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## General Conference Radio Secretary Tours Nigeria and Ghana

By Roger W. Coon, Radio Department Secretary  
West African Union Mission

Literally thousands of people in Nigeria and Ghana have been made aware of the presence and activities of Seventh-day Adventists in those countries as a result of the tremendous newspaper and radio publicity coverage given during the recent visit of our General Conference Radio Department Secretary, Pastor Elmer R. Walde.

Pastor Walde arrived in Accra by air from Washington on September 16th, and immediately departed for an extensive itinerary in Nigeria. On the 18th a party consisting of Pastor Walde, Pastor Roger W. Coon of the West African Union, Pastor A. J. Dickay, president of the East Nigerian Mission, and Pastor J. N. Imebuogu, local district leader, contacted the Hon. Mr. O. U. Affiah, East Nigerian Minister of State, at the capital city of Enugu, and also officials of the regional Ministry of Internal Affairs.

Following these appointments a press conference was scheduled at the Enugu Catering Rest House which was attended by more than a half-dozen newspaper reporters and photographers. The Chairman of the East Nigerian Information Services, Mr. Disu, requested a personal interview with Pastor Walde, and sent his personal car around to bring him to the E.N.I.S. office.

At 1 p.m. the party were invited to meet with Dr. the Hon. Nnamdi Azikiwe, Prime Minister of Eastern Nigeria, at the Premier's lodge. As Pastor Walde was conducting a survey in connection with the request of

the West African Union Committee regarding the questions of finding suitable Radio facilities somewhere in West Africa from which Seventh-day Adventist messages could be broadcast, he broached this subject with Dr. Azikiwe. The Premier expressed great interest in the proposed project, and stated his government would co-operate in every possible way. He pointed out, however, that any final decision would rest with the Federal authorities in Lagos.

Dr. Azikiwe further revealed his government's intentions to erect a radio station of their own at Enugu in the near future, and he stated that if the other plans failed to materialise it might be possible for the new government station to co-operate with Mission in its programme of reaching the multitudes by every possible means.

The Premier expressed appreciation for the high quality of The Voice of Prophecy broadcast which until recently was aired from Radio Ceylon. He was a frequent listener, he added, and had several times written for copies of the sermons by Pastor Richards.

He also spoke very favourably of the educational and medical work of Seventh-day Adventists in his Region and also in other parts of Nigeria. Upon learning that Pastor A. J. Dickay was the first West African to be made a president of a local mission in this union, Dr. Azikiwe immediately arose from behind his desk and extended his hand to Pastor Dickay in congratulations,

This same evening a Voice of Prophecy rally was held in the Enugu S. D. A. Church which could not begin to contain the vast number of people who came to hear Pastor Walde speak.

The following day Pastor Walde inspected the Nigerian Training College and Adventist High School at Ihie, Nbwasi, and addressed the students of the teacher training, secondary, and advanced evangelism departments in the college church. That evening a second V.O.P. rally was held in the Aba Church, attended by many influential people of the area including the editor of the *Eastern State Express* and an official of the African Continental Bank, Aba.

Sabbath, September 21st found Pastor Walde in Ibadan where he spoke at the worship service in the Oke-Bola church in the morning. In the evening a V.O.P. rally was held in the new, ultra-modern Obesisan Hall adjoining the Co-operative Bank of Western Nigeria Ltd. This was the first public meeting of its kind to be held in the new auditorium, and chairs had to be rented for the main floor since the ones ordered by the bank had not yet arrived. A large and responsive audience gathered despite the fact that Saturday evening is not particularly conducive to holding meetings of any kind, and the threat of inclement weather. Sunday evening the final Nigerian rally was held in Glover Memorial Hall. Nearly one hundred percent of the audience were either students or graduates of The Voice of Prophecy's West African Branch.

On Tuesday, September 24th Pastor Walde contacted government officials in Accra, and was interviewed later in the morning by Mr. Edward Ankrah by tape recorder for later release on the "People in the News" programme on Radio Ghana. In the afternoon Pastor Walde opened a church officer's convention for five districts in Southern Ghana at the Accra Church, and in the evening he held his last West African V.O.P. rally in the Accra Community Centre. A few hours later, at 3.30 a.m. on Wednesday, the 25th, Pastor Walde boarded a Pan American Clipper at Accra airport for Leopoldville en route to Madagascar to continue his three-month tour of the African continent. He will visit Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika, and the Union of South Africa before returning to his Washington office in Mid-December.

A number of press conferences and radio interviews were scheduled during Pastor Walde's visit, with the result that the news-

papers and radio news broadcasts throughout Nigeria and Ghana carried a continuous barrage of news and information on the tour for the full eight days.

We bespeak for Pastor Walde the Lord's continued blessing and protection as he leaves West Africa for other parts of the Lord's African vineyard. Only in the kingdom of heaven will we know fully the results of his many lectures and speaking appointments among us.

## Yele Church Building Dedication

By Howard J. Welch, President,  
West African Union Mission

While returning from the Northern European Division Committee meeting in England, it was my privilege to stop in Sierra Leone and visit the brethren at the headquarters at Bo, and also several other stations in the Mission. Sabbath, 23rd November was spent at Yele, where we joined with the Church in dedicating their new Church building. All of the Sierra Leone Mission Timne pastors and many members from surrounding churches came to join with the Yele Church in this joyous and solemn occasion.

As we arrived at Yele in company with Brother John Muderspach, Secretary-Treasurer of the Mission, we found that a neat and well made palm branch booth had been constructed by the side of the Church and a large group of members were already assembling for Sabbath School. The new building itself was kept closed awaiting the time for the opening ceremony.

After an interesting and well conducted Sabbath School had closed, everyone assembled before the front entrance of the new Church. To the Paramount Chief who was accompanied by his regian went the honour of opening the main door. One by one the names of other prominent guests were called and they came forward to open the other doors and windows. The congregation then filed into the new Church, filling every seat, and overflowing to places outside doors and windows where they could see and hear. The Yele Church members very hospitably gave their guests from other churches the choice seats inside the building.

All the ordained ministers accompanied the platform party as they marched in reverently and knelt in silent prayer. Pastor A. O. Kennick, leader of the district, was in charge of the programme, making the

needed announcements and introductions. Scripture portions were read as follows: Psalms 22 in the Timne language by Evangelist J. A. Myers and extracts from II Chronicles 6 in English, by Pastor J. S. Moyers, leader of the Bo district. Pastor J. B. Leigh from Freetown, offered the opening prayer.

After two special music contributions were given, one by the Matamp Church in Timne and one by the Bo Church in Mende, the writer was privileged to address the congregation. The message was based upon the words of Exodus 25:8. "And let them make Me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them." He pointed out that God does not need to dwell in "Temples made with hands" but that He delights to dwell in the loving hearts of His people when they are yielded to Him. What love is demonstrated by trusting obedience. "If ye love Me keep My commandments" John 14:15. Before God can grace the dedicated house with His presence the hearts of those who worship therein must also be fully dedicated and yielded to Him. The sermon closed with a call for renewed consecration to which the congregation responded by rising to their feet.

Next came the formal solemn act of dedication followed by a fervent prayer of dedication offered by Pastor S. C. Nichol.

In the afternoon after a short break for rest and lunch, we all went to the nearby river where Pastor Kennick buried ten new members in the waters of baptism. Five of these were from the Yele Church, the other five were from the district. Surely this was a happy ending to a very important and joyous day in the Sierra Leone Mission. We pray that there may be many, many more such occasions in Sierra Leone.

## Little Thankful Hearts

By N. K. Gyimah, Head Teacher,

S.D.A. Primary School, South Suntresu, Kumasi, Ghana

True it was, and is today, and will ever be, the testimony which Christ gave of children that "The Kingdom of God is theirs." Those who are privileged to work among children know how true it is, and the warning it gives, to the adult. Perhaps, if the old could show their love for God's work as the children of the South Suntresu Seventh-day Adventist School have done, the spirit of the Lord would be poured out more abundantly as it ever before has been, and His coming would no longer be delayed.

This school, which had for many years been housed in the S. D. A. Church at Asante New Town, Kumasi, was transferred into its new six-class-room block with office and store at South Suntresu, at the beginning of this year, 1957. The children brought from our own school were very few and as such, the headteacher, Mr. N. K. Gyimah, had to admit new children to fill the vacant places in the classes. We had a difficulty. All the new children had homes with different religious background, and to get them accustomed to our Adventist principles of education was a bit of a problem. With patience and prayers, always drawing their attention and minds to the saying that "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom," we soon found them interested in us and our beliefs, and listening to our Bible lessons with keen interest. The result of our prayers and work was manifested during the school week which started from Monday, the 11th to Friday, the 15th of November. During this "Week of Prayer," perhaps the first of its kind to many of the children, it was marvellous to hear these children praying and singing praises to God in their "Prayer Bands." The need to thank God for keeping us fit throughout the year was put to them and how they responded was very encouraging and inspiring. Their little hearts were full of thanks to their Lord.

The children readily planned with their teachers as to how they could make the Harvest Thanksgiving Festival a success. Apart from what they were to put in the envelopes which were given them, some of them volunteered to give up their pennies for meals to help the cause of God. They contributed pennies every morning and put them in the special "Harvest Envelopes" which they had made. On Friday, the 15th, we conducted the Harvest Thanksgiving Festival and the amount raised in that afternoon was (£14 7s. 5d.) Fourteen pounds, seven shillings and five pence.

We are grateful that our work has not been in vain. We hope that the spiritual seed implanted in these children will germinate and bear fruits of good impression of the sort of training they have acquired from our school wherever they may go. And we still pray that as the years go by and the Lord's coming draws nigh, these children may grow in the light of God, to be faithful and strong in His wisdom and be among those who wait for the glorious appearance of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

# When Feelings

By Arnold

Lying under a juniper tree a day's journey out of Beer-sheba, Elijah was downcast. He was discouraged unto death, and called upon God to take his life! (1 Kings 19:4.)

Most persons, including Christians, have at some time found themselves in the slough of despondency as did Elijah. In a whirl of events, conditions might have changed so quickly and abruptly that even they themselves did not fully realize how they had been catapulted into such a state of discouragement. Such was Elijah's condition.

The Bible nowhere exhorts us to be discouraged or gloomy, even though some, like the little lad, are prone to confuse discouragement with piety! With his father a boy was looking at a mule, when he rather unexpectedly confided to his father, "That mule must be a good Christian." "Why do you think so, my son?" the father queried. "Because he has such a long face," came the spontaneous answer from his son.

This well-known story reveals a rather common conception held by many Christians; namely, that a long face or a gloomy disposition is a label of sainthood, or of a good Christian character.

"The enemy is well pleased to have souls depressed, downcast, mourning and groaning; he wants just such impressions made as to the effect of our faith."—*Testimonies*, vol. 6, page 366.

Instead of looking upon God as a source of joy and as a kind Father who delights in seeing His earthborn children happy, Satan has been able to delude men into thinking that God rejoices when His followers are sorrowful and gloomy. Many Christians, trying to justify their perennial moroseness, say that Jesus never laughed. But the servant of the Lord tells us, "Christ was often heard singing hymns of praise; and yet I have heard persons say, 'Christ never smiled.' How mistaken their ideas in regard to the Saviour! There was joy in His heart."—*The Review and Herald*, Nov. 11, 1902.

Jesus, while on earth, was not morose or gloomy. "He was bright and cheerful" "and shed about Him the light of a cheerful piety."—*The Desire of Ages*, pages 89, 86. Neither does Jesus wish His sisters and brothers here below to be long-faced. "The Lord would have all His sons and daughters happy, peaceful, and obedient."—*Steps to Christ* (Pocket ed.), page 124.

"It is the duty of God's children to be cheerful. They should encourage a happy frame of mind. God cannot be glorified by His children living continually under a cloud

and casting a shadow wherever they go. The Christian should cast sunshine instead of shadow."—Ellen G. White in *The Review and Herald*, April 28, 1859.

It certainly was not God's purpose that Elijah should be downcast and discouraged! According to God's plan, at the very time of his despondency, Elijah should have been stepping into "the wonderful opportunities opening before him" after his victory on Mount Carmel.

Holy Writ repeatedly admonishes us to be of good courage and not fearful. Where the Holy Spirit is there is courage; the fullness of the Holy Spirit and discouragement are mutually exclusive. Following the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, it says of the early Christians that "they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness" (Acts 4:31). Filled with the Holy Spirit, the early Christians possessed courage even though they lived amid the adversities of persecution! "It is Satan's work to discourage the soul; it is Christ's work to inspire with faith and hope."—*The Desire of Ages*, page 249.

The divine counsel is, "Never allow yourself to talk in a hopeless, discouraged way. If you do you lose much."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, page 147.

Gloomy sentiments will never be dispelled by taking a holiday for misery. Acquiescence to gloom will only make the clouds heavier. And really you are doing service for Satan while you are discouraged since "a discouraged soul is a body of darkness, not only failing himself to receive the light of God, but shutting it away from others. Satan loves to see the effect of the pictures of his triumphs, making human beings faithless and disheartened."—*Testimonies*, vol. 5, pages 744, 745.

Our feelings and moods are usually nothing but a reflection of our thoughts. "If the thoughts are wrong, the feelings will be wrong, and the thoughts and feelings combined make up the moral character. When you decide that as Christians you are not required to restrain your thoughts and feelings you are brought under the influence of evil angels and invite their presence and their control. If you yield to your impressions and allow your thoughts to run in a

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channel of suspicion, doubt, and repining you will be among the most unhappy of mortals, and your lives will prove a failure."—*Ibid.*, page 310.

Thus, if we have suddenly been overwhelmed by dismal, discouraging thoughts, and are thus downhearted, these thoughts must be eliminated from our thinking.

I recall the old chimney sweep who used to come around back in the days when we did our cooking and heated our homes with coal and wood. Dressed in his black, sooty uniform with a small skullcap on his head, he would take his ropes and weights and get up on the roof. When he had reached the top of the chimney he would attach a weight to his rope and let it down the chimney pipe. Soon the rope would be down in the kitchen vent or in the fireplace in the living room. He would then have his helper attach a chimney brush to his rope. As he pulled the rope with the attached brush up through the chimney the soot and the particles of ashes that had been borne upward on the wings of the smoke and fastened themselves to the inside of the flue would be rudely removed and fall down into the fireplace. After he had pulled his brushes up through the chimney a few times the soot and ashes would be removed, and the chimney once again would be clean and clear, permitting a better draft for the smoke and the fire below.

As the chimney got clogged with soot and ashes, so your mind and mine at times get clogged with downcast feelings and discouragement. These despondent thoughts and sentiments must be removed lest we fall victims to Satan's allurements, the entering wedge of which is often discouragement.

The brushes for the removal of discouraging thoughts and gloomy feelings from the mind are the Bible promises. The Bible is replete with texts that will accomplish this. The words of the gospel prophet Isaiah will do it. "For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded; therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed" (Isa. 50:7). "Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my

righteousness" (Isa. 41:10). Paul's clarion call to victory in Romans 8:31, 32 will do it: "If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?"

Philippians 4:19 is reassuring, "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus" and God's declaration of continued love in Jeremiah 31:3: "Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love." As such promises from the Word of God are repeated the thoughts of discouragement will vanish. It is impossible to reiterate these promises by a loving and almighty heavenly Father and be downcast at the same time. The reason "why discouragement so often exists among the professed followers of Christ" is that we have "become absorbed in worldly things so that we have no thought for Him in whom our hope of eternal life is centered."—*The Desire of Ages*, page 83.

## Repeat God's Promises

It might be necessary to repeat these texts over and over again, since the soot of discouragement has a firm lodging in the mind. But as you cling to God by reiterating His promises, discouragement and fear will give place to a feeling of courage and confidence. Intersperse between these promises songs of praise to God, because "song is a weapon that we can always use against discouragement."—*The Ministry of Healing*, page 254. Thus you will defeat Satan and be victorious for Jesus.

"Despondency is sinful and unreasonable."—*Prophets and Kings*, page 164. The prophet Elijah proved it. Queen Jezebel had vowed to kill him, and Elijah fled for his life. But in the desert of Beer-sheba he cried unto God to take his life. But if that were his inmost desire, he should have remained at Jezreel, the capital of Israel, and wicked Jezebel would gladly have fulfilled his prayer! Indeed, despair is unreasonable!

Do you know how many hairs remained in the comb as you combed your hair this morning? You don't? God *does*. He even knows how many you have left (Matt. 10:30). As you are ready to retire for the night, do you know how many times you have laughed or smiled during the day? Again you admit you don't know. But God *does*. "Thou tellest my wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle: are they not in thy book?" (Ps. 56:8). All the tears you have shed during the course of the day, as well as every smile that has passed over your

face, are recorded in God's ledger. "No tears are shed that God does not notice. There is no smile that He does not mark."—*Steps to Christ* (Pocket ed.), page 86.

I recall my first trip across the North Sea. Our ship left Gothenburg, Sweden, about 6:00 p.m., on a beautiful autumn evening. The sea lay still, and its wide expanses intrigued me. But a few hours out of harbour darkness descended upon us. With darkness came rough seas. Before long many of us were seasick. I too lay in my berth completely apathetic, rolling from one side to the other with the rocking of the ship. I did not feel well. But even though I did not feel comfortable, the ship was still underneath me. It safely bore me over the turbulent waters.

So it is with God and His power. Even though our feelings are not pleasant at all times, because of unfavourable circumstances that have rushed in upon us, we know that we are still the objects of God's love and power. "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms" (Deut. 33:27).

"Those professed Christians who are constantly whining and complaining, and who seem to think happiness and a cheerful countenance a sin, have not the genuine article of religion."—*Testimonies*, vol. 3, page 334.

It is said that once when the great sixteenth-century reformer Luther was discouraged his wife came into his workroom all dressed in black. Luther asked Katie why she was thus dressed, as if in mourning and she said, "Have you not heard that God is dead? Really we have reason to be discouraged because everything is lost, since we now have no Helper." Luther instantly caught the point, and wrested himself away from Satan's vice of discouragement.

In my years of association with young people I have never yet met one who was simultaneously deeply in love and also downcast. Love for a young woman or young man apparently did not tolerate downcast feelings. More than once did I venture to tell the youthful lovers that it would not be so easy financially to get married and also pursue an educational career at the same time. Never once did such a plea make any impact upon the lovers' thinking.

Friend, are you deeply in love with God, or has your fervour tapered off? Remember, your habitual mood will tell, because "the life in which the fear of the Lord is cherished will not be a life of sadness and gloom."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, page 162.

## Fruit of the Church Officers' Convention

By E. N. Tendadu, Church Elder, Begoro, Ghana

After the closing of the Church Elders Convention which was held in Accra, from the 24th to 27th of September, 1957, I was visiting some stores with my Brother Daniel K. Awuah, when in a small trader's store we found the storekeeper quarrelling with his wife. Two other men were trying to reconcile them, but the husband was vehemently opposed to the advice of his two friends, and he was asking his wife to leave him and go to her town. As the woman was then weeping, I felt sad for her condition. I felt I ought to do something to help them in their difficulties. In delivering a fatherly counsel to them, I started from the creation of man and woman and how they were asked to live peacefully and in love, as the same love caused the Father to send His begotten Son for our deliverance, I then admonished them to seek after God.

The short message worked like a magic. They thanked me and promised to live peacefully. In conclusion we had a brief prayer, asking God's blessing upon them. One hour later as we passed by, I heard behind me a call "please elder." It was the husband who was calling me. He gave me a very large and pretty towel to indicate his appreciation of my counsel and prayer.

I thank the Lord for the instructions we received from the Church Officers' Convention which have brought great blessings to me and have made me a blessing to others.

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## Ingathering Is Really Our Opportunity

By M. Adam, Teacher, East Nigeria

For more than eight years now I have been going out collecting funds into God's treasury during Harvest Ingathering campaigns. During this time, God has helped me to acquaint many with the name of our denomination. My experiences proved that Ingathering is our opportunity and privilege. May I tell you some of my most thrilling experiences during the last year:

It was on the official campaign day for East Nigeria, when after a season of prayer with faculty and students, I went out and called on one school. After my appeal to both teachers and pupils one teacher said

that he had never heard of the name Seventh-day Adventist. In brief, I explained some of the mission's activities in West Africa. With the help of the Ingathering pamphlet I was able to show him the progress of our work right here in Nigeria. Other teachers expressed their interest and the result was a most encouraging collection from that whole school.

In contacting the headmaster of a school in which my brother is teaching, I discovered that he is a Voice of Prophecy student with already one certificate and preparing to study the next course. He told me that he signed a bond to keep the Sabbath and that he is expecting a Voice of Prophecy representative. Permission to speak to his teachers was readily given.

After visiting another headmaster, I was asked to repeat my call, only to find that he could not give anything when I returned. However, he promised to send his donation. And he did. The next day I received the following letter:

"I remit herewith through the bearer the sum of six shillings and seven pence (6/7d.) being the voluntary donation from our school."

Can you see the reason, why it is better to go out and contact people who are interested and willing to give, as to pay the sum of the set goal yourself.

Let us all do our part for the progress of God's work according to His will.

## Liberian Mission Camp-Meeting

By M. T. Battle, President, Liberian Mission

The first Camp Meeting for the Liberian Mission was held at the Konola Seventh-day Adventist Training School on December 6-8. By foot, canoe, truck, auto and plane; workers, teachers, and members arrived for this spiritual gathering. Four tribal speaking groups were represented. More than twenty-five Sabbath Schools answered to the roll call on Sabbath morning. There was representation from every organized church in the Liberian Mission.

The first service began on Friday night and the camp meeting ended with the final message on December 8 at noon. Throughout the entire encampment enthusiasm was high. The varied services included the early morning prayer and praise meeting, the Educational period, the Medical hour, the

## A Way to a Happy Year

To leave the old with a burst of song,  
To recall the right and forgive the wrong;  
To forget the thing that binds you fast  
To vain regrets of the year that's past;  
To have the strength to let go your hold  
Of the not worthwhile of the days grown old,  
To dare go forth with a purpose true,  
To the unknown task of the year that's new;  
To help your brother along the road  
To do his work and lift his load;  
To add your gift to the world's good cheer,  
Is to have and to give a Happy New Year.

—Robert Brewster Beattie, in "Uplift."

Quoted in "Sunshine Magazine."

Laymen's hour and the Evangelistic service. The Missionary Volunteers on Sabbath afternoon rendered a splendid programme. One special feature of the camp meeting was a big Baptism on Sabbath afternoon at which time twenty-three candidates were baptized. These souls were the fruits of the evangelists in the Konola area. Another special feature was the Workers and Teachers Symposium on Sabbath afternoon. During this service each worker and teacher rendered a report concerning his activities and accomplishments during the year 1957. These reports were enjoyed by all.

Outstanding guests attending the camp meeting were Dr. T. R. Flaiz, Medical Secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist, Washington, D.C., Pastor H. J. Welch, President of the West African Union of Seventh-day Adventist, Accra, Ghana, and Dr. S. Nagel, Medical Secretary of the West African Union. These men of God gave outstanding Christian counsel and guidance during the entire camp-meeting.

It was quite evident that the believers as well as the workers received much inspiration as well as spiritual help during the encampment. The central theme throughout the camp-meeting was centered on the nearness of the coming of the Lord and the part that each worker, church officer and laymen should play in proclaiming the gospel in the Republic of Liberia.

## News Notes

✘ Pastor A. F. Tarr, President of the Northern European Division arrived in Ghana during the latter part of December to attend the Ghana Mission Constituency Meeting and the West African Union Full Committee.

✘ Pastor G. A. Lindsay, Treasurer of the Northern European Division arrived in East Nigeria on December 8 to attend Camp Meetings in that field together with Pastor Keslake.

✘ During November Pastor Welch attended the Autumn Committee meetings of the Northern European Division in England. On his return he visited Sierra Leone and Liberia for Camp meetings and a Liberian Workers Council.

✘ The staff of Ife Hospital were glad to welcome back Dr. and Mrs. Peterson and family in October and Miss Esther Mae Rose in November who have returned from their leave in the United States of America. We wish them much of God's blessings as they take up their duties once more at the hospital.

✘ Miss Amy Horder returned to Kwahu Hospital in November after her leave in England. Our best wishes go to her as she resumes her work as Director of the School of Nursing.

## Voice of Prophecy Needs Workers

A limited number of vacancies exist in the office of The Voice of Prophecy Bible Correspondence School. Individuals desiring employment who have had training (and preferably experience) in clerical routine, typewriting, or accountancy are invited to write to the Principal if they meet the following qualifications:

1. Because of leave and repatriation considerations, only residents of Nigeria are being considered at this time.

2. Applicants must be 16 years of age or older, baptized members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and must have passed Standard VI or Primary VI. Both male and female applicants will be considered.

In writing your letter of application please send an *Original* copy of (a) a testimonial from your pastor or district leader, and (b) a testimonial from the headmaster or principal of the last school attended. Send *Copies* only of (a) all school certificates held, and (b) all testimonials from former employers.

Write direct to The Principal, The Voice of Prophecy, Private Mail Bag, Ibadan, Nigeria. Endorse the cover of the envelope: Employment Application. Do *not* come to the office in person until requested to call for interview.

## Ife Hospital Fall Week of Prayer

By Sherman A. Nagel, Jr. M.D.,

Pastor, S.D.A. Hospital Church, Ile-Ife, Nigeria

The Seventh-day Adventist Hospital Staff and church at Ile-Ife, Nigeria, were greatly blessed by the fall Week of Prayer which was conducted by Brother Frank Barfoot, Union Publishing Secretary. His theme during the Week was "Walking with Jesus."

Meetings, except at the very beginning were thrice daily during the week days. A number of church members, because of their work in the town were unable to attend the 7 a.m. service so a 6 a.m. service was arranged for them. The evening service was well attended. Some of the ambulatory patients took advantage of the meetings as well.

The high lights of the week were the Friday night testimonial meeting and the consecration service held the last Sabbath of the Week of Prayer. The exceptionally good attendance of the Lord's Supper held on the last Sabbath of the meetings indicated well the spiritual response and the blessings which these meetings brought to the church.

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