

# BRITISH ADVENT MESSENGER

## The Church's Battle Song

IN a very simple parable, our Lord draws a two-fold picture. One depicts the condition of the world, and the other of the church.

"And He said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves." Luke 11:5.

The world is passing through a midnight experience just now. Darkness and uncertainty prevail everywhere. A moral and spiritual black-out has enveloped the inhabitants of the world in Egyptian darkness. The people of our scientific age are groping as blindly as did the ignorant in the "Dark Ages." Wylie, speaking of that time, said that "the noon of the Papacy was the midnight of the world." And a return of these midnight conditions is envisaged by Sister White in the following words:

"A day of great intellectual darkness has been shown to be favourable to the success of the Papacy. It will yet be demonstrated that a day of great intellectual light is equally favourable for its success."—"Great Controversy," page 572

The evidence betokens that this time has come. The midnight hour has returned.

### THE HOUR OF JUDGMENT

There is something deeply suggestive in the statement of Exodus 12:29: "And it came to pass, that at midnight the Lord

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smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt." The midnight hour was the zero hour for the last crushing judgment of God upon an obdurate people.

For the children of God it was a solemn sight to witness the intervention of God for the salvation of His people. The psalmist sings of their rejoicing at the deliverance wrought out at midnight. He suggests that the children of God will yet again behold the judgment of God on guilty men. "At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto Thee because of Thy righteous judgments." Psa. 119:62.

An American preacher has recently pointed out that "judgment" and "crisis" are both from the one Greek word. He said: "We avoid this English equivalent because we dislike its profound suggestion. It is easier to say we are approaching a crisis than to say that men's works are being tested in the fires of judgment." We Adventists are familiar with the phrase, the "judgments of God are abroad in the earth," His "righteous judgments" are to be seen "at midnight." We need to pray that when His "judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness."

### THE CHURCH AND THE MIDNIGHT HOUR

But it is the other picture in

our Lord's parable which grips our attention. How is the church equipped for this dread hour when the world is plunging to its final doom? Jesus paints the condition in simple words. "For a friend of mine is come, and I have nothing to set before him." Luke 11:6. How pathetic! Midnight, an unexpected situation, and the church unprepared for the emergency.

This is not an unhealthy picture. It is a condition nearer to the heart of God than that picture drawn in Revelation 3:17. There, the church is smug, complacent, utterly indifferent to the needs of the world, and blind to her own spiritual poverty. Here, she bewails her lack of power, and pleads divine mercy and grace. It is midnight, and the church stands powerless and palsied in the face of the world's desperate plight.

### THE HOUR OF EXAMINATION

At this midnight hour it would be well to heed another suggestive text. "About midnight the shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country; and sounded, and found it twenty fathoms: and when they had gone a little farther, they sounded again, and found it fifteen fathoms." Acts 27:27, 28. We are rapidly nearing the other "country," and it is necessary to take soundings. Many are losing their bearings to-day. The war of nerves is tearing at the vitality of our spiritual stamina. We need

to take our bearings "again and again," to see if we be in the faith, or not. It is doubly tragic to lose one's soul so near the eternal shore. As we near the shore, we should be drawing nearer to Jesus.

#### THE HOUR OF GLORIOUS OPPORTUNITY

The Bible's glimpses at the midnight hour are not all dark and gloomy. There is one that glows with joy and triumph. "And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them." Acts 16:25. Is the church bound and in prison? Let her pray, then shall she sing, and the prisoners shall leap to freedom. It is said that the Chinese word for "crisis" also carries the thought of "opportunity." Certainly for the church, the hour of darkness and impotency may be changed into the hour of light and grace. Our understanding of this hour of judgment should spur us on to more zealous labour for the Lord. In the American Civil War, Julia Ward Howe wrote the "Battle Hymn of the Republic." One verse reads:

"Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord:  
He is tramping out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored:  
He hath loosed the fatal lightning of His terrible swift sword:  
His truth is marching on."

That must become the spirit and the goal of every Adventist. That is the challenge of this midnight hour. To be filled with the Spirit of God; to go forth with a prayer in our hearts, and a song on our lips; that the world may be warned and souls won. Only thus may the final picture presented by Jesus be realized. "Because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth. How much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him." Luke 11:8, 13.

Ponder long and deeply the following from the Lord's messenger:

"I was shown God's people waiting for some change to take place—a compelling power to take hold of them. But they will be disappointed, for they are

wrong. *They must act; they must take hold of the work themselves, and earnestly cry to God for a true knowledge of themselves.* The scenes which are passing before us are of sufficient magnitude to cause us to arouse, and urge the truth home to the hearts of all who will listen."—"Testimonies," Vol. 1, page 261.

"The great outpouring of the Spirit of God, which lightens the whole earth with His glory, will not come until we have an enlightened people, that know by experience what it means to be labourers together with God. When we have entire, whole-hearted consecration to the service of Christ, God will recognize the fact by an outpouring of His

Spirit without measure; but this will not be while the largest portion of the church are not labourers together with God."—"Review and Herald," July 21, 1896.

"If the lay members of the church will arouse to do the work that they can do, . . . each seeing how much he can accomplish in winning souls to Jesus, we shall see many leaving the ranks of Satan to stand under the banner of Christ. If our people will act upon the light that is given in these few words of instruction, we shall surely see of the salvation of God. Wonderful revivals will follow. Sinners will be converted, and many souls will be added to the church."—"Testimonies," Vol. 8, page 246.

## Notes from the Union President

### PERSECUTION OF CHRISTIANS

News from reliable sources indicates that the Christian church in Thailand, now under Japanese control, is facing severe persecution. Buddhism is staging an energetic proselytizing campaign and Christians have been visited at night by groups of men threatening dire consequences if the householders refused to register at Buddhist temples on the morrow.

"Christian men have been told in quiet ways, not officially, that if they want government positions and advancement they must register as Buddhists."

As always, some Christians (estimated at about 500 in Thailand, among them the Moderator of the Church of Christ), have weakly complied and have forsaken their Lord.

Information of a reliable nature also comes of terrible persecution of Orthodox churchmembers in Croatia. Buildings and institutions have been destroyed or confiscated, and others have been transformed into Catholic churches. Religious hatred is having full play in many parts of the earth.

It is the renewed struggle of the great enemy against the Christian church and it teaches us the lesson that there will always be those who will forsake truth in its moments of crisis but, as in all

these places, the majority of the Lord's servants will stand nobly faithful to their Lord.

### TRIBUNAL APPEARANCES

Now that women are in some cases appearing before tribunals we request that information concerning these cases be supplied to us for reference purposes. We have a fairly complete record of all tribunal cases thus far, and should like to add to our files all cases of women who have to appear before these bodies.

### EVANGELISM

IT appears that, while evangelistic attendances may be on an average one-half of the pre-war number, there is nevertheless a large Sunday audience throughout our land and that week-night meetings are gathering good numbers of interested people. Visiting lists are encouraging. Advertising, though difficult, goes on and does its work. Truly, difficulties were made to be overcome and our evangelists are doing this.

Our lay-members are continuing their soul-saving work, and soon we shall all be in the throes of what I hope may be a soul-seeking Ingathering campaign. Everything must be entered upon with successful soul-winning in mind. Prayer, wise planning, and hard work never fail to win souls.

H. W. LOWE.

## INGATHERING NEWS

### It Really Happened—and Could Happen Again

MANY times during the Ingathering campaign members have asked me to tell them the story of the remarkable experience I had over twenty years ago when doing this good work. I often find that those who have heard the story have several details incorrect. For the encouragement of everyone, including myself, perhaps it would be well to recount the wonderful blessing which came to me in my first conference appointment as departmental secretary in 1920. Perhaps we cannot do better than give it as it appeared at the time in our church paper—then known as *The Missionary Worker*.

"About a month ago Brother Baldry and myself were Harvest Ingathering in the vicinity of Southampton, and on this particular day I met with very poor success. In fact, after having just been to more than a score of houses without receiving even a penny, I felt like returning home. Brother Baldry encouraged me to continue, however, and I was afterward very pleased that I did. The next two houses were larger than most in that part and, as I have a natural fear of large houses, I suggested that my companion should do both of them while I remained in the street. However, while he was in the first, a great sense of shame came over me, and I summoned up courage and went to the other house.

"I had hardly knocked when a kind old lady—nearly ninety years old, as I learned later—came to the door, and as she felt too feeble to stand, invited me in. Although she did not give me anything then, she promised to send something if I would give her my address. This I was pleased to write on the back of a tract—for I always plan to give a Gospel messenger to every person I canvass, whether they help or not. This fact impressed her, and while talking of my interest in foreign mission work I happened

to mention that I hoped 'to be a missionary myself some day.' 'Oh, do you?' she asked at once, 'What would it cost?' I could not give any definite reply and the matter ended there for the time being.

"A week later, the lady sent a friend over to see me, but as I was again out Ingathering, a message was left at my lodgings requesting that I go to see the good lady again. I went the next day. Among her many questions she again desired to know the cost of sending a missionary abroad for she was 'thinking' of sending one.

"'Well,' I said, 'the fares might come to as much as £100.' 'Oh, I'll give £100. I thought it might be £1,000,' she said.

"I promised to get the exact figures and visit her again in a couple of days.

"On my next visit I took Brother Baldry, who, as secretary-treasurer of this conference, gave her the figure she requested. 'I'll give £750 if you will go,' she said, looking at me. What more could I say? I could only thank God that He had at last opened the way for me to fulfil the promise I had made Him nine or ten years ago, when quite a boy. I was the happiest man alive at that moment.

"We explained that medical fitness or the adverse decision of the committee might keep me back, but she could not be persuaded to promise £750 for anyone else. This surely seemed like the Lord's guiding. She wanted me to go soon. 'For,' she said, 'you see, I mightn't live till the end of the year.'

"This lady had spoken previously to two other missionary organizations, but neither of them could get a man ready quickly enough for her and she had been praying that someone should be sent to her. She told me that from the first time she met me she felt that I was the man to go. All she could say as she gave it was, 'The Lord is good; the Lord

is good; the Lord is good. This is a great privilege. The Lord is good.'

"She, although not an Adventist, is glad to give to the Lord. She told me that it didn't matter at all what society it was, so long as it preached the Gospel of salvation in Jesus. 'I give it cheerfully and I know my Father accepts it,' she said, 'for the Lord loveth a cheerful giver.'

What a wonderful inspiration that experience was to my wife and I as we made our way to the East African mission field! How glad we were to write to her regularly that she might know how the Lord's blessing was upon her gift. This dear lady continued to show her interest in the work, giving from time to time until her death some two or three years later. Her last gift was £400 to build the church and school at Kamagambo, our mission station. Altogether her gifts totalled nearly two thousand pounds and the blessing of the Lord, we believe, has continued upon the work she thus helped to establish.

The Lord has pleasant surprises for every one of His faithful Ingatherers this year also. Yours may not be the joy of collecting £750—not even a tenth of that amount maybe. But perhaps yours will be the joy of so witnessing for the message as you collect that a soul will be born into the message. Why not pray for that goal this year? We think of a brother who, in his first year's Ingathering, brought at least four persons into the truth. Let us all go forward in faith, not neglecting one house which may be in our allotted territory, nor ever failing to give a faithful witness for the message as opportunity affords.

E. R. WARLAND.

### Advertisements

PRINTING.—C. Russell, Newton Street, Macclesfield.

WANTED.—Land Girl. Sabbath privileges. Write in first instance to: J. H. Parkin, 780 St. Albans Road, Watford, Herts.

Good price offered for *Prophets and Kings* (any condition). Write: Mr. W. Dowson, 28 Melrose Street, Middlesbrough.

## SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

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### EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGNS

TIMES are still very difficult for evangelistic work. Already this year one of our evangelists in South England has had the hard experience of his public meeting place being devastated by enemy action. His organ and hymn books were also destroyed. But harder still is the experience of interests being scattered when the people move away from such molested areas. However, while such things seem to hinder, we have every confidence that this year will be a fruitful one in evangelistic endeavour. Every worker in the conference is building up a visiting list of non-members in addition to the twenty evangelistic campaigns which are being conducted in our territory.

The total visiting list of non-members now numbers over two thousand, and there is an active interest shown by over eleven hundred. While attendances at campaign meetings have not been large, these figures would seem to indicate that solid work is being done and a large number of persons are studying the message. Bible-workers and evangelists have now come to the crucial time in many cases when the Sabbath test is being presented. You are asked to remember this vital work in your public and private prayers, for there is certainly no more important work demanding our attention and interest. Perplexing as the problems of evangelism may be, these are days of opportunity for heralding the Advent message and as never before the privilege of witnessing should be grasped by the whole church.

### INGATHERING CAMPAIGN

THIS year we go forward with increased confidence by reason of the victories which lie behind us. Wartime Ingathering has its difficulties, but it also has its advantages. Government sanction, with authorized permits and badges, is a source of great blessing. The minor inconveniences of

rigid regulations are easily outweighed by the enforced increased efficiency they have brought to our own work. As we now make final plans for a seven-week campaign, every opportunity must be capitalized. Let every churchmember realize that *this is a campaign for soul-saving evangelism*. Our goals are subsidiary to the great final objective of preparing a people to meet the Lord. The Ingathering is part of the church's response to the great commission, "Go—into all the world." This work, more than any other means souls saved at home and overseas. A *church preparing* for the Lord's return will be a *church working* that others might be warned and ready. South England must not and will not fail. Gladly we accept our high goal of £5,300 knowing that this figure will represent many hundreds of souls preparing to meet the Lord. A spiritual soul-saving campaign will mean a successful and inspiring campaign for all concerned.

G. D. KING.

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### Baptism in West London

CHRISTIAN fellowship is one of the greatest blessings which God has given to His people. The Ealing and Chiswick churches have long experienced the joy that happy fellowship in the things of God brings. It needed no persuasion to unite the two sister churches at Chiswick on April 11th, and the care which Pastor Armstrong and the officers gave to the planning of the day's programme brought enthusiastic expressions of appreciation from those who attended.

The happy blending of the two Sabbath-schools produced a profitable hour. Members of both churches took part, the lesson being conducted by the pastor of both who gave us much food for thought as he presented the deep truths of the Scriptures for the day. Of the two churches, only

Ealing boasts a children's class. They enjoyed singing to us, "We are but little candles," for which item Brother Dawe had ingeniously fixed up electric candles which twinkled gaily in the chorus.

An appropriate solo and the presence of Pastor King made the second service spiritually profitable. His text at first seemed anything but cheering: "We are of all men most miserable." We were thankful when he added: "But now is Christ risen." We shall not quickly forget the contrast he pictured. He led us to feel abundantly that we should be grateful for the happiness and glorious hope that the resurrection of Christ can bring.

The great event of the day was the baptism in the afternoon of five souls—three sisters and two brethren—and the welcome by vote into the church of three other sisters. Pastor King cheerfully informed the assembled congregation that they had come to witness a funeral service. He said we rejoiced with the candidates that they were willing that unpleasant relations—the carnal "old men"—were to be buried in the watery grave. Freed from the burden of the old life they would enter the service of the Lord rejoicing in the liberty that His grace had brought.

Before the eight were welcomed into the church, the elevating spirit of praise and worship was continued in song. Gospel solos, duets, and quartettes were given by Mrs. Lowe, Miss Freeman, Mr. Watson, and local members. These spiritual messages were much appreciated. Many were in the congregation who had not been baptized and some expressed their wish to have a closer walk with God. We look forward with rejoicing to another "burial service" in the near future.

K. MAHON.

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### Change of Address

WILL visitors to Luton please note that the new address of the Luton meeting place is: Advent Church, Alma Street Passage, Alma Street, Luton, Beds.

Alma Street is just a short distance along the main road from the Town Hall.

G. D. KING.

## Scottish Mission

Superintendent: Pastor J. A. McMillan  
Address: 15 Rowallan Gardens, Broomhill, Glasgow, W.1.

### EDINBURGH CHURCH

IT will be a source of joy and satisfaction to all our members to know that the Edinburgh church is now in possession of the fine property formerly known as the Bristo Place Congregational Church. The members in the capital have now a building of which they may justly be proud. Pastor L. G. Hardinge has worked untiringly and the members have given generously.

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking all the isolated who gave so unselfishly to procure this noble building. Our gratitude is also extended to the Glasgow church which has returned a loan of £200 to Edinburgh during the past two months. We must not forget the General Conference and the British Union, who have also given substantial help toward the purchase.

Edinburgh has now a unique opportunity for evangelism, and we are sure that when Brother Hardinge begins his effort, there will be a heartening response. We are planning a special dedication service about July 25th. In connection with this special service, we are hoping that our members throughout the Mission will plan to attend the services in Edinburgh. Further particulars will be sent out later, but keep the date and occasion in mind.

### CAMPAIGNS

A NUMBER of our efforts have been launched in the Mission. Brother Johnson has had a very encouraging beginning in Aberdeen. There is a steady interest and the prospects are healthy.

Brother Morrison has courageously opened up two fronts in the Dundee area, holding meetings in Dundee and also in Newport, Fife.

Here in Glasgow we have just closed a seven-week campaign in the King's Cinema, where two ef-

forts have recently been held. We had 400 at the first meeting, and finished with 400 on the seventh night. For five weeks we used only 1,000 handbills each week, depending mainly on the newspaper and hoardings. One hundred and ninety-eight names have been handed in, and the offerings for the seven nights amounted to £40. 8s. 6d.

### HARVEST INGATHERING

ANOTHER Ingathering campaign has come to us. By the time you read these notes, we shall have plunged into this great annual effort for missions. What are YOU doing this year? The opportunities to help extend the message may soon be gone for ever, and many will bewail their negligence.

J. A. McMILLAN.

## DISCUSSION CORNER

Devoted to the discussion of helpful topics, denominational plans, policies, practices, and to answering profitable questions.

### No. 2. Why Were Our Institutions Founded?

ONE often hears all kinds of ideas as to why our institutions exist. Some feel they are solely to provide employment for people who desire to keep the Sabbath, others that they came into being for the purpose of raising money for evangelism or missions.

The purpose of our various institutions has been stated in many ways, the following being typical: "Every institution established by Seventh-Day Adventists is to be to the world what Joseph was in Egypt and what Daniel and his followers were in Babylon. As in the providence of God these chosen ones were taken captive, it was to carry to heathen nations the blessings that come to humanity through a knowledge of God. They were to be representatives of Jehovah. . . . So the institutions established by God's people to-day are to glorify His name. . . . By them the truth for this time is to be represented before the world with convincing power."—*"Testimonies," Vol. 6, pages 219, 220.*

All our institutions, then, are to be in themselves evangelizing agencies and centres of witness and propaganda for truth.

It follows from this that every worker in an Adventist institution should be a living representation of the truth. That is why responsible committees should exercise the greatest care in engaging employees. We do not like to employ mature people "just to give them a chance." With young people

who are unbaptized we realize there is an element of risk, though they usually make good in Adventist surroundings.

In every Adventist institution the practice of morning worship is followed. Around the world the first fifteen or twenty minutes in all Seventh-Day Adventist factories, presses, schools, and offices is devoted to God. We pay the workers for that time, but it is a worth-while investment, because of the unity and the courage in God which it brings to the Advent family. In the General Conference office worship, will be found the world leaders from the president down, when they are home; in publishing houses and factories, will be found managers, editors, machine operators, salesmen; in sanitariums, doctors, matrons, nurses, etc., all humbly worshipping God and seeking daily spiritual guidance and efficiency in service. It is a beautiful thought that thus religious practice and business efficiency can be blended throughout a whole denomination in every land. Rightly understood, worship is highest service, and work is true worship.

We feel we have a right to expect these and other loyalties from all our workers. It is a fact that those who, happily infrequently, lower the standard in these matters ultimately do not remain with us.

Only by this deep personal devotion to the truth can institutions become centres of religious influence in the world.

H. W. LOWE.

**STATEMENT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR BRITISH UNION  
SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE**

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Memb-	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath-School Offerings Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Annual Offerings	Miscel-laneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offer-ings per Capita
Bath .....	30	20 15 6	13 11	9 0 0	6 9				2 0	9 8 9	6 4
Bournemouth..	90	181 8 5	2 0 4	25 3 3	4 6					26 17 9	6 0
Brighton .....	51	79 17 2	1 11 4	17 8 6						17 8 6	6 10
Bristol .....	122	235 18 1	1 18 8	34 1 1	1 18 3	13 6			5 0	36 17 10	6 1
Cambridge .....	31	52 6 4	1 13 9	6 14 7						6 14 7	4 4
Chelmsford.....	23	40 7 6	1 15 1	7 0 6	6 8					7 7 2	6 5
Cheltenham ...	35	63 4 4	1 16 1	8 9 1	1 2 2					9 11 3	5 6
Chiswick .....	73	174 12 0	2 7 10	34 12 9	15 1					35 7 10	9 10
Clacton.....	20	15 15 9	15 9	1 5 2						1 5 2	1 3
Clapham .....	58	48 16 11	16 10	12 14 10						12 16 10	4 5
Colchester .....	23	14 14 5	12 10	5 1 0						5 1 0	4 5
Crocombe .....	29	48 9 9	1 13 5	7 14 2	7 6					8 1 8	5 7
Croydon .....	33	20 6 9	12 4	8 1 3		3 0				8 4 3	5 0
Ealing .....	55	117 2 11	2 2 7	15 8 2	16 9					16 4 11	5 11
Edmonton .....	46	55 11 3	1 4 2	12 2 5	1 16 4					13 18 9	6 1
Enfield Wash...	20	25 9 8	1 5 6	7 10 3						7 10 3	7 6
Exeter .....	29	41 4 6	1 8 5	13 5 3						13 5 3	9 2
Folkestone.....	35	40 15 6	1 3 3	4 9 3						4 9 3	2 6
Forest Gate.....	32	25 18 3	16 2	7 7 0						7 7 0	4 7
Gillingham .....	11	21 14 3	19 6	9 7 11						10 7 11	18 11
Hastings .....	22	51 11 4	2 6 11	14 9 10						14 9 10	13 2
H. Wycombe .....	19	44 1 3	2 6 4	9 1 4						9 1 4	9 6
Holloway .....	170	250 3 11	1 9 5	30 18 1	1 15 9					32 13 10	3 10
Iford .....	58	108 15 0	1 17 6	22 0 8						22 15 8	7 11
Ipswich .....	32	15 2 6	9 5	6 6 6						6 6 6	3 11
Lewisham .....	52	167 8 4	3 4 5	14 8 2						14 8 2	5 7
Lowestoft .....	51	24 8 0	9 7	5 3 6						5 8 6	2 2
Luton .....	28	45 1 7	1 12 2	10 19 5						10 19 5	7 10
Norwich .....	47	47 4 11	1 0 1	10 5 0	17 6					11 2 6	4 9
Plymouth .....	75	211 9 1	2 16 5	28 8 11	9 3					28 18 2	7 10
Portsmouth ...	46	89 14 6	1 19 0	13 5 6	2 1					13 7 7	5 10
Reading .....	60	91 7 1	1 10 5	23 8 11	1 16 9	1 0 0				26 5 8	8 9
Romford .....	34	44 6 11	1 6 1	7 18 2		1 0				8 9 2	5 0
Slough .....	24	78 0 8	3 5 0	9 18 1						9 18 1	8 3
Southampton .....	54	103 0 10	1 18 2	14 0 6	16 9	6 9 8				22 6 11	8 3
Southend .....	45	61 14 10	1 7 5	16 4 3						16 4 3	7 2
Southstoke.....	9	13 14 10	1 10 6	7 11 10						7 11 10	16 10
Stanbor'nh Park	398	1041 8 2	2 12 4	252 14 4	14 4 5	1 0 0				275 13 9	13 10
Taunton .....	29	39 14 9	1 7 5	6 11 2	10 11					7 2 1	4 11
Torquay .....	35	55 15 6	1 11 10	14 1 7	8 1					15 13 8	9 0
Walthamstow	55	200 8 11	3 12 10	50 0 0	17 2					50 17 2	18 6
Watford .....	66	140 6 10	2 2 6	24 13 0	3 13 0					29 8 6	8 11
Wembley .....	42	66 5 2	1 11 7	22 2 10						23 12 10	11 3
Wimbledon .....	105	189 19 0	1 16 2	26 15 10	1 5 2	1 0 0				29 1 0	5 6
Wood Green .....	87	141 13 4	1 12 7	12 13 3	8 10					13 2 1	3 3
Yarmouth .....	41	8 14 3	4 3	6 13 2						6 13 2	3 3
Brentwood .....	8	27 10 9	3 8 10	2 6 1	16 9					4 2 10	10 4
Bedford .....	10	15 4 11	1 10 6	1 3 3						1 3 3	2 4
Bromley .....	9	4 5 0	9 5	2 1 9						2 1 9	4 8
Dereham .....	6	7 6 9	1 4 5	2 4 7						2 4 7	7 5
Eastbourne .....	7	10 13 0	1 10 5							3 1 6	7 8
Ely .....	8	9 12 8	1 4 1	3 1 6						1 10 6	5 1
Ferndown .....	6	8 18 0	1 9 8	1 5 6		2 6				6 8 3	11 8
Gloucester .....	11	19 7 9	1 15 3	6 4 6	3 9					4 5 10	12 3
Leatherh'd .....	7	13 1 6	1 17 4	4 5 10						10 4 4	18 7
Medstead .....	11	27 5 2	2 9 7	10 4 4						5 14 5	12 8
Poole .....	9	13 1 6	1 9 1	5 14 5						5 12 11	18 10
Rye .....	6	15 19 9	2 13 3	5 12 11						5 11 8	7 0
Salisbury .....	16	18 0 7	1 2 6	5 11 8						7 8 10	1 1 3
St. Austell .....	7	16 8 0	2 6 10	7 8 10						7 8 8	1 0 6
St. Mabyn .....	7	64 7 8	9 3 11	6 0 2						4 16 8	8 9
Swindon .....	11	13 6 6	1 4 3	4 16 8						9 16 4	1 5 2
Wes'n/Br'n .....	7	10 0 3	1 8 7	9 16 4	2 0					1 17 8	2 2 8
Weymouth .....	14	12 16 3	17 11	1 15 8	17 8	24 2 6				129 2 1	6 11
Isolated .....	375	719 8 7	1 18 4	100 4 5							
<b>Totals 1942</b>	<b>3064</b>	<b>5682 15 4</b>	<b>1 17 1</b>	<b>1087 13 8</b>	<b>36 19 10</b>	<b>35 12 2</b>				<b>1182 4 8</b>	<b>7 9</b>
<b>Totals 1941</b>	<b>3077</b>	<b>4944 3 7</b>	<b>1 12 1</b>	<b>855 12 7</b>	<b>21 12 11</b>	<b>14 11 10</b>	<b>1 0 0</b>			<b>924 4 4</b>	<b>6 0</b>
<b>Increase</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>738 11 9</b>	<b>5 0</b>	<b>232 1 1</b>	<b>15 6 11</b>	<b>21 0 4</b>	<b>-1 0 0</b>			<b>258 0 4</b>	<b>1 9</b>

**SCOTTISH MISSION**

Aberdeen .....	34	42 2 11	1 4 10	9 19 8	4 2	2 6				10 6 4	6 1
Edinburgh .....	63	62 12 11	1 19 11	22 2 0	15 0					22 17 0	7 3
Glasgow .....	113	395 15 5	3 10 1	35 3 2	2						

**CONFERENCE FOR QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 1942.**

# **WELSH MISSION**

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem- bership	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath School Offerings Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Annual Offerings	Miscel- laneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offer- ings per Capita
Barry Dock ...	27	61 13 0	2 5 8	10 1 6		5 0		3 6		10 10 0	7 9
Blaenavon .....	6	21 0 2	3 10 0	2 0 9						2 0 9	6 9
Cardiff .....	68	104 9 6	1 10 9	28 15 8						28 15 8	8 6
Hereford .....	12	33 15 9	2 16 4	4 14 10						4 14 10	7 11
Newport Mon.	92	165 13 3	1 16 0	19 19 9	1 5 0					21 4 9	4 7
Porth. ....	8	8 4 6	1 0 7	1 10 6						1 10 6	3 10
Swansea .....	35	29 13 10	17 0	18 19 10		12 4	2 0			14 14 2	8 5
(Aberdare ...	12	20 18 0	1 14 10	5 1 5						5 1 5	8 5
Caerphilly	17	19 19 11	1 3 6	5 13 5						5 15 11	6 10
Gelligaer ...	12	1 0 0	1 8								
Llanelli ...	10	5 12 0	11 2								
Rhos .....	9	8 16 9	19 8	3 19 11						3 19 11	8 11
Rhyl .....	30	37 2 10	1 4 9	5 5 0						5 5 0	5 6
Shrewsb'ry	12	18 5 8	1 10 6	3 10 3						3 10 3	5 10
Isolated .....	113	198 6 8	1 15 1	32 9 1		1 17 0		2 6		34 8 7	6 1
Totals 1942	463	734 11 10	1 11 9	137 1 11	1 17 4	2 6 6		6 0		141 11 9	6 1
Totals 1941	472	624 17 10	1 6 6	119 13 6	9 6	1 15 9		10 0		122 8 9	5 2
Increase	-9	109 14 0	5 3	17 8 5	1 7 10	10 9		-4 0		19 3 0	11

# **NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE**

Birmingham S.	48	78	6	10	1	12	6	18	11	8	9	6	2	0	0		21	1	2	8	9	
Bradford .....	37	41	11	2	1	2	5	8	17	3							8	17	3	4	9	
Coventry .....	55	133	3	4	2	8	5	26	3	2							26	3	2	9	6	
Darlington .....	29	29	18	5	1	0	7	5	9	11			11	7			6	1	6	4	2	
Derby .....	52	116	14	10	2	4	11	14	0	9	1	0	0				15	0	9	5	9	
Grimsby .....	16	29	0	1	1	16	3	4	1	4							4	1	4	5	0	
Handsworth ..	67	358	2	6	5	6	11	39	3	9			2	11	3		41	15	0	12	5	
Hull .....	116	139	5	3	1	4	0	38	17	2							38	17	2	6	8	
Kettering .....	37	47	9	7	1	5	8	17	10	6			7	7			17	18	1	9	8	
Leeds.....	72	136	4	5	1	17	10	13	10	0	1	3	4				14	13	4	4	1	
Leicester .....	37	101	7	2	2	14	9	38	9	7	2	0	2				40	9	9	1	10	
Lincoln.....	13	34	1	0	2	12	4	6	16	3				6	15	6		13	11	9	1	0
Liverpool.....	82	122	4	1	1	9	9	16	0	5	1	1	9				17	2	2	4	2	
Manchester ...	75	107	18	5	1	8	6	23	13	1	1	10	9				25	3	10	6	8	
Mid'brough.....	35	87	10	3	1	1	5	7	19	8	1	1	11				8	1	7	4	7	
Newbold .....	127	173	10	2	1	7	3	33	9	1	1	9	2				35	18	0	5	6	
Newcastle .....	83	108	0	11	1	6	0	26	14	2	1	3	7				27	17	9	6	8	
N. Shields .....	18	22	15	3	1	5	4	2	4	6	1	3	7				2	12	0	2	11	
Nottingham .....	85	145	14	11	1	14	2	32	19	11	2	17	8				35	17	7	8	5	
Rotherham .....	29	28	10	0	19	3	5	19	0								5	19	0	4	2	
Rushden .....	12	36	11	3	3	0	11	2	13	3			2	6			2	15	9	4	7	
Sheffield .....	50	60	2	6	1	4	1	6	18	10	1	4	5				8	8	9	3	4	
Stockport.....	21	47	10	10	2	3	4	4	2	7	17	8					5	0	3	4	9	
Stoke.....	33	78	15	5	2	7	8	10	4	6	19	3					11	3	9	6	5	
Stretford .....	48	70	4	3	1	9	3	9	5	9							9	5	9	3	10	
Wakefield .....	22	38	11	8	1	15	1	5	2	8							5	2	8	4	8	
Wellingboro .....	15	23	8	9	1	11	4	5	6	11							5	6	11	7	1	
Wolverha'pton	17	51	16	6	3	0	5	8	16	5				1	0	0		9	16	5	11	6
Worcester .....	21	35	14	10	1	14	0	8	15	0							8	15	0	8	4	
York .....	37	85	7	10	2	6	2	25	14	3							35	14	9	18	11	
Barnsley .....	29	41	9	3	1	8	7	4	15	6							4	15	6	3	3	
Blackburn .....	10	4	2	0	8	2	2	3	3	4							2	11	4	5	1	
Bromsg've .....	4	4	17	6	1	4	4	2	16	5							2	16	5	8	2	
Beeston .....	11	22	1	5	2	0	1	4	10	0							4	10	0	11	0	
Denton .....	21	47	4	2	2	3	0	11	12	1							11	12	1	11	0	
Kid'minstr.	7	12	5	6	1	15	0	1	16	7							1	16	7	5	2	
Killamarsh .....	12	20	6	4	1	13	10	7	16	1							7	16	1	13	0	
Mansfield...	10	29	12	10	2	19	3	6	12	1							7	12	1	15	2	
North'ton .....	20	35	18	7	1	15	11	9	8	1							9	10	7	9	6	
Rochdale .....	20	29	14	7	1	9	8	5	4	11							5	8	10	5	5	
Scarbro'....	17	23	8	7	1	7	7	15	14	9							17	3	4	1	0	
Skegness .....	9	5	4	7	11	7	2	14	7								2	14	7	6	0	
Stockton .....	14	9	18	0	14	1	1	10	0								1	10	0	2	1	
Stretton .....	28	25	2	11	17	11	11	0	10								11	2	10	7	11	
Sutton .....	16	28	13	6	1	15	10	3	13	0							3	17	8	4	10	
Ulverston .....	8	30	15	0	3	16	10	3	2	7							3	2	7	7	9	
Wallasey .....	15	49	4	8	3	5	7	7	3	5							7	3	5	9	6	
Isolated .....	226	551	13	6	2	8	9	48	7	7							62	11	7	5	6	
Totals 1942	1875	3491	5	5	1	17	2	617	13	2	20	15	2	18	3	10	15	1	0	676	7	8
Totals 1941	1792	3469	18	4	1	17	5	511	5	8	18	6	5	9	18	3	4	3	0	554	1	2
Increase	83	21	7	1	-3	106	7	6	2	8	9	8	5	7			10	18	0	-5	13	
																	122	6	6	1	2	

## **UNION TOTALS**

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### INGATHERING CAMPAIGN, 1942

WELL, it's here again! Another campaign to gather £1,000 for missions by North and South Walians! Yes, and they will do it again—just you watch! I met our oldest and most successful collector on Whit-Monday. You know him—Brother Rees of Newport. He's just itching to get started, hoping and praying that he will be kept in health for the task. That's the spirit of Wales!

### PREPARATION NEEDED

AGENT'S and leaders, if you have not already called your committee together to plan for this campaign, please do it right away, for only by careful co-operative planning will the campaign run as smoothly as you would like it to do. Have your boxes duly labelled and all permits and badges ready. In the larger churches have the members grouped into bands with a leader.

### RALLY DAY

THIS is on Sabbath, June 6th. There is a good programme in the *Leader*. Let us all follow it and get inspiration from it.

### SHORTER PERIOD

DID you notice that the opening day is June 14th (Sunday) and that we have only SEVEN WEEKS to operate? That means "getting off from the tape" as soon as the shot is fired. Now friends of Wales, north and south, in churches or isolated, let us join together in a great endeavour. Go to it on that first Sunday and keep at it. Keep the reports flowing in and make it the "best ever." May the Lord bless your labours and give us another triumphant season.  
S. G. HYDE.

### Golden Wedding

MR. AND MRS. J. HEIDE (now Hyde), of Stanborough Park Church, will celebrate their Golden Wedding on June 18, 1942.

## Wedding Bells

E L I A S - MCGOULDRICK. — On Easter Monday morning, April 13, 1942, our Sabbath-school superintendent, Brother Douglas Elias was united in marriage to Sister Eileen McGouldrick. A simple but sacred service was conducted by the writer in the Bradford church. This was followed by the civil ceremony at the registry office. We wished the bride and bridegroom God's rich blessing on their future as they left for their honeymoon at Weston-super-Mare. We pray that God will keep them loyal together to at last enter that heavenly home. W. J. CANNON.



MRS. E. J. WALLACE fell asleep in Jesus on November 10, 1941, after a painful illness at the age of eighty-three years. She accepted the third angel's message on January 1, 1911, through the united labours of Pastors H. Armstrong and H. G. Lacey during a tent campaign in North London. Of late years she had been associated with the Ilford church. She will always be remembered as a faithful and happy Christian, having a burden for souls and anxious to render any service she could to her fellow-members, neighbours and friends. She continued to attend the church services until June 1941. Sister Wallace will be sadly missed by her two sons, daughter, and grandchildren, who eagerly await the day of reunion. The last rites and interment were conducted at Ilford Cemetery by Pastor F. C. Bailey, who spoke words of comfort and assurance to the mourners at the chapel service. Brother G. Roper assisted in the service.  
CHURCH CLERK.

CHAPMAN.—Brother Walter Chapman, of Penygraig, Rhondda, died on April 7, 1942, at the age of fifty-six and was buried at Ton-yr-efail on Sabbath afternoon, April 11th. Brother Chapman was baptized by Pastor W. H. Meredith and joined the Porth Church in 1921. Services were conducted both at the home and at the graveside by the writer, assisted by Brother J. Lewis. To the widow, her two young daughters, and two married sons, we were able to reaffirm the faith of Brother Chapman and to remind them, and others, that separation was but for a brief time, "until the day dawns" and earth's shadows "flee away." S. G. HYDE.

MARSDEN.—One of our Bradford members, Sister A. E. Marsden, was called to rest in the early hours of April 20, 1942. Sister Marsden was a deaconess and on the previous Sabbath was in her usual place at church. Although she has not been really well for some time, we had no warning that anything serious was wrong. Her last illness seemed to be only of a few hours' duration. Our sister first came in contact with the truth for herself through *Present Truth* in York. Further influence was added by her mother who had previously learned the truth. About eight years ago she moved to the Bradford area and then attended the Bradford church and was finally baptized by Pastor J. E. Bell. Her love for the truth was intense and she longed to

win souls for Christ. We shall all miss her. We laid her to rest in the quietude of Fulford Water Cemetery, York, in the full knowledge that she will arise when Jesus comes again for His own. W. J. CANNON.

LECRAS.—The Brighton church has suffered the loss of another old and faithful member. Mrs. Lecras fell peacefully asleep in the early hours of April 30, 1942, at the age of seventy-two. For two months her sufferings were very intense, yet through it all she was uncomplaining. We know her sleep will be but for a short time, for Jesus is coming soon and He will call her forth to spend eternity without any pain or suffering. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor G. R. Bell in the church, which was almost full. Her favourite hymn, "Nearer, still nearer," was sung and, "Abide with me" was also sung at the graveside. Sister Lecras was baptized in 1925 following an effort held by Pastor G. Hyde. She leaves two daughters (one was baptized with her), a son, a sister, and two grandsons to mourn their loss. Our sympathies go out to them. May we prove faithful and look forward to the future meeting rather than the past parting.

M. E. SHOULER, Church Clerk.

[Sister Elsie Lecras desires to thank all friends and members for their kind sympathy and evidences of love—also for the many floral tributes.]

WINTER.—After many months of declining health, Mrs. Grace Winter of the Ealing church was suddenly called to her rest on Sabbath, May 2, 1942. It was while she was preparing to attend church that the fatal stroke came and without regaining consciousness passed away shortly after the Sabbath had ended. Our sister had long been in the message as she was the daughter of Sister Wilson of the Hastings church, who has early memories of the Advent work in England. In the days before her sickness it was her joy to be of service to the church she loved. In her illness she was brave and cheerful and did not complain. In the prime of life she has been taken from us and we believe His will is best. We laid her to rest in the Acton Cemetery on May 7th, to await the call of the Life-giver. To the husband, mother, three sons, and daughter we extend our sympathy in this hour of their loss.

W. W. ARMSTRONG.

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## SUNSET CALENDAR

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June 12th. 10.16 10.29 10.29 10.57 10.59  
June 19th. 10.20 10.33 10.33 11.02 11.03

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