

The MISSIONARY WORKER

ORGAN OF THE BRITISH UNION
CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Witnessing for God

By W. E. READ

"ARISE, shine; for thy light is come." This is God's call to His people to-day. Upon us the light of present truth has shone. We have been led out of darkness into His marvellous light, and it is our duty, in fact, our privilege, to let our light so shine before men "that they may . . . glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Upon every soul the Lord has laid the responsibility of communicating the everlasting Gospel. To every member of the church comes the divine behest, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature."

How the early believers responded to this appeal! How they "went everywhere preaching the Word"! We read, "The hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number . . . turned to the Lord." God blessed the witness of His church and, as a result, many souls were born into the kingdom of heaven.

Many triumphs of the cross have been won through the faithful witness of the children of God through the ages. Of the one who had received great light and blessing in the days of the Saviour we read: "He went his way, and published throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had done unto Him." Luke 8:39. One man who had been de-

livered from the bondage of sin "departed, and began to publish . . . how great things Jesus had done for him: and all men did marvel." Mark 5:20.

One cannot help but admire the self-sacrificing efforts of the believers of the Nestorian Church. Of them we read: "The merit of having carried the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the Turco-Tartar tribes of eastern Asia, belongs entirely . . . to the untiring zeal and marvellous spiritual activities of the Nestorian Church,

the most missionary church that the world has ever seen." — "Nestorian Missionary Enterprise," by J. Stewart, page 139.

What a blessing would come not only to the members of the Advent church, but to our neighbours and friends, if the spirit of witnessing for Christ which was manifested in the early days of Christianity, and by these Nestorian believers, characterized all our church-members to-day, blessed as they are with the wonderful message of the soon coming of Christ.

It is true that when Jesus was here on earth, He called His twelve disciples and set them apart to a life task. They were ordained to be with Him, and became the leaders of

Pleading for Ireland

By Rev W. B. Collyer, D.C., Peckham, August, 1844

*Angel, unto whom 'tis given,
Swiftly by divine command,
Flying through the midst of heaven,
With the Gospel in thy hand,
Joyful tidings
To proclaim through every land
In the circuit thou art taking,
Overlook not this Green Isle;
But a pause of mercy making,
Here repose thee for a while—
Close thy pinions;
Gladden Ireland with thy smile.
Such the message thou art bringing,
At the first inspiring sound,
Multitudes of preachers, springing
From all quarters, shall be found
To repeat it,
Till it spread the country round
England to this land united,
By so strong, so dear a tie,
Let not Ireland's wants be slighted,
"Come and help us," is her cry—
British Christians!
To your sister's succour fly
Ireland, all too long neglected,
Now demands your speedy aid,
Every good may be effected,
By the light of life displayed:
Glorious day-spring;
Scatter death's incumbent shade.*

—Irish Missionary Magazine, September, 1844, page 20.

a mighty movement. But the Lord also called seventy, and it may be we have at times wondered what their mission was. As one gives careful study to the characteristics of the seventy and the characteristics of the twelve, one is impressed with this thought, that they were much alike in some ways, but there was one vital difference. No reference is made to the ordination of the seventy, and hence one might rightly conclude that they were called for a specific purpose and for a specific mission. Jesus called them to enter a number of cities and prepare the way for His visits. From all appearances, it would look as though they were laymen who, as they were able, gave of their time and their interest to the preaching of the Gospel message.

Barnes in his *Popular Commentary* remarks as follows: "Seventy others besides the apostles. The apostles were to be with Him, to hear His instructions; to be witnesses of His miracles, His sufferings, His death, His resurrection and ascension, that they might then go and proclaim all these things to the world. The seventy were sent out to preach immediately, and chiefly where He Himself was about to come. They were appointed for a temporary object. They were to go into the villages and towns, and prepare the way for His coming."

In Tarbell's *Teachers' Guide to the National Sunday-School Lessons*, we read: "They were not apostles, they were only disciples; they had not been with Jesus throughout His ministry; and they were not skilled teachers, yet He entrusted them with His work, and knew that in teaching others they would themselves learn. . . . What an encouragement for untrained teachers who do not feel competent for the work! It is the great Teacher's plan that they should learn as they teach, and it is His wish that they carry on His work."

Here was a call to the laymen in the church; and how nobly they responded!

Notice the proportion also. There were seventy laymen to twelve apostles. Should we not learn a lesson from this? Is this to be the proportion that we should see in the last days? If there were seventy laymen preaching in the time of Christ, what should that mean at this time? With approximately eighty-four ministers and Bible-workers preaching the everlasting Gospel at this time in connection with our work in the British Isles, should the same proportion of laymen be available as in the days of Christ? If so, we should see four hundred and ninety laymen rising up all over the Union preaching the message and giving to God service according to the gifts and talents with which they have been endowed. What a wonderful prospect there is here for the finishing of the work, and for rapidly accomplishing the task God has given to His people!

Note the following counsel which comes to us from the servant of God: "In places where the truth is not known, brethren who are adapted to the work might hire a hall, or some suitable place to assemble, and gather together all who will come. Then let them instruct the people in the truth. They need not sermonize, but take the Bible, and let God speak directly out of His Word. If there is only a

small number present, they can read a 'Thus saith the Lord' without a great parade or excitement; just read and explain the simple Gospel truth, and sing and pray with the people."—*"Review and Herald," September 29, 1891.*

"Hundreds, yea, thousands, who have heard the message of salvation, are still idlers in the market place, when they might be engaged in some line of active service. To these Christ is saying; 'Why stand ye here all the day idle?' and He adds, 'Go ye also into the vineyard.' Why is it that many more do not respond to the call? Is it because they think themselves excused in that they do not stand in the pulpit? Let them understand that there is a large work to be done outside the pulpit, by thousands of consecrated lay-members."—*"Acts of the Apostles," pages 110, 111.*

Oh, that God would raise up more such workers in every conference! We are glad for the faithful work so many of our brethren and sisters are doing in many places, but how we long to see men, here and there, to whom God has given the gift of presenting the message, launching out into small public efforts in an endeavour to win men and women to the Saviour. Quite a number of our brethren go out on Sabbaths and give acceptable service to our churches in ministering to them the Word of Life. We appreciate the splendid contribution which so many are making in this way.

May God lay upon us all the burden for souls and lead us to realize in a definite way the nearness of the end; the fact that the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. May this lead us not only to a deeper consecration of our own hearts, but to go forward, proclaiming with a loud voice, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet Him."

NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

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Nottingham.

Liverpool

THE church in Liverpool was favoured with a visit from the Division Secretary, Pastor C. V. Anderson, over the week-end, November 8th-10th. At our opening meeting on Friday evening a goodly company welcomed him. The speaker outlined the progress of our work, giving appropriate anecdotes from his own experiences.

Again on Sabbath morning a stirring address was given which thrilled the hearts of all present with the great importance of our message, resulting in a fresh determination and a still greater desire to do our part, with God's help, in spreading the good news of the near return of Jesus.

The young people were privileged at their mid-day service to listen again to Pastor Anderson. At that meeting members of the young people's society were reminded of the wonderful honour God Himself

had conferred upon them when He called them to be His ambassadors to the world.

In the afternoon an enthusiastic gathering of members and friends assembled. On this occasion Pastor Anderson emphasized the world events that are now rapidly fulfilling the prophetic utterances of Holy Writ.

Sunday evening was a fitting climax to a very profitable and instructive week-end when a lantern lecture was given on the progress of our work in Ethiopia, the church being packed to its utmost capacity. In imagination we travelled with Pastor

Anderson through the Suez Canal, down the Red Sea, landing at Jibouti, where we began our journey across Ethiopia. Our hearts were stirred as we heard of the great difficulties under which our missionaries labour, and we were more anxious than ever to do our part in providing the necessary means to enable them to carry on their work.

As a result the Ingathering total for this week was more than double that of the week previous. We are confident that, owing to Pastor Anderson's visit, many of our friends will have a better idea of the magnitude of the work we are doing in other lands.

F. M. PRESTON.

South England Conference

President : Pastor R. S. Joyce

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We Visit the Missionary Volunteers of South England

It has been a joy to us to visit many of our young people's societies in the conference and happy are we to find among them a spirit of consecration and of service. We should like to mention all the places we have visited, but space does not permit.

Away down in the south-west of our conference is Plymouth, with forty stalwart senior society members and about twenty enthusiastic juniors. You would like to have seen these young folk as they launched out on their first open-air campaign just a few weeks ago in their endeavour to win other youth to the Advent cause. South London have done some good work in this connection this year also.

You should have been with us when we visited Bristol during the Ingathering Campaign. The young people there were just bubbling over with enthusiasm to get out among the people on Sunday and gather funds for missions. They were happy to spend the day in service for the King.

Crocombe has a splendid body of youth who are preparing to follow the footsteps of many others who have left that society and are now in the organized work.

Southampton and Portsmouth societies, with only a few members, are happy in the Master's service.

On Wednesday, November 13th, the Reading Missionary Volunteer Society opened up a most interesting Missionary Exhibition. A special lecture was held for the public on "God in Ethiopia." Pastor C. V. Anderson gave this talk. The little church was practically filled with people who were anxious to learn more about conditions in that country. The evening's programme included tableaux given by the young people representing the spread of the Gospel story by medical, educational, and evangelical work. We are thankful to God for good, zealous leaders of our youth.

We are happy to tell you also of the work here

in the London societies, where no less than 266 senior and 128 junior members are located. North-west London has just formed a junior society. Holloway is increasing its membership. Tottenham and Wood Green, although only few in number, are holding aloft the banner of truth.

Walthamstow has a happy band of young people who are working for Jesus.

How good it was to visit the West London Church and organize a new society there of thirty-seven young people, the majority of whom were new believers baptized as the result of the work of Pastor R. A. Anderson. "How wonderful are Thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well."

As we go in and out among our young people, we realize something of the possibilities that are wrapped up in our youth.

In another section of our young people's work on the north side of London, we spent a very happy evening with a group of new recruits on November 23rd. In the main, these were juniors. Under very able leadership they had been trained in various ways and were thus able to render a most enjoyable programme of songs, choruses, dialogues, and recitations, all breathing the spirit of the M.V. Society—God's work at home and abroad. Many were the lessons which we carried away with us from that gathering. As we sang the hymn, "I hear ten thousand voices singing their praises to their Lord on high" a really impressive scene was pictured before us: there were the doctor and nurses busy attending to the sick natives, the missionary wearing his helmet as if to represent the helmet of salvation, and in another corner a group of native children sat attentively studying the Picture Roll as the missionary's wife taught them the wonderful story of Jesus.

We must pass on to Wimbledon. Here we find a society of about thirty seniors and half that number of juniors. Many of these are comparatively new to the truth, but it is wonderful to see how they have

grown, spiritually, during the past twelve months. There was one very novel item which was included in the programme at Wimbledon. This was known as "The News Item." One young person was detailed off each week to look out for any news in the papers which marked the fulfilment of prophecy and heralded the coming of Jesus. There were three very striking news items given on this particular week. Try it out in your society; it's good!

As we write we realize that another year has almost passed with its failures and its triumphs, with its sorrows and its joys, and we look forward to the future with great confidence, happy to be associated with such a body of youth whose aim, "The Advent message to all the world in this generation," is being realized day by day, and whose motto, "The love of Christ constraineth us," is demonstrated in their lives.

We appeal to our isolated youth, and to those in our churches, to remain loyal to their trust whatever the cost; we ask our churchmembers to give the best leadership possible for the year 1936, and pray that God will bless all our young people.

H. T. JOHNSON.



Plymouth

FOUR earnest Christians manifested their faith and loyalty to sound principles of truth, by going through the waters of baptism, at the Plymouth Church on Sabbath afternoon, November 9th. Two of these souls, a local preacher and his wife, were led by the Spirit of God to take this step through the earnest labours of Brother Wilton, a lay-member of St. Austell, Cornwall.

Another candidate came to visit Plymouth from the Salisbury company and was baptized, having proved herself loyal to the truth in that city for over three years. The fourth soul baptized provided a testimony to the powerful influence of the church school, where two of this sister's children are in attendance.

Our president, Pastor R. S. Joyce, was present for the occasion and, preceding the immersion, gave a most helpful, enlightening Bible study, having special application to the candidates who had determined to continue living the new life in Christ Jesus by the Holy Spirit's power. The right hand of fellowship was given them by Pastor Joyce and the writer following their baptism.

Our prayers, along with those of the WORKER family, are to the end that these dear people, "as seeing Him who is invisible," will endure "unto the end," when it will be their "Father's good pleasure" to give to them, and to all the faithful in Jesus, "the kingdom prepared for them from the foundation of the world."

L. A. WATSON.



Farewell to Bristol District

ABOUT two years ago we were asked to locate in Bristol, to care for the western district. This comprises the churches of Bristol, Bath, Southstoke, and

Croscombe, also the smaller groups at Weston-super-Mare and Brean.

It has been a busy task, but with the good help of the Lord, and the loyal support of the local brethren, we have been blessed in seeing some fruits for our labours, although we have had no budget, and have not had opportunity to conduct a public campaign.

During the month of September two baptisms were held, and eight souls publicly acknowledged the Lord as their Saviour, and their determination to walk in the pathway of His commandments. There were four brethren and four sisters. Another sister was received by vote on a former baptism, making a total of nine received into fellowship. One of these is the result of Brother E. Clifford's work, and was received into the fellowship of the Southstoke Church. The remainder have been added to the membership at Bristol.

The sister received by vote had been a member of the Baptist Church for forty-four years, and made her first acquaintance with the message through studying *Bible Readings*, which she purchased at the door, and later through one of our local porteurs, by reading *Present Truth*.

While we lament the passing of a number of our elderly members, we rejoice that the Lord has sent others to take up the task they have laid down.

We rejoice that several needed alterations and improvements have been made in the Bristol church building, and also that we leave the church in a healthy financial condition.

During our stay the people of the west have found a large place in our hearts, and will continue to do so, as we move on to care for the work in Gloucester and Cheltenham, and to conduct a public campaign in the former city. "Brethren, pray for us"

HAROLD W. McCROW.

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As in the field of commercial sales training, so in the impartation of these more important principles, a competent instructor is needed.

We are therefore glad to announce that Pastor E. E. Franklin, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Publishing Department, is planning to be with us in the New Year for the purpose of holding special classes in Christian sales methods

Seeing that Brother Franklin has had twenty-four years' experience as an instructor, we are anticipating a most profitable series of studies. The Union Committee has arranged for our colporteur-evangelists to enjoy the benefits of these sales classes. We believe that the privilege will be greatly appreciated alike by experienced workers and prospective recruits. It is a unique opportunity for all.

To-day's great and solemn events are impressing many of our people with a desire to take the saving message to the unwarned multitudes. Many would enter the literature ministry if only they felt assured of becoming well equipped for the work. Here, then, brethren and sisters, is the occasion for which you have been waiting.

Please make a note of the date of these Colporteur Training classes, January 15-24, 1936. Further particulars will gladly be furnished by your conference field missionary secretary and by the writer.

B. BELTON.

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7. Be well informed.
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J. J. STRAHLE.

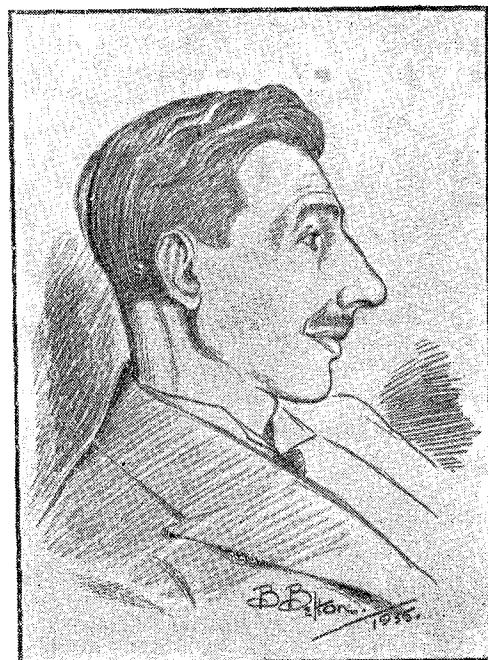
"The Highest Ministry"

BROTHER CHARLES SMITH has just completed eleven years as a regular colporteur.

Besides working in a number of counties in the south and west of England, he has circulated our literature among the people living in beautiful north Wales and has sown the seed also in the Scottish Highlands.

His main work has been the distribution of our various shilling series, also the missionary periodicals, *Present Truth* and *Good Health*. Numerous copies of our larger publications, however, particularly *Bible Readings*, have been placed by him in many homes during his missionary travels.

In a recent letter he expresses his joy in the knowledge of some of his purchasers having accepted the truth in different districts where he has laboured. "In my opinion," he says, "the colporteur



Colporteur Charles Smith.

work ranks as the highest ministry. I can certainly say with the apostle, 'Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of His knowledge by us in every place.' My motto as I contemplate the future is, 'Forward and no surrender!'

We solicit your prayers on behalf of Brother Smith as he continues this personal evangelism in north Essex.

B. BELTON.

A Morning Call

"Good morning! Does Mrs. Heykins live here?" This question is put to a pleasant-faced woman who has opened the door in answer to our knock.

"Yes, that's right, I am Mrs. Heykins."

"Well! I'm very pleased to meet you. I'm Mr. Kelly, and my friend here is Mr. Howard. Now I would like to have a word with you, Mrs. Heykins. It is fortunate that you are at home this morning."

"Oh, well, come in, I don't seem to know either of you; what do you wish to see me about?"

This is our introduction to a prospect in the little village of Barling, some miles out of Southend-on-Sea, where we have been impressed to work in trying out new territory, always the *bête noire* of field secretaries, except when such experiences as the following help to relieve the situation:

So with my "brother in arms" in one chair, Mrs. Heykins with a look of curiosity on her face in another, myself completing the triangle, I continue the conversation.

"Both Mr. Howard and I have been visiting Mrs. Truss and Mrs. Graves down the lane, as you know, who are deeply impressed with our work, which is in the interest of Christian education for the home.

"As you know, Mrs. Heykins, present-day conditions demand much of parents in training their children, and it is felt that we do need to build up the influence of the home life, don't you think so?"

"Why yes, surely, things are different to-day from what they were when I was a girl."

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So my colleague, taking his cue, brings out the prospectus, and commences the demonstration, pointing out the beauty of the engravings and the early life of Jesus. "Why, Mrs. Heykins, we meet Him on every page, etc."

The prospect leans forward, her eyes moving to and fro as the pages are turned, whilst I, as the onlooker (and it is said that "the onlooker sees most of the game") sit, and watch with real interest, another soul being gradually drawn to a knowledge of the truth as it is in the Word of God.

"Are you anything to do with the Bible Students?"

"Why, are you interested in their teachings, Mrs. Heykins?" I quickly interject, desirous of sounding her mind on this subject.

"No I'm not. I have had them here, and their

line of reasoning frightens me; my children only came to me the other day and were quite upset at what they had heard from the colporteur who called.

"I believe the Bible. I feel that there is so much to be explained. Whether dreadful times are coming or not, or just what is meant when people say that unless we are washed in the blood of Jesus we won't be saved, I don't really understand, only I do want 'truth,' and wish I understood all these different teachings. Surely they cannot all be right."

"I do want the truth." How those words plucked at my heart. My companion, sensing the solemnity of the situation, put even more fervency and appeal into his explanation, as he continued after this interruption, pointing out various lines of thought all supported by scriptural evidence. Again the prospect spoke, "What do you really think is going to happen? Where do we go when we die? Do you believe that Christ is coming again? Or is He here now?"

Question after question is hurled at us, the utterance of a soul groping in darkness seeking light, a cry in the dark, reader! Had you been there in that humble cottage you, too, would have realized, perhaps as never before, your responsibility in proclaiming this "truth" for these last days.

"Yes, Mrs. Heykins, you will find your questions answered to your satisfaction in this fine work, and not from any man's reasoning either, but from the Bible. Notice this statement," and my friend turning to the preface as I motion him, reads: "It is our hope that all who read this book may see Jesus more clearly, and catch fresh glimpses of the love of God in giving His Son to save the world. . . . May burdened hearts find peace, the doubting certainty, and every mourner the sweet comfort of the Lord."

"You know it isn't just luck or coincidence that brought us here this morning, Mrs. Heykins. We asked the Lord to lead us, and He led us to you. You are sincere, you are searching for truth. Well, this work will reveal it to you, and will bring comfort and joy to all your family."

"How much is it?"

My brother colporteur shows the bindings, and then states the price.

"Oh yes, I will have one; I thought it would be about 22/6, judging from the make up; it's a lovely book. Yes, I will have one."

Another order taken, yes! But more than that, another seeker after truth about to be satisfied, further cause for rejoicing in heaven as another sheep is approaching the only safe path.

C. L. KELLY.

When Abyssinia's Rains Were Divinely Controlled

A WRITER in the *News Chronicle* of December 9th declares that the rains of Abyssinia will be a formidable hindrance to the Italian forces.

Did you know that God once stepped in and definitely controlled Abyssinia's rainy season for fourteen years? Read about it in the next *Present Truth* under the title, "When God Controlled Abyssinia's Rains."

A.W.

Reaping and Sowing in West London

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in the Advent faith, all of whom testified to God's wonderful leading. The next week we gave them the hand of fellowship and some were rejoicing in real restoration of body as well as soul. One good sister who was very nearly deaf has had her hearing restored. Another who had been crippled with rheumatism is now rejoicing in full restoration. Still another who for years had walked by the aid of a stick stepped from the watery grave healed by the power of God. She gave us her stick as a testimony to God's delivering power. Her doctor marvels at the evident recovery, while all her neighbours listen to her story of God's love and power. Truly He is good to Israel. A few were received into fellowship on profession of previous baptism. In all seventy precious souls have been added in this way to our Chiswick Church membership and we expect to hold another baptism before the New Year.

Great changes have taken place in our staff during the year. For the first three critical months we had practically no Bible work because of the sickness of our sisters. But God blessed them in wonderful recovery. Later we lost the services of Brother Freeman, who went to Newbold, and Sister White, through a breakdown in health. These changes came in the midst of harvest and meant much to us and the result of our work. But we give thanks to God for the consecrated souls which He gave us. Brethren Bayliss and Lacey, two of our colporteurs, rendered strong help.

Now we have an exceptionally good interest and already can discern an abundant harvest from God in the new centres in which we are working.

In thanking God for these precious souls we would place on record our joy in being associated with such a loyal group of workers and churchmembers.

To Him be all the glory. Brethren, pray for us.
R. A. ANDERSON.



It has been my privilege to visit The Stanboroughs Hospital on the Medical Aid Plan. My stay has proved a very happy one and I am returning to my home greatly benefited in health and strength. A Christ-like atmosphere pervades the hospital. I am very grateful to the doctors and nurses and all who have taken part in assisting in my recovery.

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Reaping and Sowing in West London

A LITTLE over a year ago we moved from north to west London. What a year it has been! The evident leading of God in our services has been so abundant that we could not begin to write the story in this brief report. The acts of the Holy Spirit are just as real to-day as in apostolic days, and we praise His name for His presence with us.

We opened work in the large Empire Theatre in Chiswick. This was a providential leading. However, we had absolutely no hall of any kind in which to meet the congregation at a later date. We applied for the town hall, but it had never been let on Sundays in all the thirty years of its history. But we followed on, believing that God would reveal His will. He did. We remained in the theatre from October to March and God really gripped the people. We prayed that somehow the town hall would open its doors to us in spite of its rigid policies. And again the Lord led the way. Against all previous rulings our request was granted and the beautiful town hall became the centre of our work for more than six months. We continued there every Sunday night, concluding with a baptism of nearly seventy souls. Those last weeks will never be forgotten. How preciously near the Lord came to us as we broke bread with those dear ones who loved the Lord! It was truly inspiring to see that large congregation partaking in the sweet service of humility in preparation for the breaking of bread.

We have a loyal and consecrated church in west London. For years these dear ones have been praying for a revival. God is answering their prayers and we bless His name for the part He has given us in His service.

No doubt many WORKER readers have already read the brief report of the town hall baptism that appeared in the national paper, the *Daily Herald*, on the Monday morning following. We quote a few lines from it and also include a part of a report which appeared in the *Brentford and Chiswick Times*:

PUBLIC BAPTISM

I looked in at the service of baptism held in the Town Hall on Sunday evening last in, I must confess, rather a sceptical mood. Somehow the idea of over sixty people being publicly baptized by complete immersion in such surroundings did not appeal to me as likely to impress. I came away with very different feelings. The proceedings leading up to and the service of immersion itself were characterized by an air of earnestness on the part of those participating that could not fail to have an effect for good. And if all who have a message to deliver did their part as the speaker on Sunday evening did, then I believe the attendances at places of worship would speedily be on the increase—*Daily Herald*

COLLECTIVE BAPTISMS

AN UNPARALLELED SCENE AT THE TOWN HALL

NEARLY SEVENTY CANDIDATES

Scenes unparalleled in the history of the Chiswick Town Hall were witnessed there on Sunday night at the concluding meeting of a series held in the hall and at Chiswick Empire during the past twelve months under the auspices of the London Advent Mission, a

branch of the World-Wide Advent Missions, which is at present doing Red Cross work among the Abyssinian soldiers.

Nearly seventy persons offered themselves for baptism, and these, attired in white, occupied the first three rows of seats. Every other seat in the hall was taken, and many people had to stand. This is probably the largest number of people who have ever been baptized at one time in this part of London.

The service, as the proceedings progressed, took on something of the fervour of a revival, and the congregation sang choruses from the Advent Hymnal, whilst many bowed their heads in prayer. It was an unforgettable scene for those who witnessed it.

THE BAPTISM

A large tank, measuring 6ft. 6in. by 4ft. 6in., weighing about three-quarters of a ton, and containing nearly 400 gallons of water, made tepid to take off the shock of immersion, occupied the stage, flanked on either side by the choir, and adorning the front of it was a symbolic painting representing the dove of peace flying above the waters of Jordan. Into this tank stepped one by one the candidates for baptism, and they were received by Pastor R. A. Anderson, who, with hand upraised and pronouncing the words, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Spirit," gently dipped them below the surface and then handed them up the steps to the stewards waiting with large bath wraps, who led them to the back of the hall. All went through the ceremony calmly, and there was a burst of song at each immersion.

Mr. Freeman conducted the first part of the service, and the large congregation joined with customary enthusiasm in singing the hymns specially selected for the occasion. A brief and appropriate address was given by Pastor R. S. Joyce, president of the conference, who has been conducting a similar mission with great success in East Anglia.

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This old world, said Pastor Joyce, had for over six thousand years been feeding on ashes, and the deceptions of their own hearts had led them away from God. There was not a man or woman breathing but had been born in sin, but they found in the Word of God the precious promise that not one of them would be allowed to die in sin without having an opportunity to turn from their foolishness. They rejoiced that night in the knowledge that those precious souls who were about to offer themselves to His keeping had heard the Word of God.

IN ABYSSINIA

In an interview, Pastor Anderson said the work at Chiswick had been signally blessed of God. The mission had been operating in Chiswick for the past twelve months. It is a branch of the World-Wide Advent Missions, whose missionaries, said Mr. Anderson, were preaching the message of the Gospel in all parts of the world in five hundred different languages. "There is," he said, "a strong mission in Abyssinia, and the emperor has donated no less than £20,000 to the workers out there to build a hospital." In the present war the missionaries are carrying out Red Cross work behind the Abyssinian lines—*Brentford and Chiswick Times*.

These newspaper representatives were evidently impressed with the service; and truly God was with us.

The Sabbath afternoon meeting prior to the baptism called forth our heart's praise, for it was a blessed sight to see the whole centre of the church filled to capacity with those desiring membership.

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