



FORWARD INTO 1929

By W. H. MEREDITH

NINETEEN twenty-eight. What is written? The records have been faithfully kept. The good deeds we have done are placed to our credit. Our sins are recorded against us, and can only be removed by Him Who gave His life for us. The possibility of their being removed, however, is with us, for "if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us." Therefore, our confession and repentance for wrong doing, if true, can, with faith in God, enable us to forget "those things which are behind," and press forward to "those things which are before." May we hope that the new year, 1929, will bring to us new and better things.

The committee, in making plans for next year, have chosen as a motto for the field, "EVANGELIZE, EVANGELIZE," and with this in view, for workers and churchmembers, plans are being made for the best efforts possible in winning others to the truth. We cannot undo the past, but we can plan for a better experience in the future. Our efforts in the past may sometimes have been misunderstood. We too, have misunderstood other people's efforts, and sometimes things have not been too pleasant. All this we have a right to forget and leave behind us. But every effort that has made for good and for success can be carried into the new year with more earnestness and zeal and pushed to greater success.

We therefore request that all our workers and churchmembers enter into a solemn covenant with God to put forth every effort to make known this truth to others, and while sacrificing selfish or personal ambition, seek to save those who are lost. Let the motto for the year ring in our ears and find its way into our hearts, that it may bring forth its own results in efforts for the salvation of others. "EVANGELIZE! EVANGELIZE!"

Since our last conference meetings quite a number of changes have been made, and we pray that

God may use these to His own glory and the advancement of His work. Beginning with January 1st the North and South conferences will take their old territories. Wales, Scotland, and Ireland will again become Missions under the care of the British Union.

Pastor Spearing is now settled in the North England conference and has already visited a good part of the field. The same can be said for Pastor Dorland in the South England conference, and we wish these two brethren in their new fields of labour much of the blessing of the Lord.

Pastor Maudsley remains at his post in Scotland and is now superintendent of the Scottish Mission. We wish for Scotland much of the blessing and power of the Lord, that the mission may grow so rapidly that soon it, too, may become a conference.

Pastor Lowe, who comes back to us from his work in Portugal, is now settled at Cardiff in charge of the Welsh Mission. We trust that the Lord may abundantly bless His servant as he takes hold of the work there, and we feel sure that all the members of our Welsh churches are giving him a warm welcome.

Ireland is now in charge of Pastor S. G. Joyce, one of our young evangelists from the South of England. He, being a native of the Emerald Isle, has taken up his duties with much hope and courage. We ask a special interest in prayer in his behalf. Associated with him, at present in Belfast, is Pastor G. Hyde, and we are looking forward to splendid results from both of them.

While we have to be very careful and watch closely our finances, we believe that God can help and will give success. Efforts will be started in all these conferences and mission fields, and every effort will be put forth by the conference committees to use all the talent possible. Let us therefore pray for evangelists, Bible-workers, and colpor-

teurs in a more earnest way than we have ever done before, and for ourselves that the presence and power of God's Holy Spirit may control us in all our work.

Some of the changes must be specially noticed by our workers and our church officers, and we will briefly state them, calling your close attention so that the fewest possible mistakes may be made. The secretary-treasurer of the South England conference, with the office at 395 Holloway Road, is now Brother H. D. Clarke, and he will, of course, receive all reports and monies due from the churches of the South England conference. The treasurer of the North England conference, located at 22 Zulla Road, Nottingham, is Brother J. H. Parkin, and he will receive reports and tithes and offerings from all churches in the North England conference. The church treasurers, church clerks, and departmental secretaries, however, of Wales, Scotland, and Ireland, will please note that from January 1st, all church reports, tithes, and offerings for the year must be sent to the British Union secretary-treasurer, Brother A. Carey, at Stanborough Park, Watford. This means that the British Union is going to act as treasury for these mission fields, in this way saving expense and making it possible for these mission fields to put all the monies possible into evangelistic effort. The Home Missionary, Sabbath-school, and Young People's secretaries should send all departmental reports to Brother J. Harker, at Stanborough Park, Watford.

We ask for your hearty co-operation in carrying out these changes, and pray that the Lord may abundantly bless every effort put forth by workers and churchmembers during this new year. We invite you also to pray for the members of the British Union Committee, for their task is often arduous and trying. If we all rely upon the presence and the power of God's Spirit, we shall be kept from making mistakes and can look forward to rich blessings and real success. Let us pray that in our own experience we may keep close to our Master, and though we may sometimes be called upon to suffer wrongfully, let us remember that Jesus Himself suffered likewise. Let us follow His example and commit ourselves unto Him that is able to judge righteously. That God's richest blessing may rest upon His whole work in the British Union during this new year is our prayer.



A Word to Missionary Volunteers

WE have just crossed the threshold of another year. Turning over a new page, as we do at this time, causes us to think soberly. Unfortunately, there is a tendency to slip back into ways and habits not calculated to help us in making the best use of our opportunities. It is important that

we gird up the loins of our mind continually. We must check up our habits daily. Time is a great asset. Every moment should be guarded. Take those few precious moments in the morning, the time devoted to quiet meditation. Here is a habit that should be strengthened and maintained. Shall we not resolve to use the *Morning Watch Calendar* faithfully? It is full of "gems" from the good old Book.

Then there is the evening. Most young people have some leisure after the day's duties are done. Here Paul's counsel to Timothy comes in—"Give attention to reading." Keep good books by you. Here are some new ones which belong to the 1929 Reading Courses:

Seniors.—*Ideals for Earnest Youth. Isles of Opportunity. Stories of Grit.*

Juniors.—*The Book of the Countryside.*

Primary.—*Brave dogs. Other Boys and Girls.*

The complete set of six books costs 18/6. Write to your conference secretary for prices of single copies. We wish it were possible to say what each book contains. We can assure you that you will not be disappointed in any one of them.

We are thinking also of the Standard of Attainment work for 1929. Quite a large number took the first half of Bible Doctrines last year. Now we are ready to take the second half. This begins with study number 15—"The Moral Law." Will Missionary Volunteers plan to start the new studies as early as possible. The examination will come along early in July. Isolated families and individuals can study at home. Those who have not taken the first part of the course can do so. This takes in studies 1-14. The new *Standard of Attainment Manual* can be obtained from the Stanborough Press for 1/-.

After training comes work. There is a strong desire in the heart of every conference worker, and we believe the same is true of the church officers and members generally, to make the present year the best on record in soul-winning. "Evangelism" is the general slogan. Missionary Volunteers must be in this good work. First, we want all the Volunteers of our societies who are not yet churchmembers to think seriously of taking the step. It is not too much to expect as many as 100 baptisms from the Missionary Volunteer ranks during the year. This is our goal. If you are not baptized, will you resolve now to be one of these 100 new additions? A heart yielded to God is the only requirement.

Then at all times seek to bring others to the meetings. Help in public efforts. Write missionary letters, sell literature, talk with your friends and pray for their conversion.

Now just one more word. Our programme would not be complete without a thought for mis-

sions. The brethren of the Northern European Division have asked the Missionary Volunteers of Great Britain to raise £200 this year for the support of native workers in Africa. Twopence per week for seniors and one penny per week for juniors will do it. Societies could set the offering goal on

this basis, and let each member resolve to act his or her part faithfully, not only in the matter of offerings, but in all the responsibilities which Missionary Volunteers are called upon to share. Great blessings are in store. Let all rally to the call.

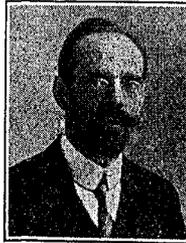
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Notes from the President

WORD has reached us at the office to the effect that our evangelists are making preparations for their efforts, and within a week or two several efforts will begin. The following workers are planning to commence their campaigns this month:

PASTOR F. C. BAILEY, at Newcastle. With Brother Bailey will be associated Brother S. Morley and Sister M. Basher.

PASTOR E. E. CRAVEN, at Bradford. Sister A. Clarke is to assist in this effort.

PASTOR A. K. ARMSTRONG, at Kettering, with Sister J. E. Bastow as Bible-worker.

PASTOR W. P. PRESCOTT, at Huddersfield, assisted by Sister I. Himsforth.

PASTOR A. S. RODD, God willing, will conduct an effort at Liverpool in the autumn.

BROTHER F. W. COPPOCK hopes to start a series of meetings this month in the neighbourhood of Middlesbrough or Stockton, and Brother A. V. Ward is to hold an effort in a small town near Hull. These two brethren will not have the assistance of Bible-workers, as all our lady workers will be employed elsewhere.

BRETHREN G. D. KING and **C. A. Reeves** are still holding on at Birmingham and Skegness, respectively. We are looking for a baptism in each of these places soon. Sister Casey is associated with Brother King, but Brother Reeves does not have the assistance of a Bible-worker. Pastor W. A. Hall still has charge of the work in Manchester, and Pastor J. E. Bell cares for the work in Birmingham. Pastor J. B. West, as has been previously stated, is being transferred to the South on account of his wife's health. We shall be glad to welcome Pastor R. Whiteside to this northern field. Brother Whiteside is to have charge of the work in Sheffield and Rotherham. Brother W. Lennox has recently moved to Worcester. He is

acting as leader of that church, and also of the companies at Bromsgrove and Stourbridge. The only other conference worker in this field, apart from the departmental and office workers, is Sister E. Donaldson, who has charge of the work in Lincoln and Bardney.

WE are sure that as our people read over this list of workers in the North England conference, they will feel that this little band is quite inadequate for the work that is before us. We feel we can, however, count on the hearty co-operation of all our members in the great work of winning souls. We are grateful indeed to God for what He has accomplished through our evangelists, and for what we are sure He will accomplish through them this year. But very much more can be done in the work of warning men and women of the soon coming of Christ, if every member will do his or her part. Shall we not make a supreme effort this year to evangelize the cities of the North and Midlands?

IT has been our privilege to visit about two-thirds of the churches and companies in the North England conference during the past three months. We hope to get round to the other one-third as soon as possible. Requests have come in from various sections of the field for us to arrange evangelistic efforts. We are doing the very best we can with the means at our disposal. The tithe for November has shown a considerable decrease over the same period in 1927. At the moment of writing, we do not have the figures for December, but we trust there will be an increase for that month, and we hope that the year 1929 will reach the high-water mark, as far as our income is concerned. The larger the amount of tithe that reaches us, the more we can accomplish in the way of evangelism in our cities. Let us all pray for the help that God is so willing to give to us.

A WORD to the workers. Are you taking the

Ministerial Reading Course for 1929? If you have not yet sent in word to the office with regard to this matter, will you kindly do so without delay? We feel that every worker should take this course.

WORD has just reached us from Pastor W. H. Meredith, our Union president, to the effect that Pastor L. H. Christian has written a very fine article on the subject of the spirit of prophecy. The

suggestion made to us is, that this article form the basis of a study on the subject of the spirit of prophecy in all of our churches on Sabbath, January 19th. Word will be sent out from the Union office relative to this matter. We hope that this special meeting will be carefully planned and that the blessing of heaven will attend in every place where the suggested subject is considered.

F. A. SPEARING.

South England Conference

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Notes from the President

THE watchword for the year 1929, chosen by the Home Missionary Department, is "Evangelism." This has always been the watchword of our people. In accordance with this the South England conference has laid plans for aggressive efforts wherever possible.

THE writer has commenced an effort in the North London Church, with which Brother G. Lewis and Miss D. Moseley are associated.

PASTOR F. S. JACKSON, assisted by Miss O. C. Davies, will commence a public campaign in Brighton. At present this church is making strenuous efforts to raise the necessary funds to purchase their own church building.

PASTOR MORRISON, who is located in Croydon, will put forth every effort to build up the membership of this company by holding meetings in a good hall in this populous part of London.

PASTOR R. S. JOYCE begins work in Norwich, with Miss M. Savage to assist him as Bible-worker. We wish him every success.

PASTOR S. F. TONKS will again launch out in Reading in a vigorous campaign, Miss Stone, his Bible-worker in previous efforts, giving assistance.

PASTOR W. J. YOUNG, lately from the Emerald Isle, will begin in a newly-built hall in Portsmouth. Miss I. Baldwin will give her valued help to forward this good work.

PASTOR J. B. WEST, coming to us from the North England conference in exchange for Pastor Whiteside, will open up new work in High Wycombe. He will have the help of Sister Lenanton, with her long experience in raising up a company in this prosperous manufacturing town.

BROTHER T. M. TIMPANY has secured a hall in Forest Gate, and will put forth earnest efforts to

build up the membership in this part of the great city of London.

BROTHER R. FREETH plans to begin an effort in Luton, and we wish him much of Heaven's blessing as he takes up this new aggressive work.

PASTOR J. G. BEVAN, assisted by Miss I. Seagrave, is in the midst of an effort in Southend. They have had a fair interest in this difficult field, and we wish them much success as the result of their labours.

PASTOR H. W. McCROW will begin an effort in the Town Hall, Chatham. Four faithful souls were baptized there by him on Wednesday, December 19th.

ON the last Sabbath afternoon of the Week of Prayer it was the privilege of the members of the Stanborough Park Church to see eleven of their young people baptized by Pastor McAvoy.

WE urgently request the prayers of the WORKER family in behalf of these efforts, that they may reach the honest in heart with the message so dear to us all.

O. M. DORLAND.

Greetings to Portsmouth

SAD was the parting from our many friends in Portsmouth. For the two years we were privileged to be there the Lord had blessed our efforts for Him, giving us splendid Sunday services every night of our two campaigns in the large Scala Cinema. But, best of all, *four* good baptisms, that increased the churchmembership from 52 in January, 1927, to 97 in December, 1928—nearly 100% increase. With joy we watched the faithfulness of the "new" members, and it has encouraged us to know that they were all faithful to their baptismal vows when we said good-bye. The Sabbath-school, Young People's, and Home Mission-

your needs and hopes and to make the fullest possible use of our ministry for you. This we write especially to our isolated members.

ULSTER—BELFAST

PASTOR G. HYDE is now in Belfast and plans to conduct an evangelistic campaign in that city. Belfast has a population of 315,492—75 per cent of whom are Protestants, loyal and true to their faith. Sunday is an intensely sacred day to them and all places of amusement are religiously kept closed. Past history of our work in Belfast reveals the encouraging fact that stalwart men of days ago were able to obtain good results for their labours there both in attendance in public halls and in baptisms. In one particular year Belfast led the British Isles. We sincerely trust and pray it may be so during 1929—we believe it will. Ulster is the only section of Ireland that can be compared to England—thus our expectations for Belfast are great. Pray for Pastor Hyde and his work.

SAORSTAT EIREANN (IRISH FREE STATE)—DUBLIN

THE Irish Free State, enjoying home rule, has laws, language (Gaelic), treasury notes, and coins of its own. We plan to conduct an evangelistic campaign in Dublin, the Free State capital and metropolis of Ireland. Dublin has a population of 316,693, but 85 per cent of them are Roman Catholics, hard and bitter against Protestantism. Every cinema and place of amusement is open on Sunday, the city being said to rival the cities of the continent for their Sunday gaiety and lust for pleasure. With these conditions it will require greater and more discreet advertising, with considerable cramping of the topics that can wisely be given publicly.

WITH God nothing is impossible. The work is His and only by His power can it be done. May we earnestly request your prayers as we plan and work for Dublin and all Ireland. S. G. JOYCE.

STOP PRESS NEWS

WE regret to announce that our Walthamstow church building was burnt down on Friday night, the 4th inst.

The fire was noticed between 6 and 7 o'clock. The Fire Brigade was called and in a few minutes was on the spot, but in spite of their splendid efforts the whole interior of the building was consumed.

We feel humbled under the stroke, but we are trying to submit ourselves to God that He may exalt us in due time.

"We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed. We are perplexed, but not in despair."

The Walthamstow Church,

F. C. SHONE.

At Rest

LOGAN.—We regret to announce the death of baby George Logan of Glasgow. He passed away, after a severe illness, on Tuesday, Dec. 4, 1928, and was buried by the writer on December 6th. It was with grief that the parents were deprived of their youngest child, aged six months. But they sorrow not as others which have no hope, for they look forward to the day of the resurrection when those families that have been divided by the cruel hand of death, will be reunited.

W. MAUDSLEY.

HAMPER.—We are very sorry to announce that on Friday, Nov. 30, 1928, Sister Mrs. Hamper, aged 53, of Fareham, fell asleep in Jesus. She had been a great sufferer for many years. The end came very suddenly. She accepted the truth under the labours of Dr. and Sister Druitt in February 1924, and was later received into fellowship by Brother G. W. Bailey. Sister Hamper leaves a husband, three sons, two daughters, and three grandchildren to mourn their loss. She was laid to rest in the cemetery at Fareham on Wednesday, December 5th, where she sleeps free from all pain awaiting the voice of the Lifegiver on the soon-coming resurrection morn. Many relatives gathered both at the home and at the graveside. The services were conducted by the writer, assisted by the splendid help of Dr. Druitt.

W. J. YOUNG.

WANTED.—Situation where Sabbath can be kept, as mother's help, or similar work, for young woman of twenty years of age. Apply in first place to Pastor T. H. Cooper, 25 Brynhafryd Street, Swansea.

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BROTHER PEGG of 2a Baggholme Road, Lincoln, is at your service for all kinds of commercial and general printing. Handbills, billheads, tags, letter-headings, etc. a speciality.

WANTED.—Situation as domestic help for girl, aged 18, where Sabbath can be kept. Has had two and a half years' experience. Can do plain cooking. Very fond of children. Apply: Miss F. Hall, 60 Ebers Road, Sherwood, Nottingham.

THE South Birmingham Church now meets at the following address: Co-operative Hall, Camp Hill, Stratford Road, Birmingham. Services: Sabbath-school, 10 a.m.; Preaching Services, 11.15 a.m., 3 p.m. Bible Study, Wednesday, 7.45 p.m. From February there will be a preaching service on Sunday evenings at 6.30 p.m.

THE South London Church now meets in Lenham Hall, Dartmouth Road, Forest Hill, London, S. 23. Sabbath-school, 10 a.m.; Preaching Service, 11 a.m.; Young People's Society, 1.15 p.m.

SUNSET CALENDAR

	LOND.	EDIN'G	NOTTING'M	CARDIFF	BELFAST
Jan. 18th	4.23	4.15	4.22	4.36	4.34
" 25th	4.35	4.29	4.34	4.48	4.48

EDITORIAL NOTES

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THIS week we commenced printing 260,000 tracts in preparation for the great Tract Campaign which commences next month.

TWO-COLOUR tracts will be an interesting and progressive feature of the new campaign.

WORK is now proceeding upon the new treatment rooms for the Stanboroughs Sanitarium. This much-needed extension will be ready for service in a few weeks' time.

WITH the new year Pastors De'Ath and McAvoy are taking over the effort commenced in the new Stanborough Park Church ten weeks ago. The average attendance has been about seventy-five, about a third of this number being friends not of our faith.

IN this issue will be found particulars of all the efforts being commenced throughout the field with the advent of the new year. The spirit of evangelism is abroad. A great new forward movement has begun. Let us all pray and work for the advancement of God's cause in this field.

IT may interest some to learn that during the past four years free literature to the value of £153 has been distributed by means of the Stanborough Press Free Literature Fund. This Fund has made it possible for scores of ministers of other denominations to receive copies of *Present Truth* regularly for a long period, and many hundreds of copies of the paper have been sent to foreign countries for distribution amongst the English-speaking population. At present the fund is overdrawn to the extent of £7 6s. 6d. Contributions, which may be addressed to the Editor, Stanborough Press, Watford, are urgently required if this good work is to continue.

The New Songs

THE elements of freshness and variety are needed in the praises we offer to God as much as in the sermons we hear and in our prayers.

"O, sing unto the Lord a new song" was frequently heard in the days of David and Asaph. The enthusiastic note of joy which was struck on such occasions is still sounding in the Psalms which are left on record.

Our services could be considerably enriched by the use of some of the "new songs" contained in the Revised *Advent Hymnal*. Numbers 1, 5,

12, and 13 are becoming well known, but what about No. 15? Here is a splendid hymn by H. F. Lyte, who, as most of us know, is the author of "Abide With Me." We will quote one verse, but read the hymn through and note the general crescendo of thought, stimulated at the end of each line by that magnetic word, "Hallelujah!"

Praise the Lord, His glories show,
Hallelujah!
Saints within His courts below,
Hallelujah!
Angels round His throne above,
Hallelujah!
All that see and share His love.
Hallelujah!

The tune is of Welsh origin. It should be sung vigorously, but not too fast. Encourage good effort in the singing of "Hallelujah."

Numbers 18 and 19 are also amongst the "gems" of the new book. Both are set to well-known tunes. No. 19 especially is worthy of frequent use. "COME, LET US SING A NEW SONG."

J. HARKER.

Teachers' Training Course

Now is the time for Sabbath-school teachers to enrol in the 1929 Training Course. The book selected for study is *The Soul-Winning Sabbath-School*, by Mrs. L. Flora Plummer, who, as most of us know, is the General Conference Sabbath-school Department secretary. Sister Plummer has spent about twenty-five years in Sabbath-school work. What she has written is the fruit of her experience during that time. We cannot even begin to enumerate the topics discussed in the book. It is literally crammed with counsel on all that pertains to Sabbath-school work.

The course will cover sixteen weeks, beginning January 20th. We would like to see every teacher enrolled. Send your name and address to the conference Sabbath-school secretary and you will receive the weekly assignments for study. If there is no class formed in your church, you can study alone. At the close of the course a list of questions will be submitted to each student to bind off the work and a certificate will be granted to all who complete the course successfully. Ask your superintendent for the price of the book and other particulars, or write to your conference secretary. Remember January 20th, the opening date, and enrol at once.

J. HARKER.