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(Consecration Sermon presented to the Graduating Class of 1951, at West Indian Training College, Mandeville, Jamaica.)

My heart responds to the aim and the motto you have chosen: "To Love, Labour, and Live for Others", and "Following the Infinite". Your aim shows that, as you leave the doors of this institution, you do so with the determination to consecrate, or perhaps to reconsecrate, your life to God.

A storm of unprecedented fury is soon to break upon the world. We find that the world is unprepared, unchartered, uncomforted. God is counting upon you, Graduates of 1951, to go forth and give the last warning message before the day of final doom comes.

As I think of the great controversy between Christ and Satan, which has been raging for just about six millenniums; and as I think of the part that God is asking you to play, I ask myself several questions. Are you ready? Have you been prepared? Do you recognize that you are not alone? Do you realize by experience that you can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth you?

Tonight we find that, according to the words of the Apostle Paul, we are a spectacle to angels and men. Ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of angels are looking away from the throne, past the unnumbered worlds, to this world in which you and I live, and I see that they are looking on a little island in the Caribbean Sea. Their attention is centered at Mandeville, on the "Hill". They are intensely interested in those who are graduating, those who are about to leave the doors of this institution.

To the one who is not a Christian, the doors are opening to a stern, remote, un-

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chartered sea. To those who are unconverted the world is cold and unsympathetic, unchristlike, without natural affection; but to you who know Christ you are not entering upon an unchartered sea; you are following the Infinite One.

Men from every walk of life tell us that the world is dying, but they fail to tell us why. The other night I noticed that a radio reporter stated that within just five days or so we would either find ourselves in the greatest war the world has ever seen or else the nations would sign a peace treaty. He predicted peace. The world wants peace; the world is longing for peace, but they are trying to gain peace aside from the One who is the Prince of Peace.

Yes, the world is dying for a little bit of love. If you, the Graduates of 1951, can Love, and Live for others as Christ did, your life will not be in vain, you will not find yourselves on an unchartered sea, but you will be guided and under the control of the Holy Spirit.

I am grateful tonight to the Heavenly Father that He has made it possible for you, the Graduates of 1951, to know Christ; to attend a Christian school, a training college where you have learned "To Love, Labour, and Live for Others". You have learned to make Christ supreme in your lives.

I was waiting in a large mid-western city in the United States for a train that would take me home to my loved ones. Home ties were pulling strongly for the mastery. (I wanted to see the new member of the family.) But even these human

cravings were overshadowed by a sincere desire to know God's answer to a very important question which had been haunting my soul for days. What should my final decision be to the invitation to locate in this city? My mind was troubled I wanted to make the right decision. I knew that if I would follow the Infinite He would guide me, but I desired to know His will. Busy with my own thoughts I hardly noticed the dark heavy storm clouds gathering overhead. Suddenly, the storm broke upon the city with all its fury, driving the jostling multitude into shelter. My shelter proved to be a beautiful cathedral, built of marble and stone; and chisled in marble overhead were the words of Isaiah which satisfied my anxious soul: "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way thou shalt go. I will guide thee with Mine eyes." Ps. 32:8. Though the elements of nature had let loose outside, the peace of God now flooded my soul. The turmoil of my mind had ceased. That promise claimed by faith had overshadowed the doubts and fears which had been in my bosom. By faith I could see the rainbow of promise; I knew that God was guiding. He had heard my prayer and had inscribed in stone, on the walls of a Gentile temple, a message just for me.

Are you, dear Graduates, troubled? Do you doubt for a moment His divine



leadership in your life? Do you question, on the threshold of life's duties, God's unfailing protection and Love? Remember that as you step through the threshold of this institution angels will be with you. Most of all, the Infinite One will guide you. He says, "Come, follow Me."

Do you doubt God's leadership? He led you here, not just to receive an education, but a Christian education. The great God Himself had you in mind. He was thinking of you when He laid the great plan of Salvation; He saw the part you would play. As we come to the close in the great drama of life and you are about to take up the work that God has in mind for you, you cannot, you must not, and I am sure that you will not fail the Master!

Are you willing to follow Him wherever He may lead the way? Are you willing to take up your cross daily and follow Him? We are told that it was at the cross that mercy and truth met together, that righteousness and truth kissed each other. Vol. 6, p. 59. Then, on the following page, Vol. 6, p. 60, the servant of the Lord says, "Let it be known that all who accept Jesus Christ and hold the beginning of their confidence firm to the end, will be heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ, 'to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.'" 1 Peter 1:4, 5.

Notice first of all that you must accept Christ; second, you will hold your confidence firm to the end; then you are promised a place in the kingdom of God. Tonight, I hope that we have claimed this promise. God has a place for you, a definite place. I have confidence in you, Graduates of 1951, but yet I know something about the temptations of the enemy. I know how he works.

As I travel through the British West Indies Union, I find men and women and young people preaching and teaching the same blessed truth learned at this College, and others doing what they can to help prepare a world for the coming of Christ. But I also find others who have departed from the faith, seeking the honour and praise of men. They have sold their birth-right for a mess of pottage. They have heeded the tempter; they have gone after that which glitters, they have gone after the counterfeit. They have turned their backs to the Infinite One. They attended the same school; sat in the same class rooms, and, no doubt, had some of the same teachers. They attended ves-

per services and Week of Prayer services; sat in consecration services like this one; heard the same gripping truths; and, no doubt, stood and acknowledged publicly before God and their fellowmen that they would follow their Saviour all the way.

So, I say tonight, my heart is burdened for you. I do not doubt that you shall at last reign with Christ, if you will hold fast to the end the confidence which you had from the beginning. You must keep your eyes upon Christ; draw close to Him, so close that He becomes your best friend. Do nothing without His presence, His partnership, His co-operation. If we follow the Infinite One we shall at last be rewarded for our faithfulness. (We are receiving a little reward over this week end.) As you were marching in, I couldn't help but think of the night I marched in at a similar consecration service. I didn't know what life held in store, nor do you; but you face the greatest crisis that any graduating class has ever faced before. You will have to face the enemy in all his forcefulness; but remember you are not alone.

Merely to hug a creed and to take no risk is no more faith than to hug a timetable is to take a journey.

—John Henry Jowett.

It is not enough merely to finish a prescribed course of study and receive a diploma. We must follow the Infinite One in a life of unselfish Service until we come to the end of life's road. We have learned from childhood to repeat the ten commandments by heart, and I take it for granted that every member of the graduating class has given his heart to Christ; but I am wondering tonight whether you have learned, by actual experience, the one commandment which some speak of as the eleventh commandment, the one which Jesus called the "new commandment". It was not a new commandment, but so few had practiced it.

Before we leave the doors of this Institution we must learn this new commandment as recorded in John 13:34, 35: "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By

this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." A new commandment—a commandment to love, and if we love, we will labour and live for others. We find that there are many who will tell us that the world is doomed, but there are very few who will tell us why the world is in its present condition or what should be done to remedy this condition. We are told that the world is dying, dying for something that you and I have—a little bit of love. The world has a right to expect more of you who have graduated from the West Indian Training College than any other group of students graduating from any other school in Jamaica. They will be looking to you, Graduates of 1951, and I am sure you will not disappoint them, for you have already made your decision to follow the Infinite One.

From the day that Adam and Eve were driven from the gates of Paradise because of their sin, through four thousand years, God had been trying to express His love to the fallen race. Through the sacrifices offered, through the appeal of His servants — for 120 years preceding the flood, while the ark was being prepared, through the prophets and priests, kings and rulers—God was giving a message of love to His wayward, disobedient children. Then, after four thousand years, in order that there might be no doubt in the minds of men, He emptied all Heaven and gave His only begotten Son, who came to this world, and whose life was lost in service for His fellowmen.

"He came unto His own, and His own received Him not." As He died on Calvary's Cross, spilling His own precious life blood, He demonstrated a love such as the world has never seen. He loved those who did not love Him. When He was hanging on Calvary's cross He was thinking of each one of you; looking on down to the end of time, He was counting on those who would follow Him, follow His life of unselfish service.

Tonight, I ask you the question, Do you love only those who love you? Or do you love those who do not love you? In other words, do you love as He loved you? Are you willing to die that others might live? "A new commandment give I unto you." The world had never before seen demonstrated such love until the Son of God came to this earth. It was a new commandment as far as the world was concerned; they had not experienced it.

Since God is love, and He dwells in the heart of sincere, earnest Christians, we ought to find the church bubbling over with this gift. In Vol. 2, p. 381, we

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EAST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

H. D. COLBURN, President.
MISS E. W. PARCHMENT, Secy.-Treas.
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Youth in Action

On March 16, 1952, a Conference wide visitation day was held in which over 1,000 young people visited 5,000 homes, distributed 4,500 pieces of Gospel-filled literature, and had the joy and inspiration of seeing 700 of the people visited attend service that night. No less than one dozen decisions were made for Christ that day, besides hundreds of wonderful contacts which, if followed up, will bring a glorious harvest of souls for the Master.

Scores of the individuals visited virtually begged the young people to return, expressing that their visit that day had been a direct answer to earnest, sincere prayers that were offered for light and a great conception of truth.

Indeed the Lord is stretching forth His hand to save the honest in heart. In a very definite way He is using the youth of East Jamaica. May God bless them as they consecrate themselves to His service.

—O. E. GORDON,
*M.V. & Educational Secretary,
East Jamaica Conference.*

Marked Blessings in the Publishing Work

One of the most heartening experiences is to watch the growth of the work of God in our community. Despite the human failings and mistakes, God's free mercies still flow in blessings upon the work entrusted to frail human beings.

The Publishing Department service of East Jamaica has witnessed marked evidences of God's divine leadings from time to time, and we believe that the interest of the Union has been manifested in this branch of the ministry, not only by their prayers and encouragement to those of us who labour, but more so, by a personal desire to see it grow in higher accomplishments and in greater efficiency. The colporteur work is very taxing and very demanding, yet God has been supplying strength to our noble workers.

For the past eight years in the existence of the East Jamaica Conference our colporteurs have placed literature in the hands of the people to the value of £54,646. 18/-. Indeed this required the expense of much energy and the pouring out of the heart to God in a special way. In 1951, the year of many disheartening



The East Jamaica Conference Office, which was once owned by the Conference and then rented for years, has again been purchased and redecorated after the hurricane.

and perplexing circumstances, we witnessed a greater upsurge of sales than in any one year. The £10,000 delivery mark was reached at the end of October, and our reports show that the year finished with the same one thousand pound per month average. Our delivery in 1950 was £9,002.

What is responsible for such marked blessings? We believe the prayers of God's people everywhere are being answered on our behalf, and we believe, as we share these experiences with you, that your prayers and interest will join in the hope of seeing greater spiritual deeds done in the land.

Checking conservatively, we can report at least 20 souls won last year by the colporteurs, and there are 18 students who obtained scholarships. Then in the midst of this most perplexing age, scores more are applying to us for entrance to the field of canvassing. Should you meet with some of these, we are asking you to encourage them. They too will share in the miracles we expect in the near future.

By this means we have tried to give you a little report of the work done in the Publishing Department of the East Jamaica Conference, and we are assured of your continued support and await the interest of your prayers in its behalf from time to time.

—W. U. CAMPBELL,
*Publishing Dept. Secretary,
East Jamaica Conference.*

"Time is not something that can be killed. When we 'kill time', we kill our own chances for successful accomplishment." —C. A. Edwards.

INFORMATION PLEASE!

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Sisters Gwendolyn Walcott, Bernice Sutton and Mavis Clarke, all formerly of Buff Bay, kindly communicate with L. L. Dennis, Church Clerk, Buff Bay P.O.

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read, "There is but little real genuine, devoted, pure love. This precious article is very rare." It makes me ashamed when I read a statement like that, but I am glad that you have determined that you will love and live and serve others, following the Saviour all the way. Christians are to be Christlike, yet we find that this pure love is a very rare article in the lives of professed Christians.

I John 3:14: "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren." If we want to know tonight whether we are truly the sons and daughters of Jesus Christ we can know the answer. We can know whether we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. Christ demonstrated in the church the work that He would have you and me do. He illustrated the love we should have for others in the parable of the Good Samaritan. This parable presents a picture of the world today. After two world wars, the world has been left torn and bleeding.

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WEST JAMAICA CONFERENCE

H. S. WALTERS, President
L. A. MORRISON, Secy.-Treas.
Mandeville, Jamaica.

News Flashes

GRANGE HILL: From Grange Hill comes the news of a Sabbath School of over 170 members, as a result of an evangelistic effort being conducted by Brother Harry Fletcher, assisted by Brethren Smith and Bennett. Brother Fletcher reports that he is expecting to have over 100 in the first baptism, which takes place on June 24.

ROCK RIVER: Through the blessing of the Lord, Elder Vaz, assisted by Brethren Benson and Boyd, reports a mighty awakening in Rock River. Over 40 are preparing for baptism on June 22.

BLACKWOODS: Brother Benson opens an evangelistic front at Blackwoods, on Sunday, June 1. Please remember him in your prayers.

CONFERENCE FAMILY ENLARGED:

The West Jamaica Workers welcome with open arms two additions to its family.

1. Mrs. Joe Fletcher, wife of our energetic Young People's Secretary, Uncle Joe.

2. Mrs. Silburn Reid, wife of our smiling, untiring Publishing Secretary, Brother Silburn Reid.

West Jamaica is proud to welcome these new additions to its Conference family.

Lay Preaching in West Jamaica

We salute the lay-preachers of West Jamaica Conference for the outstanding work that they have been accomplishing under the direction of their heavenly Master since the beginning of the year.

There are over 200 lay efforts in progress, with over 20,000 people who are listening to Advent's lay preachers each week. This large number attending the meetings of our lay preachers presents a mighty challenge to the church of God. These self-sacrificing servants of Prince Emanuel are in need of the constant, persistent prayers of the church.

From every section of the field we receive reports of the onward march of the gospel. Each day letters come to the office telling of men and women who are turning away from lives of sin and disobedience to lives of righteousness and obedience. A large percentage of the thousand who will be baptized the last week of June will be as a direct result of the consecrated, sacrificial efforts of the faithful lay preachers of our Conference.

These warriors of the Cross are writing a modern book of Acts that shall inspire the church of tomorrow to press the battle to the gates, "Until the ransomed church of God is saved to sin no more." we receive from the field.

Here are some of the news items that
COKER: With joy we send you the news that over 17 individuals have taken their stand for the Truth and are now enlisted in the baptismal class.

—Brethren Waite, Green & Dockery.

TWEEDSIDE: I am happy to report, as a result of our evangelistic meeting, a prominent member of a church in the community has started to keep the Sabbath. A number have indicated their desire to follow the Lord.

—Brother Davy.

ORANGE: We have started a Branch School and over 13 are now enrolled in our baptismal class. —Brother Downer.

LITTLE LONDON: As a result of lay preaching efforts, our church has now started a Branch School of twenty-one. To God be the glory!

CAMP SAVANNAH: After a few meetings we have a Branch School of over twenty-nine. Ten are now preparing for baptism. —Sister Samuels.

We wish it were possible for us to mention the names of all our lay preachers who have written in telling of the mighty triumph of Truth. Please remember these faithful men of God in your prayers as they go all out for the Message that we love and the Truth we are willing to defend.

Pentecostal Week

To the believers scattered throughout West Jamaica, the week, June 22-29, will be of special significance. Throughout our Conference at the present time there are 1,162 candidates who are preparing for baptism. This large fruitage has been the result of the blessing of the Lord upon the efforts of our ministers and faithful lay preachers. This week is known as Pentecostal Week. It is our plea that between now and that time our believers will lay plans and pray earnestly that the Lord's Spirit will be felt in a marked way.

It is now time to start telling our friends and relatives of this event. Let us work with those who are interested in the truth, with our young people around our churches who are not baptized, and with those who have once walked with us. Let us be sure that these individuals will attend these baptismal services. As they attend we are sure that the Spirit of the Lord will move upon their hearts to take their stand with the Advent people.

We have reached the time when the Lord has stretched forth His hand to finish His work. This is the hour to dedicate our lives and stretch every nerve, until God in his own way crowns our efforts with success.

Our goal for 1952 is 3,000 souls for God. Our slogan is "Pentecost in '52." With the Spirit of Pentecost burning in our souls, let us arise; cast off the partial achievements of yester years, and be clothed with the wonderful promise of the glorious march of the church of God to final triumph.



Pondsides Church. One of the four churches dedicated so far this year in the West Jamaica Conference.



L. A. MORRISON

Tithe Honour Roll

Below is a list of the churches of West Jamaica which have reached 25% and over of their tithe goal for the year, during the first quarter of 1952. We congratulate these churches for having reached these goals. We know that there are others that are aiming for their goals, and we pray that they will reach them before long.

Amity	Hayes
Asia	Hopewell
Askenish	Huntley Castle
Belle Vue	James Hill
Bird's Hill	Johnson
Blackwoods	Jointwood
Bogue Hill	Kellits
Bull Savannah	Lances Bay
Caledonia-Man.	Lapland
Cambridge	Little London
Campbell's Castle	Mandeville
Camp Savannah	Montego Bay
Chapelton	Mount Peace
Claremont	Mulgrave
Coote Savannah	Newell
Cornwall Mtn.	Pondside
Crofts Hill	Pusey Hill
Copse	Ramble
Darliston	Richmond Park
Devon	Sandy Bay
Duans Vale	Sav-la-Mar
Epworth	Seaford Town
Fairfield Mtn.	Sheffield
Friendship	Somerton
Grove Town	Troy
Harmons	Vaughansfield

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now with saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3:10

—LEONARD A. MORRISON,
Secretary-Treasurer,
West Jamaica Conference.

Investment Experiences

Four Years ago Sister Leila Reid of the Newport Seventh-day Adventist Church found a rubber ball. She invested the ball and brought in eight shillings and seven pence. The following year, regrettably, she did not invest. Last year (1950) she invested three pence (3d.) and carried in One Pound Eleven Shillings and Five Pence (£1 11 5) on Investment day. This year (1951) she invested a six pence (6d.) She began by making and selling "Johnnycakes", and when coconut oil was increased in cost to an out-of-reach stage she turned her attention to the buying and selling of bread and cakes.

On Investment Day, Sabbath, December 8, 1951, she carried in Six Pounds Seven Shillings and Nine Pence (£6-7-9). God blessed her faithful Investment.



COLPORTEURS' REPORT Summary for March, 1952.

Fields	Colp.	Hours	Orders	Deliveries
Bahamas	4	901	£ 589 5 0	£ 277 18 0
East Ja.	130	9759	2633 17 9	1827 2 11
West Ja.	103	7596	2643 11 8	1829 5 2
TOTALS	237	18256	£5866 14 5	£3734 6 2

REPORT OF PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT OF THE BWI UNION, MARCH, 1952

Names	Hours	Orders	Deliveries
Bahamas Mission:			
Burke, Wm.	480	£ 198 14 0	£ 74 4 0
Hepburn, C. H.	161	75 19 0	59 14 0
Vasciannie, S.	186	196 12 0	101 4 0
Other Colporteurs	74	123 0 0	42 16 0
East Jamaica Conference:			
Anderson, A. A.	119	23 7 6	6 2 6
Anderson, M. L.	173	54 19 6	36 1 0
Athias, Lucilda	199	53 10 0	8 8 6
Bignall, Mrs. K.	115	16 9 0	13 16 0
Brown, V. C.	168	86 9 6	14 14 6
Davids, Mrs. L.	122	60 2 0	26 15 3
Dedrick Keith	146	70 2 0	12 2 0
Duncombe, Peter	749	68 15 0	46 7 3
Ferguson, Clifford	124	23 6 0	26 18 0
Gardener, May	166	64 2 6	10 9 0
Gerison, A. R.	157	80 7 0	70 18 0
Graham, Doris	212	10 16 6	11 9 6
Hutchinson, Victor	156	75 13 0	63 3 0
Kelly, L. G.	199	64 5 6	2 0 6
King, J. M.	181	70 18 0	33 9 6
Lindsay C. E.	164	61 4 0	5 10 0
Marrab Luther	121	44 15 0	44 2 0
Moore, H. N.	128	26 16 6	7 11 0
Neale, Eric	121	23 19 0	15 19 6
Pitter Mrs. T.	126	18 6 0	5 12 6
Plummer, L. A.	134	21 17 6	17 10 0
Robertson, J. A.	170	27 10 0	11 3 0
Rose Florence	114	14 11 3	12 11 9
Scott, Elkanah	179	70 7 0	8 10 0
Thompson, D. E.	183	56 11 0	32 6 0
White, George	164	58 18 0	9 4 0

Wilson, Mrs. E.	116	36 0 6	5 3 6
Wilson, Kenneth	135	75 12 0	28 9 0
Wright, E. P.	169	120 4 0	41 13 6
Burton Nehemiah	145	18 5 0	1 0 0
Delophina, Mrs. M.	102	16 3 0	7 0 0
Francis, Mrs. R.	126	10 4 6	1 16 0
Heslop, Cynthia	158	22 17 9	1 17 9
Haughton, Susan	123	41 5 6	4 11 6
McLeary, Lurline	109	23 1 0	
Pinnock, Pearl	139	87 2 0	6 0
Provost, Mrs. C.	143	20 13 0	2 11 6
White, Mrs. R.	130	39 5 0	3 18 6
Williams, Beatrice	139	42 6 0	2 10 0
Brigades	1114	51 14 4	69 8 8
Students	386	53 2 6	55 4 3
Other Colporteurs	2386	580 5 11	203 19 0
Miscellaneous Sales			612 12 6
Misc. Magazine Sales			171 19 0
West Jamaica Conference:			
Anderson, E. R. A.	205	69 9 0	13 4 6
Briscoe, A.	245	14 19 0	6 10 0
Campbell, Mrs. M. E.	187	36 10 0	5 3 6
Carnegie, R. K.	191	152 17 6	4 1 0
Coleman, M.	151	71 12 6	21 5 0
Francis, Elsie	100	12 18 0	6 14 0
Gayle, Gladys	194	75 14 0	37 15 0
Gayle, Phyllis	112	25 2 0	20 1 0
Gaynor, E.	160	42 4 0	28 6 6
Guthrie, Ira	257	15 18 6	23 9 10
Hall, Zaccheus	172	15 11 6	21 2 0
Hylton, J. N.	185	24 3 6	23 8 0
Kent, Rudolph	132	33 4 0	10 14 6
Kerr, Isaiah	182	107 16 0	65 11 6
Lawrence Roland	161	111 7 6	39 0 6
McDonald, James	121	59 15 0	26 11 6
Maxwell, D. E.	172	31 6 6	15 18 6
Morgan, C. H.	145	28 0 0	25 3 6
Mowatt, Mrs. L.	186	50 6 0	17 7 4
Plummer, H. L.	148	53 13 6	28 16 6
Powell, Ralph	139	78 12 6	8 15 0
Ridell, Ena	117	16 0 11	9 18 7
Reid, W. C.	199	77 13 0	35 10 0
Samuels, Mrs. A.	137	40 6 0	16 15 0
Shippy, Z.	115	26 3 0	5 17 0
Sinclair, S.	120	118 12 6	24 6 0
Spence, G. M.	169	27 5 0	64 5 6
Thorpe, C. H.	162	37 18 0	38 4 0
Wallace, R. B.	142	23 10 0	34 4 0
Woodley, Mrs. L.	139	95 19 6	29 18 0
Brigades	300		80 0 0
Miscellaneous Sales			800 0 0
Other Colporteurs	2383	1069 3 3	539 1 0

Publishing Dept.

A. R. Haig,
Secretary

In order to be full-time colporteurs men must out in at least 120 hours per month regularly and women must put in at least 100 hours per month regularly.

Waiting Youth, You Should Do No Less

(Inspiring Testimony of a Colporteur Nurse of the British Isles)

It was during the spring of 1942 that an evangelistic effort was held in the city of Gloucester. As the weeks passed by, the loyal little company in that district began to notice the continued presence of a certain lady and her daughter. Soon studies were being held in their home. Despite many difficulties and trials it was not very long before praying, earnest souls were rejoicing as this lady made known her decision to join the remnant church and to follow Jesus all the way.

The school-girl daughter, however, did not share in the new-found joy of her mother. Persuasion, pleading, and instruction were ignored. Many struggles and battles took place in her heart before the happy day came when she, too, surrendered her all to the Master. It was just three months after the baptism of her mother that the girl descended the watery grave and arose to give her new life in service to the One Who had given His all for her.

At this time, along came one of our good and faithful colporteurs, Mr. A. Fleet. Zealous and earnest he was as he sowed the precious seed in that district. As time passed by, I (who was of course the daughter) became interested and impressed by his stories and experiences. Because reading had played such a large part in our accepting the message, too, the colporteur work was always highly esteemed in our home.

I was one day persuaded to take a few copies of BEDTIME STORIES from door to door during the long summer evenings. This I enjoyed as I did Ingathering, and working with our papers for Missions Extension each year when these occasions came. When Mr. Fleet later suggested that I take up the canvassing work, his suggestion was not readily accepted. However, that, with this early tuition, was to bring forth fruit in future years.

My heart was set upon the nursing career. For the next four years I wore a cap and apron—part of that time being spent at our own Sanitarium in Watford.

In 1949 I found myself in Kent. While out with some of our papers during an evening off duty I began to think seriously of the canvassing work. It was not difficult to sell ten papers in an hour. How many, therefore, could I sell in six or seven hours, several days each week? I wondered—and why shouldn't I? The idea came to stay.

I thought of my beloved profession. Yes, it was a noble task to minister to the physical needs of God's creatures and there were certainly opportunities to sow seeds of truth in the hospital ward. But, considering the urgency of the hour, I reasoned, surely the time has come for those who have a burden for perishing souls to consecrate all of their time and talent to the tremendous task of rescuing from eternal death those for whom the Saviour has died.

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It didn't just happen that you and I were born when we were. God Himself sent us along the way just at this time. We are to help others, not for reward or worldly honour, but for the joy that comes in serving others. The love as demonstrated by the Good Samaritan was real love. The parable of Christ, as we are told in "Desire of Ages", was an actual happening, and the Priest and Levite who had passed by were in the company listening Christ's story. The Priest only merely glanced toward the wounded man. The Levite curiously

stopped; he recognized his duty; but he dreams may not come true, but God's plan will come true if you only let Him have His way with you. "God in His providence had brought the priest and the Levite along the road where the wounded sufferer lay, that they might see his need of mercy and help. All heaven waited to see if the hearts of these men would be touched with pity for human woe." D.A. 500.

God wants to see that we demonstrate what we profess, what we preach. God had led them along the path just at that time to test them. You and I have come along just now to hold out a helping hand to a world that is perishing; and God, in His providence, has placed you where you can lead some sinner back to Him. He knew that you would graduate in 1951. He knew the world would need a helping hand just now. He has commissioned the angels of Heaven to assist you.

Satan is the one who has robbed us, and left us half-dead. When we find a member of the church who has been beaten by Satan, led into sin, left half-dead—are we like the Priest and the Levite, or are we like the Good Samaritan?

If there is one tonight in the graduating class who has not fully given his or her life to God, you too have been robbed by Satan, you have been beaten, you are dying! You need the touch of the Master's hand tonight. He is waiting with the balm of Gilead. He wants to apply it to your sin-sick soul. He waits with a robe of righteousness and wants to clothe you. He paid the price of sin; He has made provision for your salvation. I hope and pray tonight that every Graduate will be found around the throne of God; we cannot disappoint our Saviour. If we follow Him we will be there.

I am sure that on many a Friday night, since you enrolled here at the College, Christ has spoken to you many times and you have responded to the appeal of the holy Spirit. But tonight you have come to the most important Friday evening service that you have ever attended at West Indian Training College—the last Friday night before you graduate and step over the threshold into a world that is cold. As a Christian, you will come face to face with the Son of God. He will say, "Come and follow me", and He is asking you tonight to respond to His appeal. As He stands before you, He is stretching forth those hands that have helped you so many times, those hands that were nailed to the cross for you. He is saying, "My son, (my daughter) give Me thine heart." I want you to follow Me.

The path may not lead where you desire. It, no doubt, will be a rough and stony way; it may not be through green pastures, as you desire; your earthly

vesper service, have you counted the cost? Tonight, I am sure that all Heaven stoops to hear your response, and if you have ever been honest with your own soul, I want you to do it tonight; if you do not mean it from the depths of your soul, do not tell God tonight; but if you determine to follow Christ all the way, I am going to ask you to stand with me. If you can do that tonight, honestly, sincerely, forgetting everyone else and thinking only of the Saviour, would you stand to dedicate, or perhaps to rededicate, your life to Him? Are you willing to stand tonight and say, Lord, I am willing to follow Thee? (Class response)

May you ever hold before you your Aim: "To Love, Labour, and Live For Others; as well as your motto: "Following the Infinitie"!

Untill The Day Break

Brother Sylvantus Pinnoek, of Newport, Jamaica, passed to his rest in the General Hospital, Birmingham, England, on March 30, 1952, at the age of 31 years. He was buried in the Witton Cemetery on April 3, 1952. A few months ago Brother Pinnoek came to Britain to work, hoping at the time to improve his education, so that he could better serve his Lord. Soon after his arrival in England his health failed and he spent eight months in hospital. He suffered much, but his faith was unwavering. Our hearts go out in sympathy to his wife and two year old daughter, who remained in Jamaica. The funeral service was conducted by the writer, in the presence of a number of his fellow countrymen and members of the local churches.

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