



THE CONSTANCY OF GOD'S PURPOSE

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THE Scriptures are full of the thought that God intends His church to increase.

"I will multiply thy seed," "Be fruitful and multiply," "He shall see His seed," are all prophetic statements which are the Old Testament counterparts of the Saviour's "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them," etc. They are evidence of the dominating spirit of evangelization which ever shines through all God's dealing with His church.

Ezekiel has a great message which shows the Lord's constancy of purpose for His people. In chapter thirty-six we read: "Thus saith the Lord God; I will yet for this be inquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them; I will increase them with men like a flock. As the holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men; and they shall know that I am the Lord." Verses 37, 38.

The passage has two dominant thoughts. Firstly, the church must *ask* God for something He desires to do for His people. Secondly, that "something" is God's determination to "increase them with men like a flock."

THE CHURCH'S NEED OF PRAYER

Fenton translates thus: "Yet I must be *requested* by the house of Israel to do this. Then will I increase population for them like sheep."

Reference to chapter thirty-six, the first three verses, will reveal the fact that the people of God were desolate. "The enemy" possessed everything. The world held the church in derision. The world was dominant, as it is to-day. The children of God have always felt the pressure of the world, and they have been tempted to think that a small weak church in a great and thriving world was the permanent will of God. That way defeatism comes in. We think small and we act small, with these ideas in our minds.

We cannot escape the impact of the world. We are in it, though not of it. We belong to the world of humanity with its claims on our allegiance, and we are influenced by its all-prevailing spirit.

But we must watch that we do not allow the spirit of the world to encroach upon the claims of the divine Spirit. We are always in peril of this. Particularly at the present time are we in danger of "selling out" to "the world." "That which causes me to tremble is the fact that those who have had the greatest light and privileges have become contaminated by the prevailing iniquity. Influenced by the unrighteous around them

... many ... have grown cold, and are borne down by the strong current of evil."—*"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 209.*

This is why we need to pray. The dominance of the world and the threatened desolation of the church demand that we "request" God for revival and refreshing.

In chapter thirty-seven, verse eleven, the church's despondency is seen. "Our bones are dried," "our hope is lost," "we are cut off from our parts."

We must not despair. "Despondency may shake the most heroic faith, and weaken the most steadfast will."—*"Prophets and Kings," page 174.*

While the church was talking its despair, God was all the time planning the revival of Israel.

What He particularly wanted them to pray for was this revival that would "increase population for them like sheep."

Why should we pray for something God has already determined to do? God always knows our needs but He always desires to be asked. Supplication produces in the suppliant the condition of mind and heart without which God cannot bestow His gifts.

A minister who never prays for souls will not be a great soulwinner. A church which never seeks prayerfully for evangelistic revival, certainly never has one thrust upon it.

THE APPROACHING VICTORY

When churchmembers and ministers, when the whole Advent family gets into a prayerful evangelistic frame of mind and heart, when we set ourselves to win souls before everything else—*then, and not till then*, will the church be increased “with men like a flock.”

No one keeps a flock to look at. A sheep farmer tends his flock because a good flock always increases.

God keeps His flock for the sole purpose that it should grow.

Ezekiel thirty-seven, verses twelve to fourteen, shows us God's purpose in different terms. “I will open your graves,” “I will bring you into the land,” “I will put My Spirit in you,”—all figures of revival, resurrection, power, growth.

It has been said of Christ, “Whatever He did was in reference to the salvation of men.”—“*Testimonies*,” Vol. 4, page 418.

Suppose we could apply that to our work, to our lives. Nothing that does not have to do with evangelism, with growth

in God's work, with the one object for which the church exists, must be allowed to fritter away our time or energy.

J. W. Alexander said: “Evangelism glorifies God because it is the very end for which Christ died. It is the method God has always used to b l e s s His church.”

“When Thou shalt make His soul an offering for sin, *He shall see His seed*.” Isa. 53:10. That shows the evangelistic purpose of God in the sacrifice of Christ.

All the conference committees have now met and each worker has set himself prayerfully to reach a specified number of souls during 1942. We must, as lay members, join them; as colporteurs, as institutional workers also.

A flock that does not increase, dies off.

May God revive us again, and, despite the overwhelming times in which we live, grant us more and more souls reborn into His heavenly family.

“Yet I must be requested by the house of Israel to do this. Then will I increase population for them like sheep.”

DIVISION CHANGES

WORD has been received that some temporary reorganization of certain world Divisions has been undertaken. The Northern European Division no longer exists and such parts of it as are accessible to Washington are being administered by the General Conference Committee. This includes our own field, parts of the Southern European Division, and of other Divisions. Pastor Read becomes one of the Field Secretaries of the General Conference. Pastor W. T. Bartlett has been recommended to the British Union as Field Secretary. Only the Transportation Department of the General Conference remains at Edgware.

PERIODICAL SALES

WE are facing an almost inevitable decrease in our periodical sales, due to paper shortage and other war conditions. We must not allow the inevitability of things to depress the circulation of our periodicals to the point where we lose interest in them. They are now about the only means by which messages of truth can go to the people in small compass. Wherever it is possible we should keep these truth-filled periodicals circulating among the people.

Our book sales, of course, are showing a considerable increase.

ADVENTISTS IN THE SERVICES

SOME rather remarkable experiences have come to certain of our members in the army. In fact, some of them are enjoying unheard of privileges and we feel very grateful that in times of almost overwhelming stress, governments that believe in liberty have found it possible to accommodate men who desire to be of service, and also to be faithful to their religious convictions. A great deal of valuable witnessing must be taking place in this way. Let us remember our own young people in the services, as we do all others.

FEMALE LABOUR

WE still face an acute shortage of female labour. Our institutions still have openings for

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Notes from the Union President

EVANGELISM AND THE PRESENT EMERGENCY

WE are happy to report that the conference workers have all accepted a specific goal for baptisms during 1942, and in a number of cases most encouraging openings to public evangelistic campaigns are reported. We should all, whatever our work, age, or location, throw ourselves prayerfully into this spirit of evangelism. If prophecy indicates that the coming of the Lord is nigh at hand, we must be praying and working for the Pentecostal things we know are to happen. The pressure of the times is no excuse for being disinterested in this great work. The only reason prohibiting soulwinning work under war conditions exists in the human mind. No Adventist, surely, could have such a reason in his mind, because we know the

great things God is going to do in the closing days of His work on earth.

MISSIONARIES IN INTERNMENT

THE *Review and Herald* has recently carried quite a large list of names of missionaries in Hong Kong, Malaya, the Philippines, Siam, etc., who have been interned for the duration of the war. There would appear to be one English family in this group in the Philippines—Mr. and Mrs. George Rodgers and their little son, though specific reports of internment have not yet come to hand. The latest information is that they are in the Philippines and safe. These are difficult days for mission operations but the work of God will go forward despite such things, and we must leave His servants in His hands.

young women below twenty-one or over thirty-five years of age. There is also a need for female

stenographic help, preferably by young women of the same ages.
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News Notes from Mission Lands

The New Hospital, Nigeria

It is now the dry season and we are trying to complete the buildings. To-day the iron roof was put on to the kitchen and laundry unit. We are also building the staff quarters and the sanitary annexe of one ward.

I have been levelling the ground around the buildings and arranging roads, etc. The whole unit will certainly be fine when every building is finished and the surroundings cleared up and tidied. The administration block has been painted and distempered inside.

It was a welcome change for us to start holding our Sabbath-school and following service in the hospital waiting room instead of meeting in the town in a private room. We have already met here three Sabbaths.

Our cook's son is very interested and has commenced having Bible studies here. This young man has had quite a good education and makes a little money for himself acting as agent for a lawyer. His father, our cook, is like the old servants we used to have in the West Indies. He is "old faithful," about fifty years old, trustworthy, reliable, a good Christian and has brought up his children with right principles. We have made contact with a nucleus of people here, who we

hope will step out for the truth.

We are waiting now for water pipes to bring water to the hospital. The Native Administration have none and ordered them from England. However, they do not know whether they will be able to get any for some time. We shall have to devise some means of getting water to the hospital with the small amount of piping we have and some more that the Native Administration have locally.

We have started a good orchard and have been able to provide ourselves with fresh vegetables until now. These are still yielding and we have good hopes of having better results next year. Paw-paws and pineapples, will be bearing, and also some purple passion fruit, the seeds of which I got from Nairobi. I have introduced some of the fruits from Kenya. I hope they will thrive and bear.

DR. G. A. S. MADGWICK.

On the Gold Coast

We have now closed our camp meeting season. Though working shorthanded, we have passed the goals in the Ingathering, also the tithe, in the Agona district, and I have just had word from Brother Stokes that the same is true in

the Koforidua district. We had excellent camp meetings and felt there was a good response as we endeavoured to bring before our members the importance of making every church activity a plan for soulwinning.

J. CLIFFORD.

Nigerian News

We are keeping as well in health as a protracted tour in this climate will allow. I have been remarkably free from fever, though my wife's health is not too good. Nevertheless we are both cheerful and our little girl, who was born out here two years ago, is in the best of health and is the fittest of the three of us. Of course we are looking forward to the time when we shall be able to see England and our own folk again, but apart from health, we in no wise regret our longer stay out here. We are enjoying the work and feel the real presence of the Master, so what more could we wish for—unless it be for a larger and quicker harvest of souls.

Times are hard with the Africans. The price of palm oil is low, and yet the number of tithe-payers in this division has increased by almost ten per cent this year. We have had several instances recently of men devil-possessed giving their hearts to God, and one noted witch-doctor brought his charms to be burned.

There are five distinct languages in this division, as well as several other dialects, but we have literature in one language only apart from English. This makes it hard for the people to study and therefore hard for us to lay a strong foundation for faith and further teaching. I can speak the Ibo language with a moderate degree of fluency and have preached in it once or twice when necessity has arisen. I am now trying to begin the Abuan, though this is an extremely difficult language and there is nothing written in it. I have, together with one of the natives, translated about a dozen hymns into this language, and these we have popularized among our members. It helps us very much in open-air



The first ward of the new Nigerian hospital. Part of the operating room can also be seen on the right of the picture.

work in the villages and also is an inspiration at camp meetings.

Writing of sources of inspiration, I feel that I must mention the great inspiration that the Harvest Ingathering achievements in England have been to us out

here. There is not a day but we have prayed for you all, and surely the evidences of God's leading and care of our work are amply apparent.

BERNARD WALTON,
Nigeria.

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Greater Evangelism

A PROGRAMME FOR 500 BAPTISMS IN 1942

HAVING accepted half the Union goal of a thousand baptisms in 1942, the South England Conference Committee has given careful and prayerful consideration to a programme of evangelism which embraces the whole field and the entire working force in our territory.

At least twenty evangelistic campaigns will be in progress this spring. They are as follows:

Torquay	Chiswick
Exeter	Luton
Chelmsford	Reading
Colchester	Staines
Clacton	Taunton
Gloucester	Southend
Southampton	Ipswich
Edmonton	Croydon
Lewisham	Brighton
Clapham	Bristol

These places represent the locations of ministers who have been voted a definite evangelistic budget. It is possible that the actual campaigns will be conducted in nearby unentered towns as halls become available.

In addition to these hall or church hall campaigns, every other minister in the conference is accepting a definite responsibility in soulwinning achievement this year. The objective of 500 baptisms has been spread throughout the whole conference and each district has its accepted goal. The response from the working force has been most inspiring and it is evident that a spirit of willing co-operation in service is abroad in our midst. Every worker seems imbued with the earnest desire to see more souls won to the Master this year, and strong plans in every dis-

trict are being made to this end.

Already encouraging word has come in from the field. In one east coast town, where appearances might be described as depressing, the conference worker diligently distributed inquiry cards and in due time received about forty replies. Thus encouraged, a plan was devised to commence a Wednesday afternoon meeting, and in response to the public invitations the worker was almost amazed to have an attendance of 140 nonmembers. This is something unusual and is an indication that difficult times demand new methods of approach in our evangelism. Further word about this interesting and encouraging experience will doubtless appear later.

Another worker, in another "evacuated" east coast town, found the response to his distribution of inquiry cards rather disappointing. Undaunted, however, he began a door-to-door canvass, and as a result has already built a list of over fifty readers, and fully expects to make it one hundred. It is this attitude of undaunted perseverance in the face of difficulties which will, under God's blessing and by His power, give us our evangelistic objective of 500 baptisms in 1942.

G. D. KING.

Greetings from East Kent

THE few members still meeting together at Folkestone warmly welcomed Pastor A. J. Mustard on a recent week-end visit, and send greetings to fellow members.

The Sabbath-school, in which Pastor Mustard carefully and

clearly explained the lesson, was followed by the Service of Humility, and the Lord's Supper, or "Love Feast" as the pastor reminded us. It was indeed inspiring once again to unite in these sacred services, and to remember Christ's commands "until He come," for His coming may be very near.

On Sabbath afternoon, Pastor Mustard visited Canterbury, our sister church, whose members have met with Folkestone friends in times past.

A short service was held in Folkestone on Sunday evening, when Pastor Mustard spoke in his quiet convincing way on "Values," as expressed by the apostle Paul in the third chapter of Philippians.

Between the services at Canterbury and Folkestone Pastor Mustard visited isolated members, and those unable to meet together.

His visit to East Kent, where work is almost entirely suspended, was indeed a time of refreshing to those, among whom he has laboured so faithfully in more peaceful days. E. DUNNETT.

Wedding Bells

STARK—BENEFIELD.—Bernice Ivy Benefield was united in marriage with Harry George Stark on Wednesday, December 17th, 1941, at the Seventh-Day Adventist church, Bournemouth. After the service, conducted by Pastor G. R. Bell, a reception was held at the home of the bride.

Their lives have been united for service in the cause of God. Brother Stark is well known to the colporteur family and Sister Stark has been brought up in the atmosphere of literature evangelism. As they travel along life's pathway together we wish them much joy and happiness. As they labour together in God's vineyard, we trust that they will have the joy of seeing souls won for the kingdom.

CHURCH CLERK.

JESUS CHRIST is our guide. If ever we go astray, it is not His fault, but ours. How gentle and loving that guidance is, none who have not yielded to it can tell. How wise and sure, none but those who have followed it know. —A. Maclaren.

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Notes from the President

WE are very happy to record our gratitude to God for the good report which we can render for the past year. We also pay tribute to our loyal band of workers, and to the support given by our faithful membership throughout the mission.

MEMBERSHIP

DURING 1941, forty souls were accepted into membership by baptism and vote, and another two by letter. We are indebted to the labours of Brother Vince, and Brother Johnson, whose efforts mainly made this increase possible. During the same period we lost by death, apostasy, and transfer, seventeen, thus bringing our net increase for the year to twenty-five. It is very encouraging to note that this is the highest increase the mission has achieved in twelve years, with the exception of two years. If we can maintain this solid increase from year to year, the Scottish mission will grow in strength.

FINANCES

LAST year's financial returns in tithe and offerings were the highest ever reached. The table below presents an encouraging picture of faithfulness and generosity.

A total gain of £1,651 in tithe and offerings is a very creditable showing for a small field in wartime, and we are grateful for the high degree of faithfulness it shows on the part of the members.

It is also encouraging to note that the sales of literature for 1941 were £1,291 12s. 6d., a gain of £581 over 1940. This was

largely due to the valiant efforts of the eight student colporteurs who laboured in Scotland during the summer. Scotland still needs the help of solid, regular colporteurs, and we hope that this branch of the Lord's work will be steadily promoted.

CAMPAIGNS

OUR small band of workers have accepted the task of winning fifty-two new members during 1942. This represents ten per cent increase of our membership. We urge that each member take this prayer list on his or her heart for daily prayer, that this substantial gain may be realized in the campaigns.

The Advisory Committee have

made the following plans for evangelism.

WORKER	Place	Soul-Goal Accepted
J. A. McMillan	Glasgow	15
Assisted by B. Hanna		
L. G. Hardinge	Edinburgh	20
Assisted by E. A. Butters and R. Gowlett		
H. T. Johnson	Aberdeen	10
D. Morrison	Dundee and Newport	7
		52

We desire to roll this burden of soulwinning on the hearts of all our believers. Surely the Lord will honour our faith, if we put forth earnest and sustained efforts to win our friends and neighbours to the truth. Time is short. Soon the wrath of the day of the Lord will burst upon an unprepared world. We must warn and win souls before destruction breaks out from heaven. Now is the accepted time to cast off sloth and indolence, and labour untiringly for God. To-morrow will be for ever too late.

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Birmingham Missionary Volunteer Society

"MANSELL Road, please." Three and two halves to Mansell Road, please." "Two to Mansell Road, please." What a lot of people are booking to this stage; there must be something happening in this road to-day, says the conductress to herself. And sure enough she was right.

At 4 p.m. on Sabbath, January 31st, a combined Missionary Volunteer service was held by the Handsworth and South Birmingham churches in the latter's newly-acquired building. A very

novel and well prepared programme was arranged in the form of broadcasts from various countries outlining their work and needs.

From the close of this service until Sabbath ended we spent the time in singing hymns and choruses. Then we sat down to enjoy the tempting array of good things prepared for us. We spent the rest of the evening playing games and were indeed sorry when we all had to leave for home.

Just a word of thanks to all who made this possible and let's have another soon. F. YOUNG.

Church Clerk.

Change of Address

THE Leeds Church are now holding all their meetings in the Burley Road Baptist Sunday-school. Times as usual: Sabbath-school, 10 a.m.; Preaching service, 11 a.m.

M. ROE,
Church Clerk.

	1941	Gain over 1940
Tithe	£2786 0 0	£1322 0 0
Sabbath-School Offering	314 19 4	18 10 2
Harvest Ingathering	720 0 0	120 0 0
Annual Offering	32 3 5	13 13 8
Big Week	46 4 6	22 9 7
Week of Sacrifice	193 1 9	148 11 11
Missionary Volunteer Society	8 13 6	4 0 8
Total Offerings	1323 15 2	329 17 9

STATEMENT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR BRITISH UNION SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem-ber-ship	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath-School Offerings Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Annual Offerings	Miscellaneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offerings per Capita
Bath	29	157 12 8	5 8 4	33 16 8	16 11	2 11 4		1 10 8	1 6 11	40 2 6	1 7 8
Bournemouth..	90	601 16 4	6 13 9	91 6 1	1 1 8	10 0 7		7 13 9	5 0 8	115 2 9	1 5 7
Brighton	55	438 11 7	7 19 6	94 9 8		6 3 6		12 16 7	5 5 0	118 14 9	2 3 0
Bristol	122	764 13 6	6 5 4	105 11 7	3 3 7	9 0 5		11 2 2	8 1 8	136 19 0	1 2 5
Cambridge	30	178 18 5	5 19 3	25 4 11		1 5 0		1 3 6	1 6 5	28 19 10	1 9 4
Chelmsford.....	23	216 16 5	9 8 6	21 1 6	5 17 2	4 4 3		8 3 0	3 16 1	43 2 0	1 17 6
Cheltenham	35	265 7 11	7 11 8	47 17 2	2 11 5	2 13 2		5 16 4	3 6 3	62 4 4	1 15 7
Chiswick	73	611 19 6	8 7 8	122 11 7	1 3 0	7 15 6		10 9 3	4 14 1	146 13 5	2 0 2
Clacton	21	45 14 6	2 3 6	4 5 3					14 6	4 19 9	4 9
Clapham	59	218 0 5	3 13 11	54 4 7		3 19 9		5 19 1	4 9 7	68 13 0	1 3 3
Colchester	23	84 8 11	3 13 5	19 6 7		8 0		1 10 0	7 0 2	28 4 9	1 4 6
Crocombe	29	175 8 3	6 1 0	28 4 9	1 8 2	4 10 0		2 17 6	2 5 6	39 5 11	1 7 1
Croydon	32	120 11 5	3 15 4	32 4 0		2 1 6		2 7 5	2 19 9	39 12 8	1 4 9
Ealing	55	386 9 10	7 0 6	46 0 7	2 12 11	3 8 4		5 8 6	4 4 0	61 14 4	1 2 5
Edmonton	46	161 6 2	3 10 2	35 4 6	4 9 1	3 17 6		4 6 2	3 4 11	51 2 2	1 2 3
Enfield Wash....	21	125 7 7	5 19 5	23 7 5		1 16 2		2 2 4	1 19 8	29 5 7	1 7 11
Exeter	30	143 10 7	4 15 8	35 1 5		2 4 0		6 2 3	2 1 2	45 8 10	1 10 3
Folkestone.....	35	122 16 0	3 10 2	16 1 1		1 1 0		2 0	10 9	17 14 10	10 2
Forest Gate.....	32	111 2 4	3 9 5	21 17 2		2 12 9		4 10 0	5 2 11	34 2 10	1 1 4
Gillingham	11	98 0 6	8 18 3	35 13 9		1 7 1		2 6 0	1 9 0	40 15 10	3 14 2
Hastings	26	176 6 5	6 15 7	40 18 3		3 6 6		1 15 0	1 8 6	47 8 3	1 16 6
H. Wycombe	19	147 19 10	7 15 9	30 9 3		2 7 0		1 18 3	5 0	34 19 6	1 16 10
Holloway	177	1153 4 2	6 10 3	131 12 5	4 5 1	18 5 1		8 10 6	5 17 6	168 10 7	1 9 0
Ilford	61	423 16 7	6 19 0	77 15 7	4 17 2	7 11 9		7 12 0	7 0 7	104 17 1	1 14 5
Ipswich	34	75 2 9	2 4 2	16 11 2		15 3		4 1 9	1 12 8	23 0 10	13 7
Lewisham	52	543 7 3	10 9 0	47 10 1		6 8 3		10 4 4	5 16 7	69 19 3	1 6 11
Lowestoft	51	99 9 8	1 19 0	13 19 0	14 6	14 1		10 0	5 3	16 2 10	6 4
Luton	28	214 8 0	7 13 2	64 3 1		1 15 3		6 14 0	3 15 2	76 7 6	2 14 7
Norwich	46	253 6 8	5 10 2	38 0 10	3 10 0	3 5 10		2 15 0	5 7 3	52 18 11	1 3 0
Plymouth	80	1023 6 0	12 15 10	114 5 1	2 19 10	33 7 11		30 11 0	9 2 3	190 6 1	2 7 7
Portsmouth	46	296 15 5	6 9 0	43 11 2	2 15 0	4 19 2		3 12 3	3 4 10	58 2 5	1 5 3
Reading	62	375 9 6	6 1 1	75 5 9	6 7 1	3 8 8		3 6 8	3 15 9	92 3 11	1 9 9
Romford	35	187 6 1	5 7 0	22 15 7		1 5 0		3 10 0	3 11 9	31 2 4	17 9
Slough	23	107 15 4	4 13 9	33 3 5		2 7 0		4 12 6	1 9 0	41 11 11	1 16 2
Southampton ..	56	397 3 2	7 1 10	60 14 11	3 10 11	6 12 0		13 2 2	5 4 0	89 4 0	1 11 10
Southend	45	232 9 1	5 3 4	54 5 10		11 8 7		9 10 0	7 7 0	82 11 5	1 16 8
Southstoke	9	65 17 4	7 6 4	40 12 6		6 3 0		3 12 0	1 9 0	51 16 6	5 15 2
Stanbor'gh Park	382	3335 12 1	8 14 8	607 0 1	44 19 4	59 11 9		84 16 10	20 18 5	817 6 5	2 2 10
Taunton	29	125 19 9	4 6 11	25 6 4	2 8 2				1 8 7	29 3 1	1 0 1
Torquay	37	238 8 0	6 8 10	53 14 5	7 6	3 6 6		14 12 6	3 16 5	75 17 4	2 1 0
Walthamstow ..	53	631 8 5	11 18 3	182 16 6	2 13 1	18 5 0		38 12 8	8 10 6	250 17 9	4 14 8
Watford	72	609 12 0	8 9 4	118 14 7	6 12 10	23 11 6		19 2 3	6 0 9	174 1 11	2 8 4
Wembley	42	278 14 11	6 12 9	74 6 8		7 11 6		26 0 10	5 5 0	113 4 0	2 13 11
Wimbledon	99	714 7 2	7 4 4	105 9 5	3 13 4	10 1 6		16 2 3	6 10	141 17 0	1 8 8
Wood Green	87	540 13 0	6 4 3	46 19 6	4 5 2	4 1 3		5 1 8	1 18 3	62 5 10	14 4
Yarmouth	42	59 12 4	1 8 5	22 18 1		14 0		15 0	6 8	24 13 9	11 9
Brentwood	8	57 14 8	7 4 4	7 16 0	16 11	2 10 0		7 19 0		19 1 11	2 7 9
Bedford	10	111 2 6	11 2 3	15 6 6		1 7 9		3 8 8	3 9 8	23 12 7	2 7 1
Bromley	9	19 17 3	2 4 2	13 2 7		1 5 8		2 10 2	14 0	17 12 0	1 19 1
Dereham	6	33 5 1	5 10 10	6 14 8		1 6 0		1 5 0	13 0	9 18 8	1 13 1
Eastbourne	7	43 5 5	6 3 8								
Ely	8	52 6 6	6 10 9	11 18 3		5 5				12 3 8	1 10 5
Ferndown	6	35 0 0	5 16 8	4 10 10		1 2 0		10 0	9 9	6 12 7	1 2 1
Gloucester	12	36 18 0	3 1 6	9 12 8		7 6		8 6	3 6	10 12 2	17 8
Leatherh'd	6	37 18 2	6 6 4	9 15 8		10 0		1 16 7	14 0	12 16 3	2 2 9
Medstead	11	98 7 2	8 18 11	29 10 2		4 2 6	1 0 0	2 6 6	3 6 11	40 6 1	3 13 3
Poole	9	39 15 3	4 8 4	8 1 11		1 4 0		1 15 3	17 6	11 18 8	1 6 6
Salisbury	15	90 5 5	6 0 4	22 12 6		7 0		1 13 0	19 0	25 11 6	1 14 1
St. Austell	7	94 9 4	13 9 11	30 14 6		2 5 0		3 0 0	11 6	36 11 0	5 4 5
St. Maby'n	7	71 2 10	10 3 3	26 11 11		7 0 0		6 0 0	2 9 9	42 1 8	6 0 3
Swindon	11	60 16 3	5 11 7	19 10 5		1 16 6		4 18 6	15 8	27 1 1	2 16 6
Wes'n Br'n	7	60 14 1	8 13 5	43 0 1		1 7 6		1 17 6	2 19 6	49 4 7	7 0 8
Weymouth	15	64 16 11	4 6 6	7 7 4	1 4 9	8 3			11 11	9 12 3	12 10
Isolated	391	3522 6 9	9 0 2	351 14 10	3 6 2	47 5 5		143 14 3	84 18 8	630 19 4	1 12 3
Totals 1941	3089	21866 5 4	7 1 7	3654 10 7	122 10 9	386 13 3	1 0 0	600 10 10	294 0 1	5059 5 6	1 12 9
Totals 1940	3138	18605 11 0	5 18 7	3136 7 4	90 8 6	555 12 11	7 10 0	600 9 7	282 2 5	4672 10 9	1 9 11
Increase	-49	3260 14 4	1 3 0	518 3 3	32 2 3	-168 19 8	-6 10 0	1 3	11 17 8	386 14 8	2 10

SCOTTISH MISSION

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem-ber-ship	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath-School Offerings Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Annual Offerings	Miscellaneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offerings per Capita
Aberdeen	35	134 4 5	3 16 8	28 1 1	16 9	2 3 9		3 8 6	4 2 6	38 12 7	1 2 1
Edinburgh	66	237 8 1	3 11 11	64 3 0	1 17 1	5 0 0		6 2 6	6 2 0	83 14 7	1 5 3
Glasgow	113	1506 4 8	13 6 7	120 8 5	5 19 8	10 6 8		160 16 1	25 0 0	322 10 10	2 17 1
Kirkcaldy	9	67 10 4	7 10 0	15 14 8		13 0		4 9 6	6 6	21 3 8	2 7 1
Dundee	24	75 2 6	3 2 7	18 16 6		2 0 0		11 2	3 5 0	24 12 8	1 0 6
Stirling	9	78 2 7	8 13 7	20 0 5		7 0		17 6	18 6	22 3 5	2 9 3
Isolated	72	687 7 3	9 10 11	47 15 3		11 13 0		16 16 6	6 10 0	82 14 9	1 3 0
Totals 1941	328	2785 19 10	8 9 11	314 19 4	8 13 6	32 3 5		193 1 9	46 4 6	595 2 6	1 16 3
Totals 1940	303	1634 16 9	5 7 11	296 9 2	4 8 10	18 9 9	2 0 0	44 9 10	23 14 11	389 12 6	1 5 9
Increase	25	1151 3 1	3 2 0	18 10 2	4 4 8	13 13 8	-2 0 0	148 11 11	22 9 7	205 10 0	10 6

IRISH MISSION

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem-ber-ship	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath-School Offerings Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Annual Offerings	Miscellaneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offerings per Capita
Belfast	58	397 3 5	6 16 11	82 17 1	1 0	48 17 3		10 12 10	19 0 0	161 8 2	2 15 8
Dublin	29	224 8 6	7 14 9	53 2 9	2 8 2	1 12 3	10 0	3 12 4	8 1 6	69 7 0	2 17 10
Kilmoyle	13	48 0 0	3 13 10	6 16 4	1 13 5	11 0				9 0 9	13 11
Larne	7	24 5 0	3 9 3	10 13 2		2 6		15 0	5 0	11 15 8	1 13 8
Shankill	35	78 19 6	2 5 2	20 9 1		2 18 9		5 7 0		28 14 10	16 5
Isolated	63	320 18 10	5 1 11	66 3 8	1 3 0	5 2 0	10 0	48 9 6	7 3 4	128 11 6	2 0 10
Totals 1941	205	1093 15 3	5 6 9	240 2 1	5 5 7	59 3 9	1 0 0	68 16 8	34 9 10	408 17 11	1 19 11
Totals 1940	206	1010 13 4	4 18 1	231 14 10	9 13 0	49 18 2		64 4 2	33 5 1	388 15 3	1 17 9
Increase	-1	83 1 11	8 8	8 7 3	-4 7 5	9 5 7	1 0 0	4 12 6	1 4 9	20 2 8	2 2

CONFERENCE FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1941

WELSH MISSION

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem-ber-ship	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath School Offerings Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Annual Offerings	Miscellaneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offerings per Capita
Barry Dock ...	27	219 16 4	8 2 10	83 11 9		2 1 9		14 0	3 2 10	39 10 4	1 9 3
Blaenavon	6	33 17 3	5 12 11	5 6 2		6 0		10 0	8 6	6 10 8	1 1 9
Cardiff	68	375 16 3	5 10 6	111 12 5	3 0 2	9 16 6		10 16 0	6 18 9	142 3 10	2 1 10
Hereford	12	111 5 7	9 5 6	20 17 1		1 8 6		1 13 0	1 0 6	24 19 1	2 1 7
Newport Mon.	94	474 16 7	5 1 0	55 5 1	1 14 6	7 6 6		4 11 9	2 8 2	71 6 0	15 2
Porth	9	31 3 4	3 9 3	6 16 9				4 2	6	7 1 5	15 9
Swansea	37	186 10 10	5 0 10	57 10 3	1 6 2	1 8 9		15 0	2 10 3	63 10 5	1 14 4
Aberdare ...	10	76 7 7	7 12 9	22 4 6		2 4 0		2 3 0	15 6	27 7 0	2 14 8
Caerphilly	18	94 16 2	5 5 4	21 9 1		2 1 3		1 15 0	14 1	25 19 5	1 8 10
Gelligaer	12	119 5 6	9 18 10	21 0 5		3 0 0		3 8 0	1 2 0	28 10 5	2 7 6
Llanelli ...	10	8 11 6	17 2	6 13 11						6 13 11	13 5
Rhos	9	33 9 5	3 14 5	17 17 8		5 17 0		15 6	11 6	25 1 8	2 15 9
Rhyl	29	113 13 8	3 18 5	24 11 11		1 14 0		1 7 0	2 5 8	29 18 7	1 0 8
Shotton	6	22 13 3	3 15 7	5 10 6		11 6		1 2 0	2 0 4	9 4 4	1 10 9
Shrewsb'ry	12	75 17 6	6 6 6	11 13 10	1 12 1	1 10 0		1 7 6		16 3 5	1 6 11
Isolated	108	649 12 5	6 0 4	74 6 8		14 14 6		13 18 6	8 3 3	111 2 11	1 0 7
Totals 1941	467	2627 13 2	5 12 6	496 8 0	7 12 11	54 0 3		45 0 5	32 1 10	635 3 5	1 7 2
Totals 1940	472	2202 10 2	4 13 4	425 7 4	5 4 2	45 10 4		33 16 5	31 2 1	541 0 4	1 2 11
Increase	-5	425 3 0	19 2	71 0 8	2 8 9	8 9 11		11 4 0	19 9	94 3 7	4 3

NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

Birmingham S.	48	284 0 4	5 18 4	59 19 7	1 7 6	2 6 0		5 5 9	11 3 11	80 2 9	1 13 4
Bradford	38	178 6 5	4 13 10	30 14 5	13 9	16 6		11 3	1 15 0	34 10 11	18 2
Ce ventry	55	486 7 0	8 16 10	83 11 11	3 0	12 1		3 0 0	9 19 8	97 6 8	1 16 0
Darlington	29	112 1 9	3 17 1	18 14 10	2 2 0	14 6		12 6	2 0 6	24 4 4	16 2
Derby	52	433 0 3	8 6 6	51 6 1	4 1 2	5 1 9		5 15 3	2 4 2	68 8 5	1 6 4
Grimsby	16	82 17 6	5 3 7	10 17 8	1 6	18 8		17 0	16 0	13 10 10	16 11
Handsworth ...	68	755 10 7	11 2 2	88 0 6	5 4 9	11 2 3		9 0 0	5 9 11	117 17 5	1 14 8
Hull	119	659 8 11	5 10 10	170 15 6		6 9 2		13 9 7	5 10 9	196 5 0	1 13 0
Kettering	37	237 4 0	6 8 1	65 2 6	1 10 6	6 7 11		3 9 9	2 18 0	79 8 8	2 2 11
Leeds	72	497 17 10	6 15 6	64 17 0	5 4 10	2 9 3		2 11 2	2 14 9	77 17 0	1 1 2
Leicester	37	314 14 4	8 10 1	80 4 6	1 10 2	10 4 0		5 11 8	7 4 9	104 15 1	2 16 8
Lincoln	13	110 0 4	8 9 3	23 0 7				3 1 0	1 7 6	27 9 1	2 2 3
Liverpool	84	459 15 3	5 9 5	57 10 11	4 8 11	6 9 6		2 4 4	2 19 11	73 13 7	17 7
Manchester ...	77	514 8 2	6 13 1	102 7 0	5 8 8	5 4 10		2 16 6	5 2 7	120 19 7	1 11 5
Mid'brough	36	134 7 3	3 16 10	44 19 5	10 2	1 5 0		9 3 6	2 6 2	58 4 3	1 12 4
Newbold	151	739 4 7	4 17 11	190 12 7	8 14 4	8 0 0		19 3 3	39 5 4	265 15 6	1 15 2
Newcastle	83	380 2 0	4 11 4	69 1 7	4 3 2	2 15 8		1 12 0	3 1 0	80 13 5	19 5
N. Shields	18	86 0 6	4 15 3	9 3 2				7 6	3 3	9 13 11	10 9
Nottingham ...	90	672 18 0	7 9 6	113 6 10	9 15 4	7 6 5		5 4 0	7 6 11	142 19 6	1 11 9
Rotherham ...	29	106 4 3	3 13 3	18 13 10		15 0		12 6	8 0	20 9 4	14 1
Rushden	12	115 10 7	9 12 7	10 7 8	8 0	2 12 6		5 1 6	1 7 7	19 17 3	1 13 1
Sheffield	50	337 7 2	6 10 4	35 11 2		3 4 0		14 7	1 8 1	40 3 3	16 1
Stockport	22	164 2 0	7 9 2	17 12 2	1 19 3	16 9		1 14 0	1 18 6	21 19 4	1 0 0
Stoke	33	259 4 9	7 14 4	31 0 3	2 19 4	2 16 6		15 6	2 14 10	38 8 9	1 4 6
Stretford	48	302 0 11	6 6 0	31 16 9		3 1 8		8 0	2 3 6	14 3 8	13 6
Wakefield	21	124 7 2	5 18 5	11 12 2				1 10 0	1 8 0	35 4 3	2 6 11
Wellingboro ...	15	81 4 10	5 8 4	30 6 3		2 0 0		1 15 0	1 0 2	28 7 3	1 13 4
Wolverha'pton	17	154 15 2	9 2 1	24 2 1		1 10 0		2 16 6	2 5 4	44 17 5	2 0 9
Worcester	22	160 9 2	7 5 10	33 9 7		6 6 0		9 13 6	5 19 11	107 4 6	2 1 4
York	38	328 3 2	8 12 11	81 3 9	3 0 10	7 6 6		1 17 0		16 15 5	12 4
Barnsley ...	27	70 15 3	2 12 4	13 15 3		1 3 2		2 6		8 9 4	16 11
Blackburn	10	21 0 4	2 2 0	8 0 10		6 0		14 0	2 10 0	16 17 6	4 4 4
Bromsg've	4	48 12 0	12 3 0	13 4 7	3 11	5 0					
Denton	19							8 0	13 0	6 15 7	1 2 7
Kid'minstr.	6	37 14 2	6 5 8	4 19 1		15 6		1 10 6	4 5 4	32 10 1	2 14 2
Killamarsh	12	98 13 8	8 4 5	25 14 9		19 6		1 11 4	8 0	24 8 8	2 8 10
Mansfield ...	10	108 4 2	10 16 5	21 10 6		18 10		5 16 4		28 3 9	1 8 2
Northa'ton	20	70 2 2	3 10 1	19 5 1		3 2 4		1 1 6	1 1 9	23 0 0	1 3 0
Rochdale ...	20	108 15 10	5 8 9	19 10 0		1 6 9		4 3 1	2 2 3	65 10 8	3 17 1
Scarbro' ...	17	90 13 4	5 6 8	59 5 4				10 0	9 9	12 7 10	1 7 6
Skegness	9	26 15 4	2 19 6	10 9 7		18 6		14 6	17 6	7 17 11	11 3
Stockton ...	14	16 18 11	1 4 2	5 13 11		12 0		1 0 6	1 1 0	16 7 5	1 0 5
Sutton	16	114 13 7	7 3 4	13 1 2	14 9	10 0		15 3	12 0	14 0 7	1 15 1
Ulverston	8	124 8 8	15 11 1	11 19 4		14 0		1 5 4	1 5 11	36 12 11	2 12 4
Wallasey	14	150 12 8	10 16 2	33 3 10		17 10		72 13 1	11 12 11	385 6 10	1 13 4
Isolated	230	2430 5 9	10 11 7	218 8 6	1 14 2	80 18 2					
Totals 1941	1866	12790 0 0	6 17 1	2138 4 0	66 0 0	202 0 0		213 0 0	162 0 0	2781 4 0	1 9 9
Totals 1940	1796	10465 0 0	5 16 6	1732 0 0	47 3 5	199 0 0		177 0 0	132 10 0	2287 13 5	1 5 6
Increase	70	2325 0 0	1 0 7	406 4 0	18 16 7	3 0 0		36 0 0	29 10 0	493 10 7	4 3

UNION TOTALS

B.U.C.		133 4 6		1 10 0			747 0 0		97 8 0	845 18 0	
Grand Tot. 1941	5955	41296 18 1	6 18 8	6845 14 0	210 2 9	734 0 8	749 0 0	1120 9 8	666 4 3	10325 11 4	1 14 8
Grand Tot. 1940	5915	34212 18 0	5 15 8	5821 18 8	156 17 11	868 11 2	9 10 0	920 0 0	621 10 0	8398 7 9	1 8 3
Increase	40	7084 0 1	1 3 0	1023 15 4	53 4 10	-134 10 6	739 10 0	200 9 8	44 14 3	1927 3 7	6 5

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UNTIL THE DAY BREAK

WYNNE.—It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Jack Wynne on January 20, 1942. Our brother was drafted to Malaya a few months ago and one of the last things he did before leaving was to care for his financial obligations to the church. His first thought on reaching Malaya was to seek out our missionaries there. He was wounded in December last and now rests in that far away land in a spot unknown to his loved ones here, but known so well to our heavenly Father and His angels. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Brother and Sister Wynne, to Moreen, and little Annette, also to Grandfather Garstang, and to Brother and Sister Johnson in Scotland. Precious to all is the promised reunion when Jesus comes soon. S. BULL.

READ.—On Wednesday, February 11, 1942, it was our sad duty to lay to rest our dear sister, Mrs. Read, for many years a well-respected resident of the town of Romsey, Hants. Sister Read passed from this life at the age of eighty-five years, after a long illness, during which she was faithfully and lovingly nursed by her daughter, Sister O. Read. It was our privilege to visit our aged sister from time to time, and she was able to take part in the ordinance of the Lord's Supper a few weeks before she died. Sister Read came into touch with the Advent movement fifty years ago, having attended the meetings conducted by Pastors Ings and Loughborough, but it was not until 1926 that she actually joined the Southampton church, with her daughter, under the ministry of Pastor F. S. Jackson. She sleeps now, but one day soon in company with a host of redeemed she will rise again to eternal life. The daughter and a son are left to mourn, beside other relatives and the members of the church. Brother P. Cumings who is now in charge of the Southampton church, assisted at the funeral service. F. A. SPEARING.

RICHARDS.—On January 15, 1942, our dear Sister Richards passed away after much suffering. She was one of the old members of the Hull Church, being baptized by Elder Andross in 1905. She was called upon to pass through many trials and sorrows in her life, but never complained and remained steadfast and faithful to the end. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor L. Murdoch assisted by D. Conroy. We look forward to that glad day when all those who sleep will come forth at the voice of the Archangel and we shall reign with Him evermore.

N. FISHER, Church Clerk.

CLARK.—We deeply regret to announce the death of our dear Sister Clark of the Bedford church who passed away after a short illness on December 22, 1941, at the age of sixty-seven. Sister Clark was brought to a knowledge of the Advent message through the ministry of A. G. Tapping and was baptized by Pastor E. R. Warland in August 1939. Since this time she has been zealous in her work for God, and we shall miss her sweet and gentle presence. Her joy was to speak of her Saviour and His love. We know she sleeps in Jesus and believe that when He appears in the clouds of heaven she will be among those who will be raised to be for ever with their Lord. Our sister was laid to rest in the Bedford Cemetery, the service being conducted by R. Vince, who spoke words of comfort to her relatives.

SYBIL E. HARDY,
Church Clerk.