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The Peace of God

By H. W. LOWE

THE peace of God in the troubled world of men is one of the main themes of the Bible. Thousands of references deal with various phases of this subject. Most of the great lives of biblical characters illustrate it. It is one of those simple phrases that covers a subject of profound importance. Every book in the New Testament contains the word "peace," except John's first epistle. One of the Lord's great titles is "the God of peace" (Rom. 15:33; 16:20; Phil. 4:9; Heb. 13:20, etc).

It is an easy phrase, "The peace of God," but it denotes a deep and mature Christian experience. There is much misconception and confused thinking on the whole subject. It is not scriptural, for example, to imply that because a man has the peace of God in his heart his life will always be free from danger and difficulty. Sorrow, tribulation, and even death have come to thousands of God's saints, who have had the peace of God in their hearts. We must not look upon religious faith as we look upon an air-raid shelter or an insurance policy. It is not a safeguard against physical harm, so much as it is a sustaining power in the spiritual life—and that involves eternity as well as time. The physical is important, but all through the Scriptures the physical life is secondary to the spiritual. In an age of physical danger we must be careful not to make material safety more important than spiritual faith.

The troubled life of man is illustrated by such passages as Job 3:23-

26. Men so often feel hedged in and unsafe. The fears of the human breast so often come to pass. Men's hearts are not quiet. Quite often our fears may be unfounded, as in the case of Dr. Reid's story of how he awakened to the sound of thumping one night, only to discover that it was his own heart-beat. Men are frequently the victims of troubles of their own creation, as in the case of a man with a conscience troubled by sin. That was an ancient malady, but it is just as prevalent in our modern world.

The whole question is contained in secret, quiet, sinless resignation to the sovereign will of God. The sinner is not resigned and is therefore restless. David passed through this phase of human experience, but he also gives us a sublime illustration of a saintly man surrounded by physical danger yet feeling peacefully safe in divine hands. "So quietly I lay me down to sleep, for even alone, thanks to Thee, I am safe." Psa. 4:8 (Moffatt). That is a perfect picture of transcendent trust in the midst of widespread dangers.

Paul provides us with the illustration of a man who knew the peace of God in his heart in the midst of turbulent outward conditions. When experienced mariners decided that the safest thing to do was to jump into the stormy sea rather than run the risk of being dashed on the rocks with their ship, the trustful servant

of God felt otherwise. The will of God was that they "abide in the ship." (Acts 27:31.) The sailors were not in harmony with God, and were therefore restless, the apostle was at peace with God, and was therefore resigned to His will. That was a great difference.

The Saviour gives us the most perfect picture of the peace-filled life, "In the heart of Christ, where reigned perfect harmony with God there was perfect peace . . . amid the greatest opposition and the most cruel treatment, He was still of good courage. But many who profess to be His followers have an anxious, troubled heart, because they are afraid to trust themselves with God. They do not make a complete surrender to Him. . . . Unless they do make this surrender, they cannot find peace."—"*Desire of Ages*," page 330.

Surrender is not a biblical word, but the Bible includes much under what we understand to be a surrendered life. For instance, no life can be surrendered that is not in absolute *obedience* to all God's requirements. "The peace of Christ is born of truth. It is in harmony with God. . . . 'Great peace have they which love thy law; and nothing shall offend them.'" (*Desire of Ages*, page 302.) In other words, "The true test of love to God is not emotion, but obedience." The surrendered life is a fully obedient life.

The surrendered, harmonious life is a *sinless*, selfless life (Jer. 8:7, 10, 11; see also *Testimonies*, Vol. 2, page

139 regarding one referred to as "Brother D.").

Then, too, "The God of love and peace" has promised to be with those who render *single-minded service*, which is a peculiar quality of even the surrendered life. Nothing is single and acceptable service that does not glorify God. There may even be things which, as S. D. Gordon says, are not in themselves sinful, but which nevertheless do not glorify God. All that sort of thing must go if we are to render single-minded service.

In the Old Testament the word corresponding to the New Testament "peace" is full of deep meaning. Primarily it indicates "wholeness." In Ruth 2:12 it appears as the word "full;" in Nehemiah 6:15 as "finished;" in Isaiah 42:19 (margin) as "made perfect." A man enjoying God's peace in his heart therefore is a person who is whole in the sense of being unmarred by sin, "full" in that the Holy Spirit is with him, "finished" in the sense that God possesses him. In 2 Thessalonians 3:16 "the Lord of peace" refers to Jesus Christ who is always seeking to reconcile man into peace with God. (Acts 7:26.)

At the present time we are surrounded by manifold problems, both in the church and in the individual life. Dangers and temptations and human weaknesses abound. We cannot afford to be robbed of God's peace in our hearts. Our youth in national service are meeting the world at close quarters to-day. The majority of them are bearing a noble witness, and are proving the age-old truth that the grace of God can overcome the world. Some, however, are not of this noble order, and they are allowing the spirit of the world to overcome them. The world and the church are at close quarters and at deadly grips to-day. Sin and temptation can only be vanquished by divine power, and that is never present in the heart that is not at rest with its God. We must "stand up for Jesus," or we shall fall down before the devil.

Nothing but the peace of God through the sinless, surrendered life can save the church from all its present difficulties. Nothing but the peace of God through absolute consecration to the sovereign will of God can vanquish our mortal enemy in his last struggle against the Christ of God.

Notes from the Union President

COLLEGE GLEANINGS

At a meeting of the College Board at Newbold recently some interesting facts were gleaned from the reports presented by the principal and the business manager. Our members will be interested in a few of these items in this form:

1. The prospects are that more students will return to Newbold with scholarships from the sale of our literature this year, than returned there last year. That is wonderful when we remember that last year was a record during our history of student summer canvassing.

2. The enrolment for the school year about to commence bids fair to be at least as good as, and probably better than, the enrolment last year.

3. The large outlay on our College farm, necessitated by bringing more land under the plough, has been amply justified by the very fine returns which are now beginning to manifest themselves. For instance, 116 acres of land under the plough

produced thirty tons of oats, ten tons of wheat, fifty-five tons of hay, forty tons of silage. Already this season forty tons of hay have been mown, and oats and potatoes are doing exceptionally well. The new silo is expected to make at least eighty tons of silage this year.

4. The garden returns have also been very good. Greenhouses have been re-modelled, and, as a result, the output of tomatoes is expected to be double that of last year. Almost 3,500 plants were raised and most have been planted out, and are now yielding returns for which there is an excellent market. Twenty-two thousand heads of lettuce were grown, prior to June 1st, and probably another 10,000 have been marketed since then. Other garden produce, including two tons of runner beans, has been equally prolific.

5. For the first time the leather and textile departments have forged ahead, despite war conditions, and these two departments have provided

a good deal of student labour to the value of about £375, in addition to which some students have been helped by selling the products of these departments.

6. The Correspondence School and the other scholastic work of the College has been definitely improved, and plans are afoot for further strengthening the work of the school in this respect.

7. It is interesting to note that the total amount of labour provided for students during the last school year was about £3,400.

OUR LITERATURE

FIGURES tell amazing stories in war-time. Two years ago we should have been astonished to think that during these war years the sales of our literature would have gone up and up. At the moment of writing our sales of Christian literature are about £3,000 more than they were at this time last year. God certainly has greatly blessed this branch of His work, and it must be that the Holy Spirit will use these scattered pages to His glory in the days to come.

MORE AMAZING FIGURES

THE South England conference shows a tithe increase for the half year of £1,207 as compared with the same period of last year. This is remarkably good when one remembers disturbances caused by war, such as the removal of practically the whole of the Edgware group, and evacuation. North England shows a very fine gain of £1,596, Wales a gain of £241, Scotland £617, and Ireland a gain of £59. The total gain for the Union, as compared with the six months of the previous year, is £3,544.

The Advent church is bound together in love and service. These things show themselves in the regularity and faithfulness of every minister and worker in rendering to God His tithe. This binds ministry and people together in a remarkable way. No other church has a one hundred per cent tithe-paying ministry. No other church has eighty-five per cent of its members faithful in this matter.

Amazing in another sense is our membership report which shows a net gain of only eighteen for the first quarter of the year. There is something drastically wrong with us, or

with our soul-winning methods, and we need to seek God for His solution to this most persistent and grave of our problems in the Union.

EVANGELISTIC COUNCIL

THE Union Committee has approved the plan for gathering its evangelistic workers for a special Council probably from September 22nd to the 26th at Watford. If we can obtain some help from the Division it seems evident that we shall go ahead with our plan, although final word will be circulated in due course. We face such heavy problems in our evangelism that time and money and effort would be well worth while if we could come together for devotion and consultation at the present time.

COLLEGE OPENING

THE 1941-2 College year opens with registration of students September 2nd, and opening exercises September 3rd at 3 p.m.

TRIBUNAL CASES

OUR young men should note that persons who have been before tribunals cannot expect to have tribunal decisions reversed because they wish to go to our training College. It is

unwise to apply because the position is so clearly defined by Act of Parliament.

ADVENTIST EMPLOYMENT

WE are still finding great difficulty in obtaining labour at our Institutions. Female labour is at present required at the Granose factory, and quite often at The Stanboroughs. There is a limited amount of male labour wanted also at different times. All applications should go to the respective managers.

WARNING!

OUR members and officers of churches need to be warned once more against the careless manner in which some Harvest Ingathering permits are issued. Local churches must not issue permits for any but their own members, and even then only to members who have the full approval of the church board. If students, colporteurs, or persons representing themselves to be members of other churches come to you for material for Ingathering, please refer to the conference office *before* issuing such materials or permits of any kind. Infringement of these regulations may lead to serious results for us as an organization. H. W. LOWE.

fortified against whatever experiences you may be called to pass through. Your loyal and zealous support of our mission programme as exemplified in last year's Ingathering accomplishments has been a great inspiration to us.

"We are with you in spirit and while feeling that we would like to be by your side sharing in the difficulties that must come to the brave people of Britain, we realize our work is here in Africa. In God's overruling providence our missionaries have been able to continue their labours without interruption.

"We consecrate ourselves anew to the preaching of the Advent message, and with you, look forward to that glad day when it shall be cut short in righteousness and when everlasting peace shall reign."

Let us continue to pray for our work in the mission fields that God may abundantly bless our missionaries, our African workers and all our believers. They thank God for the loyalty of His people. They feel grateful for all that is being done in the Ingathering, and we in turn feel grateful for their service of love and the loyalty and faithfulness of our African constituencies.

Wedding Bells

HANKINS-HEGTER. — On July 29, 1941, Dr. Harold Victor Hankins and Heather Belle Hegter were united in marriage at the Scotia Hotel, Edinburgh. Brother Hankins has recently received his Diploma in Medicine, and will soon take up his work of healing the sick. Sister Hegter will soon take her M.A. degree in the Edinburgh University. As this young couple set up their new home, we wish them much of God's blessing and real happiness. Whether here or in South Africa, their native home, we are sure that their light will shine as a saving beacon to all around.

J. A. McMILLAN.

NOVILLE-BALDWIN.—On August 13, 1941, Brother Bernard A. Noville and Sister Gwendoline G. M. Baldwin, both beloved and active officers of the Kettering church, were united in marriage in the Baptist Church, Burton Latimer, the writer assisting in the service. A happy gathering of relatives and churchmembers at the bride's home wished Brother and Sister Noville every blessing as they set out to walk life's road together.

A. F. BIRD.



"THE distortions of the Bible by its enemies do less harm than the distortions of its teachings in the lives of its professed friends."

Greetings from Nigeria

By W. E. READ

A FEW months ago the brethren in the Nigerian Union Mission held their spring meeting, and on looking through a copy of the minutes which have just come to hand, one can see the amount of work that our mission committees have to deal with in these days of perplexity. They have to cover a range of work we cover in the homeland with many other perplexities besides. It is remarkable how the Lord is blessing them in their endeavours. In Nigeria the hospital work is developing encouragingly, although, due to hostilities, the rising costs of material, and the difficulties in getting supplies, it will not be possible to complete the project as early as we had hoped. However, Dr. Madgwick is already there and is getting started in the work. One of our great difficulties at the present time is that we have

no nurse. One or even two would have been in the field ere this, had it not been for the general international situation. The brethren, however, are of good courage for they see so many evidences of God's providential leading. There are wonderful openings in so many places, and year by year they are gathering in quite a harvest of souls.

At the time of their meeting they took action to pass on greetings to our believers in the home lands, and the following is their expression of gratitude:

"The Nigerian Union send their greetings to all our dear brethren and sisters in the homeland. You are continually in our thoughts and prayers as you endure the strain of these trying days.

"We admire the wonderful courage which you have maintained and we pray that your spirit may be amply

NEWBOLD COLLEGE

College Notes

NEWBOLD MISSIONARY COLLEGE is happy to have so many good friends. It seems that we have only to mention a need, for some of our brethren to seek to supply it. We much appreciate this generosity and know it is prompted by a warm regard for the cause of Christian education.

We would like to mention the generosity of Mrs. G. W. Bailey, who has very kindly donated to the College, the library of her husband (the late Pastor G. W. Bailey). Many Ministerial Reading Course books are included, and we feel sure that they will be of great benefit to the students.

Quite a number of Mrs. E. G. White's books have been presented to the College during the summer for use in the work of the Christian Help Band. We are sure that these, too, will produce good results in the advancement of the cause of God in this neighbourhood.

The College has also had an offer of an organ, which we hope to have in use by the opening of next school year.

Another very welcome gift was one of the sum of £93. We would thank the donor very much for this really practical support.

During the summer we have been happy to welcome many old acquaintances to the College. They have come to spend a holiday with us, and we have been refreshed by meeting with them, and believe that they have also much enjoyed their stay. We have had about a hundred visitors this summer, many of them coming on the recommendation of those who were with us last summer.

A week or two ago, we had with us about fifty campers, Missionary Volunteers from the North and South England conferences, and from Wales. We were glad to see them all.

The student colporteur sales this summer, have exceeded our highest expectations. By the end of the ninth week, sales are already about £800 ahead of the same period last year, which itself constituted a record.

Prospects for the next school year

are very good. The number of applications is the highest since the first year we were here at Newbold. We would remind any other prospective students, to send in their applications immediately. The registration for the new school year begins at 9 a.m. on September 2nd. The opening service will be at 3 p.m. on September 3rd. A. J. RAITT.



Newbold Correspondence School

WE are now enrolling prospective students for the coming year, beginning September 3rd. If you are interested in Bible study, or desire to improve your knowledge of English, or you feel the urge to become better acquainted with some special period of history, write for leaflet giving information. There is no better way to improve your education at a nominal cost, than by correspondence study.

This plan brings the College at Newbold to your home and secures the interest and counsel of experienced teachers on such subjects as are offered. Write to-day for leaflet giving details of offered subjects, fees and how to enrol as a student

G. BAIRD.

Stanboroughs Secondary School

AFTER a successful first year we are planning still for further development and hope to start a science department this coming term. Additional room has been taken and already this is being arranged to suit our future plans. Unfortunately we have very meagre funds to launch our programme, but it has been very encouraging to receive from unexpected and entirely unsolicited sources, help in our new scheme. During the last fortnight a small sum of money was given to assist in science equipment; since then another person has promised to provide five pounds toward a demonstration laboratory bench. We hope others may come forward with gifts to assure the completion of our science department.

But what are these among so many needs? We are glad that it is possible to start teaching science in a non-evolutionary way, and though we do not despise the day of small things we would be better pleased if our beginnings were not quite so humble as they must otherwise be. If any public-spirited individual is looking for a good investment, here is one. The young people who will leave the Secondary School will, we believe, make their mark in the world. What an opportunity to help now!

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The Joy of the Lord

NEVER before have we had such encouraging letters from the field during an Ingathering Campaign! As London, which was unable to begin with the rest of the field, is still working, final figures are not yet available. We would, however, like to pass on typical testimonies which have come in our mail bag showing the splendid spirit which has been manifest everywhere.

Brother Humphries, at Norwich, writes: "We have had a wonderful campaign, passing beyond £150.

Brother and Sister Stearman got £20, Brother and Sister Graham, £14, Sister Goldsmith, £17; Sister D. Mayes, £17, and myself just over £20. *What is more, almost everybody got something.*"

Thinking of the zeal of individual members we recall this word from Brother A. W. Cook. "Our Ingathering work in Watford has gone forward with enthusiasm. One of our young people, Mr. Clive Blackburn, first set his goal at £5. Reaching it, he aimed at £10. He passed that figure and aimed at £15. Finally he

was not satisfied until he had gathered in over £20. Another member collected over £14 and several passed the £5 mark."

Many conference workers have passed beyond their individual goal of £20. Sometimes this has been accomplished in difficult circumstances, as in the case of Brother A. G. Tapping, who has the evacuated and bombed towns of Yarmouth and Lowestoft in his care. He writes: "I set my goal at £30 and have managed to get £25 but am still pressing on. I was very glad many times we started early in the campaign, for on more than one occasion the roads were bombed and the opportunity gone only two or three days after our visit."

We follow the coast to Ipswich, and here is what Brother E. Ashton says of the work there: "Our loyal people here have enjoyed their work of Ingathering and personally I am sorry it is finished. It is the most glorious opportunity for making personal contacts and friends. We look forward to a good follow-up work and trust there will be fruit from our labours."

From Torquay, at the other end of the Conference, we got this word from Pastor Mustard: "Our total of £113 with a little more to come represents £4 per member. . . . It was a very happy campaign, for everyone co-operated so willingly. One member, over seventy, collected more than £10, and another, a young person, reached more than £15. Miss Buckle, our Bible-worker, was responsible for £21, in addition to carrying a substantial visiting list and holding many Bible studies."

Many letters have reached us from our isolated members who have engaged in the campaign. A brother who collected over £6 says: "It has been a great pleasure to have taken part in another Harvest Ingathering. Every time I take part in it it always seems to be getting easier. I have grown to like doing it. As far as my memory serves me, I have never done so well as this year." An isolated sister in Essex writes: "I am glad to have been able to do two hours on each of the past seven Sundays, the total amount being a little over £5."

The help of evacuated members who have not forgotten their home churches is illustrated by the follow-

ing two cases. Sister Baker, who has collected £10 for Wood Green, testifies: "I was sorry when it all ended, as it was a habit after tea to go out for two hours. I enjoyed every minute and cheered many a lonely soul. Harvest Ingathering seems to get easier every year." Brother R. H. Smith, the minister at Brighton, writes: "I went to Chichester the other day to visit one of our evacuated members from Eastbourne. This good sister, Mrs. Grindling, has collected just over £20. She is a quiet unassuming person of very few words but laboured faithfully five days each week throughout July with this splendid result."

Such testimonies could be multiplied many-fold if space permitted. Our endeavours have not only brought blessings to ourselves and others whom we have visited, but will result, we hope, in a record amount for the spread of the Gospel in heathen lands. Besides this, our labours have been an inspiration to members far away across the seas, as this word from Pastor Le Butt of South Africa tells us: "In visiting the churches I tell of the experience of you good folk in England who have been handicapped because of the heavy raids and their results. God certainly has blessed you all in a remarkable way. I think you folk are just wonderful and full of courage. God will surely recognize such faithfulness."

Yes, the Lord always recognizes faithful service, for "it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful." 1 Cor. 4:2. Whatever joy may be ours in the campaign it will be far surpassed when we are privileged to meet in the new earth those who have been saved by our efforts. What more joyful sound can there be than the Lord's commendation, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: . . . enter thou into the joy of Thy Lord." Matt. 25:21.

E. R. WARLAND.



Cheltenham Organises

"ORGANISATION"—a long word for a long service. Is that how you think of it? If you have never watched a church take its first breath, stretch its limbs, and stand upon its feet to face the world with an individuality all its own—then maybe you are

justified in your indifference. If, however, like a Cheltenham member you have shared these stages and prayed hopefully through the years for that full growth to appear, the word would mean much more to you. It has to us since Pastor King and Brother Carey visited us during the week-end, June 13th and 14th.

As children, in our parlour games, "organisation" included in its twelve letters many another word whose presence we had not noticed until we thought, and which we listed in enthusiastic competition. Even now as we look at it again, for the Cheltenham church "organisation" has become more than a word applied to a week-end of special services. It embraces words which tell of the experiences of the past, the strength of the present, and our aspirations for the future.

"Satan" and "sin" are there—quite prominently, too, if you look. We could recall the encircling hedges of their devices; wavering hearts swayed overmuch by their delusions; circumstances straitened by their arts until decisions for truth seemed almost impossibilities. Hedged though we were, Satan could not prevent our looking up, and our organisation into a church has proved one more triumph of faith over feeling and trust over despair.

Can you see in "organisation" another word telling of the defeat of "Satan" and "sin"?—Yes, "gain" is there. The membership of seventeen two years ago has increased to thirty-three. Nine of these have been baptized (with others to follow) and some have joined by evacuation. At both baptisms in September and March over sixty members and friends were present, and during the organisation service on Sabbath afternoon, there were crowded into our small church hall fifty-five worshippers.

So renewed too has been the spirit of the church, that the tithes returned in the first five months of 1941 amounted to £102, while a year previously the total for the same period was only £24. Yet Brother King reminded us in his address that although we would do well to remember that "The Lord thy God brought thee out thence through a mighty hand . . .," we should at the same time forget the "things which are behind" in the all-consuming pur-

pose of reaching after yet further spiritual gains "which are before." When the voting was complete and the covenant signed, there was not one, we believe, who had any thought of "resting" on his laurels. We had gains now. There would be gains in the future.

There is "sign" in "organisation," too. Cheltenham church provides quite an outstanding one. Joel wrote of the last days, "I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh . . . your sons and your daughters shall prophesy . . . your young men shall see visions." In Cheltenham the older members feel proud that over half the membership is composed of young people. Consequently, when Brother Carey spoke to us on Friday evening during the Missionary Volunteer service about the work of the Holy Spirit in the building of the church, we felt that his message and Joel's were ratified by the young lives given in surrender to the cause of the Holy Spirit in Cheltenham. Maybe that is why "organisation" for us includes the word "strong" as well. How strong the youthful element is, proved itself in our Ingathering campaign, with the goal reached largely by them in five weeks.

However, what to us is more important is that in "organisation" we find the word "ingrain," which sums up briefly how deeply the truth has affected every member, how thoroughly our purposes and plans are united with the message we love and with the One, "altogether lovely," who is its Founder and Upholder.

It is that closer fellowship with

Him, which makes our closer co-operation with you, the sisterhood of churches, more than a mere technical advance. We know that the name of Cheltenham will not only take its place alongside many other Seventh-Day Adventist churches, but has a place too in Heaven's list in God's keeping.

So we shall find one more significant word in "organisation." What shall it be? Let it be "sing." You see that is what we have been doing in our hearts since that week-end in June. More than that, when "in the dispensation of the fullness of times," the Lord will "gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in Heaven and which are in earth, even in Him," we want our voices, with yours, to harmonize with that of our Redeemer and Organiser, when "He will rest in His love," and "will joy over thee with singing."

R. A. VINCE,
M. M. JOHN.



Birth of the Church at Wembley

THE scene is the closet of prayer, where two faithful Adventist sisters, quite independent of one another, began to petition the throne of Grace for the establishment of the Advent faith in Wembley. The response, though delayed, was nevertheless sure.

The South England conference committee, prompted by a "watcher and an holy one," detailed the writer,

with Sister K. Mahon as assistant, to commence work in this hitherto unentered section of the Metropolis. Accordingly, in January, 1940, in bleak and snowy weather, the Wembley Advent Mission started its activities.

The first-fruits of the work in Wembley were gleaned during the blitz days in early September. The effects of the Battle of Britain compelled us to make a succession of changes of our meeting place, and the interested flock was thus scattered.

However, in the autumn of 1940, Sudbury became the scene of energetic evangelism. A second baptism early in April, 1941, increased the number of our company.

Subsequently, our Advent family developed ambitions to possess its own home. Earnest prayer, accompanied by an intensive search, providentially led us to our present abode—"Advent Hall," 14 Clifford Road, Sudbury. Funds were soon mustered for reconstruction, and in process of time a tasteful place of worship appeared. Meanwhile, an invitation was extended to our brethren of the little Harrow group to join with us and establish a church. Members of the unfortunately homeless Harlesden church, too, were knocking at our door for sanctuary, and we were glad to welcome them.

On July 19th, Pastor G. D. King and Brother A. Carey paid us a special visit to organize the company into a regular church.

Brother Carey encouraged us in Sabbath-school with the helpful lessons he drew from the life of "Hezekiah—the King who feared the Lord." Pastor King led us in divine worship. "The Church—its privileges and responsibilities" was the appropriate and inspiring theme of the hour.

In the afternoon, the visiting brethren together conducted the never-to-be-forgotten formalities of church organization, when thirty-seven believers were banded into a new fellowship with their Lord and each other.

We can praise God, with the two faithful sisters, that their prayers and ours have been answered more abundantly than we could ask or think, and rejoice that still others in the



Members and friends of the recently organized Wembley church

district are preparing fully to embrace the Advent message shortly.

JOHN H. BAYLISS.

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Calling All Young People

Do you have each month our British Youth paper, *The Progressive Volunteer*? If not, you are missing one of the greatest blessings which are available to Adventist youth in this field at the present time. Pastor F. G. Clifford, Secretary to the M.V. Department of the Southern African Division, calls it "the best paper I have yet seen in connection with the young people's

work." Our little magazine is still less than two years old, but as one of the young people's leaders writes: "*The Progressive Volunteer* goes on and on, so that it would not recognize its first-born self." Its helpful pages bring to our youth each month a mine of information inspiring all to study more deeply the Book of Nature and telling of God's dealings with those who have trusted in Him.

The paper can be obtained through the local M.V. secretary for 2d. per copy. It will be sent by post to any address for a year for 3/-, two copies to one address 5/-. Write to Pastor E. R. Warland, 780 St. Albans Road, Watford, Herts.

E.R.W.

gotten, but to-day it turns up in my hand. The paper is yellow and it cracks with age. I'd like to have a fresher copy. Has this ever been reprinted, or amplified into booklet form?

"Enclosed find sixty cents in stamps, for which please send a three months' subscription, or apply it to any reprint. My primary desire is for another copy of this article.

"Respectfully yours.

"(Signed) Stephen P. Alden."

Who gave him that paper? Are you distributing literature that will ultimately bear fruit?

HARVEST INGATHERING

WE are particularly glad to report that every district has reached its goal. We believe a much larger percentage collected this year than ever before, and God blessed them all. I hope our energies will not lie dormant for the next ten months, but will be directed into each channel of Home Missionary work as it opens before us.

In *Life Sketches*, page 337, we are told that even our plans are not keeping pace with the Providence of God. "We need men and women who will give themselves without reserve to the work of God, bringing many sons and daughters to God."—"*Testimonies to Ministers*," page 301.

BAPTISM

Two weeks ago, in a crowded hall, the Leeds and Bradford churches had the joy of seeing seven new members baptized. The minister, J. C. French, is working for another baptism before the end of September.

DOCTORS

SEVENTY-SEVEN doctors have just qualified in our Medical School. Two of them are ex-workers of this field.

ISOLATED AND EVACUATED

A BEAUTIFUL thought was expressed at the General Conference—"A scattered membership means scattered lights."

TITHE

You may be surprised to know that there were twenty-one per cent of our members who "forgot" to give their tithe to the treasurers last quarter. We thank the seventy-nine per cent who remembered, and would encourage the twenty-one per cent to remember their obligations to God.

NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

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Notes from the President

IN these days it is good to read again the statement found in *Testimonies to Ministers*, page 15:

"The church of Christ . . . is the only object on earth on which He bestows His supreme regard."

SPECIAL PRAYER

AS we visit the churches we are sometimes asked to remember special cases in prayer. Other workers receive similar requests. We wondered if our members, especially among the isolated who do not have the privilege of church fellowship, would like to send in their special requests to me at the office, where we would devote the time at morning worship once a week to earnest prayer for these special cases? We invite you to do so and will welcome all requests.

MEMBERSHIP

You will rejoice with us that for the first time for three years we are showing a net gain of twenty-one for six months in membership—not very large, it is true, but we do feel that the period of decreases has ended and that, from now on, by the blessing of God, our membership will steadily increase.

Either our churches add new members from year to year, or they

disappear in time. We must evangelize or disappear. Reports indicate that some churches have added no new members for years. Some of the smaller companies have disappeared completely. The older members have passed to their rest; the younger members have moved away or were not won to the church, and in time the church has dropped to the status of a company and the company has dropped out of the list altogether. We must evangelize to build up our churches. We must evangelize to raise up new churches.

LITERATURE

WE are very pleased to see that some ladies have accepted our invitation to enter the work as colporteurs, and we wish them success. Larger numbers will be welcomed.

Here is a story that surpasses imagination. A man writes that he kept a copy of *Signs of the Times* for—but read the story yourself:

"SIGNS OF THE TIMES,
Mountain View,
California.
Gentlemen:

"A voice out of the past. Twenty years ago there fell into my hands a copy of *Signs of the Times*, October 5, 1920. The opening article is 'Armageddon. The Future World War.' I saved it to see when, and if, its predictions would come true. Long for-

TO PARENTS

Do you encourage the young members of your family to interest themselves in daily study of the Sabbath-school lesson, M.V. activities and faithfulness in church attendance on Sabbath? The spiritual life has been compared to certain creepers which do one of three things—lie on the ground in a tangle; trail all over the garden interfering with and strangling the growth of other plants, or climb a trellis if one is provided and the young shoots started on it. We believe that the church is the trellis-work on which young, struggling spiritual lives will thrive. Ministers, Bible-workers, elders, Sabbath-school and M.V. leaders alike are striving to maintain their part of this trellis. Are you doing all you can by your life and influence “behind the scenes”?

SABBATH-SCHOOL

THE following list of Sabbath-school Honour Records will interest you. I am sure we all especially congratulate Brother and Sister Beazley of Wolverhampton for the eighteen years' faithfulness.

R. S. JOYCE.

Progress at Leicester

It was with great joy that the writer received the news that she was to join forces once more with her old associates, Pastor Joyce and Miss Buck, in Leicester, as the work there needed more help.

To see the large number of people gathered together to hear the Sabbath presented, was good evidence of the response given by the Leicester people, to the message so far given. A busy industrial town, very materially minded, had been told of the soon-coming Saviour, and now still further, the need to keep His law in preparation for His coming! We were surprised at the large number who readily agreed that the Sabbath was right, and should be kept. Since then, the Sabbath meetings have steadily grown, in spite of the fact that many on our lists, are working seven days in the week.

It has been most encouraging to hear some say, without their being asked, that they realize their need “to come out and be separate,” as their former churches are not preaching one hundred per cent truth. One

lady has decided to give up a remunerative post this coming winter, which she had held for many years during that season, that she might keep the Sabbath. Another has been visiting her mother-in-law, and has almost convinced her that the Sabbath is right, and she is accepting her daughter-in-law's invitation to spend a week with her, that she might join in the Bible study, with the object in view that further studies may be arranged for her. The people here are being stirred to do right, and to help their loved ones to do likewise. A staunch Church of England old lady has started keeping the Sabbath too, and her daughter, who helps to support her parents, needs our prayers, as she wants to ask her employers to give her the Sabbath off.

So the results of many weeks of preaching, and patient visiting, are showing every evidence of a fruitful harvest.

Another encouraging side of the work here has been the wonderful way in which our members have so readily co-operated in helping us, by their faithful attendance at the meetings. The Sabbath-school has been a delight! The writer's class, for one, has had a perfect record for daily study, for some weeks, and it is not alone. Every member of our church who can possibly be gathered in, is now a member of the Sabbath-school.

The Harvest Ingathering has gone with a swing! Everyone has helped, cheerfully and willingly. The money has flowed into our boxes this year as never before. Never before has the Leicester church attained a double goal, and more! All have done their share, old and young alike, with not the slightest complaint about territory or anything else. We can truly “Praise God from whom all blessings flow.” While God is busy here, Satan will also be busy, so we most sincerely ask for your prayers, that greater results may be seen here in Leicester. Our task is no easy one, under war conditions, and we sense our great responsibility to do faithful service, but we know from past experiences, that we are “Co-operating with One who knows no failure.” H. M. FORD.

“GOLD is never so bright as when it is used in doing good.”

NAME	CHURCH	RECORD
Mrs. M. Smith	Derby	9 years, September, 1940
Mr. Marshall	Hull	9 years, " "
Miss Fellowes	Kettering	9 years, " "
Mr. Powls	Middlesbrough	5 years, " "
Miss B. Belton	Nottingham	8 years, " "
Mr. E. Stead	Rotherham	8 years, " "
Mr. C. Larson	Sheffield	8 years, " "
Mrs. Shippin	Wakefield	5 years, " "
Miss E. R. Tristram	Worcester	8 years, " "
Mrs. E. Crowther	Darlington	12 years, December, 1940
Mr. W. H. Taylor	Killamarsh	5 years, " "
Miss G. Woodhead	Liverpool	9 years, " "
Terence Knight	Newbold	6 years, " "
Mrs. Royston	Rotherham	6 years, " "
Mrs. Cumming	Worcester	6 years, " "
Mrs. Nelson	Darlington	6 years, March, 1941
Miss F. Dyer	Fotherby	11 years, " "
Miss I. Blowers	Kettering	7 years, " "
Miss Cooper	Kettering	7 years, " "
Miss M. Lees	Handsworth	7 years, " "
Mrs. Jones	Handsworth	7 years, " "
Miss M. Craven	Handsworth	7 years, " "
Miss B. Shippin	Wakefield	6 years, " "
Mrs. Haden	Birmingham S.	5 years, June, 1941
Mr. Barnes	Worcester	7 years, " "
Betty Robertson	Newbold	5 years, " "
George Robertson	Newbold	5 years, " "
Mrs. Wright	Hull	16 years, " "
Mr. W. Hilton	Ashton-u-Lyne	9 years, " "
Mrs. S. Hilton	Ashton-u-Lyne	9 years, " "
Mrs. R. Williams	Bentham	7 years, " "
Miss E. Clements	Bentham	10 years, " "
Mrs. Jarvis	Darlington	5 years, " "
Miss Jarvis	Darlington	6 years, " "
Miss O. Laming	Leeds	8 years, " "
Mrs. Powls	Middlesbrough	5 years, " "
Mr. A. J. Beazley	Wolverhampton	18 years, " "
Mrs. A. J. Beazley	Wolverhampton	18 years, " "

The Ministry of Literature

Holidays with Pay for Colporteurs

ELEVEN colporteurs have thus far qualified this summer for holidays with pay under the new plan

This holiday grant is made to colporteurs who sell £10 worth of literature each week or work forty hours weekly. They can qualify by either of these means. Accounts must be cleared each month.

Those who qualified were:

CLASS A.	CLASS B.
J. Benefield	F. J. Kinman
Miss I. M. Green	Miss M. Lees
H. G. Hardy	W. Smith
H. D. Howard	H. G. Stark
C. L. Kelly	
W. Morton	
A. Phillips	

There will probably be one or two more later.

The average weekly earnings of these colporteurs ranged from £10.-7s. 1d. to £2. 7s. 10d.

Miss I. M. Green had the honour of being the first lady worker to qualify for full holidays with pay as a Class A colporteur. A.W.



He Was Proud to Possess It!

WE are all familiar with the "Men of Harlech," in name if not in actual fact. It was my privilege, a few weeks ago, to work in that beautiful and historic corner of North Wales; and in the course of my visits I called at the home of a gentleman who was at one time keeper of Harlech Castle. I had no difficulty, in his absence, in procuring an order from his daughter, as he had already received a copy of *Our Wonderful Bible*, and she was sure that he would like *Bible Certainties*.

It seems that she was not mistaken, for this is what he says about it, and about two others of our publications which I recommended to him. He writes:

"I took your advice with regard to the two books you mentioned, namely, *Steps to Christ* and *True Adventure Stories*, and I assure you I am proud

to possess such literature. In fact, I was so much taken up with them that I sent for thirteen copies so that all my Sunday-school class might have one. . . .

"Before I close let me say a word about that wonderful book *Bible Certainties*. What a boon and a help it is. Although I have not finished reading it, up to now I have enjoyed every page I have read, and fully recommend same to any person who desires to tread the path, or is in doubt as regards the Bible."

Surely we are privileged to be the guardians of such a wonderful message, and should lose no opportunity of putting our truth-filled literature into the hands of those who are still in darkness.

"We cannot too highly estimate this work; for were it not for the efforts of the canvasser, many would never hear the warning." — *Colporteur Evangelist*, page 5.

"The canvassing work . . . is missionary work of the highest order." — *Ibid.*, page 5.

Pray for the colporteur, and, above all, pray for God's blessing to rest upon those who receive the truth-filled pages. God is waiting to hear your prayers, and your petitions will unlock to those in darkness the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit who will guide them into all truth.

EDGAR E. HULBERT.



Lend Your Books

FROM Arizona, famous for its marvellous Grand Canyon, its once wild Navajo Indians and its fine Observatory where the planet Pluto was discovered, comes another story of the influence of *Great Controversy*.

"A few years ago a man in that state accepted the message and became a Seventh-Day Adventist. Since then from time to time he and his good wife have tried to interest his brother, but to no avail. Time after time they tried to talk with him about the truth they love so dearly, but he turned a deaf ear to it all.

"Last year our brother and sister spent a week visiting this brother and trying in one way or another to in-

terest him. It seemed useless. When ready to return home, they thought of a last appeal. They requested the brother to read a book they would send him. He promised. They sent him *Great Controversy* in June, and in September of the same year he accepted the message. He is now a baptized member of the Seventh-Day Adventist church," says the *Pacific Union Record*.

Lend your friends and relatives this wonderful book. A.W.



The Man from Damascus and "Great Controversy"

AT our recent institute held in Cuba, I was very much interested in meeting a brother who for the past two years has been successfully engaged in the colporteur work, and who is an earnest Christian. Before coming to the western hemisphere, this brother lived in the city of Damascus, and resided on the same street where Saul lodged—the street called Straight.

One day in Cuba a man who had evidently purchased the book *Great Controversy* from a colporteur and was not pleased with it, came to this man from Damascus and wanted to sell the book to him. Not succeeding in selling the book, he left it with him. The book was soon read, and our friend from Straight Street, Damascus, became a Sabbath-keeper, and was baptized.

Now he is a successful colporteur selling this wonderful book, *Great Controversy*, to the people of Cuba.

W. A. BERGHERM.



Banbridge and World-Famed Hymn

IN certain Irish newspaper articles it was recently stated that few people were aware that it was a Banbridge-born man, named Joseph Scriven, who composed the world-famed hymn, "What a Friend we have in Jesus," while visiting "the street that is called Straight," in the city of Damascus recently captured by the British and Free French armies in Syria. This hymn appears as number 237 in our *Advent Hymnal*.

It is of interest, too, to Advent believers that it was in Banbridge that the third angel's message was first proclaimed in Ireland.

JOHN BODELL.

Statement of Tithes and Offerings for British Union

SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem- bership	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath- School Offerings Inc. 13th. S.	Young People's Offering	Harvest Ingathering	Annual Offerings	Miscel- laneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offer- ings per Capita
Bath	29	36 16 10	1 5 5	7 17 7	4 5					1 6 11	9 8 11	6 6
Bournemouth..	86	101 4 10	1 3 6	28 13 8	5 10					4 19 7	28 19 1	6 9
Brighton	52	94 10 5	1 16 4	19 5 5						5 5 0	24 10 5	9 5
Bristol	117	163 11 9	1 7 9	28 19 10	3 2					7 18 9	37 1 9	6 4
Cambridge	30	46 2 1	1 8 11	4 7 2						1 6 5	5 13 7	3 9
Cheltenham ...	34	63 19 9	1 17 8	11 5 4	10 5					3 6 3	15 2 0	8 10
Chiswick	82	152 11 1	1 17 3	29 9 9						4 14 1	34 3 10	8 4
Clacton	22	8 19 0	8 1	1 2 6						14 6	1 17 0	1 8
Clapham	60	62 2 2	1 1 0	14 18 7						4 9 7	19 8 2	6 7
Colchester	22	21 7 2	19 5	4 10 1						7 0 2	11 10 3	10 5
Crocombe	29	70 3 1	2 8 4	11 5 6	15 8					2 5 6	14 6 8	9 10
Croydon	35	42 14 7	1 4 5	11 0 2						2 19 9	13 19 11	8 0
Ealing	54	103 7 5	1 18 4	11 6 2	19 5					4 4 0	16 9 7	6 1
Edmonton	49	35 4 4	14 4	7 14 11	1 1 10					1 0 11	9 17 8	4 0
Enfield Wash...	22	27 17 6	1 5 4	5 4 11						1 19 8	7 4 7	6 7
Exeter	32	34 3 9	1 1 4	8 17 6						2 0 2	10 17 8	6 9
Folkestone	35	34 4 9	19 7	3 17 11						10 9	4 8 8	2 6
Forest Gate	33	30 5 1	18 4	5 16 11						2 11 11	8 8 10	5 1
Gillingham	11	20 1 10	1 16 6	8 8 2						1 9 0	9 17 2	17 11
Harlesden	20	5 2 0	5 1	2 1 5						2 17 0	4 18 5	4 11
Hastings	26	41 19 4	1 12 3	9 11 7						1 8 6	11 0 1	8 5
H. Wycombe	18	28 9 11	1 11 8	6 14 11					19 9	5 0	7 19 8	8 10
Holloway	189	276 14 11	1 9 2	23 16 2	1 4 11					5 17 6	30 18 7	3 3
Ilford	62	103 1 3	1 13 3	18 10 3	1 3 0				13 0	7 0 7	27 6 10	8 9
Ipswich	34	17 2 2	10 1	4 4 1						1 12 8	5 16 9	3 5
Lewisham	57	155 14 1	2 14 8	12 17 1						5 16 7	18 13 8	6 6
Lowestoft	52	14 15 6	5 8	2 17 0	8 10					5 3	3 11 1	1 4
Luton	25	52 18 8	2 2 4	23 19 3					1 0 0	3 15 2	28 14 5	1 3 0
Norwich	49	60 19 10	1 4 11	8 1 4	14 0					5 7 3	14 2 7	5 9
Plymouth	84	216 8 11	2 11 6	27 3 3	19 5					9 2 3	37 4 11	8 10
Portsmouth ...	47	63 10 1	1 7 0	7 12 6	1 1 5					3 4 10	11 18 9	5 1
Reading	60	86 14 2	1 8 11	18 13 4	1 14 11					3 15 9	24 4 0	8 1
Romford	33	54 18 9	1 13 3	6 17 4						3 0 5	9 17 9	6 0
Southampton ..	54	80 5 2	1 9 9	14 9 10	17 9				1 10 0	4 11 10	21 9 5	7 11
Southend	39	50 8 5	1 5 10	12 4 0					10 0	6 2 0	18 16 0	9 7
Southstoke	9	14 18 11	1 13 2	9 6 1						1 9 0	10 15 1	1 3 11
Stanbor'h Park	373	836 16 4	2 4 10	125 4 8	15 17 3					20 18 5	162 0 4	8 8
Torquay	31	43 16 8	1 8 3	13 6 2					1 1 0	3 16 5	18 3 7	11 9
Walthamstow ..	57	119 18 10	2 2 1	52 0 0	12 11					8 10 6	61 3 5	1 1 5
Watford	75	152 11 1	2 0 8	42 7 0	1 18 1				1 12 6	6 0 9	51 18 4	13 10
Wimbledon	98	179 8 8	1 16 7	25 17 5	14 8					6 10 6	33 2 7	6 9
Wood Green ...	87	141 13 4	1 12 7	11 10 9	1 0 0					1 18 3	14 9 0	3 4
Yarmouth	43	14 18 6	6 11	5 2 6						6 8	5 9 2	2 6
Brentwood	6	2 5 0	7 6	2 10 0							2 10 0	8 4
Bedford	12	17 12 0	1 9 4	2 1 6	3 5 10					3 10	5 11 2	9 3
Bromley	11	4 14 0	8 6	3 10 5						14 0	4 4 5	7 8
Chelmsford	23	50 1 2	2 3 6	5 3 11	2 1 7					3 8 7	10 14 1	9 3
Dereham ...	6	8 12 10	1 8 9	1 13 3						13 0	2 6 3	7 8
Eastbourne	7	15 12 6	2 4 8									
Ely	8	11 13 5	1 9 2	2 10 7							2 10 7	6 4
Ferndown	6	8 14 0	1 9 0	1 3 3						9 9	1 13 0	5 6
Gloucester	12	10 14 0	17 10	2 4 11						3 6	2 8 5	4 1
Harrow	8	17 6 3	2 3 3	7 13 4						1 10 0	9 3 4	1 2 11
Leatherh'd	6	10 7 0	1 14 6	2 8 7						14 0	3 2 7	10 5
Medstead ...	11	20 0 2	1 16 5	7 10 11						2 16 11	10 7 10	18 11
Poole	11	8 2 6	14 9	1 12 1						17 6	2 9 7	4 6
Salisbury ...	14	26 18 6	1 18 6	6 2 4						19 0	7 1 4	10 1
Slough	14	14 5 8	1 0 5	5 0 0						1 9 0	6 9 0	9 3
St. Austell	7	21 3 7	3 0 6	11 5 6						11 6	11 17 0	1 13 10
St. Mabyn	6	23 11 0	3 18 6	7 5 11						2 1 7	9 7 6	1 11 3
Swindon ...	11	15 5 0	1 7 8	4 7 8						15 8	5 3 4	9 5
Taunton ...	23	33 18 1	1 9 6	6 7 6	5 11					1 8 7	8 2 0	7 4
Wembley ...	8	35 11 5	4 8 11	10 3 5						18 0	11 1 5	1 7 8
Wes'n/Br'n	8	19 8 3	2 8 6	11 1 5						1 16 0	12 17 5	1 12 2
Weymouth	14	18 1 5	1 5 10	1 16 9	10 0					11 11	2 18 8	4 2
Isolated	395	1011 9 8	2 11 4	83 9 0	1 0 4				3 10 0	70 10 5	158 9 9	8 0
Totals 1941	3083	5368 0 4	1 14 10	890 12 3	39 11 7				10 16 3	266 8 9	1207 8 10	7 10
Totals 1940	3129	4661 13 3	1 9 9	811 18 3	25 13 10	2978 1 10	10 0		511 5 10	259 19 0	4587 8 9	1 8 8
Increase	-46	706 7 1	5 1	78 14 0	13 17 9	-2978 1 10	-10 0		-500 9 7	6 9 9	-3379 19 11	-1 0 10

SCOTTISH MISSION

Aberdeen	31	27 8 4	17 8	5 0 6	5 3					3 10 0	8 15 9	5 8
Edinburgh	66	58 18 1	17 10	14 4 5		81 11 9				6 2 0	101 18 2	1 10 10
Glasgow	107	360 17 4	3 7 5	27 12 0	3 12 10					25 0 0	56 4 10	10 6
Kirkcaldy	10	11 15 6	1 3 7	3 13 7						6 6	4 0 1	8 0
Dundee	21	18 7 5	17 6	4 17 4		37 10 2				3 5 0	45 12 6	2 3 5
Stirling ...	8	22 3 7	2 15 5	6 3 1						18 6	7 1 7	17 8
Isolated	68	170 5 3	2 10 1	7 15 10		27 13 5			1 5 0	6 10 0	43 4 3	12 9
Totals 1941	311	669 15 6	2 3 1	69 6 9	3 18 1	146 15 4			1 5 0	45 12 0	266 17 2	17 2
Totals 1940	296	383 6 6	1 5 11	65 2 2	3 9	41 4 6			39 9 4	23 14 11	169 14 8	11 6
Increase	15	286 9 0	17 2	4 4 7	3 14 4	105 10 10			-38 4 4	21 17 1	97 2 6	5 8

IRISH MISSION

Belfast	54	181 6 1	3 7 2	42 8 1	1 0		2 10 0			2 10 0	47 9 1	17 7
Dublin	32	56 4 4	1 15 2	12 19 11	9 10					8 1 6	21 11 3	13 6
Kilmoyle ...	13	12 5 6	18 11	1 11 0	8 8						1 19 8	3 1
Larne	7											
Shankill ...	35	17 19 3	10 3	6 2 3							6 2 3	3 6
Isolated	60	73 4 11	1 4 5	7 14 11	2 5					10 0	10 7 4	3 5
Totals 1941	201	341 0 1	1 13 11	70 16 2	1 1 11		2 10 0			13 1 6	87 9 7	8 8
Totals 1940	218	315 11 0	1 9 0	84 15 5	13 6	26 0 0	2 0 0			16 10 2	147 13 1	13 7
Increase	-17	25 9 1	4 11	-13 19 3	8 5	-26 0 0	10 0			-16 10 2	-60 3 6	-4 11

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WELSH MISSION

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem-ship	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath School Offerings Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Harvest Ingathering	Annual Offerings	Miscellaneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offerings per Capita
Barry Dock	26	49 13 5	1 18 3	8 4 2		75 7 6				3 2 10	86 14 6	3 6 9
Blaenavon	6	3 16 5	12 9	1 5 5		1 2 0				8 6	2 15 11	9 4
Cardiff	69	91 6 11	1 6 6	30 0 2	1 10 2	96 18 8				6 18 9	135 7 9	1 19 3
Hereford	13	30 7 4	2 6 9	4 19 6		7 5 4				1 0 6	13 5 4	1 0 5
Newport Mon.	101	97 9 6	19 4	11 8 7		68 2 0				2 8 2	81 18 9	16 3
Porth	9	7 4 0	16 0	1 4 4		3 7 0				6	4 11 10	10 2
Swansea	36	48 10 1	1 6 11	15 3 10	12 6	57 4 5				2 10 3	75 11 0	2 2 0
Aberdare	10	20 14 10	2 1 6	5 11 6						15 6	6 7 0	12 8
Caerphilly	22	25 1 7	1 2 10	5 2 1		18 15 0				14 1	24 11 2	1 2 4
Gelligaer	11	25 9 10	2 6 4	5 3 8						1 2 0	6 5 8	11 5
Llanelli	8											
Rhos	9	8 7 7	18 7	2 13 9		4 6 11				11 6	7 12 2	16 11
Rhyl	25	82 11 1	1 6 1	6 7 7						2 5 8	8 13 3	6 11
Shotton	6	6 8 7	1 1 5	1 0 2						2 0 4	3 0 6	10 1
Shrewsb'ry	11	22 5 0	2 0 5	3 0 3	17 0	6 5 9					10 3 0	18 5
Isolated	107	160 4 1	1 9 11	21 8 10		45 7 6			2 0	7 13 3	74 11 7	13 11
Totals 1941	469	629 10 3	1 6 10	122 13 10	2 19 8	384 2 1			2 0	31 11 10	541 9 5	1 3 1
Totals 1940	468	542 6 7	1 3 2	106 6 2	1 1 6	415 8 10	1 0		33 10 5	29 12 0	585 19 11	1 5 1
Increase	1	87 3 8	3 8	16 7 8	1 18 2	-31 6 9	-1 0		-33 8 5	1 19 10	-44 10 6	-2 0

NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

Birmingham S.	51	67 8 4	1 6 5	15 7 6						7 15 6	23 3 0	9 1
Bradford	35	40 9 5	1 3 2	7 14 2	6 4	30 6 2				1 15 0	40 1 8	1 2 11
Coventry	55	127 16 6	2 6 6	22 7 3		59 15 1				6 11 11	88 14 3	1 12 3
Darlington	36	25 16 9	14 4	4 9 10	11 3	99 3 6				2 0 6	106 5 1	2 19 0
Derby	51	111 14 11	2 3 10	12 10 0	1 4 6	53 19 9				2 4 2	69 18 5	1 7 5
Grimsby	12	14 2 5	1 3 6	2 13 8		23 19 2				16 0	27 8 10	2 5 9
Handsworth	71	265 4 10	3 14 9	21 16 2	1 7 7	51 10 11				5 9 11	80 4 7	1 2 7
Hull	126	189 5 11	1 10 0	43 17 7						5 9 0	49 6 7	7 0
Kettering	37	66 5 6	1 15 10	16 8 2	17 2	38 0 0				2 18 0	58 3 4	1 11 5
Leeds	70	115 9 1	1 13 0	13 5 10	11	84 0 4				2 14 9	100 0 11	1 8 1
Leicester	36	68 5 2	1 17 11	18 11 2						7 4 9	25 15 11	14 4
Lincoln	14	26 16 4	1 18 3	6 14 1		22 5 5				1 7 6	30 7 0	2 3 4
Liverpool	84	123 17 7	1 9 6	12 17 10	1 4 6	29 6 1				2 19 11	46 8 4	11 1
Manchester	85	114 7 10	1 7 8	24 15 9	1 11 7	56 16 9				5 2 7	88 6 8	1 0 9
Mid'brough	42	39 7 11	18 9	9 8 6	2 7	60 7 0				2 6 2	72 4 3	1 14 5
Newbold	136	184 2 6	1 7 1	40 1 11	1 12 3				3 6	39 5 4	81 3 0	11 11
Newcastle	70	102 6 9	1 9 3	17 16 7	17 11					3 1 0	21 15 6	6 3
N. Shields	18	19 19 6	1 2 2	2 3 7		15 18 9				3 3	18 5 7	1 0 4
Nottingham	76	173 1 3	2 5 7	26 19 0	1 15 7	138 16 6				7 6 11	174 18 0	2 6 0
Rotherham	30	25 7 8	16 11	5 0 8		8 12 2				8 0	14 0 10	9 4
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At Rest

EDWARDS.—In her eighty-fifth year Sister Edwards fell asleep in Jesus on July 13, 1941. The Slough company has certainly lost one who was a dear "mother in Israel." She always expressed her hope and confidence in God to the very end. For some months her strength had been failing until she simply "fell on sleep" from which only the Life-giver can call. She was interred at Slough Cemetery to await the resurrection morn.
C. R. BONNEY.

MURRAY.—On July 2, 1941, the Slough company sustained a loss in the death of Miss Gladys Eveyard Murray who lived at Littlewick, Berkshire. Although in contact with the message for some years she fully accepted it just under twelve months ago. After much suffering, patiently borne, she died peacefully. To the very end she showed her faithfulness to the Lord. We join the sorrowing family in the hope of the resurrection and that joyful reunion.
C. R. BONNEY.

JACK.—The Kirkcaldy church has lost one of its charter members by the death of Sister Maggie Jack, who died on July 2, 1941. If our sister had lived another fortnight she would have been ninety years of age. She heard the Advent message preached in a tent effort held here by Brethren A. Ritchie and W. A. Westworth in 1903. She was baptized and became a member of the church on May 7, 1904, when the church was organized. Our sister was a canvasser of *Present Truth* for many years and was well known in Kirkcaldy and district. She made many good friends among her readers. She was laid to rest in Kirkcaldy Cemetery there to await the call of the Life-giver. Pastor J. McMillan conducted the service at the graveside.
MISS P. GREIG, Church Clerk.

GOUGH.—Sister L. Gough, one of the oldest members of the Coventry church, both in years and association with the Advent message, fell asleep in Jesus on July 22, 1941, and was laid to rest by Pastor S. G. Joyce. Although well over threescore years and ten, Sister Gough was the embodiment of faithfulness and good works. Just before her death she expressed her confidence in the Lord and His coming, in spite of the fact that she had been bombed out of her home and had suffered in the "blitzes" on Coventry. She leaves behind a blind sister to whom we extend our sympathies and with her look forward to the glad resurrection morning.
E. A. BUCK.

CULL.—On Wednesday, August 20, 1941, it was our sad duty to conduct the funeral service for our late sister, Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Cull, who died at the age of fifty-eight. For the past eleven years she was a faithful member of the Southampton church. We knew her at least a third of a century ago when she was engaged in the colporteur work in the Bristol area. For several years she was far from well, and at times suffered acutely, but the end came suddenly on the eve of the Sabbath, August 15th. She passed away peacefully, trusting in the blessed hope. There were present at the burial service a sister and a niece, the only surviving relatives, and representatives of the church she loved. She will be greatly missed. She lies in the churchyard at Shedfield, Hants, awaiting the call of the Life-giver.
F. A. SPEARING.

ROWNTREE.—Sister M. J. Rowntree died at Fotherby, Lincolnshire, on May 14, 1941. She received the third angel's message about forty years ago from a Sister Vinton in Hull. She accepted the message, becoming one of the charter members of the Hull church, and loved it to the end. After her removal to Goxhill Marsh she had an open home for God's children and many found refuge there. Large meetings were held at her farm and she was known for miles around by her readiness to help the sick. For the last fourteen years of her life she lived at Fotherby where she was well known

as a true Christian. Brother B. E. Sparrow conducted the funeral service as we laid her to rest until Jesus calls her.
F. DYER.

WARDLE.—On June 2, 1941, in her sixty-ninth year Sister Elizabeth Wardle entered into rest as a beautiful Sabbath day drew to its close. She had battled with ill health for a number of years, whilst continuing with her duties here, but the end found her cheerful and ready to respond to the summons, which she said Jesus had brought. Her end was peaceful. She accepted the message under Pastor Murdoch who conducted the funeral service in the presence of members and friends. We look forward to meeting our sister soon in the land where the sun never sets.
E. LIMBACH.

Obtained a New Heart

MISSIONARY A. J. JACOBSON, of Rarotonga, South Seas, tells of the transformation in the lives of an aged couple recently won by our missionaries there:

"Peau, who is now sixty years of age, until he became an Adventist a few months ago had not been to church six times in his life. One of his chief occupations was the manufacture of bush beer, made from fermented pineapples, oranges, etc., and which develops a high percentage of alcohol. Peau was found by the police, taken to court, and fined several times. After each arrest he went back, made more beer, and paid his fines from its sale. This continued until he came under the conviction of the Spirit of God during the meetings conducted by our missionaries. Once he heard this message, he decided to change his habits, and he prayed to God for strength to gain the victory. It was a real struggle, but he was able to renounce the old life entirely, and is now a faithful churchmember. He has also sold his pigs and bought a cow.

"When people of another denomination saw how Peau was reforming, they came to him suggesting that he go to their church, but he said, 'No, a pair of horses could not prevent me from going to the Adventist church.' One of the deacons of the other church finally said that the gospel of the Adventists was a powerful gospel if it could change a man like that.

"His wife has also experienced a real change of heart and life, and testifies that hitherto her home was always dirty. With a husband who brewed and drank beer, she, too, was

careless and dirty, never cleaning her house. But now she says, 'I clean it every day.' Her countenance beams with the light of the new life. With the apostle Paul we can well say that they 'are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men.'"

MISSION BOARD.

Do we know that more than half our trouble is borrowed? Just suppose that we could get rid of all unnecessary and previous terror; just suppose that we could be sure of final victory in every conflict, and final emergence out of every shadow into brighter day, how our hearts would be lightened. How much more bravely we should work and fight and march forward! This is the courage to which we are entitled and which we may find in the thought that God is with us everywhere.—Henry Van Dyke.

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SUNSET CALENDAR

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Sept. 5th	7.39	7.46	7.52	7.59	8.08
Sept. 12th	7.23	7.28	7.35	7.40	7.49

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