the year, so that a very large harvest of souls may be garnered in. In view of the seriousness of the times and our present opportunity to work with a certain degree of freedom, it is imperative that the time be redeemed and our forces utilized to the very best advantage possible, because "the night cometh when no man can work."

S. R.

Echoes from the Azores

Last autumn, Brother Mansell and his family were sent to open up evangelistic work in the Azores Islands, where colporteurs from Portugal had already sold a large number of our books. As soon as they were settled in their new home, Brother Mansell began a systematic distribution of tracts. Before long, a number of people became interested in the Truth, and Bible studies were

arranged for them. Later, a good hall was rented and fitted up for religious services. In a letter dated May 17, Brother Mansell writes:

"We are at present in the midst of our first effort over here, and I am glad to report that our hall is generally filled to the doors. We are finishing up the second week and are beginning to enter the testing truths. I do not recall ever holding a series of meetings where the people seemed so eager to listen. They fasten their eyes on the speaker with such earnestness. We made out our invitations and handed them to the middle and the better classes, and we have our hall filled with business men and their families. There are more than 80% men, which is very unusual. Our hall is on the second floor, and in a very central location, over the British Consul's office and in his own building. Our Sabbath school is making fine progress. Last Sabbath's report showed 22 members, 21 present, 19 daily lesson study and 20 Escudos in offering. We have a room to the right of the hall for young people's and children's classes, and we are already beginning to train teachers. Our hands are full with Bible studies and visits. While it is too early to predict the final outcome, we believe that we will reap a good harvest."

We believe that our people will be glad to pray for the success of the work in this new island field far out in the Atlantic Ocean.

A. V. OLSON.

"Men are needed for this time who can understand the wants of the people, and minister to their necessities. The faithful minister of Christ watches at every outpost, to warn, to reprove, to counsel, to entreat, and to encourage his fellow-men, laboring with the Spirit of God, which worketh in him mightily, that he may present every man perfect in Christ." *Gospel Workers*, page 315.

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NEWS NOTES

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In connection with the Collonges school board meeting the latter part of April, *D. Walther*, for many years one of the teachers at the school, was elected president. *H. Evard*, who has served so faithfully in this capacity during the last five years, will remain at the school and continue his teaching work.

*

D.N. Wall returned from his visit to the Madagascar and Mauritius Missions the 18th of June after an absence of four and a half months. He brings a very cheering report of the providences of God in these far-away fields and of the progress of the work. We refer to his article in this issue of our Division paper.

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Recent visitors to the Division office have been: *W.H. Williams*, undertreasurer of the General Conference; *C.E. Weeks*, Publishing secretary of the General Conference; *A.W. Peterson*, M.V. secretary of the General Conference, and *O. Schildhauer*, treasurer of the Central European Division. The brethren from the General Conference are spending a number of months in Europe attending annual meetings, conventions, institutes and board meetings.

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P. Tissot, who has been connected with the Collonges school for more than eleven years as treasurer and part of the time as business manager and rendered very efficient service, has been asked to connect with the Division office as cashier and bookkeeper. We expect Brother Tissot will take hold of his new duties about August 1. We extend to him and his family a hearty welcome to Division headquarters.

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One of the members of our Division staff, *O. Fasnacht*, was recently elected business manager of our food factory „Phag“ at Gland. Brother Fasnacht has been connected with the Division office since the spring of 1933

following his many years of service in Rumania as secretary-treasurer of that field. His painstaking work has been much appreciated.

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We are happy to announce that in connection with our youth's congress at Collonges, from July 23 till 28, we shall have the services of Prof. *A.W. Peterson*, M.V. secretary of the General Conference; *C.V. Anderson* and *M. Busch*, M.V. secretaries of the Northern and Central European Divisions respectively. Our Division president, *A. V. Olson*, and other members of the Division staff will also be in attendance. We also expect union and local presidents as well as other workers to attend at least part of the congress.

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The annual meetings in the Swiss, the Iberian, the North African, and the Italian Unions were held during the months of April, May and the early part of June. Three of the annual meetings in Rumania and also the South France conference have been in session. From personal attendance and reports we know that these meetings have been seasons of real spiritual refreshing.

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Since the return of *M. Raspal* from the Equatorial African Mission, the Division committee has given careful study to the appointment of his successor. The Franco-Belgian Union and the East France Conference have recently agreed to release *M. Fridlin* for this important field. Brother Fridlin has been connected with the work in Alsace the last two years. We expect that Brother and Sister Fridlin will proceed to their new field of labor during the month of September.

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A.J. Girou, who has served as superintendent of the Mauritius Mission the last six years, has recently been appointed superintendent of the Iberian Union. We expect Brother Girou and his family to return to Europe

in the late summer. He will enter upon his new responsibilities in Spain and Portugal in the autumn. During his administration and his untiring service on Mauritius the membership has nearly tripled, and a number of splendid chapels have been erected. The last one of these places of worship was recently dedicated. It has a seating capacity of about 600. *F. Augsburg* has been appointed temporarily to take charge of the work in the field.

Just as the last number of our *Quarterly Review* had gone to press, our hearts were saddened by the news of the death of Elder *A.G. Daniells*, which occurred in California on March 22. Elder Daniells had been a worker and a leader in the Advent Movement for over half a century. For more than two decades he served as president of the General Conference, and for a period of four years also as secretary. Through his earnest labors, his devoted ministry and his wise counsel the cause of Present Truth was advanced in all the world continents. Wherever duty called he went. In his extensive travels around the world, Europe greatly benefited from his visits. He was known and loved by tens of thousands of workers and believers of the advent faith scattered in every clime of earth. Under his leadership the organization of this Movement was greatly enlarged and strengthened, especially was our foreign mission program set in operation during his executive term as the leader of the denomination. In all the world there are those who met in him one of the greatest and warmest of friends. His work under God remains as an impressive monument to his consecration, ability, integrity and leadership in the cause of God. We know that we express the sentiment of our workers and our believers generally in Southern Europe when we add our tribute of gratitude to God for such a noble life of service as that of our brother.