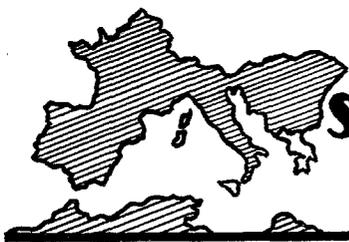


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## God's Love and Care

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**A**s these lines are being penned, the old year is hastening to its close. Its record is almost finished. Only a few more pages remain to be written.

All around the earth, the year 1935 has been a year of anxiety and care. In vain the world has tried to drag itself out of the slough of economic distress and stagnation. In vain it has sought to hold in check the winds of strife and war. Instead of having advanced on to higher ground and into a purer atmosphere, the human race has sunken deeper into the quagmire of hatred and sin and distress.

For the church of God also, the year 1935 has been one of test and trial. A shortage of funds with which to advance the cause of God has often caused perplexity and sorrow, and in many places the church has had to face fierce opposition and bitter persecution. But, in spite of these and other hindering causes, the work of the Lord has moved forward under the impelling force of a divine power. To the glory and praise of God we can say that not one outpost has been abandoned. On the contrary we can report that new fields have been entered. In more than five hundred languages and dialects, the Third Angel's Message has been proclaimed in three hundred and twenty-five countries and islands around the world with the result that tens of thousands of precious souls have been rescued from sin and eternal death. Notwithstanding the unfavorable conditions in the world, the Lord has led His people forward from victory to victory. Truly God has been good to Israel!

Soon a new year will open before us. What it holds in store for the world, no one knows but God. But whatever the year may bring of perplexity and hardship, suffering and sorrow, the church of Christ has nothing to fear. As long as the church is loyal to its Master, and true to its trust, it can be sure of success even though storms and darkness are all around it. "God's love for His church is infinite. His care over His heritage is unceasing."

As we cross the threshold from the old year into the new, let us give praise and glory to God for the many mercies and blessings received from His bountiful hand during the year that is closing behind us, and let us dedicate our lives anew to our blessed Lord and Master for more earnest, faithful service during the year that is opening before us. If God grants us the privilege of living through its three hundred and sixty-six days, may we by His grace make it the best and most fruitful year of all we have lived.

## A Pure Leadership Essential

C. H. Watson

**F**rom the time when the Saviour sent forth His church to preach His gospel, the well-being of the church, and the success of its evangelical mission have depended, next to God, upon the uprightness of its teachers. Their corruption has always been the downfall of the church. It is essential, therefore, that the church be continually led by a true-hearted, believing ministry. If we learn anything at all from our study of Christ's efforts to prepare those whom He ordained for their work of ministry, it is that He purposed for His church a leadership by men who themselves are in the innermost secret of the Lord.

The simple teaching of the gospel is, that sinful man can enter life only through death. He must die to the world that he might live unto God. How, may I ask, is it possible for worldly ministers to lead the people into the experience that that teaching requires? If they themselves are not dead to the world, how can those who are influenced and led by their teaching be brought to sense the necessity of their dying to the world? And if neither the minister nor the church member is dead to the world, how can the life of God be experienced in the church?

It has always been important that the ministry of the church be trained right. It has always been important that God's work in all lines be done by godly workers. But it has also always been the unyielding purpose of the enemy of the church to control as far as possible the training of God's workers. Knowing that with a Spirit filled ministry, nothing under heaven could defeat God's church, Satan is determined that the church shall be led by an unspiritual ministry.

Well, may we ask then, are we successfully keeping the love of the world out of our hearts, and the influences of the world out of our work? Well may we pause to consider whether we in our efforts to serve God, are putting the will of God before the ways of the world. My serious conviction is that there is grave reason in fact for our most earnest consideration of these questions. I believe that there is a growing love within our ranks for the frivolities of the world.

What the world can give us is no part of the equipment that we need to successfully finish the work. Our principal equipment is not the accumulation of worldly wisdom and worldly knowledge, not even the best of worldly wisdom and the best of worldly knowledge, but rather a definite, saving, renewed relation to Christ and an experience of doing His divine will, which will set us apart from the world, and fill us with

strength that is all of the Spirit. Above every other thing that we can possibly sense, the remnant people need to realize that Christ is calling them to an experience which will not only instruct and clarify their minds, but purify their hearts; and invade the innermost places of their souls cleansing their motives, and making them willing to have the will of God done in their lives and through their service. Unless it be so, we shall not hold fast that which we have, and we will indeed be beguiled of our reward. Our success depends not upon that which the world has brought to us, but upon our appropriation of divine resources.

What we need just now is a large reception of divine grace to enable us to do God's holy will at any cost. May the good Lord come to us and open our hearts and make us willing to receive it. We have to do the work of God in an age of doubt, and for a world that is sinking altogether in sin. Let us not trifle with that work at such a time and in face of such need. Foolish indeed will we be if we seek from that lost world the power, the help, the equipment of mind and heart that we need to be God's messengers of salvation to that same ruined world. If we do, shall it not truthfully be said of us that we have turned again to the weak and beggarly elements of the world?

My heart tells me that our need is great, far, far too great to be met by anything that the world can supply. We must go to a source of help higher than the world, where our need can be reached farther in and deeper down than ever the world can penetrate. Oh, shall we not now "search and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord?" Shall we not "lift up our hearts with our hands unto God in the heavens?" He will have mercy on us. He will lead us in the way of His purpose, and according to His divine will. Walking in that way, and living only to fulfil that unchanging purpose, this people will finish the work victoriously, and when the world which now would allure and ruin us shall go down in its own ruin, we shall be crowned with life eternal, and enter into our reward.

Let us, then, love not the world, neither the things of the world, but let us cherish the ways of God and love to do as He has bidden. May the good Spirit of the Lord be with us and help us in such a time as this, for Christ's sake.

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"The strength of an army is measured largely by the efficiency of the men in the ranks . . . The leaders in God's cause, as wise generals, are to lay plans for advance moves all along the line."  
 Gospel Workers, p. 351.

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## Statistical Report of the Southern Europ. Div. of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 1935

Name of Conference or Mission	Number of Churches	Previous Membership	Baptism	Vote	Letter	Total Gains	Apostasy	Death	Letter	Total Losses	Net Gain	Present Membership	Ord. Ministers	Lic. Ministers	Mis. Licentiate	Other Workers	Canvassers	Total Workers	Number of Sab. Schools	Sab. School Membership	Average Attendance			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22			
<b>1. SOUTHERN EUR. DIV.</b>													6	5	8	—	—	19						
<b>2. FRANCO-BELGIAN U. C.</b>																								
3. Belgian Conference	13	527	35	—	—	35	—	1	7	8	27	554	5	2	2	2	—	11						
4. East France	17	432	1	—	3	4	3	1	—	4	—	432	6	3	6	—	—	12	22	613	522			
5. North	17	560	22	1	5	28	4	5	3	12	16	576	4	3	12	—	—	17	17	447	351			
6. South	25	561	19	1	10	30	—	—	2	2	28	589	3	3	6	—	—	18	37	440	312			
	72	2080	77	2	18	97	7	7	12	26	71	2151	23	13	31	2	64	133	84	2002	1584			
<b>7. JUGOSLAVIAN UNION CONF.</b>																								
8. Danube Conference	60	1482	62	1	3	66	15	3	68	86	20	1462	4	1	2	2	—	9						
9. Sava	32	596	9	—	6	35	3	2	5	10	25	621	3	1	2	—	—	22	29	61	1820	1456		
10. Morava	24	630	19	1	66	86	2	3	2	7	79	709	4	—	2	—	—	17	23	25	765	635		
	116	2708	110	2	75	187	20	8	75	103	84	2792	17	3	6	2	53	81	118	3417	2680			
<b>11. RUMANIAN UNION CONF.</b>																								
12. West Muntenian Conference	121	4456	157	7	65	229	27	8	79	114	115	4571	4	2	—	20	—	26						
13. East	74	2210	64	3	42	109	20	3	24	47	62	2272	10	3	2	—	—	19	45	133	7462	4815		
14. North Moldavian	72	2330	180	5	21	206	17	8	28	53	153	2483	7	1	4	1	17	30	72	2904	1716			
15. South	57	1623	69	6	20	95	10	4	20	34	61	1684	8	2	3	1	12	26	57	2302	1106			
16. Transylvanian	125	2911	65	14	66	145	15	11	72	98	47	3033	9	7	—	2	15	33	129	4237	3100			
17. Banat	63	1613	29	13	5	47	18	6	5	29	18	1631	6	4	1	1	8	20	68	2360	1430			
	512	15223	564	48	219	831	107	40	228	375	456	15679	55	26	16	27	79	203	532	23126	14227			
<b>18. SWISS UNION CONFERENCE</b>																								
19. German Swiss Conference	37	1389	28	1	14	43	22	3	12	37	6	1395	9	2	6	6	25	48	47	1236	929			
20. Leman	20	978	6	—	9	15	2	1	3	6	9	987	5	—	3	8	15	31	25	678	575			
	57	2367	34	1	23	58	24	4	15	43	15	2382	14	2	9	14	40	79	72	1924	1504			
<b>21. IBERIAN UNION MISSION</b>																								
22. Spanish Mission	10	364	36	—	9	45	2	1	12	15	30	394	3	3	6	1	19	32	17	417	399			
23. Portuguese	6	295	10	3	3	16	1	—	3	4	12	307	2	2	3	2	8	17	5	278	206			
24. Island	2	43	3	—	1	4	—	—	3	3	1	44	1	1	1	2	1	6	2	102	95			
	18	702	49	3	13	65	3	1	18	22	43	745	9	8	11	5	28	61	24	797	700			
<b>25. ITALIAN UNION MISSION</b>																								
26. North Italian Mission	15	182	12	1	16	29	4	—	16	20	9	391	1	1	4	—	—	6						
27. South	12	288	23	—	6	29	3	—	4	7	22	310	2	2	4	2	8	18	14	346	281			
	27	670	35	1	22	58	7	—	20	27	31	701	7	7	9	8	26	52	32	759	641			
<b>28. NORTH AFRICAN UNION MISS.</b>																								
29. Algerian Mission	8	221	—	—	7	7	2	—	2	4	3	224	1	—	2	—	—	3						
30. Moroccan	3	64	—	—	3	3	—	—	1	1	2	66	1	1	—	—	2	4	3	92	82			
	11	285	—	—	10	10	2	—	3	5	5	290	4	5	4	—	6	19	12	318	246			
<b>31. EQUAT. AFRIC. MISSION*</b>																								
	2	89	9	—	3	12	5	—	—	5	7	96	—	3	7	—	—	10	24	1818	1639			
<b>32. MADAGASCAR MISSION*</b>																								
	8	344	—	—	1	1	—	—	10	10	—9	335	3	—	18	2	8	31	15	701	565			
<b>33. MAURITIUS MISSION*</b>																								
	9	519	17	—	—	17	—	—	1	1	16	535	1	—	11	—	1	13	30	844	533			

## RECAPITULATION

1. Southern European Division	72	2080	77	2	18	97	7	7	12	26	71	2151	6	5	8	—	—	19			
2. Franco-Belgian Union Conference	116	2708	110	2	75	187	20	8	75	103	84	2792	23	13	31	2	64	133	84	2002	1584
3. Jugoslavian	116	2708	110	2	75	187	20	8	75	103	84	2792	17	3	6	2	53	81	118	3417	2680
4. Rumanian	512	15223	564	48	219	831	107	40	228	375	456	15679	55	26	16	27	79	203	532	23126	14227
5. Swiss	57	2367	34	1	23	58	24	4	15	43	15	2382	14	2	9	14	40	79	72	1924	1504
6. Iberian Union Mission	18	702	49	3	13	65	3	1	18	22	43	745	9	8	11	5	28	61	24	797	700
7. Italian	27	670	35	1	22	58	7	—	20	27	31	701	7	7	9	8	26	52	32	759	641
8. North African Union Mission	11	285	—	—	10	10	2	—	3	5	5	290	4	5	4	—	6	19	12	318	246
9. Equat. African	2	89	9	—	3	12	5	—	—	5	7	96	—	3	7	—	—	10	24	1818	1639
10. Madagascar	8	344	—	—	1	1	—	—	10	10	—9	335	3	—	18	2	8	31	15	701	565
11. Mauritius	9	519	17	—	—	17	—	—	1	1	16	535	1	—	11	—	1	13	30	844	533
Totals 3rd quarter 1935	832	24987	951	57	381	1336	175	61	381	617	719	25706	139	72	130	55	305	701	943	35706	24319
3rd " 1934	767	23565	919	57	277	1153	206	52	267	525	728	24293	138	70	106	37	323	674	902	34766	21711

\*) Report for the 2nd quarter 1935.

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## Financial Report of the Southern Europ. Division of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 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. 58,660.50	29,953.10	—	1,629.30	50,882.65
4.	East France Conference	" " 46,063.—	55,756.50	92.50	108.—	59,557.80
5.	North " "	" " 72,613.50	86,075.—	20,419.05	2,380.—	80,740.50
6.	South " "	" " 40,990.50	79,407.90	180.—	2,387.05	76,035.85
		F. Fr. 218,327.50	251,192.50	20,691.55	6,504.35	267,216.80
		\$ 8,624.—	9,922.11	817.31	256.92	10,555.06
7.	JUGOSLAVIAN UNION CONF.					
8.	Danube Conference	Dinar 80,378.90	25,305.50	—	—	31,202.—
8.	Sava " "	" 48,968.30	11,809.26	—	—	41,201.—
10.	Morava " "	" 46,135.30	17,706.26	—	—	35,668.—
		Dinar 175,482.50	54,821.02	—	—	108,071.—
		\$ 3,106.—	970.33	—	—	1,912.84
11.	RUMANIAN UNION CONFERENCE					
12.	West Muntenian Conference	Lei 791,800.70	260,074.50	—	—	152,492.—
13.	East " "	" 262,790.—	89,897.—	—	—	76,894.—
14.	North Moldavian " "	" 244,083.50	73,438.75	—	—	94,670.—
15.	South " "	" 186,434.—	79,098.50	—	—	97,304.—
16.	Transylvanian " "	" 361,191.—	113,087.—	—	—	99,214.—
17.	Banat " "	" 171,247.—	58,378.75	—	—	89,168.—
		Lei 2,017,546.20	673,974.50	—	—	609,742.—
		\$ 12,105.30	4,043.82	—	—	3,658.45
18.	SWISS UNION CONFERENCE					
19.	German Swiss Conf.	Sw. Fr. 40,900.—	19,081.20	1,683.50	4,164.45	38,071.—
20.	Leman Conference	" " 25,400.60	15,127.34	1,125.09	2,822.49	23,916.70
		Sw. Fr. 66,300.60	34,208.54	2,808.59	6,986.94	61,987.70
		\$ 12,862.40	6,636.45	541.86	1,355.46	12,025.60
21.	IBERIAN UNION MISSION					
22.	Spanish Mission	Pesetas 8,810.90	10,370.02	—	—	26,521.80
23.	Portuguese " "	" 4,869.40	9,488.41	—	—	8,259.—
24.	Island " "	" 755.—	362.40	—	—	1,530.85
		Pesetas 14,435.30	20,220.83	—	—	36,311.65
		\$ 1,876.50	2,628.70	—	—	4,720.51
25.	ITALIAN UNION MISSION					
26.	North Italian Mission	Lire 18,628.80	25,884.10	—	—	31,952.55
27.	South " "	" 8,979.50	8,725.40	—	—	15,715.60
		Lire 27,608.30	34,609.50	—	—	47,668.15
		\$ 1,432.80	1,796.21	—	—	2,473.97
28.	NORTH AFRICAN UNION MISSION					
29.	Algerian Mission	F. Fr. 17,086.—	7,719.70	680.—	—	9,792.50
30.	Moroccan " "	" " 4,928.—	3,192.—	—	—	3,616.25
		F. Fr. 22,014.—	10,911.70	680.—	—	13,408.75
		\$ 869.—	431.02	26.86	—	529.65
1.	EQ. AFRICAN MISSION *)	F. Fr. 4,019.40	2,600.80	—	—	—
		\$ 158.80	102.74	—	—	—
32.	MADAGASCAR MISSION *)	F. Fr. 10,200.—	5,001.50	—	—	3,024.50
		\$ 402.90	197.55	—	—	119.47
33.	MAURITIUS MISSION *)	Rs. 3,664.50	564.53	2.32	116.34	358.53
		\$ 1,332.40	205.25	—,84	4,30	130.36

## RECAPITULATION

1.	Southern European Division	\$	8,624.—	9,922.11	817.31	256.92	10,555.06
2.	Franco-Belgian Union Conference	\$	3,106.—	970.33	—	—	1,912.84
3.	Jugoslavian " "	\$	12,105.30	4,043.82	—	—	3,658.45
4.	Rumanian " "	\$	12,862.40	6,636.45	544.86	1,355.46	12,025.60
5.	Swiss " "	\$	1,876.50	2,628.70	—	—	4,720.51
6.	Iberian " Mission	\$	1,432.80	1,796.21	—	—	2,473.97
7.	Italian " "	\$	869.—	431.02	26.86	—	529.65
8.	North African " "	\$	158.80	102.74	—	—	—
9.	Eq. African Mission *)	\$	402.90	197.55	—	—	119.47
10.	Madagascar " *)	\$	1,332.40	205.25	—,84	42.30	131.36
11.	Mauritius " *)	\$					
	Totals 3rd quarter 1935	\$	42,770.10	26,934.18	1,389.87	1,654.68	36,125.91
	" 1st quarter 1934	\$	41,848.90	30,761.22	933.02	1,590.—	40,599.96

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Specification of Mission Offerings (Column No. 3)

	Sabbath School Offerings (exc. 13th Sabbath)	13th Sabbath Offering	Harvest Ingathering	Annual Offerings	Miscellaneous Offerings	Self Denial 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.	7,819.95	945.65	20,571.20	36.85	250.85	141.80	10.65	166.60	9.55
4.	7,408.90	2,833.50	44,089.40	—	—	25.00	32.45	1,300.00	67.25
5.	7,052.50	3,656.00	70,104.25	—	3,172.90	1,705.25	384.10	—	—
6.	6.5-8.15	1,771.85	66,289.35	—	—	817.00	2,593.65	1,347.90	—
	28,869.50	9,207.00	201,054.20	36.85	3,423.75	2,689.05	3,020.85	2,814.50	76.80
	1,140.35	363.68	7,941.64	1.46	135.24	106.22	119.32	111.17	3.03
7.									
8.	12,522.25	1,547.00	8,291.75	—	—	1,064.00	943.75	524.50	412.25
9.	5,908.75	1,293.25	442.50	—	—	2,617.75	1,032.75	273.50	240.76
10.	6,174.75	1,345.75	6,087.00	—	2,378.00	955.00	137.00	337.50	291.26
	24,605.75	4,186.00	14,821.25	—	2,378.00	4,636.75	2,113.50	1,135.50	944.27
	435.52	74.09	262.34	—	42.09	82.07	37.41	20.10	16.71
11.									
12.	115,855.00	24,580.50	63,037.00	3,504.00	—	5,517.50	34,198.50	5,458.50	7,923.50
13.	52,493.00	10,871.00	16,026.00	77.00	1,100.00	310.00	4,772.00	1,593.00	2,650.00
14.	43,066.50	7,566.50	14,696.00	—	—	1,618.00	4,224.00	112.00	1,415.75
15.	30,933.00	7,333.00	27,136.00	—	—	2,267.00	8,103.00	1,540.00	1,776.50
16.	50,608.75	12,603.00	42,015.50	339.00	—	4,500.00	659.00	923.00	1,437.75
17.	24,403.25	6,581.00	16,630.00	—	—	797.00	8,093.50	700.00	1,174.00
	318,099.50	69,540.00	179,540.20	3,920.00	1,100.00	15,009.50	60,055.00	10,331.50	16,378.50
	1,908.59	417.24	1,077.24	23.52	6.60	90.04	360.33	61.99	98.27
18.									
19.	5,420.00	1,341.00	11,305.00	—	283.10	—	—	596.10	136.00
20.	4,126.76	1,428.05	8,333.08	2.50	594.35	215.45	319.50	80.40	22.25
	9,546.76	2,769.05	19,643.08	2.50	877.45	215.45	319.50	676.50	158.25
	1,852.06	537.30	3,810.76	-.48	170.23	41.79	61.99	131.24	30.70
21.									
22.	2,243.57	573.45	7,208.95	—	—	146.00	191.00	7.05	—
23.	684.63	263.28	8,494.08	—	46.42	—	—	—	—
24.	173.53	17.12	—	—	—	33.71	136.04	—	—
	3,101.73	853.85	15,703.03	—	46.42	181.71	327.04	7.05	—
	403.22	111.00	2,041.38	—	6.03	23.63	42.52	-.92	—
25.									
26.	3,316.95	1,116.80	19,838.50	—	—	973.00	185.00	403.50	49.35
27.	2,066.55	548.60	5,206.20	—	477.00	252.50	—	174.55	—
	5,383.50	1,665.40	25,045.70	—	477.00	1,225.50	185.00	578.05	49.35
	279.41	86.43	1,299.87	—	24.76	63.61	9.58	29.99	2.56
28.									
29.	1,855.90	307.80	2,300.00	—	377.00	2,718.35	20.00	140.65	—
30.	650.65	237.10	1,563.00	—	—	741.25	—	—	—
	2,506.55	544.90	3,863.00	—	377.00	3,459.60	20.00	140.65	—
	99.01	21.52	152.59	—	14.89	136.66	-.79	5.56	—
31.									
	469.50	78.20	—	—	272.35	1,125.00	655.75	—	—
	18.55	3.09	—	—	10.76	44.44	25.90	—	—
32.									
	2,023.35	850.95	2,094.75	—	—	—	32.45	—	—
	79.92	33.61	82.74	—	—	—	1.28	—	—
33.									
	268.74	118.88	—	—	—	—	176.91	—	—
	97.71	43.22	—	—	—	—	64.32	—	—
	6,314.34	1,691.08	16,668.56	25.46	410.60	588.46	723.44	360.97	151.27
	6,448.40	1,648.73	20,834.90	28.02	78.97	984.83	343.59	233.17	160.61

RECAPITULATION

1.									
2.	1,140.35	363.68	7,941.64	1.46	135.24	106.22	119.32	111.17	3.03
3.	435.52	74.09	262.34	—	42.09	82.07	37.41	20.10	16.71
4.	1,908.59	417.24	1,077.24	23.52	6.60	90.04	360.33	61.99	98.27
5.	1,852.06	537.20	3,810.76	-.48	170.23	41.79	61.99	131.24	30.70
6.	403.22	111.00	2,041.38	—	6.03	23.63	42.52	-.92	—
7.	279.41	86.43	1,299.87	—	24.76	63.61	9.58	29.99	2.56
8.	99.01	21.52	152.59	—	14.89	136.66	-.79	5.56	—
9.	18.55	3.09	—	—	10.76	44.44	25.90	—	—
10.	79.92	33.61	82.74	—	—	—	1.28	—	—
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# The Sabbath in the Home

Mrs. E. G. WHITE

**B**efore the setting of the sun, let the members of the family assemble to read God's word, to sing and pray. There is need of reform here, for many have been remiss. We need to confess to God and to one another. We should begin anew to make special arrangements that every member of the family may be prepared to honor the day which God has blessed and sanctified.

Let not the precious hours of the Sabbath be wasted in bed. On Sabbath morning the family should be astir early. If they arise late, there is confusion and bustle in preparing for breakfast and Sabbath school. There is hurrying, jostling, and impatience. Thus unholy feelings come into the home. The Sabbath, thus desecrated, becomes a weariness and its coming is dreaded rather than loved.

We should not provide for the Sabbath a more liberal supply or a greater variety of food than for other days. Instead of this the food should be more simple, and less should be eaten, in order that the mind may be clear and vigorous to comprehend spiritual things. Overeating befogs the brain. The most precious words may be heard and not appreciated, because the mind is confused by an improper diet. By overeating on the Sabbath, many have done more than they think to dishonor God.

While cooking upon the Sabbath should be avoided, it is not necessary to eat cold food. In cold weather let the food prepared the day before be heated. And let the meals, though simple, be palatable and attractive. Provide something that will be regarded as a treat, something the family do not have every day.

At family worships let the children take a part. Let all bring their Bibles, and each read a verse or two. Then let some familiar hymn be sung, followed by prayer. For this, Christ has given a model. The Lord's prayer was not intended to be repeated merely as a form but it is an illustration of what our prayers should be, simple, earnest, and comprehensive. In a simple petition tell the Lord your needs, and express gratitude for His mercies. Thus you

invite Jesus as a welcome guest into your home and heart. In the family, long prayers concerning remote objects are not in place. They make the hour of prayer a weariness, when it should be regarded as a privilege and blessing. Make the season one of interest and joy.

The Sabbath school and the meeting for worship occupy only a part of the Sabbath. The portion remaining to the family may be made the most sacred and precious season of all the Sabbath hours. Much of this time parents should spend with their children. In many families the younger children are left to themselves, to find entertainment as best they can. Left alone, the children soon become restless, and begin to play or engage in some kind of mischief. Thus the Sabbath has to them no sacred significance.

In pleasant weather let parents walk with their children in the fields and groves. Amid the beautiful things of nature tell them the reason for the institution of the Sabbath. Describe to them God's great work of creation. Tell them that when the earth came from His hand, it was holy and beautiful. Every flower, every shrub, every tree, answered the purpose of the Creator. Everything upon which the eye rested was lovely, and filled the mind with thoughts of the love of God. Every sound was music, in harmony with the voice of God. Show that it was sin which marred God's perfect work; that thorns and thistles, sorrow and pain and death, are all the result of disobedience to God. Bid them see how the earth, though marred with the curse of sin, still reveals God's goodness. The green fields, the lofty trees, the glad sunshine, the clouds, the dew, the solemn stillness of the night, the glory of the starry heavens, and the moon in its beauty, all bear witness of the Creator. Not a drop of rain falls, not a ray of light is shed on our unthankful world, but it testifies to the forbearance and the love of God.

As the sun goes down, let the voice of prayer and the hymn of praise mark the close of the sacred hours and invite God's presence

through the cares of the week of labor.

Thus parents can make the Sabbath, as it should be, the most joyful day of the week. They can lead their children to regard it as a delight, the day of days, the holy of the Lord, honorable.

I counsel you, my brethren and sisters, "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." If you desire your children to observe the Sabbath according to the commandment, you must teach them by both precept and example. The deep engraving of truth in the heart is never wholly effaced. It may be obscured, but can never be obliterated. The impressions made in early life will be seen in after-years. Circumstances may occur to separate the children from their parents and their home, but as long as they live the instruction given in childhood and youth will be a blessing. — "*Testimonies*", Vol. VI, pp. 356-359.

## FACING THE NEW YEAR

Pearl Waggoner Howard

Calm let me live from day to day  
Nor fear the days ahead,  
Thou *with* me, Who dost know the way  
And take away its dread.

With courage I may walk, nor fear  
Whate'er the future hides,  
Serene may watch each passing year,—  
My hand within my Guide's.

Though roaring lion by the path  
Is seeking to devour,  
Upon the Mighty One his wrath  
Can have no weight or power.

In every danger has prevailed  
My Captain, Guide, and Friend,  
And so, although *my* eyes are veiled,  
I trust Him to the end,

With eyes of faith on heavenly Home.  
With hope on things secure,  
Life's restless sea and tossing foam  
Touch not the Anchor sure.

By land or sea — where'er I go.  
Were'er my lot may be,  
What matter changes here below  
If *Christ* abide with me?

So, Lord, fill traveling days are past,—  
As long as surges roll,  
Abide with me and hold me fast,  
Thou Comfort of my soul!

Within my heart keep e'er a song,  
Until, on Heaven's shore,  
My voice may join the ransomed throng  
And praise Thee evermore.

## New Advances in the Cameroon

Our mission work in the Equatorial African Mission is being carried on from two main centers: Nanga-Eboko and Batouri. Between these two central stations a number of outstations are located. Two or three years ago, the beginnings were made in the establishment of a third main station at Ndoumbi. A fairly large concession of land was secured from the government, and temporary buildings were constructed for a native leader and native teachers, besides a school building for 150-200 boys. The interests, however, have for some time demanded the presence of a European worker.

We are therefore pleased to be able to inform the readers of the Review that Brother and Sister A. Sallée have moved to Ndoumbi a few months ago to build up a good strong center there. These faithful and energetic missionaries have been connected with the work at Batouri for a number of years and have done excellent work in getting the work there well organized in the way of constructing suitable mission buildings, organizing a school for both children and native evangelists, and establishing school industries. It should also be mentioned that during their stay at Batouri two excellent chapels have been erected; one at the station itself, another in the village, a few kilometers away.

Writing from Ndoumbi, Brother Sallée passes on this encouraging word: "We are glad that we came here to Ndoumbi. Nearly all the temporary buildings put up there were ready to fall down and the ground which had been cleared some time ago had almost grown into jungle again. We are now in full swing with the preparations of making bricks and tiles, sawing timber, making beams and boards so that we can begin the building operations as soon as the rainy season is over. We also have 200 children and young people to assist in clearing the grounds.

"Last Sabbath we had 375 people in attendance in our Sabbath school in the little hut that we are making use of for our meetings. Before leaving Batouri we had the joy of having Brother Erzberger with us who baptized thirteen persons: ten men and three women.

"We are grateful to God for the good health we enjoy. In fact we have had better health the last two years than during our first term of service, although the last year has been a very hard year for the white people generally in this region. Many have been sent to the hospital in Duala and others have had to go back to France on account of sickness.

"We try as far as possible to live on the products of the land, and by adhering to our

splendid principles of health and hygiene we keep well. We can never be too thankful to God for the light that He has revealed to us on the question of healthful living.

"It is our impression that Ndoumbi will prove to be an ideal place for a training school. Food supplies grow in abundance here. We like the place and are happy that we came here, because there is so much to do. We shall have to open a dispensary here as the nearest doctor lives very far away. We already have on an average every day twenty-five to thirty dressings of chronic wounds. When we open up our new school we expect to have about 180 pupils and three native teachers."

Thus we are lengthening our cords and strengthening our stakes in the Cameroon. Many people are enrolled in the baptismal classes and we shall surely hear of further baptisms from that extensive field where the gospel seed promises to bear as abundant fruitage as in other parts of the great African continent.

STEEN RASMUSSEN.

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"God is calling for men who are willing to leave all to become missionaries for Him. In every age since the advent of Christ, the gospel commission has impelled men and women to go to the ends of the earth to carry the good news of salvation to those in darkness."

*Gospel Workers, p. 464.*

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## NEWS NOTES

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Members of the Collonges faculty and ministerial students are conducting an evangelistic effort in Annecy, a town located some 30 km from our school. We wish them all God's richest blessing in this very worthy endeavor and trust that as a result of the effort a number of precious souls may be brought to the Lord.

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The statistical reports for the first three quarters of 1935 indicate that there has been added a total of 2115 new members in the Division. The net gain is 1267 for the nine months period, which figure is exactly the same as the entire net gain for 1934. The prospects are, therefore, that we shall have a considerable increase in our net gain this year over last.

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As announced in the October issue of *Quarterly Review*, the Division Winter Council will be held in the city of Zagreb, Jugoslavia, from December 10 till 17. Elder *A. W. Cormack*, associate secretary of the General Conference, will attend this important gathering which will be one of the largest held since the organization of our Division. At the time of the meeting, the new mission building and chapel in Zagreb will be dedicated.

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Miss *Kathryn L. Jensen*, associate secretary for the Nurses' Division of the General Conference Medical Department, has been spending a short time in our Division visiting the sanitarium at Gland, our school at Collonges and also a few churches besides making special studies at hospitals and training centers for nurses generally. After Miss Jensen is through with her visits in our Division, she plans to go to the Central European Division.

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In a number of unions throughout the Division there is an awakening and increasing interest in the establishment of church schools. Besides the school opened at Lisbon this fall in the extreme western part of our Division, we are now able to report the opening of another little school in Brasov, Rumania, in the eastern part of our field. The school is conducted in our training school and the instruction given by a student teacher. Plans are being laid for the establishment of similar primary schools of our own in other parts.

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Elder *A. V. Olson* recently returned from attending the Autumn Council of the General Conference held in the city of Louisville, Kentucky. He brings a very cheering report of that gathering. Considerable time was given during the meeting to the study of our educational work, and a new clarion call was sounded in upholding the ideals, standards and objectives for which our educational institutions have been established. A special appeal was also made to both conference, institutional and local church leaders in this crisis of world history upon which we have fallen.

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Writing from the Azores Islands, *E. P. Mansell* states in a recent letter: "The work is progressing over here in our part of the field. We have reached our Harvest Ingathering goal as usual and are now very busy with our tract campaign. We are working up a permanent reading circle of 300 readers of a series of tracts. We distribute a new number every week. In this way 300 families will become acquainted with the truth and have an opportunity to learn of the message we are giving to all the world. We expect to baptize

six persons before the end of the year and we hope shortly to be able to organize our first church here in the Azores."

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During the winter months it is expected that one of our colporteurs going to the Portuguese colonies in West Africa, will spend some time in the French colony of S n gal, one of our unentered fields in the western section of the great African continent. As is usually the case, the colporteur evangelist pioneers the way for the preacher. We are hopeful therefore that this new missionary endeavor will prove to be the beginning of the opening up of a new large mission territory.

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Recent communications from *H. L. Henriksen* and *Roger Guentn*, of the Madagascar Mission, inform us of the commencement of the new school year. Our primary school in Tananarive has an enrolment of 200. Two other schools, one at Andina, another one at Tamatave, have also a large number of pupils. We are further informed that a small training school for native workers has been started with an enrolment of five students. While this number may seem small, yet we are very pleased with this new enterprise which, we feel sure, will develop into a strong training center for our Malgash workers.

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The year 1935 will stand out as a banner year in our Division in regard to the sending out of new missionary recruits. Since the beginning of the year, we have sent out one missionary family or single missionaries every month with the exception of the months of August and September.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS