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Have You Considered This PRIVILEGE God Has Given You?

by MRS. ELLEN G. WHITE

Part 1

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and dust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal." Selfishness is a soul-destroying sin. Under this head comes covetousness, which is idolatry. All the prosperity we enjoy is the result of divine beneficence. God is the great and bountiful giver. If He requires any portion of the liberal supply He has given us, it is not that He may be enriched by our gifts, for He needs nothing from our hand; but it is that we may have an opportunity to exercise self-denial, love, and sympathy for our fellow-men, and thus become highly exalted. In every dispensation, from Adam's time to ours, God has claimed the property of man, saying, I am the rightful Owner of the universe; therefore consecrate to Me thy firstfruits, bring a tribute of loyalty, surrender to Me My own, thus acknowledging my sovereignty, and you shall be free to retain and enjoy my bounties, and My blessing shall be with you. "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase."

God's requirements come first. We are not doing His will if we consecrate to

Him what is left of our income after all our imaginary wants have been supplied. Before any part of our earnings is consumed, we should take out and present to Him that portion which He claims. In the old dispensation, an offering of gratitude was kept continually burning upon the altar, thus showing man's endless obligation to God. If we have prosperity in our secular business, it is because God blesses us. A part of this income is to be devoted to the poor, and a large portion to be applied to the cause of God. When that which God claims is rendered to Him, the remainder will be sanctified and blessed to our own use. But when a man robs God by withholding that which He requires, His curse rests upon the whole.

God has made men the channels through which His gifts are to flow, to sustain the work which He would have carried forward in the world. He has given them property to be wisely used, not selfishly hoarded, or extravagantly expended in luxury and selfish gratification either in dress or in the embellishment of their houses. He has entrusted them with means with which to support His servants in their labour as preachers and missionaries, and to sustain the institutions He has established among us. Those who rejoice in the precious light of truth should feel a burning desire to have it sent everywhere. There are a few faithful standard-bearers who never flinch from duty nor shirk responsibilities. Their hearts and purses are always open

to every call for means to advance the cause of God. Indeed, some seem ready to exceed their duty, as though fearful that they will lose an opportunity of investing their portion in the bank of heaven. There are others who will do as little as possible. They hoard their treasure, or lavish means upon themselves, grudgingly doling out a mere pittance to sustain the cause of God. If they make a pledge or a vow to God, they afterward repent of it, and will avoid the payment of it as long as they can, if not altogether. They make their tithe as small as possible, as if afraid that that which they return to God is lost. Our various institutions may be embarrassed for means, but this class act as though it made no difference to them whether they prosper or not. And yet these are God's instrumentalities with which to enlighten the world.

These institutions have not, like other institutions of the kind, received endowments or legacies. And yet God has greatly prospered and blessed them, and made them the means of great good. There are aged ones among us who are nearing the close of their probation; but for the want of wide-awake men to secure to the cause of God the means in their possession, it passes into the hands of those who are serving Satan. This means was only lent them of God to be returned to Him; but in nine cases out of ten, these brethren, when passing from the stage of action, appropriate God's property in a way that cannot glorify Him, for not one dollar of it will ever flow into the Lord's treasury. In some cases these apparently good brethren have had unconsecrated advisers, who counselled from

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HEART to HEART

*A Friendly Chat with
Your Division President*

Beloved Believers in Christ Jesus:

I want to share with you a paragraph from a letter written to me by a doctor friend of mine. He writes: "I feel that the end of all things is very near at hand. The world is in such a furore. Lawlessness and strife and hatred are so rife, I can see that only the blessed second advent can solve the problem before us. These things so burden my heart that I no longer can depend upon secret prayer morning and evening but must in the middle of the day cast my cares upon Him who is my Creator and Sustainer."

Thank God for men with such a burden—such an experience with the Lord!

As I travel around Trans-Africa and as I correspond with scores of members and workers in many parts of the world I am impressed that more and more of our people share the burden of my doctor friend. They are keenly aware that God is seeking to speak to His people through the events that are transpiring around us. The space race, the spirit of war and the quest for peace, the racial conflicts that are spreading, the moral decay so evident among most of the nations, the calamities that rock the world daily, the shocking increase of lawlessness—all should startle and arouse us! Indeed "The world is in a furore."

Such conditions are causing earnest God-fearing workers and members to seek the Lord more whole-heartedly than ever before. They are convinced that "only the blessed Second Advent can solve the problems before us." How true! What statesman, no matter how gifted; what nation, no matter how nobly inspired, can claim to be able to resolve the hatreds that exist among the nations today? Who can solve the East-West controversy? Who can bring the Moslem nations of the Middle East to the conference table with Israel, let alone remove in-bred hatred that exists between Jews and Arabs? And these are but a

few of the world's ills at present baffling mankind's greatest minds.

The answer, the only answer, to the critical and worsening world situation is indeed the glorious return of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Thank God we may anticipate this solution soon!

Since this is true, how earnestly, how persistently we as workers and members should be seeking the Lord that we ourselves might be ready for the last scenes just ahead and we might be used of God to help thousands around us to be prepared as well.

Perhaps, with my doctor friend, you and I should not be contented with secret prayer morning and evening. Perhaps our earnest consecration should lead us to seek Him many more times during the day. These are times when only complete consecration will suffice in our preparation for times of test and trial just ahead.

Many of you have heard how Mrs. Philip Nelson was brutally murdered in India some months ago. It was a ghastly crime. Dr. and Mrs. Nelson had completed a term of service in the Southern Asia Division and were driving across north-central India en route to catch their plane for Africa. Long had they looked forward to a well-earned furlough and they planned to stop in Trans-Africa and visit Mrs. Nelson's father and sister, Mr. W. Gill and Mrs. O. I. Fields in Malawi on their way to America, their homeland.

Near Allahabad—"God's Own City"—two punctures brought their trip to a halt. They did not have a second "spare" so the doctor left Mrs. Nelson in the car close to an Indian village while he caught a ride to Allahabad to purchase another tyre. When he returned a few hours later it was to find his dear companion cruelly murdered. It was a terrible experience!

Not long ago Dr. Nelson wrote a letter to a friend of his. I want to quote one

paragraph from that letter. It reveals a wonderful spirit of consecration. It contains a tremendous challenge to every worker and member in Trans-Africa. Read these words carefully. Ponder them prayerfully:

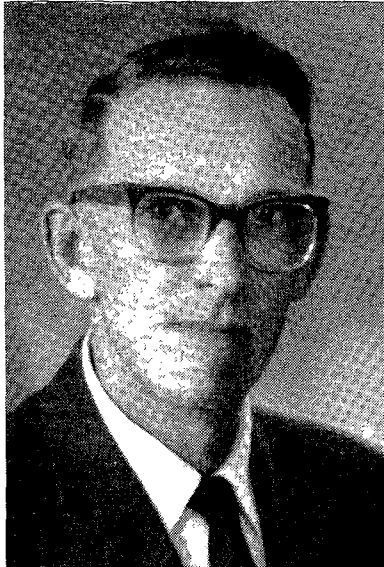
"Sister White said that when God gave His Son to redeem man He poured out all heaven in one gift. It seemed to me that when I lost Ruby, I poured out all I had in one gift to India. It has inspired me to give what is left of me in a deeper, more meaningful consecration than ever before. I will go anywhere He leads me. I will bear any burden He lays upon me. I will make any sacrifice He calls upon me to make. I will live a life fully dedicated to Him, every moment of every day."

What a spirit! What a consecration! How those words have been ringing in my ears . . . **I will live a life fully dedicated to Him, every moment of every day!** What a challenge to you and to me!

How is it with you, friend o' mine? Are you stirred within your heart by the tremendous events taking place thick and fast about us? Do you fully understand and appreciate the import of these stirring events? Does it impress upon you the fact that these are the last days, that we're being swept inexorably and with breath-taking speed into the time of trouble and the final climactic events of this world's history? Do you realize that your time to prepare and to work is short indeed? Are you one who is seeking, yes, seeking most earnestly, for a closer walk with God?

Sincerely yours for a new experience in Christ Jesus,

Princes in Israel at Rest



Pastor
C. T. J. HYDE,
Field Secretary,
Trans-Africa
Division



Pastor
P. J. VAN ECK,
M. Ed.,
Principal,
Helderberg College

Our Tribute

CONRAD THOMAS JAMES HYDE, was born September 5, 1907, in Kensington, London, of Adventist parents. His father was a baker with a real baker's dozen—13 children—7 boys and 6 girls. This remarkable Adventist family produced five ordained ministers who have given a combined service of 150 years to the Lord.

In 1927 Conrad graduated from a three-years nurses' course at Stanborough Park Sanitarium. Not satisfied that this was sufficient training, he took a two-year ministerial course at Stanborough College. Sylvia Leppa came to Stanborough College from Finland to learn English and thus he met his future wife. Her standards were high. For her life companion she wanted a missionary, a vegetarian and someone refined and cultured, and in Conrad all these requirements were amply fulfilled.

Elder Hyde's working life started at Kendu Hospital in 1930. Here he spent his mornings in medical work under the late Dr. G. A. S. Madgwick, and in the afternoons in building. The old portion of Kendu Hospital stands as a tribute to this man of many parts.

Elder Hyde had the privilege of being the first Master Guide in East Africa and also learned the Luo and Swahili languages. The London University gave him a diploma for his proficiency in these vernaculars.

In 1932 the family moved to the Kamagambo Training school where the boys' boarding school was started. The year 1940 saw another move, this time to Kanadoto Mission where Elder Hyde remained as mission director until 1943. In this same year, 1943, Elder Hyde was ordained to the gospel ministry. Kisii needed a strong worker and the family remained on that mission station from 1943 to 1947. A call came in 1947 for Elder Hyde to head the Theological

Department at Bugema College and later he was appointed as principal. The year 1958 saw heavier responsibilities laid on our brother's shoulders when he assumed the presidency of the Tanzania Union. It was in the year 1963 that the family moved to Salisbury so that Elder Hyde could become a Departmental secretary and later the Field Secretary for the Division.

On April 1, 1965, Elder Hyde went to bed with what was to be his final illness. When told of the seriousness of his complaint he did not question the reason why, but humbly left his life in the Lord's keeping. He was anointed by the elders and everything humanly possible was done for his recovery. The Division family surrounded him with love and care and held him up daily before the Lord, while over the rest of the field prayers ascended ceaselessly on his behalf.

During the closing days of his life, weak and in pain as he often was, his hand was raised frequently giving the "V" sign for victory—Victory in Christ. When speech became too difficult he constantly encouraged those around his bedside by raising his hand to indicate victory.

Friday, August 13 came, and it was evident that his life of 35 years service in the cause of God was ebbing rapidly away. At sunset, haltingly, he remarked that it was the Sabbath—the day of rest. He was ready for rest from his earthly labours and on Sabbath afternoon, August 14, this chapter of his life's book was quietly closed. Forever? No! We believe he will be raised with the redeemed to continue a life eternal. In his living he was steadfast and in his dying he did not falter.

The funeral service was conducted in the Salisbury church by Pastor R. H. Pierson, assisted by Pastor R. M. Reinhard, and

Helderberg's Tribute

PIERRE JOHANNES VAN ECK was born on September 21, 1911 at Aberdeen, Cape.

He accepted the teachings of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Worcester, under the ministry of the late Pastor John Birkenstock. He entered Helderberg College and graduated from the Normal Course in 1931 and later received the B.A. Degree at Stellenbosch University and the M.Ed. Degree at Potchefstroom University. He was a brilliant student and was greatly respected by his professors and fellow-students for his mental and spiritual qualities.

He served with distinction the cause that he loved for thirty-five years in the capacities of teacher, preceptor, principal of Sedaven High School and Helderberg College; as Education Department secretary of the South African Union; as an ordained minister, and on public bodies, notably the Rotary Club.

Pastor van Eck enjoyed the reputation of being a Christian gentleman; a teacher of talent; a friend; a leader of integrity; and a wise counsellor. Above all he was a stalwart Christian, a faithful follower of the lowly Nazarene. He never wavered in his devotion, nor was deflected from his convictions.

A few short weeks ago, what appeared to be a passing indisposition turned out to be a virulent and fatal blood disease. Suddenly his life could only be counted in days. But during his stay in hospital he was the soul of cheerfulness, hope and faith. In response to the cards, letters and floral tributes sent him, he wrote messages which were the measure of the man: "What a wonderful thing it is to belong to the Adventist family. We serve a wonderful God."

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THOSE UNENTERED AREAS

As Long As Probation Continues They Will Go

by F. G. THOMAS, *President, Tanzania Union*

On June 22, 1965, Brother Eliason Musesa Bulenga left on his long journey to Sumbawanga in South-west Tanzania. He is going there at the request of the Tanzania Union committee, as a missionary colporteur. Brethren Henning, S. D. Otieno and the writer knelt in prayer and dedicated him to the task set before him. Brother Bulenga's face shone with holy joy for he knows he is participating in a program that has been ordained of God. He is a true missionary in every sense of the word and we predict that before the year is ended there will be a group of people worshipping in Sumbawanga, a place where today there is no one who knows the truth of the gospel.

Several years ago some far-seeing brethren started a program of sending literature-evangelists into unentered areas on a regular missionary basis. This program has brought outstanding results in almost every case. Through the years the following have responded to calls to go as missionary colporteurs:



A Group of Missionary Colporteurs.

E. Misheto and E. Mgeni to Dar-es-Salaam where we now have a beautiful church building with approximately 100 members.

Y. Lukwaro to Morogoro;

A. Mukande to Iringa;

K. K. Mwitundi to Tabora, Shinyanga and Mtwara;

J. Lyambwa to Mpwapwapa;

E. P. Waya to Dodoma;

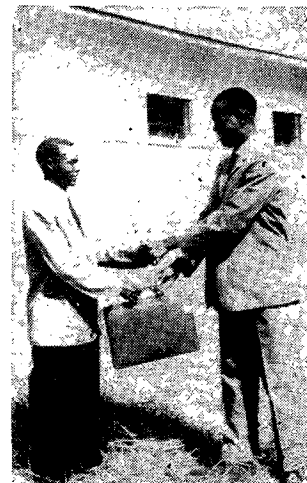
T. Rajabu to Masai;

In each of these places we now have companies and churches. Twenty-seven

people were baptized in Mpwapwapa last year, two will be baptized in July in Mtwara, and Brother Waya reports two people are ready for baptism in Dodoma.

In 1965 the Tanzania Union has sent out four missionary colporteurs and plans have been made to send out six in 1966. One of these brethren is already receiving special training in public health at Heri Health Education School so that he can go with our health message and books to Zanzibar.

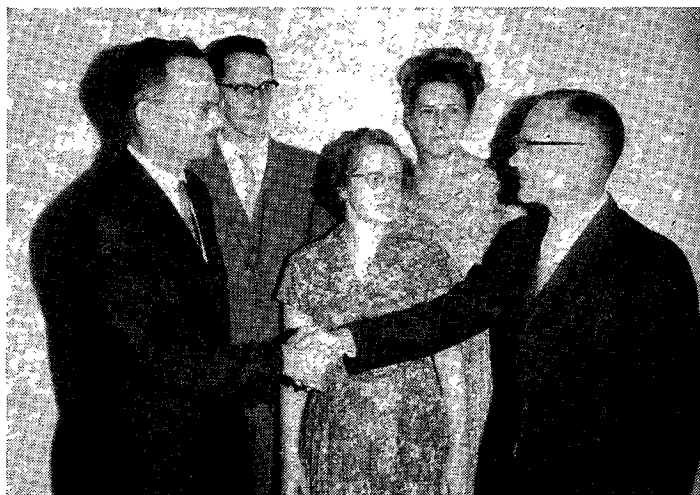
Why has this program been so signally blessed by God? We believe it is God's plan for the last climactic days. Note these words of inspiration, "The publications sent forth from our printing houses are to *prepare a people to meet God.*" *Testimonies*, vol. 7, page 139, (italics supplied). Again God's servant says, "We are fast approaching the end. The printing and circulation of the books and papers that contain truth for this time *are to be our work.*" *Testimonies*, vol. 8, page 89. (italics supplied.)



R. Ngasani, Publishing Department Secretary, East Lake Field congratulates Missionary Colporteur E. M. Bulenga on his success in 1964 and for his acceptance of the call to enter an unentered area.

The sending out of missionary colporteurs is an inexpensive and God-ordained means of finishing the work. This program must succeed because our God is supporting it. Moreover, it will continue when other lines of endeavour have closed, for we read, "As long as probation continues, there will be opportunity for the canvasser to work." *Testimonies*, vol. 6, page 478.

Ordination



Two dedicated ministers were ordained during the Transvaal Camp-meeting at Sedaven. Pastor T. Gunston has proved himself to be a successful and consecrated shepherd of the Southern Suburbs Church of Johannesburg.

H. Steenberg has served as a teacher

and pastor and is at present the MV, Sabbath School and Temperance Department secretary. With the writer are Pastor and Sister Steenberg (in front) and Pastor and Mrs. T. Gunston (at the back).

—J. W. NEWMAN,
President, Transvaal Conference.

God Calls

The Students of Trans-Africa

To Devote Their Holidays To Literature Evangelism

There are **5** reasons why you should become a student literature evangelist this summer—**5** wonderful benefits you receive from the student colporteur scholarship plan!

1. You Will Grow Spiritually!

Praying with people, enrolling them in Bible correspondence courses, leaving in the homes books that tell the story of salvation, is real Christian adventure, and it helps develop faith and courage too.

2. You Will Help Others Heavenward!

Almost every home has a spiritual need or a health problem. Your visit, your encouragement, your literature, can help many people find health and a new meaning for life.

3. You Will Improve Your Personality!

Your happiness, success and usefulness will depend to a large extent upon your ability to get along successfully with others. This work offers unparalleled opportunities for understanding human nature and developing persuasive powers.

4. You Will Broaden Your Education!

"The very best education young men can obtain is by entering the canvassing field and working from house to house. In this work they will find opportunity to speak the words of life."—*Colporteur Ministry*, page 32.

5. You Help Yourself Financially!

Each summer scores of students earn scholarships that pay all their expenses for the following school year. Many earn two scholarships. This is your opportunity to earn while you learn.



Helderberg's Student Colporteurs with Publishing Department Leaders.



**“A
Sharpener
for the
Brain”**

by JOSHUA GWALAMUBISI, *Evangelist,
Uganda Field*

In a nutshell, as a student literature-evangelist, I learned to depend upon God above all else. Whether the people I met were educated or uneducated, men or women, I always sent a prayer to God for success, and success came. The objections people made were as whetstones for my brain to be sharpened upon. The methods I learned in order to be a successful colporteur are so good that even now I am using them in public evangelism, and I have proved that they have the blessing of God.

I have had the pleasure of seeing many sin-stricken, habit-ridden, morally weak men and women, chained to the devil, brought back to lives of hope, peace, joy and victory, all as the result of having read the books they bought from me.

To all students, young or old, reading this paragraph, I would say: join the rank and file of student colporteurs in the Trans-Africa Division. Our motto is “FORWARD EVER — BACKWARD NEVER.” Our aim is to scatter our life-saving books as autumn leaves are blown from trees by a mighty wind.



**Africa is
Waiting for
Our Literature**

by GIBSON D. NKOSI,
Publishing Secretary, South Sotho Field.

There is a saying in our language: “God allows everyone to pull the rope once in life in order to obtain future joy.” I know this to be true for my early life was hard, but now I am reaping the joy of service to the Lord.

It was as a student at Bethel College in 1956 that I accepted the call to become a student literature evangelist. From the day I proclaimed: “Here am I, send me,” God has blessed me abundantly. I obtained sufficient money the first year
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**I’m Glad
I Tried
Again**

by NATHAN OGETO, *4th-year
Theological Student, Solusi College*

My first attempt at literature evangelism was a miserable failure. I thought I had made a mistake in attempting this work. However, after taking the matter to the Lord, I was impressed to try again. I did so, and during the summer vacation I was able to sell £100 worth of books.

I am so glad that I did not give up at the first set-back, for I have learned many valuable things I could not have learned in any other way.

Of a naturally timid nature I have learned how to approach people with tact and understanding. I have learned patience. I have learned to have confidence in myself and how to maintain dignity in trying circumstances. I have also learned how to be economical with time and money and how to adapt myself to changing conditions.

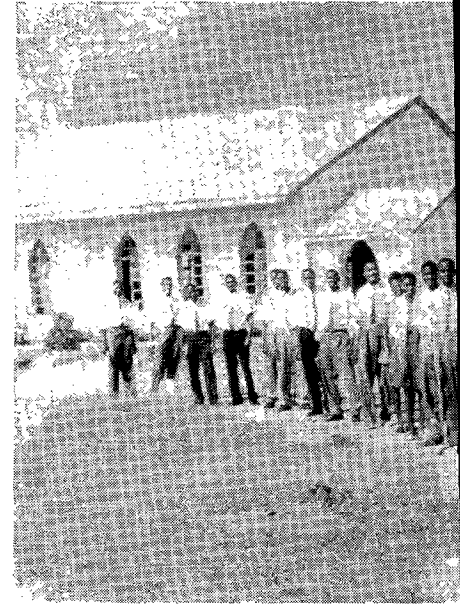
These are all valuable lessons, but above all I have learned the power of prayer.

In contacting many people one finds out what they are seeking. I learned that the majority are looking for peace and a feeling of security in these times of upheaval and uncertainty. To be able to give them these things through the medium of our truth-filled literature, and also to be able to enrol them in the Bible correspondence courses, gives one a sense of full participation in the finishing of the Lord’s work.

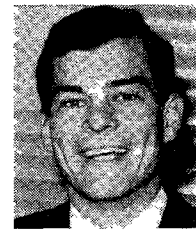
to get a scholarship, and the following year I received over £100 from the sale of literature.

Young men and young women, God is calling you. The great continent of Africa is waiting for the light and truth from our literature. I can promise you great happiness and material blessings if you go forward in answer to His call to do this most important work.

What Students Say About



Student Colpor



**An
Incomparable
Challenge**

by CHRIS BOTHA, *Student,
Helderberg College*

It is a great privilege to be a literature-evangelist. It is a challenge which cannot be compared with any other.

As I visit individuals in their homes I realize that the emptiness in their hearts can only be changed by Christ, and the Lord touches my heart to help them. The wonderful experience of being able to witness for Christ in these homes I would not exchange for anything in the world.

I would challenge all those who read this testimony to try literature evangelism, to experience the wonderful new vision you acquire and the many blessings, such as complete victory over fear of meeting people which I experienced. As you go from door to door selling our life-saving literature you will realize that it is the greatest way of gathering in souls for God’s kingdom.

Dear friends, start a new life by entering the literature ministry.

STUDENTS: THIS IS THE WA

THE SCHOLARSHIP PLAN



Ready for Action

The Front Line of the Battle

by MARTHA PAPENFUS, *Student, Helderberg College*



To start out each day to sell literature in the territory you have chosen is to me like going into the front line of battle. The wonderful thing, however, is that this is a battle which Christ fights. All that He asks of us is willingness and full confidence in Him.

We all have a book knowledge of God, but personal experience of Him is essential for a happy life and this is what the colporteur work gave me.

When an old, deaf gentleman who could not hear a word of my canvassing decided to buy my book; and when an Irish gentleman did not even give me a chance to make a canvass but insisted on telling me of his famous past, and then suddenly stopped in the middle of a sentence, to say: "I suppose I should buy this book," are experiences that made me realize that the Lord was fighting the battle for me.

A Treasury Which Has Unlimited Funds!



by J. M. KOKO, *Publishing Department Secretary, Zambia Field*

When I first attended Solusi College the financial difficulties seemed more than I, a man with a family of seven to provide for, could manage. In answer to prayer for help I was impressed to take up the canvassing work, so I decided to attempt this during the holidays. The principal of the college gave me every encouragement, and with God's help I was able to return to school with enough money to pay the school fees for myself and my children.

But what is more important, I came back with a richer Christian experience, a knowledge of how to meet people of different social classes and walks of life, and a stronger determination to carry through with the course and succeed. During the next vacation several students followed my example and reaped many blessings.

Canvassing prepares an individual for the great evangelistic task that lies ahead of him and helps him to put into practice those things that he learns in school. This applies to all subjects such as psychology, sociology, science, speech, language, etcetera. Every worker needs this practical experience for efficiency, patience, counselling, self-confidence and vision.

Many young people have difficulty in earning a living while at school. Consequently they write letters and complain bitterly to the fields or unions who send them. Remember my dear friend, that fields or unions have limited funds in their treasuries. If you want financial assistance, may I refer you to the treasury which has unlimited funds; that treasury is CANVASSING. If you engage in this work prayerfully, the Lord will reward you abundantly.

Great Blessings Received



by GERSHAM N. AMAYO, *Instructor, Bugema Missionary College*

I owe much to my Christian parents for making it possible for me to attend a Christian school, but to the Lord I truly owe all for those blessings which have come to me from entering the school of student literature-evangelism. There is no space here for personal experiences, but I could sum them all up by saying that by the end of my secondary schooling I had circulated 4,000/- worth of books and had won three scholarships. I was thus able not only to fully support myself but to give financial assistance to my faithful parents as well.

I went for higher education to Solusi College and in my second year there the call came to me to spend my vacation spreading the truth among the people of Bulawayo. I had heard that it was difficult to sell books in that city, but one day the voice of the Lord came to me saying: "I am the Lord God. I change not. As I was with you in the previous years, I shall be with you here. Rise and go to the city where there are thousands who thirst for the present truth." I obeyed this command, and it would require a book to write about all the wonderful experiences I had during the five months I canvassed there.

I saw poor people borrow money to buy the printed page telling them how they could secure the riches of heaven. I sold truth-filled books to the rich, telling them the secrets of true success and riches. I thank the Lord for the wonderful reward he gave me, 8,000/- worth of literature distributed.

I would say to all students: try canvassing in your holidays to receive the following blessings:

1. The best intellectual, inspirational and spiritual training.
2. The sense of ministration of the holy angels.
3. The satisfaction of knowing that truth is being circulated to set thousands free from mental, physical and spiritual sickness.
4. Financial reward to help you with your higher education.

TO EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP PLAN

1 *What are the Requirements and the Provisions of the Scholarship Plan?*

- (a) Men must work 275 hours and women 225 hours selling our attractive books and magazines.
- (b) Sufficient money from the sale of literature must be turned in to the book depositories to cover the costs of books and leave the required credit balance to qualify for a scholarship.
- (c) Then the student will receive a liberal 40 per cent bonus made available by the conference/field, union, publishing house, and school.
- (d) *Example: Solusi College.*
A Solusi student earns a profit from sales of £50 and deposits the full amount in the office. He qualifies for a 40 per cent bonus (£20) making a total scholarship at Solusi College of £70.
- (e) *Example: Helderberg College.*
A Helderberg student earns £125, turns the full amount in to the office, and qualifies for a 40 per cent bonus (£50). He would therefore receive a total scholarship of £175 at Helderberg College.

2 *What Schools Accept the Scholarship Plan?*

- (a) All Seventh-day Adventist training schools and colleges in the Trans-Africa Division accept the scholarship plan.
- (b) When faithful SDA students must attend universities to take courses which are not offered in our own schools they may apply to their conference or field to work on a 30 per cent scholarship plan.

3 *Are Students Able to Earn a Full Scholarship During Their Year-end Holidays?*

Yes, scores of students earn all their school expenses by working as literature-evangelists during the summer holidays. Some earn two or more scholarships. Read how God has blessed other students during these past few years.

4 *Do Our Literature-Evangelists Find People Who are Interested in the Truth?*

Yes, people have never been more receptive to the message we are proclaiming. In just these past six months our literature-evangelists in Trans-Africa have brought more than 1,000 souls into the baptismal classes and have seen nearly 200 of their customers baptized.

STUDENT INSTITUTES AT OUR SENIOR COLLEGES

HELDERBERG COLLEGE
September 15-19.

SOLUSI COLLEGE
October 14-17.

YES, PLEASE SEND ME.

Yes, I want to join the Student Scholarship Crusade for the 1965/66 summer holidays!

Name School

Address

Cut out and mail to your Union/Field/Conference Publishing Department Secretary.

Stewardship Department

Is a Christian Like a Heathen?

by V. P. KLUZIT

Do I and my fellow Christians resemble heathens? How could such an idea be entertained by a Christian, and a Seventh-day Adventist at that?!

The question shook me from my smug complacency, and as I looked around I could see that this had happened to others as well and that the Holy Spirit was beginning His work, not only upon myself, but on the other church members present.

But let us start right at the beginning. At nine o'clock on this particular Sabbath morning I stopped the Microbus I was driving to pick up two brethren in front of an hotel in Johannesburg. The African brother was known to me. He is Pastor Majombozi, the secretary-treasurer of the Transvaal Field. The other brother I did not know. He turned out to be Pastor M. E. Rees, an American from our Columbia Union in the United States.

After introducing ourselves we drove off together. With Pastor Majombozi giving directions as to where we should find Pastor Msimang, the field president, we headed for the African townships on the West Rand, which have a population of 200,000.

Although there are tarred roads there are no signposts in the townships and one could easily get lost in the miles of neat stereotyped homes, broken here and there by municipal buildings, golf-courses, playgrounds and churches.

"Where are we going, Pastor Majombozi?" I asked. "To Sonoane Township," he answered. "We do not have a church building there and are at present meeting in a classroom of a government primary school. In this area of the West Rand we have 24 churches and companies shepherded by one African pastor."

I asked Pastor Rees the purpose of his visit to this church. He replied: "To educate the saints to come together and take God as a partner by making a covenant with Him through sacrifice, and also to help the believers to see that they have a battle with selfishness and that there is something they can do about winning this battle."

We arrived at the school and took our places among the congregation. After listening to a rousing Sabbath-school lesson and being inspired by the way the children came marching in singing their

Sabbath-school songs, it was time for divine worship when Pastor Rees was to speak to us. The title of the subject he chose was "God Must Be First." During his sermon, he used an illustration from Isaiah 44:16, 17, which made a very deep impression on me. He said: "Here we have the story of a heathen man who cuts down a tree and makes a fire from its branches and trunk. With this fire he cooks his meal and warms himself. Feeling contented, with his physical needs satisfied, he looks around and finds a piece of wood that has not been consumed in the fire. From this he carves a god, then he bows down and worships it and says to it: 'Deliver me, for thou art my god.'

"Is this not stupid? There might have been some sense in it if he had made his god first and used the scraps to make his fire to cook his meal and warm himself, but he made his god of what was left over, using just the scraps. This poor man and his personal needs came first and his god came last. We feel very sorry for him, but what difference is there between this heathen and Christians, if our God, too, comes last? We do everything to take care of ourselves, and after that is done, we give God what is left



A Most Urgent Appeal!

We are urgently in need of teachers in several of our training schools and other institutions both in the Republic of South Africa and in the mission Unions.

This is an earnest appeal to some of our dedicated Adventist teachers now serving in government or "outside" private schools to consider joining the ranks of the Lord's army by helping us fill some of these urgent calls.

If the Lord speaks to your heart and you would be willing to serve your God and your church as a teacher, please write to me soon.

Robert H. Pierson,
P. O. Box H.G. 100, Highlands
Salisbury, Rhodesia.



over—of our time, our talents, our love, our money, our energy. Are we any different?"

As I pondered Pastor Rees' question: "Are we any different?", I knew in my heart that I was not. Jesus wants us to be different. I realized that we should and could be different in Christ. I felt sure that others were thinking along similar lines and that this was the time ordained by God for us to cut the strings of selfishness that tie us to this earth so that we could be free to receive His Spirit and the power which He is wanting to give to His church.

In the afternoon Pastor Rees conducted another service. He laid out before us God's plans for the expansion of His work on earth and our part in these plans. His talk was entitled "Go Forward" and was based on Exodus 14:15, where God asks His people to go forward in His work in spite of seeming impossibilities, such as crossing the Red Sea and going through the waters of the Jordan River. Pastor Rees said: "When God has a plan it is certain that He will see it is successfully accomplished. There are four things that we can be sure of whenever God has a plan for His children:

1. He knows how the job is to be done.
2. He has the people to do it.
3. He will furnish the skills needed to accomplish it.
4. He has already provided for the money to do the job.

What is holding us back, then? The only things we need are vision and faith in God that He is waiting for us to move forward into partnership with Him and that as His stewards we can go forward, trusting Him and knowing that He will provide."

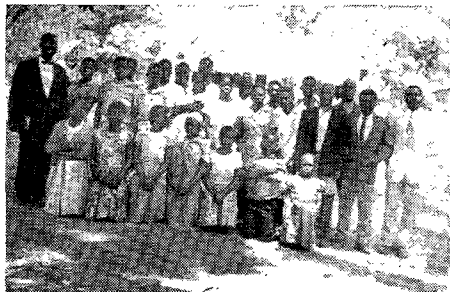
It was most heart-warming to see many of our people respond to this injunction by indicating their willingness to enter into partnership with God and make a commitment by laying aside what they could each month for the building of God's house.

The conditions for entering into this partnership with God are as follows:

1. We must live a Christlike life.
2. We must pray daily that He will make it possible for us to carry out our commitment.
3. Our commitment must be entered into willingly, cheerfully and freely.

Where God's people have followed this plan of stewardship the Lord has blessed in a rich measure and His work is progressing in a remarkable way. May He help us to accept this new concept of living for Christ to-day.

Branch Sabbath Schools



"Branch Sabbath-school leads large group into decisions to follow Christ and to join the baptismal class," reports Pastor S. G. Kamwendo, Malamulo Church, Malawi.

The picture above includes a portion of the students who made the forward step at a recent camp-meeting.

Each week at 8:00 a.m., deacons and church leaders conduct several branch Sabbath-schools. Cycling to their destination, they meet with the people and return in time for the regular Sabbath-school.

Challenging? Yes, and rewarding.

—P. J. SALHANY,
SEAU Departmental Secretary.

I Paid My Tithe — and

"I am twenty-nine years old. My parents are Adventists, but for different reasons I did not respond to the call of God until recently. In fact, I was only baptized at the beginning of this year.

"I have been in a tuberculosis sanatorium for five years—at first in France, where I have always lived, then in Switzerland. For lack of resources I have not paid tithe.

"Recently I have received some money as a gift, and I have also been able to sell some things which I had made myself, so I decided to pay tithe (on the whole), which was ten Swiss francs. Having permission to go to church on Sabbath morning, I was very happy to go there and place this sum in an envelope.

"On Monday, just two days after, I received a money order for one thousand Swiss francs covering my invalid pension which I had not been able to have for three years. This was suspended because I had left France during the war, in 1944 and now it was coming as a reimbursement for all the back payments that were due.

"Is this not truly a marvellous blessing?"

As for me, I see in it a certain proof that if one serves God faithfully, if one returns willingly the part that is due to Him on that which He gives, one receives rich blessings.

"It is with joy that I give you this testimony and send you my sincere greetings. France."—*Review and Herald*, October 23, 1947. *Your Stewardship and Mine*, page 136.

BIBLE SOCIETY DAY AND OFFERING

October 9, 1965

Excerpts from *News and Views*, No. 79, July 23, 1965.

"Can't Keep a Bible in Stock"—Congo.

"The following extract from a letter written on July 16 by Miss K. L. Holmes-Libbis, assistant to the Rev. A. W. Marthinson of the Bible Societies in the Congo, reveals something of the present situation in that country:

"There seems to be a new spirit and new life in the Congo recently, and plans are going ahead in the Protestant missions and churches for a wide evangelistic campaign for Leopoldville. Although every church is packed to overflowing for every service, it is estimated that at least 90 per cent of the population is unevangelized. What a breath-taking challenge! If only the Scriptures could be produced more quickly. We just can't keep a Lingala Testament or Tshiluba Bible in stock! Down in the Kasai I was just besieged with people pleading for the Word of God, and in some of the big centres, the people were actually accusing the missionaries of withholding the Scriptures from them, there is such a shortage. Unfortunately, the Tshiluba Bible took seven months to reach the Congo from the time it left the packers, but it has shown us just how desperately these people who have suffered so much need God's Word."

"Facing the Challenge of the New Age in South Africa.

"The Bible Societies of the world are sparing no effort in their determination to meet ever more effectively the challenge of providing Scriptures for the people of this new age. In order to play its part in this effort, which finds its expression in the 'God's Word for a New Age' campaign to treble world Scripture circulation, the Bible Society of South Africa is expanding its work and strengthening its structure.

"Production in South Africa.

"Last year, the Bible Society produced locally over 760,000 Gospels, 100,000 Illustrated Gospels of Luke in Afrikaans, and 100,000 copies of 'The Prodigal Son' in Afrikaans, Suto, Xhosa, and Zulu. The society is at present in the process of publishing an inexpensive New Testament in seven vernacular languages with plastic covers, which will sell at 15c per copy. The Suto Bible has already been printed in South Africa.

"Distribution in South Africa.

"Distribution in South Africa last year totalled 843,000 Bibles, New Testaments and Portions (in 82 languages)—over one third of them Bibles—for a population of only 16 million people. Over half the circulation is in the vernaculars."

Support the Bible Society on October 9

Have You Considered This Privilege God Has Given You?

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their own standpoint, and not according to the mind of God. Property is often bequeathed to children and grandchildren only to their injury. They have no love for God or for the truth, and therefore this means, all of which is the Lord's, passes into Satan's ranks, to be controlled by him. Satan is much more vigilant, keen-sighted, and skilful in devising ways to secure means to himself than our brethren are to secure the Lord's own to His cause. Some wills are made in so loose a manner that they will not stand the test of the law, and thus thousands of dollars have been lost to the cause. Our brethren should feel that a responsibility rests upon them, as faithful servants in the cause of God, to exercise their intellect in regard to this matter, and secure to the Lord His own.

Many manifest a needless delicacy on this point. They feel that they are stepping upon forbidden ground when they introduce the subject of property to the aged or to invalids in order to learn what disposition they design to make of it. But this duty is just as sacred as the duty to preach the Word to save souls. Here is a man with God's money or property in his hands. He is about to change his stewardship. Will he place the means which God has lent him to be used in His cause, in the hands of wicked men, just because these are relatives? Should not Christian men feel interested and anxious, for that man's future good as well as for the interest of God's cause, that he shall make a right disposition of his Lord's money, the talents lent him for wise improvement? Will his brethren stand by, and see him losing his hold on this life, and at the same time robbing the treasury of God? This would be a fearful loss to himself and to the cause; for, by placing his talent of means in the hands of those who have no regard for the truth of God, he would, to all intents and purposes, be wrapping it in a napkin and hiding it in the earth.

The Lord would have His followers dispense their means while they can do it themselves. Some may inquire, "Must we actually dispossess ourselves of everything which we call our own?" We may not be required to do this now; but we must be willing to do so for Christ's sake. We must acknowledge that our possessions are absolutely His, by using of them freely whenever means is needed to advance His cause. Some close their ears to the calls made for money to be

used in sending missionaries to foreign countries, and in publishing the truth and scattering it like autumn leaves all over the world. Such excuse their covetousness by informing you that they have made arrangements to be charitable at death. They have considered the cause of God in their wills. Therefore they live a life of avarice, robbing God in tithes and in offerings, and in their wills return to God but a small portion of that which He has lent them, while a very large proportion is appropriated to relatives who have no interest in the truth. This is the worst kind of robbery. They rob God of His just dues, not only all through life, but also at death.

It is utter folly to defer to make a preparation for the future life until nearly the last hour of the present life. It is also a great mistake to defer to answer the claims of God for liberality to His cause until the time comes when you are to shift your stewardship upon others. Those to whom you entrust your talents of means may not do as well with them as you have done. How dare rich men run so great risks! Those who wait till death before they make a disposition of their property, surrender it to death rather than to God. In so doing, many are acting contrary to the plan of God plainly stated in His Word. If they would do good, they must seize the present golden moments, and labour with all their might, as if fearful that they may lose the favourable opportunity.

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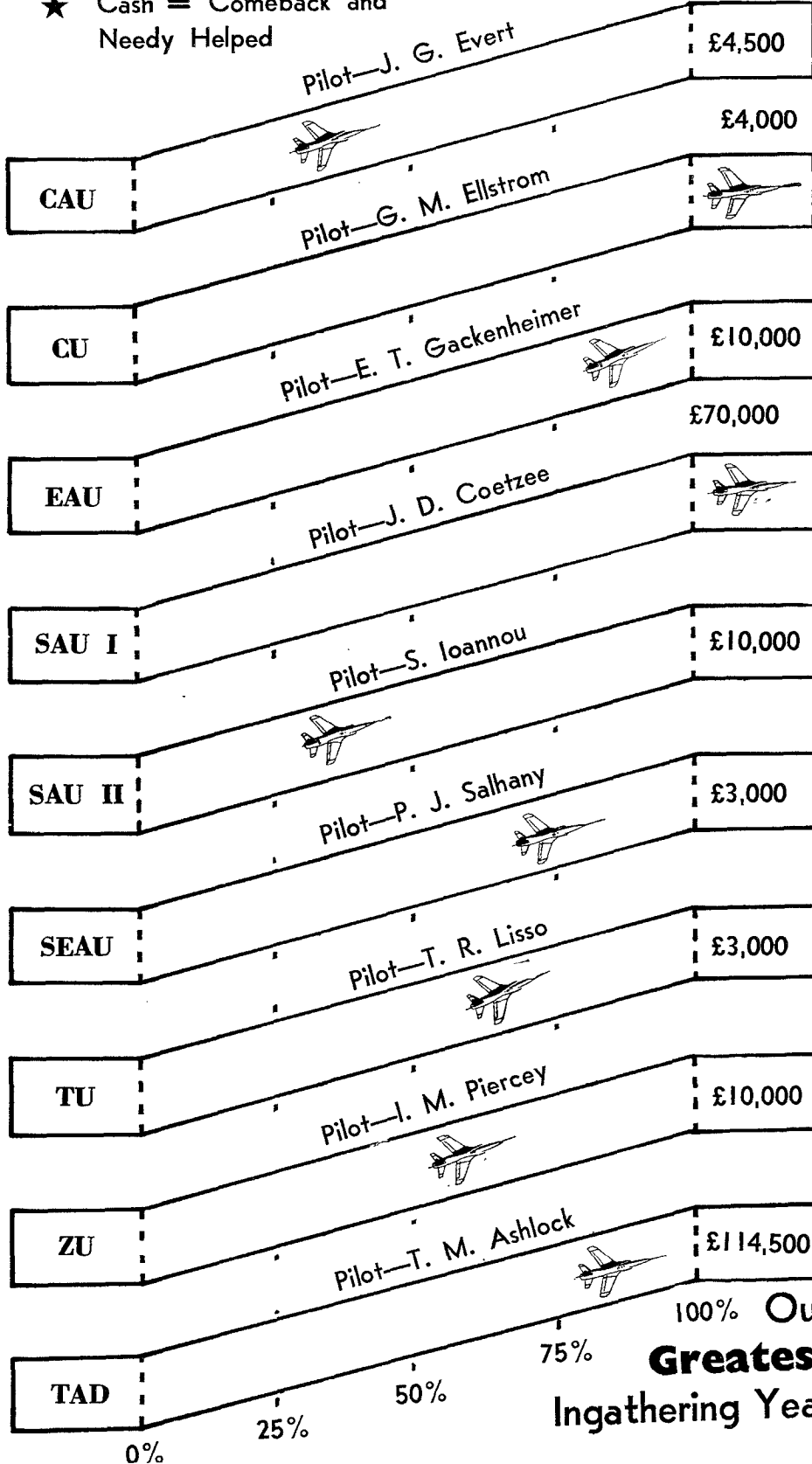
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Tabora	6.42	6.41	6.40	6.38	6.39

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SPIRITUAL INGATHERING, 1965

- MORE ★ Participation = Churches Revived
- ★ Contacts = Souls Won
- ★ Cash = Comeback and Needy Helped



From Hither and Yon

At the close of the second quarter of this year, our church membership stood at 234,816 with 127,798 in preparatory classes, giving us a total of 362,614 adherents.

Miss Gillian Richard from Australia is on loan to the Zambesi Union office, serving as secretary to the president. Miss Richard's permanent appointment is in the East African Union office in Nairobi, to which position she will be going at the beginning of the year.

Quoting from the Zambesi Union Tidings: "Construction of buildings for the new Rusangu Secondary school is now well under way. Brother W. Roberts and his family have come to us from Malawi to supervise building operations. Pastor and Mrs. Duane Breneman have been transferred from Liumba Hill to Rusangu to care for the business and clerical side of the programme."

Princes in Israel at Rest

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Our Tribute

The writer. The internment was at Solusi College where many of our pioneers lie sleeping. Pastor Fares Muganda of Tanzania assisted Pastors Pierson, Reinhard, and Bannister.

Brother Hyde leaves to mourn his wife, one son, Clarence, and a daughter, Mrs. Bartter, beside a host of relatives and friends.

—PIETER H. COETZEE.

Helderberg's Tribute

He was cut down suddenly at the height of his usefulness and in the prime of his powers on August 10, 1965. The funeral sermon was preached by Pastor R. H. Pierson, chairman of the College Board, in the auditorium at Helderberg. And later Brother van Eck was laid to rest in the college cemetery. Attending these services were the Mayor and Town Clerk of Somerset West, members of the Rotary Club, the staff and students of the college, and a large number of workers and members from the Peninsula.

He leaves to mourn his loss his beloved wife, his son, Errol, and his daughter Renee with her husband and baby son, his aged mother, a brother and a sister, other relatives and a host of friends.

—E. J. STEVENSON.

THANKS

Mrs. C. T. J. Hyde and Clarence wish to thank all the friends who so lovingly sent messages of sympathy to them during their recent bereavement. This evidence of Christian fellowship has comforted and strengthened them and created an even closer bond between them and the members in Trans-Africa to whom Pastor and Mrs. Hyde have given thirty-five years of dedicated service.

Mrs. Hyde and Clarence are leaving very shortly for overseas and wish all kind friends to accept this statement as an expression of their appreciation for letters, telegrams, wreaths, and messages of sympathy.

—Ed.

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