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Unto You A Saviour

By Ellen G. White

The king of glory stooped low to take humanity. Rude and forbidding were His earthly surroundings. His glory was veiled, that the majesty of His outward form might not become an object of attraction. He shunned all outward display. Riches, worldly honour, and human greatness can never save a soul from death; Jesus purposed that no attraction of an earthly nature should call men to His side. Only the beauty of heavenly truth must draw those who would follow Him. The character of the Messiah had long been foretold in prophecy, and He desired men to accept Him upon the testimony of the word of God.

The angels had wondered at the glorious plan of redemption. They watched to see how the people of God would receive His Son, clothed in the garb of humanity. Angels came to the land of the chosen people. Other nations were dealing in fables and worshipping false gods. To the land where the glory of God had been revealed, and the light of prophecy had shone, the angels came. They came unseen to Jerusalem, to the appointed expositors of the Sacred Oracles, and the ministers of God's house. Already to Zacharias the priest, as he ministered before the altar, the nearness of Christ's coming had been announced. Already the forerunner was born, His mission attested by miracle and prophecy. The tidings of His birth and the wonderful significance of His mission had been spread abroad. Yet Jerusalem was not preparing to welcome her Redeemer.

With amazement the heavenly messengers beheld the indifference of the people whom

God had called to communicate to the world the light of sacred truth. The Jewish nation had been preserved as a witness that Christ was to be born of the seed of Abraham and of David's line; yet they knew not that His coming was now at hand. In the temple the morning and evening sacrifice daily pointed to the Lamb of God; yet even here was no preparation to receive Him. The priests and teachers of the nation knew not that the greatest event of the ages was about to take place. They rehearsed their meaningless prayers, and performed the rites of worship to be seen by men, but in their strife for riches and worldly honour they were not prepared for the revelation of the Messiah. The same indifference pervaded the land of Israel. Hearts selfish and world-engrossed were untouched by the joy that thrilled all heaven. Only a few were longing to behold the Unseen. To these heaven's embassy was sent.

Angels attend Joseph and Mary as they journey from their home in Nazareth to the City of David. The decree of imperial Rome for the enrolment of the peoples of her vast dominion has extended to the dwellers among the hills of Galilee. As in old time Cyrus was called to the throne of the world's empire that he might set free the captives of the Lord, so Caesar Augustus is made the agent for the fulfilment of God's purpose in bringing the mother of Jesus to Bethlehem. She is of the lineage of David, and the Son of David must be born in David's city. Out of Bethlehem, said the prophet, "shall He come forth . . . that is to be ruler in Israel; whose

goings forth have been from of old, from the days of eternity." Micah 5:2, margin. But in the city of their royal line, Joseph and Mary are unrecognized and unhonoured. Weary and homeless, they traverse the entire length of the narrow street, from the gate of the city to the eastern extremity of the town, vainly seeking a resting place for the night. There is no room for them at the crowded inn. In a rude building where the beasts are sheltered, they at last find refuge, and here the Redeemer of the world is born.

Men know it not, but the tidings fill heaven with rejoicing. With a deeper and more tender interest the holy beings from the world of light are drawn to the earth. The whole world is brighter for His presence. Above the hills of Bethlehem are gathered an innumerable throng of angels. They wait the signal to declare the good news to the world. Had the leaders in Israel been true to their trust, they might have shared the joy of heralding the birth of Jesus. But now they are passed by.

God declares, "I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground." "Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness." Isaiah 44:3; Psalms 112:4. To those who are seeking for light, and who accept it with gladness, the bright rays from the throne of God will shine.

In the fields where the boy David had led his flock, shepherds were still keeping watch by night. Through the silent hours they talked together of the promised Saviour, and prayed for the coming of the King to David's throne. "And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

At these words, visions of glory fill the minds of the listening shepherds. The Deliverer has come to Israel! Power, exultation, triumph, are associated with His coming. But the angel must prepare them to recognize their Saviour in poverty and humiliation. "This shall be a sign unto you," he says; "Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger."

The heavenly messenger had quieted their fears. He had told them how to find Jesus. With tender regard for their human weakness, he had given them time to become accustomed to the divine radiance. Then the joy and glory could no longer be hidden. The whole plain was lighted up with the

bright shining of the hosts of God. Earth was hushed, and heaven stooped to listen to the songs--

"Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, good will
toward men."

Oh that today the human family could recognize that song! The declaration then made, the note then struck, will swell to the close of time, and resound to the ends of the earth. When the Sun of Righteousness shall arise, with healing in His wings, that song will be re-echoed by the voice of a great multitude, as the voice of many waters, saying, "Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth." Rev. 19:6.

As the angels disappeared, the light faded away, and the shadows of night once more fell on the hills of Bethlehem. But the brightest picture ever beheld by human eyes remained in the memory of the shepherds. "And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger. . . ."

Heaven and earth are no wider apart today than when shepherds listened to the angels' song. Humanity is still as much the object of heaven's solicitude as when common men of common occupations met angels at noonday, and talked with the heavenly messengers in the vineyards and in the fields. To us in the common walks of life, heaven may be very near. Angels from the courts above will attend the steps of those who come to and go at God's command.

The story of Bethlehem is an exhaustless one. In it is hidden "the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God." Romans 11:33.

Satan in heaven had hated Christ for His position in the courts of God. He hated Him the more when he himself was dethroned. He hated Him who pledged Himself to redeem a race of sinners. Yet into the world where Satan claimed dominion, God permitted His Son to come, a helpless babe, subject to the weakness of humanity. He permitted Him to meet life's perils in common with every human soul, to fight the battle as every child of humanity must fight it, at the risk of failure and eternal loss.

The heart of the human father yearns over his son. He looks into the face of his little child, and trembles at the thought of

life's peril. He longs to shield his dear one from Satan's power, to hold him back from temptation and conflict. To meet a bitterer conflict and a more fearful risk, God gave His only-begotten Son, that the path of life might be made sure for our little ones. "Here-in is love." Wonder, O heavens! and be astonished, O earth!

No Room In The Inn

By D. A. R. Aufranc

Day is dying on Bethlehem's hills,
The sun sinks away in the west;
Shepherds of Israel watch o'er their flocks,
The cattle are lowing to rest.
Bright hosts of heaven are gath'ring above
To shine as that wonderful star,
Bearing in glory their tidings of joy
With anthems that echo afar.
Eagerly pressing on Bethlehem's streets,
While others find shelter within,
Two weary travellers seek now for rest;
But there is no room in the Inn.
Room for the wealthy and room for the poor,
But none for the Ruler of all.
Nowhere on earth for the great King of heaven
To rest, save a poor cattle stall.
Jesus may pass by your dwelling tonight
And tenderly plead to come in.
Will you invite Him with you to abide,
Or say, "There's no room in the inn"?
Oh, give Him room in your heart and your
life,
Till all else is lost in His love.
Then by His promise at last you will find
There's room in the mansions above.

Remember

Dear brother:

Remember the Inca Union on December 27. This mission field is looking to you, your family and your church or group to give a generous Sabbath school offering on that day. Let us help in fulfilling the projects in favour of the educational and medical work with our 13th Sabbath overflow offering. Do not forget! We thank you for your interest in advance.

Mario Rasi,
Sabbath School Department Secretary,
South American Division.

Our Inca brethren wish to remind us of their needs for our next Thirteenth Sabbath. May we not disappoint them.

—Editor

"A Little Child Shall Lead Them"

By C. B. Mensah,

Associate President, Ghana Mission

"Mame! come, let me tell you what I saw last night in the Preacher's pictures. A man with black legs, shining head and white hands. I also saw a big stone by him which the preacher said crushed the big wonderful man into powder and he was blown away by the wind."

"He said that the Great Sky God will send His Son to destroy all sin and set up a Kingdom for small good boys and big, big men. Mame, go and write your name to be a Christian. Let's go and see the preacher, he is living next door. He will tell you more."

That was the story of Akwasi a four-and-half-year old boy of Wamfie. At the opening night of an evangelistic effort held at Wamfie in which 70 souls gave their hearts to the Lord, young Akwasi strenuously pressed his way through the overcrowded hall and sat at the front with few of the children who found their way there.

Insignificant, unrecognized, unattended, Akwasi sat on the bare floor, but listened attentively and looked steadfastly. The meeting was over, everybody went to his house, not knowing that an impression had been deeply made somewhere, at least, in a little child's heart.

The next morning just before breakfast, appeared a mother and a boy. "Are you the preacher?" the mother inquired. "Yes, is there anything I can do to help you?" responded the preacher. "My son Akwasi has told me what he saw and heard last night in your meeting. He has been urging me since very early this morning to come and hear more from you and to write my name as a Christian. I have come, please tell me, so that he might be satisfied."

The mother was earnestly instructed about events pointing toward the end of the world and the kingdom which was about to be set up by Christ. She was invited to become a member of this kingdom, which she willingly accepted and enrolled her name. She returned to her house beaming with smiles. About two hours later, she brought another woman, her neighbour, to whom she had shared her new found joy. She also enrolled her name and the two are the nucleus of the women folk in the new company. "A little child shall lead them."

"Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ." (Ephesians 5:21, R.S.V.).

We hear much in these days about human rights. Emotions are stirred to fever heat, and in certain parts of earth the yoke of colonialism is being cast off with vigour and millions are claiming their rights and are ready to fight to the death for them. Perhaps there has never been a time in the world's long history when so many have been so keenly aware of their rights, not only national but also individual.

In such a world the truly Christian principle as stated by the apostle Paul sounds strange indeed: "Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ." It is opposite to what the world believes and teaches, but it conforms completely to the spirit and the principle of the cross of Calvary. It is the only true basis on which our religion can find its fullest expression in home and family. It is a rule of conduct, and unchangeable principle of life on which to build and maintain a truly Christian home.

It seems as if all the light that streams from this epistle focuses on one spot—the Christian home.

The Witness of a Well-Ordered Family

The servant of the Lord has said, "The greatest evidence of the power of Christianity that can be presented to the world is a well-ordered, well-disciplined family. This will recommend the truth as nothing else can, for it is a living witness of its practical power upon the heart" (The Adventist Home, page 32), and there is no place where God yearns more earnestly (if we may put it thus) to see the fruits of Christianity than in the home, for it "is to be an object lesson, illustrating the excellence of the true principles of life" (Ibid., page 31). It is the place where lessons of duty and unselfishness are best learned, where the love that is a principle and finds its true happiness in service to others blooms in all its beauty and loveliness. "A well-ordered Christian household is a powerful argument in favour of the reality of the Christian religion—an argument that the infidel cannot gainsay."—*Ibid.*, page 36. Indeed, the perfecting of the Christian home is the masterpiece of the gospel.

But let it also be clear to us that it is in the sphere of the home that our religion meets some of the most crucial tests that try it to its foundations. It is here that Satan battles most bitterly and determinedly to break down the church and the work of God. There

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has never been a time when it was harder to build and to keep a truly Christian home than today.

Let us turn now to the inspired paragraphs on family life, on the application of such Christianity as that of which he has written in the sphere of the home. Is it not significant that nothing is said of rights to any of those addressed? Consider the words to wives: "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing." (Ephesians 5:22-24). It is not of rights that he speaks here, though elsewhere he has affirmed that in Christ there is neither male nor female (Galatians 3:28); it is of subjection. But it is not an abject or degrading subjection, for he addresses the wife as one who knows the blessing of union with Christ and the wondrous elevation that complete submission to Him brings. She is viewed, clothed with the grace and dignity her Lord's death for her has bestowed, subjecting herself in loving service to the one with whom she has united her life. What a beautiful picture!

Solomon has portrayed it thus: "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her. . . . She will do him good and no evil all the days of her life. Such a wife does something for her husband nothing and no one else can do. Though modest and retiring, perhaps little known in the world, her spiritual influence tells, for "her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land." Proverbs 31:23.

No Room for Tyranny in the Home

And what does the apostle say of the husband's rights? Nothing. Although in the plan of God the burden of leadership in the home falls on him, it is not his right to order or command but his duty to love that is set forth. "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it: that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle,

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or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies." Ephesians 5:25-28. The love portrayed here is not selfish or possessive, its influence is to uplift and ennoble her who is its object. From their union the wife shall derive that which will build her up in the most holy faith. Her husband's succour and protection and love is to be a shadow of that of Christ. The admonition is profound. Its implications are frightening. What a standard for devoted love! "Love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it." May God grant that Adventist homes shall conform more and more to this ideal.

And how can we refrain from asking here, how, with such an understanding of the Christian home and its meaning, a believing Christian who is joined in mystic union with the Lord can unite himself to one who knows not such a blessed bond or who even repudiates it?

"Children, Obey Your Parents"

The admonition to children is "Obey your parents in the Lord." (Ephesians 6:1). In ancient Israel the home was a centre of godly influence. Parents were the teachers, and the standards of the law were held constantly before the youth. By gentle persistence the truths of God were to be instilled into their minds until they became part of their life and character. Such is to be the case today.

It has come to be considered out of date and old fashioned in many quarters for parents to expect, and for children to render, respectful obedience. But this principle is established forever in Christian homes by the example of our Lord Himself. Even after the significance of His mission had dawned on His awakening mind in the Temple at Jerusalem. "He went down with them (Joseph and Mary), and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them." (Luke 2:51). Perhaps He could have begun His ministry with advantage at the age of twelve, for He understood His mission and His Father's business. But He chose to be subject to His parents, then and through His teens a dutiful and obedient son. When that example is out of date, then and not until then shall we have outgrown the commandment, "Honour thy father and thy mother."

On the other hand, parents are counselled,

"Provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." This leaves no room for harshness and irritability of temper and the spirit of autocracy that challenges the resistance of children. "The parent who, when correcting a child, gives way to anger, is more faulty than the child."—*The Signs of the Times*, February 17, 1904. Someone has said that there are many kinds of love. There is that which is greedy, tyrannical, selfish and demanding, but our love must not include these elements. It must never cling, hurt, or drain. It must strengthen, heal, and support. The tenderness of Christ with the erring. His patience and sympathy with all men. His utterly selfless love—this is the nurture and admonition of the Lord in which our children are to be reared.

As parents we must recognize that our children even from their earliest years have a God-given individuality, that they too are Christ's before they are ours. Therefore "restrain every hasty speech that struggles for utterance. Before you speak that fretful, impatient word, stop and think of the influence which, if spoken, it will exert. Remember that children are quick to hear every word, and to mark every intonation of the voice."—*Ibid*.

The gospel undertakes to make home the scene of right and happiness and pure love. What is its method? As we have seen from the verses we have considered, it impresses on each member of the family his duties and the others' rights. The law of submission to one another applies in every area of home life. "Lessons of love, respect, obedience, reverence, self-control" (Child Guidance, page 17), are to be learned in the home, and such a home becomes what God has decreed it should be—the greatest of all educational agencies. It is the nursery of habits of holiness and from it emerge characters polished after the similitude of a palace. This is true family religion, for the standard upheld is Christlikeness. His love and righteousness. And the means by which it is attained is faith in His saving grace and power, the cherishing of His blessed presence.

Clouds that Darken the Home

Nothing so darkens the home and blights its peace and happiness as the sins of the disposition, moodiness, irritability, nagging, faultfinding, intolerance, complaining, grumbling, and the long list we might add. Did not Christ condemn the selfishness that lies at the root of it all in that disappointing picture of the elder brother in the story of the

prodigal son and the wonderful father? Let us put these evils from our homes and lives and fill them with true Christian courtesy for it "should reign in every household. It is cheap, but it has power to soften natures which would grow hard and rough without it. The cultivation of a uniform courtesy, a willingness to do by others as we would like them to do by us, would banish half the ills of life."—*The Adventist Home*, page 421.

The Family Altar

Then there is the question of family worship. How tragic that there are Adventist homes in these perilous times where there is no family worship, where it is not regular, or where it has become an ineffective form. May God help us to build again the altars that are broken down, for wrongs can be righted better and the spirit and peace of heaven prevail more readily when members of a family open the Word and kneel humbly together at the mercy seat.

And lastly, bound up with family worship, is the matter of prayer. Parents have no greater weapon for the defence of their families than prayer. How many anxious parents there are! In how many is there a sense of failure as children seem not to respond to that which is right and true. Remorse fills many hearts, and faith and prayer seem fruitless. But even if in our weakness we have failed as parents, we still must pray in humility and earnestness. God's promise is: "But thus saith the Lord, Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children." (Isaiah 49:25).

Influence of the Home

If we as a people are to fulfil the purpose of God in us, our homes must be truly Christian, for the church can be no stronger than they are. The church's influence in the world is but the accumulated influence of its homes. We are so near the end of all things. The crushing tests of the last days are upon us. We must meet the challenge in our homes first and show forth there the saving power of the third angel's message. Whatever other meaning the words of Malachi 4:6 in connection with the Elijah message may have, certainly it is to turn the hearts of fathers to their own children and children to their fathers. Shall we not allow it free course

to do this blessed and much-needed work now?

Let us heed this warning and admonition in every Adventist home. Let us take unto us "the whole armour of God" that we may "be able to withstand in the evil day." When the battle is won in the home it is won in the church, and God's people will be ready to meet their Lord.

The Sabbath School And The Remnant Church

By R. R. Figuhr

President of the General Conference

From their earliest history, Seventh-day Adventists have been evangelistically minded. We have taken seriously the command of the Lord to go into every corner of the world and preach the gospel to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. As a church, we have sought to use every available means to advance the cause both at home and abroad. Our efforts have been directed not only toward the adults but also toward the children, who are gathered into the fold. Through the years, we have found that the Sabbath School is one of our most effective agencies in evangelism for all ages and in all countries.

As we glance backward over the years, we recall that the first department of the denomination, rather than the publishing work, was the Sabbath School. As early as 1852, Elder James White felt the need of doing something for the children and youth of the early Advent believers. Accordingly, he began the preparation of our first Sabbath School lessons especially written for the younger members of the church. This called for a medium through which the lessons could be published. As a result, the Youth's Instructor was published in August of 1852 as a monthly journal for children and youth. One of its main features was the weekly Sabbath school lesson.

The idea quickly took root, and within a few months Sabbath schools began to spring up in various parts of the field. There was no general organization, but each school was an independent unit. This was before we had regularly organized churches, or conferences, and long before the other departments that are not so familiar were even thought of.

It is evident, therefore, that as our world movement began to take form, the Sabbath

school became an integral part of the remnant church. It has through the years gone hand in hand with the church as it pressed on victoriously into all the world. Today, the Sabbath school is probably the strongest ally of the church in our efforts to save our children and youth, to build up our members in a knowledge of the Word, and to provide means for our world mission programme.

Much has been accomplished through the various activities that the Sabbath School Department has promoted—activities which have grown in scope and efficiency and have influenced almost every phase of our church life. Some of these will be mentioned and their influence noted:

1. *Organization.* The early Sabbath schools soon felt the need of more efficient methods and better lesson material. So through various vicissitudes and changes the church gradually developed a world-wide Sabbath school organization that is today a model for efficiency. It reaches out to every member of the church and far beyond. Its schools are conducted in 205 countries of the globe and its message is proclaimed in hundreds of languages.

2. *Lessons and Literature.* Beginning with the children's lessons in the Youth's Instructor of a century ago, there has been developed a whole series of lesson pamphlets for all ages, together with books, leaflets, and periodicals. Its helps to Bible study include children's camp meeting lessons, branch Sabbath school lessons, lessons for Vacation Bible Schools, and pamphlets, blanks, posters, Picture Rolls and many other devices to make the teaching of the Bible interesting and effective.

3. *Mission Offerings.* In the early Sabbath schools the only offerings received were for needed supplies. During the last two decades of the nineteenth century some conferences began to promote gifts for missions through the Sabbath school. The Department began to sponsor this plan until it has become one of the principal features of our Sabbath school work in all lands. The gifts have increased with the years until the total Sabbath school offerings to missions has now passed the 100-million dollar mark. The General Conference mission programme is now receiving more than seven million dollars a year from our Sabbath school members in all the world.

4. *Evangelism.* The leadership of the Sabbath school has from its earliest years recognized that soul-saving is one of its chief

objectives. For many years evangelism in the Sabbath school was confined largely to working for the children of the church, and also to building up all members, especially new believers, in a knowledge of the truth. However, in recent years the Department has been giving attention to a greater Sabbath school evangelism for those not of our faith. This has been carried on through branch Sabbath schools, Vacation Bible schools, child evangelism, and a new emphasis on the evangelistic opportunities that the Sabbath school affords. This is in full harmony with the following statement from the messenger of the Lord: "The Sabbath school should be one of the great instrumentalities, and the most effectual, in bringing souls to Christ." *Counsels on Sabbath School Work*, page 10. The results of this evangelistic turn of Sabbath school work have been most gratifying. Thousands in both home and foreign lands are today rejoicing in the truth as a result of this larger Sabbath school evangelism.

When we consider these facts, we realize that the Sabbath schools of the remnant church are indeed one of our most important allies in carrying out the Lord's commission to preach the gospel message in all lands and to prepare a people for the soon coming of our Lord.

Nobewam S. D. A. Company

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By Pastor A. Amofah
Kumasi District Leader

Pastor W. J. Newman, Pastor Charles Bennett Mensah and Pastor Amos K. Amofah arrived at Nobewam Sabbath morning September 6 for the organization of the church.

At 9.30 a.m. the Sabbath School was started in the usual way by the Nobewam believers themselves. These believers are not so many, still it will interest the reader to hear their songs. They sing harmoniously.

After Sabbath School, the Home Missionary Leader, Mr. James Adu mounted the pulpit, and how he received the reports was simply surprising. After the Home Missionary reports Pastors W. J. Newman, C. B. Mensah and A. Amofah were found on the pulpit. After silent prayer, "Lord Thy Word Abideth" No. 67 of the Twi Advent Hymnal was sung. Scripture reading was taken from Revelation 14:6-12. This was read by Pastor A. Amofah. Prayer was offered by Pastor C. B. Mensah.

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News Notes

✕ We are glad to welcome back Pastor and Mrs. H. J. Welch who have returned from furlough. They attended the General Conference Session and several camp meetings while in the States. Later, they attended the Fall Council in Takoma Park, Maryland and then went to Skodsborg, Denmark, where he attended the Winter Council of Northern European Division before returning to West Africa.

✕ Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Berger and two sons have arrived from Oslo, Norway to begin work in the West African Union. Brother Berger will be the factory superintendent in the Advent Press, a similar work to that which he has engaged in the Norwegian Press. We welcome the Bergers to our mission family and wish them much of God's blessing as they come to their new field of labour.

✕ Pastor G. M. Ellstrom who is president of the West Nigerian Mission has returned from furlough. Mrs. Ellstrom and the children will return after the close of the school year next June. The Ellstroms also attended the General Conference Session while home.

✕ Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Christoph and two children left this month for their furlough in the States. Brother Christoph is a teacher in the Secondary School at the Ihie Training College in East Nigeria.

✕ Miss A. S. Nuka has left for her furlough in the States where she hopes to get her citizenship established. Miss Nuka has spent twenty-seven years in the West African Union and has worked in several parts of the field including the Union Office in Accra. At present, she is in charge of the girls' section of the Ihie Training College in East Nigeria.

✕ The Church members of the Oke Bola Church in Ibadan, West Nigeria held a special farewell service for Mr. David T. Agboola, the supervising teacher for that mission, just before his departure for England where he is attending Newbold Missionary College.

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Pastor Newman gave a fine and impressive talk on "Leadership." Telling the congregation—God is a God of order. So He appointed leaders to the Israelites in times of old. The nucleus of the company was selected, the rest were voted in one by one. Then the morning service came to a close with a song and Benediction.

MY NEIGHBOUR

"Did you give him a lift? He's a brother of man
And bearing about all the burden he can
Did you give him a word? He was downcast
and blue,
And the right kind of word might have helped
him get through.
Did you stretch out your hand and pass him
a smile?
It might have meant victory that last weary
mile.
Did you do the right thing and point out the
road,
Or did you just let him go by with his load?"

Quoted in *Christmas Messages*, by
George W. Truett

"We search the world for truth; we cull
The good, the pure, the beautiful.
From graven stone and written scroll,
From all old flower-fields of the soul;
And, weary seekers of the best,
We come back laden from our quest,
To find that all the sages said

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