

BRITISH ADVENT

# MESSENGER

## The Danger of Compromise

A WEEK OF PRAYER READING

By C. H. Watson

IN these calamitous days God's people are in the midst of great perils, and in constant and urgent need of help which the Lord alone can give. There can be little doubt that both the peril, and our need of effective help in face of it, will yet greatly increase. Look where we may; examine every earthly condition; note the purposes upon which all human effort is now being expended; mark the very widespread decay of human morals, and the moral ruin by which life is now so thickly littered; notice everywhere the rapid decline of respect for morality; feel the tremblings of the whole earth under the mightiest revolution of human thought and action ever known; regard seriously the wholesale yieldings of earth's stabilities everywhere openly evident; and determine if it is not high time for us to turn with resolute faith and serious purpose to the one place of eternal assurance and security.

Long ago it came searchingly from the Master's lips, and is still everlastingly true, "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." God and mammon, the personification of worldliness, are, and always will be, as widely separated and as totally opposed to each other as two opposite things can possibly be. Between them there never has been, there cannot now be, and there never will be any compromise. The spirit which activates mammon is the spirit of personal selfishness which invariably gives exalted values to material things, while discounting and seeking utterly to discredit all things of spiritual value. The Spirit of God, on the other hand, is the Spirit of love which "seeketh not its own." If we are of the one we cannot possibly be of the other, and it is the cruellest of self-deception to believe that at any time, under any conditions, in any circumstances, we can be of both.

### DWELLING AND ABIDING

Still further back in human experience it was

written, and is still everlastingly true, "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." . . . "He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler." "He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands." "Because thou hast made the Lord, . . . even the Most High, thy habitation." "Because He hath set His love upon me, . . . I will deliver him. . . . He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him."

In the shadow of the Almighty only those can abide who place God first in their love and service. In the secret place of the Most High only those can dwell whose lives are sanctified and ordered by belief in eternal truth. They who so dwell, and they who so abide, shall be covered and sheltered and shielded and kept and borne upward in every experience of need in just the way and to just the extent that will best serve their eternal well-being. Because we have set our love upon the Lord we shall be delivered, we shall be heard and answered, we shall have the close companionship of God in all our trouble, and finally we will be wonderfully, gloriously, and eternally honoured.

### NO HALF MEASURES

But setting our love upon the Lord is a matter concerning which we should allow no self-deception. Dwelling in the secret place of the Most High, abiding in the shadow of the Almighty, and setting our love upon Him, are all precisely the same thing. But none of these can be the experience of one who, claiming to be a child of God, is not wholeheartedly His. Even in this "untoward generation" it is still the mind of God that He shall be loved by us with all our heart and all our soul and all our strength.

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**Remember the Annual Offering—Sabbath, December 9th**

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Otherwise there is no assurance that we shall receive His favour or know His power.

There are no half measures in the religion of Christ. There can be no such thing as partial obedience to Him. Either He is our all, or He does not know us as His own. Nothing is more emphatically stated in the Gospel than that those who would make a show of following Christ while loving the world and weakly compromising the truth they profess will be tragically disappointed in the last day. "Many will say unto Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy name? and in Thy name cast out devils? and in Thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me."

It is possible to be intimately associated with the work and power of Christ's church, to be personally engaged in its activities, and to be recognized by our fellow Christians as brethren, and yet to fail at last of receiving the recognition of the Lord Jesus as one of His children, chosen and precious; and all because we professed that which we but faintheartedly did. Those who know His will but do it not; those who hear His words but heed them not; those who, while professing His name, court the world that so bitterly hates Him; those who acknowledge His truth but compromise its principles; all these place themselves with those of whom it was long ago prophesied, "They hated Me without a cause." Upon such will finally fall that awful doom, "Depart from Me: I never knew you."

#### THE COMING OF THE LORD NEAR

Because the Lord has thus clearly revealed the utter ruin which inevitably results from such paltering with His salvation, we Seventh-Day Adventists, of all peoples now on earth, should "examine ourselves whether we be in the faith." True it is, startlingly true, that we are living in times of staggering changes. Life all about us has discarded many of its old moulds, and is reshaping itself on lines so different, so bold, so daringly sinful that we cannot be mistaken as to their character. Never before has the world so confidently claimed that darkness is light, and, in many vital things and ways, that unrighteousness is a proper rule of life.

This state of things should not surprise us, for, throughout the whole course of our history and service as a church, we have proclaimed to all and sundry, both far and near, that such conditions would prevail in our own times to tell both us and all men that the coming of the Lord is near. How often we have, with serious hearts, called men's attention to those words of the apostle Paul to Timothy: "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, . . . lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof. . . ."

To us it has been given to proclaim with the voice and power of God's messengers the awful truth that Christ's coming and the end of all things earthly are right at hand. With all the multiplying evidences of the truthfulness of our message everywhere before us, we are without excuse for any

weak, compromised, unrealistic, indefinite, undecided attitude that we might take, either personally or collectively toward our Lord's soon returning. With all earnestness of heart we should, at this time especially, be mightily influenced by the knowledge that, in matters of the truth we have "not followed cunningly devised fables," that our salvation is nearer—much nearer—than when we believed. "The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh to fulfil the lusts thereof."

#### SOWING TO THE FLESH

There is great and very real danger of our becoming involved with the world in its indifference to God, and to the claims of His truth for just now. It is possible for us to love the works of darkness, and to cling to them. It is possible that, with the spirit of the world in us, we do not put on the armour of light. But, unless we are to be carried into the maelstrom of the world's increasing dishonesty and rioting and drunkenness and chambering and wantonness and strife and envying we must completely and unreservedly put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and walk honestly as in the day.

Do not we, Seventh-Day Adventists, know that "he that soweth to his flesh shall of his flesh reap corruption"? Almost every avenue of modern life seems to lead to frivolity and sin. Our young people particularly see the tinsel and attraction of it all, and all too many of them are thus being seductively led away from this movement and from God. The youth of our people constitute "the strong staff and beautiful rod" of our denominational being, and we should be greatly alarmed at seeing their spiritual strength decay, and their interest transferred to worldly things. Upon their steady adherence to the truth, their faith in God, and their personal consecration to the service of God, rest the possible growth of this movement, the strong completion of our task in all the world, and their own personal triumph with God's people at the coming of the Lord Jesus. Before them continually the church must keep the flame of the second advent truth burning steadily, and without compromise as to the imminence and certainty of that great event.

#### CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE

Neither should there be any compromise by us on the question of Christian temperance. That world already so full of awful, irreparable tragedy would choose to go drunken, and thus greatly multiply its sorrows, its woes, and its already immeasurable ruin is almost unbelievable. Yet, in the last few years, this old world has become a horribly drunken place. There is great need that our church should restate its position on temperance, and yield no place for intemperance in its members.

There are many ways out of the modern world into the realm of death and everlasting destruction, but none more certain, none more deadly, and perhaps none more alluring than the use of alcoholic

drink. The rags and wretchedness of the drunkard should sufficiently warn us that strong drink is a cruel, remorseless enemy, but its curse has never rested more heavily upon the race.

It is written, and we must believe it still to be everlastingly true, "Nor drunkards . . . shall inherit the kingdom of God." Far beyond the great mass of human suffering, the broken hopes, the blighted lives, the wrecked homes for which strong drink is responsible, is this outstanding, startling truth, that, while under its power, the victims of alcoholic drinking are kept in the broad way to death and eternal destruction. Therefore, no new conception of its occurrence or its character should be permitted to take hold of our minds. Its deadliness was well known in those early years when our position on temperance was originally taken. Its fashionableness in 1944 has but made it many times more deadly. Consequently, Seventh-Day Adventists, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour." "The end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer."

#### THE KEEPING OF THE SABBATH

In the keeping of the Sabbath, too, we should be careful just now that we "walk worthy of God, who hath called us unto His kingdom and glory." To us, as to the Philippians of old, the apostle Paul says, "Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed . . . work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." The principles of Sabbath-keeping, long ago implanted in our faith, have undergone no change. They should not now be so liberalized as to bring forth in us disobedience instead of obedience. The Sabbath, kept sacredly according to the commandment, is not only God's

appointed memorial of creation, but the sign of regeneration in those who keep it. As the salvation of Christ is precious to us above all other things, we should be careful to keep its sign in us clear and distinct. The Bible gives us no encouragement to believe that carelessness in the keeping of the Sabbath is acceptable with God. From far back in the years He has spoken on this matter to those awaiting the second coming of Christ.

"This is the word of the Eternal: Hold to religion and do what is right, for My deliverance is at hand, My triumph will be soon in sight. Happy the man who does My bidding, happy the mortal who holds to it, who keeps the Sabbath and profanes it not, who keeps his hand off any evil deed." Isa 56:1, 2 (Moffatt's translation).

Surely, dear brethren and sisters, this is no proper time for mere make-believe in these sacred things of our religion. If the events which are daily occurring in all the world mean anything at all, if the difficulties and perplexities which confront us everywhere mean anything, if present conditions are signs to our hearts of anything touching our religion, then it all must mean that the home-going of the saints of God is near, that the doom of a disobedient world is equally near, that we should not now trust in any religious make-believe, but should each open wide his heart's door to the incoming of the Saviour. All our hope centres in His thus coming to us. All our efforts must be given to the doing of His will. We deceive ourselves in supposing that we serve Him acceptably while living in careless relationship to His will. May God help us and revive our spiritual energies, and make us strong, true-hearted Sabbath-keeping Adventists, waiting with meekness the coming of our Lord after that His will and His work have been done on the earth by His expectant people!

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## Notes from the Union President

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#### ANOTHER CHURCH BUILDING DESTROYED

OUR church building at Carlton Colville, East Anglia, has just been demolished by a flying bomb. Fortunately there was no loss of life in the building. Our losses by destruction and damage are mounting and we shall have quite a heavy rebuilding programme to face in post-war days. While it is sad to see these places of worship destroyed after so much sacrifice and labour have been expended on them, it is remarkable that in certain places, such as London, our losses have not been heavier.

#### WEEK OF PRAYER MATTERS

RECENTLY the General Conference committee voted that special prayers be offered in all our churches for the following purposes, all of which will appeal to us in this field:

a. The conversion to Christ of the children and youth in our churches.

b. Unconditional surrender to God on the part of our churches in preparation for the coming of the Lord.

c. The return to the fold of those who have left the truth, but whose hearts may still yearn for fellowship with Christ. In this connection it is suggested that where preaching help is available a service be held and a sermon preached on "The Wanderer's Return." Sunday, December 3rd, would be suitable for this (or Sabbath, December 2nd.).

We ask that these urgent matters be remembered during the Week of Prayer, and also that we seek God for the speedy end of the war and the evangelization of now closed countries.

#### ADVENTISTS IN JAPAN

DR. SAMUEL HEASLETT, formerly bishop of South Tokyo, writing of the united Christian church of Japan—a national church organized at Government insistence—says: "The salient facts are that, with two exceptions, viz., the Roman Catholics and the Seventh-Day Adventists, all the churches and Christian associations are now members of the Japan United Christian Church."—"The Record," Nov. 3, 1944.

#### NOTES FROM OUR SOLDIERS

PASTOR MAUDSLEY sends this about his two sons:

"Kenneth—a R.A.M.C. Airborne Paratrooper, dropped over Normandy on 'D' day, and put in ten to twelve weeks over there. He had fine and strenuous experiences and is now back in England fit and well, thank God.

"Roy—Medical Officer, R.A.F., is now in Belgium, near Brussels, and appears to like it. He has several times met with our S.D.A. church in Brussels on Sabbaths—they have about 150 members there and they gave him a grand welcome. Almost queuing up to invite him to their homes. The Union president was preaching"

Then comes this from Capt. Thompson of the U.S. forces:

"I passed through the battles of Caen and of Normandy with the British — Army, helped to restore civil government in Argentan, Amiens, and Lille, before being ordered into Belgium. We were on the heels of 'Jerry' through France and Belgium, and after the battle of Normandy I buried hundreds of German dead and thousands of their horses and 'French' cows with the aid of American negro troops.

"The Belgians were grand to us, and I hated to leave that fine little country beset with great problems. I'd like to be of assistance to the new Brussels government. Never have I been so sumptuously and continuously entertained!"

Finally, this word from Pfc. Harold Mathison, also of the U.S. Army:

"And now I am stationed in Paris. To-day I went out to locate the Adventist church, and when I found it, was surprised to find a woman who could talk English. She says she knows you well. Her name is Mrs. F. Charpiot and her husband is president of the Adventist church in France. Boy, it sure was a pleasure to meet her and their son. Her husband wasn't home.

"There are about thirty soldiers attending services there every Sabbath, and I sure will be there this coming Sabbath. I hope I will be able to spend the winter here, so that I will be able to attend church. I really miss the church-members of Reading."

THE FRENCH PUBLISHING HOUSE  
WORD has come through from Brother Meyer of the "Signes des Temps" Publishing House at Melun, south of Paris, to say that the workers are safe and well,

except for Brother Charles Gerber, the editor, who is ill. They are passing through very difficult times, but hope for better things now that the country has been liberated.

H. W. LOWE.

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## Newbold College

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### "Missions" Week

NEWBOLD COLLEGE is essentially a Missionary College, whose aim it is to prepare young people to become active workers for God in the homeland or in the foreign field. The missionary spirit of the College has been quickened this term by the enthusiasm of the Foreign Mission Band under its leader Mr. D. Dabson, and his assistants, Miss A. Elias and Miss B. Jacques. The outcome of this fervour was a special Missions' Week which was held from October 20th to 27th. The missionary spirit was enthused into each of the regular daily worship and chapel periods, as well as the prayer bands and Sabbath services.

The chapel was suitably decorated. In the centre of the platform the flood-lit motto of the band, "To Do or Die for Christ," stood out boldly. Idols and articles related to heathen worship were also exhibited. Thus the surroundings contributed to the atmosphere of the meetings, as did also the special musical items, which included an inspiring Mission Band song composed by Miss R. Gowlett. The offerings during this week began a special investment fund for the endowment of two beds in one of our mission hospitals.

The opening meetings were conducted by Pastor Bartlett, who read appropriate items from the *International Review of Missions*. It was interesting to note that the Adventist tithing system was highly commended as being the solution to the financial problems with which most mission organizations are faced.

Pastor Bartlett told us that a practical training is of greater value to the would-be missionary than a university degree. The needs of the people will have to

be met, not by high learning, but by a sympathetic understanding of their needs, and the ability to help them. He stressed the necessity for such characteristics as resourcefulness, prayer life, a Christian character, and a satisfactory relationship with our fellow-workers.

In subsequent meetings various missionary themes were admirably dealt with by members of the faculty.

The story of the origin of Advent missions was most inspiring. It was in 1858 that Sister White was shown in vision that the Gospel message must be taken to all the world. Some derided, and questioned whether such a small body of people could hope to go to the whole world. But in 1874, J. N. Andrews went to Switzerland as our first missionary, two years later France was entered, and so on, until to-day our missionaries are working in almost every country and island of the sea. One hundred new missionaries were sent out last year and fifty-seven returned from furlough. Thus one hundred and fifty-seven went forth, not one being lost en route.

From our own College here in England between the years 1916 and 1940, two hundred and forty-seven students have graduated, and sixty of these have gone to the mission fields of East, West, and South Africa, Egypt, Persia, Burma, India, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Finland, Poland, Canada, America, Philippine Islands, Belgian Congo, Jamaica, and Trinidad.

The apostle Paul was the greatest missionary who ever lived, apart from Christ, and many lessons from his life and work were brought to us. Oh that we might with Paul ask of the Lord, "What wilt Thou have me to do?" and then be prepared, as he was, to answer the call.

God has commissioned us to spread the Gospel message, and we must be prepared to go to the place where He would have us be, for He alone knows where the need is greatest.

There is a place in the mission field for all who will work to reveal to others the beauty of the character of Christ, seeking to draw them from a life of sin and

degradation to one of joy and usefulness.

We must ever remember that environment does not make a man, nor is one's character changed by changing circumstances. One must learn to live at home as one would hope to live in the mission field. Our intellectual and spiritual powers must be developed now, for we shall "go to give—not to get." We must therefore cultivate a personal communion with God; practise mental discipline, and learn to live a balanced physical life, being wise in the use of our time and strength.

In the kingdom of God there will be those who have come from the East, the West, the North, and the South, but you and I must be the agents for drawing them in.

As Brother J. C. Craven, who conducted the final meetings of the week suggested, we must take up our cross and follow the Master. We must see, as He did, beneath the surface of ignorance and superstition a soul whom Jesus gave His life to save.

An Indian woman stood on the banks of the Ganges with her two small children. One was a little girl, emaciated and suffering, the other, a strong and healthy boy. In great anguish the mother wept, and on inquiry from a passing missionary, she said that the gods were angry with her, and as a result her child was suffering. Unable to pacify her, the missionary passed on. Returning a few minutes later he found that she had thrown her healthy boy into the waters, while the dying child lay still at her side. When asked why she had done this, she answered in bitter disgust that nothing but the best could be given to the gods.

Oh, young people of England, this woman, in her ignorance, gave her child in an attempt to obtain life for another; God in His love gave His Son for all mankind. Your mission offerings may be large, but is that all that you have to give?

You may not be a student at this College as yet, but God is calling the Advent youth to train now for a place in His work. Everywhere there is a demand for consecrated workers. Will you not

heed the call? Can we, who know the joy of salvation, deny such a blessing to those whose souls are lost in darkness? Will you sit back in comfort while your brother or sister is crying out to be saved from the hands of death? Are you not distressed at the thought that men and women everywhere are doomed to eternal death unless we rescue them for Christ? Then start now to prepare yourself for the glorious work of saving souls. The responsibility rests on our shoulders, young people of England, we must carry the Gospel message to the world; and what a privilege will be ours "To Do or Die for Christ." A. ASHLEY.

### Wedding Bells

MASON-MANCHESTER. — A very pretty wedding took place in the Liverpool church on September 14, 1944, when John W. Mason junr. and Mary J. Manchester were united in marriage. Pastor W. Maudsley, of Blackpool, officiated at the ceremony, which was attended by a goodly number of friends and well-wishers from Liverpool and Maghull, the home of the happy couple.

After the ceremony, and the reception which followed, the newlyweds left for their honeymoon in North Wales, taking with them the warm wishes of all present for a happy and prosperous future together. As yet another Adventist home is set up, may God's richest blessing be on it continually.

K. A. ELIAS

### Advertisements

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

WANTED, Adventist sister to live in and help with daily work. Family of two. Full Sabbath privileges. Good wages. Write: L. E. Johnston, 49 Worpole Road, Wimbledon, S.W.19.

A VACANCY in the near future for the post of sister in a General Nursing Home, situated on Sussex-Surrey borders. Must be S.R.N. and have had experience in staff management. Salary £150 rising to £180. Resident post. Sabbath privileges, with excellent hours and holidays. Apply with full details of qualifications and experience to: The Principal, Upper Quabrook, Coleman's Hatch, Sussex.

FOR SALE, *Cruden's Concordance* (Abridged 568 pages) 7/6. Write: Downson, 28 Melrose Street, Middlesborough, Yorks.

WANTED immediately, housekeeper for homely farm. Two in family. Good food. No rough work. Sabbath privileges. Widow with son of fourteen would be suitable, or elderly married couple. Write for full particulars to H.P., c/o 3 Kingswood Road, Garston, Watford Herts.

## Stanborough Press Items

### Morning Watch Reprinting

It has been possible to obtain paper sufficient to print another small edition of the *Morning Watch Calendar*. It should be possible now to supply each member with one copy—and perhaps an abundance for use as Christmas greetings as well. On your order please state minimum and maximum needs.

### New Bedtime Stories Ready

SERIES 21 of *Bedtime Stories* is now ready, just one style—bound in cloth, at 3/-. It may only be possible to supply colporteurs with these for re-sale, but it will be a pleasure to supply churches with sufficient for members' personal needs. Usual discounts.

### Give Books as Christmas Presents

AMERICAN books are scarce this season, but we have fair stocks of the books printed at the Stanborough Press. They are all eminently suitable for use as Christmas presents. Styles available are:

#### THE BIBLE SPEAKS

Black leather .....	35/-
Crimson cloth .....	30/-
Blue cloth .....	25/-

#### GOD'S WAY OUT

Black leather .....	17/6
Crimson cloth .....	12/6
Cream cloth .....	10/6

#### BIBLE CERTAINTIES

Brown leather .....	17/6
Crimson cloth .....	12/6
Green cloth .....	10/-

#### CHRIST OUR SAVIOUR

Brown cloth .....	12/6
Crimson cloth .....	10/6

#### STEPS TO CHRIST

Cloth .....	3/-
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#### BEDTIME STORIES

Cloth .....	3/-
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#### HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

(Magazine) .....	6d.
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Until Christmas these will be sold to members at colporteurs' rates.

No Wall Calendars are available this year.

# Statement of Tithes and Offerings for Quarter Ending September 30, 1944

## SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem- bership	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath- School Offering Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Annual Offerings	Miscel- laneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offer- ings per Capita
Bath	21	54 8 1	2 11 10	22 16 0				4 1 11		26 17 11	1 5 7
Bournemouth	94	237 13 7	2 10 7	61 4 7	5 6 4			6 6 8		72 17 7	15 6
Brighton	63	155 0 2	2 9 3	19 8 9				10 12 8		30 1 5	9 7
Bristol	147	381 17 7	2 11 11	100 13 8	3 14 0			42 5 4		146 13 0	19 3
Cambridge	27	67 13 11	2 13 6	14 0 9				2 10 0		16 10 9	12 3
Chelmsford	24	100 13 9	4 3 11	28 1 2				19 17 6		47 18 8	1 19 11
Cheltenham	38	104 5 5	2 14 11	44 0 4	3 13 5			10 17 7	3 0	58 14 4	1 10 11
Chiswick	69	173 9 9	2 10 3	46 4 9				10 13 8		56 18 5	16 6
Clacton	18	13 18 6	15 6	4 2 8				1 0 0		5 2 8	5 8
Clapham	55	78 14 10	1 8 8	16 3 11				9 17 6		26 1 5	9 6
Colchester	25	32 2 6	1 5 8	6 16 2				2 12 7		9 8 9	7 7
Croscombe	26	76 8 11	2 18 10	10 1 8	17 0			3 15 0		14 13 8	11 4
Croydon	46	64 10 0	1 12 3	8 13 4				2 18 0		11 11 4	5 9
Ealing	60	169 1 0	2 16 4	34 1 10	1 16 4			38 10 0		74 8 2	1 4 10
Edmonton	77	108 7 10	1 8 2	21 9 8	2 6 0			3 19 0		27 14 8	7 2
Exeter	33	68 17 1	2 1 9	18 19 11	3 6			5 13 4		24 16 9	15 1
Folkestone	31	15 18 0	1 10 3					10 0		10 0	4 4
Forest Gate	33	33 16 9	1 0 6	12 16 4				4 7 3		17 3 7	10 5
Gillingham	20	53 3 1	2 13 2	11 17 9				4 19 2		16 16 11	16 10
Hastings	26	53 1 1	2 0 10	12 9 7				3 0 0		15 9 7	11 11
H. Wycombe	21	63 4 4	3 0 2	21 14 0	1 9 6			3 5 3		24 19 3	1 3 9
Holloway	156	320 1 0	2 1 0	44 2 3				5 18 0		51 9 9	6 0
Ilford	53	118 12 3	2 4 7	19 7 7	1 5 1			8 11 0		29 3 8	11 0
Ipswich	31	34 3 1	1 2 0	17 2 7	16 0			4 0 0		21 18 7	14 7
Lewisham	61	145 1 2	2 7 7	19 4 0		30 0 0		1 10 0		50 14 0	16 2
Lowestoft	41	37 17 6	18 6	8 16 9	1 1 4			8 19 5		18 17 6	9 11
Luton	24	84 2 1	3 10 1	22 18 7	1 9			11 14 0		34 14 4	1 8 11
Norwich	46	90 11 5	1 19 5	18 2 4	1 15 7			10 16 2		30 14 1	13 4
Plymouth	73	297 2 7	4 1 8	37 5 1	1 4 11			30 4 1		68 14 1	18 10
Portsmouth	42	93 16 0	2 4 8	13 15 8	10 1			4 9 6		18 15 3	8 11
Reading	59	150 0 6	2 10 10	54 5 3	4 3 10			8 12 0		67 1 1	1 2 9
Richmond	26	77 6 6	2 19 6	13 19 8				6 17 11		20 17 7	16 1
Romford	35	56 3 11	1 12 1	6 18 3				1 10 0		8 8 3	4 10
Slough	23	59 19 0	2 12 2	20 6 0				2 19 7		23 5 7	1 0 3
Southampton	54	165 8 9	3 1 3	30 14 8	3 1 6			14 1 5		47 17 7	17 9
Southend	71	112 0 4	1 11 7	20 10 8	1 4 4			19 5 10		41 0 10	11 7
Southstoke	8	18 2 8	2 5 4	9 7 1				5 13 6		15 0 7	1 17 7
Stanbor'h Park	117	1312 13 6	3 2 11	243 17 8	17 3 2			108 5 11	5 0 0	374 6 9	17 11
Taunton	29	68 13 4	2 7 4	19 10 6				8 11 2		28 1 8	19 4
Torquay	52	94 17 4	1 16 6	35 14 10	1 3 3			14 1 1		50 19 2	19 7
Walthamstow	54	205 12 10	3 16 2	58 3 4	1 2 9			47 1 6		106 7 7	19 5
Watford	67	208 6 1	3 2 2	30 4 5	2 17 11			18 4 6		51 6 10	15 4
Wembley	46	178 6 6	3 17 6	18 12 5				19 0 0		37 12 5	16 4
Wimbledon	102	276 7 6	2 14 2	52 15 5	3 3 7			18 13 4		74 12 4	14 7
Wood Green	84	179 0 9	2 2 8	24 7 4	1 8 10			9 16 9		35 12 11	8 6
Yarmouth	32	23 6 5	14 7	8 11 3				3 4 5		11 15 8	7 4
Bedford	12	61 0 3	5 1 8	9 5 6				8 10 0	5 0	18 0 6	1 10 0
Brentwood	10	18 13 6	1 17 4	1 15 6	1 0			7 0 0		8 16 6	17 8
Dereham	6	9 16 0	1 12 8	3 7 3				14 0		4 1 3	13 6
Ely	10	19 16 3	1 19 8	4 19 0				1 0 0		5 19 0	11 11
Ferndown	5	9 2 8	1 16 6	1 0 0				15 0		1 15 0	7 0
Gloucester	23	65 3 5	2 16 8	15 6 0	6 1			7 19 1		23 11 2	1 0 6
Leatherh'd	7	15 18 4	2 5 6	3 7 0				3 10 0		6 17 0	19 7
Medstead	13	25 4 4	1 18 10	10 6 3				4 15 0		15 1 3	1 3 2
Rye	6	20 15 9	3 9 3	8 3 9				14 9		8 18 6	1 9 9
Salisbury	15	21 6 2	1 8 5	20 7 8				7 16 3		28 3 11	1 17 7
St. Austell	6	21 10 0	3 11 8	6 12 9				6 10 0		13 2 9	2 3 9
St. Maby'n	7	35 9 6	5 1 4	10 0 3				10 0 0		20 0 3	2 17 2
Stroud	8	24 18 8	3 2 4	5 14 6	5 6			3 0 6	1 6	9 2 0	1 2 9
Swindon	10	42 11 3	4 5 1	19 16 1				3 0 0		22 16 1	2 5 7
Weston	6	16 10 0	2 8 4	11 6 7				2 14 0		14 0 7	2 6 9
Weymouth	11	35 16 10	3 5 2	7 6 4				1 0 0		8 6 4	15 2
Winslow	9	16 10 4	1 16 8	9 6 5						9 6 5	1 0 9
Worthing	12	15 11 6	1 5 11	2 2 2				1 17 6		3 19 8	6 8
Isolated	405	1066 9 3	2 12 8	127 4 5	2 0 0			98 4 1	6 0	227 14 6	11 3
Totals 1944	3215	8056 3 4	2 10 1	1641 17 10	64 2 7		30 0 0	752 13 8	5 15 6	2494 9 7	15 6
Totals 1943	3176	7295 15 9	2 5 11	1233 19 4	46 4 4	1 0 0	30 0 0	583 14 11	299 6 5	2194 5 0	13 10
Increase	39	760 7 7	4 2	407 18 6	17 18 3	-1 0 0		168 18 9	-293 10 11	300 4 7	1 8

## WELSH MISSION

Barry Dock	27	81 12 6	3 0 6	17 0 10				5 16 0		22 16 10	16 11
Cardiff	72	136 12 9	1 17 11	41 6 0				29 7 6		70 13 6	19 7
Hereford	12	42 2 5	3 10 2	23 16 3				3 3 0		26 19 3	2 4 11
Newport Mon.	84	196 10 1	2 6 9	31 3 6	2 3 0			19 4 0		52 10 6	12 6
Porth	9	17 0 7	1 17 10	2 16 10				14 9		3 11 7	7 11
Swansea	34	77 0 11	2 5 4	26 8 5				6 6 9		32 15 2	19 3
Aberdare	9	27 2 6	3 0 3	6 7 0				1 8 0		7 15 0	17 3
Blaenavon	5	13 7 3	2 13 5	3 3 0				1 5 0		4 8 0	17 7
Gaerphilly	15	28 15 6	1 18 4	6 3 9	8 8			1 16 1		7 8 6	9 11
Gelligaer	12	39 6 6	3 5 7	6 2 2				1 7 0		7 9 2	12 5
Llanelli	10	6 17 6	1 13 9	2 6 0				5 6		2 11 6	5 2
Rhos	8	13 0 3	1 12 6	4 7 0					3 0	4 10 0	11 3
Rhyl	20	46 19 3	2 7 0	8 13 3				14 0		9 7 3	9 4
Shrewsbury	16	45 5 9	2 16 7	20 16 6	5 0					21 1 96	1 6 4
Isolated	113	191 7 3	1 13 10	17 13 10				8 15 0		26 8 10	4 8
Totals 1944	446	963 1 0	2 3 2	218 4 4	2 16 8			79 2 7	3 0	300 6 7	13 5
Totals 1943	454	851 7 8	1 17 6	149 0 10	3 14 0	1 0		69 14 9	24 6 6	246 17 1	10 10
Increase	-8	111 13 9	5 8	69 3 6	-17 4		-1 0	9 7 10	-24 3 6	53 9 6	2 7

# NORTH 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 Offering	Miscellaneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offerings per Capita
Barnsley	39	59 12 9	1 10 7	8 19 10				16 19 6		25 19 4	13 3
Birmingham C	57	97 16 3	1 14 4	28 7 6	1 0 0			19 7 11		46 15 5	16 3
Birmingham H	61	134 19 1	2 4 11	25 5 9				7 19 3		33 5 0	11 1
Birmingham S	53	91 5 1	1 14 5	18 2 6				6 10 5		24 12 11	9 3
Bradford	46	40 8 9	17 6	11 0 0				10 10 0		12 10 0	5 2
Coventry	64	235 4 8	3 13 1	43 8 4	10 6			10 1 6		53 9 10	16 8
Darlington	23	53 7 10	2 6 5	10 7 10				1 7 0		12 5 4	10 8
Derby	66	172 6 10	2 12 2	24 6 6	1 11 6			8 6 6	2 18 3	37 2 9	11 3
Drimsby	17	54 15 6	3 4 5	8 9 9				12 0		9 1 9	10 8
Hull	97	232 10 9	2 7 11	42 2 11				15 16 6		57 19 5	11 11
Kettering	41	74 19 1	1 16 6	22 11 10				5 3 6		27 15 4	13 6
Leeds	76	149 14 6	1 19 4	19 5 0	16 9			2 18 9	5 0	23 5 6	6 1
Leicester	51	86 2 1	1 13 9	30 18 5	12 8					31 11 1	12 1
Lincoln	13	35 9 5	2 14 6	6 15 6				4 0 0		10 15 6	16 7
Liverpool	64	168 13 11	2 12 8	24 0 5	1 6 6			12 2 6		37 9 5	13 8
Manchester	72	186 15 3	2 10 6	52 10 7	3 14 8			6 18 4		63 3 7	17 6
Mid'brough	31	36 8 1	1 3 5	13 2 6				11 17 0		24 19 6	16 1
Newbold	116	223 13 9	1 19 5	39 14 11	4 1 10			30 2 6		73 19 8	12 9
Newcastle	95	184 2 10	1 18 9	36 8 2	2 19 9			9 0 1		48 8 0	10 2
Nottingham	87	203 2 2	2 6 8	58 17 1	4 6 8			20 5 0		83 8 4	19 2
Rochdale	21	45 15 2	2 3 6	9 1 10				4 2 9		13 4 7	12 7
Rotherham	30	33 6 3	1 2 2	6 3 9				5 0		6 8 3	4 3
Rushden	11	37 4 6	3 7 8	5 0 10				4 6 6		9 7 4	17 0
Sheffield	64	91 9 2	1 8 7	13 5 0				4 10 0		17 15 0	5 6
Shields	14	15 5 0	1 1 9	4 1 4				2 5 0		6 6 4	9 0
Stockport	21	70 7 10	3 7 0	7 8 0				1 18 5		9 6 3	8 8
Stoke	34	111 0 3	3 5 3	18 14 5	1 11 11			7 17 2		28 3 6	16 7
Stretford	41	67 15 3	1 13 0	8 15 0				4 1 6		12 16 6	6 3
Stretton	28	66 10 0	2 6 7	16 6 8	1 6 11			6 2 0		23 15 7	16 11
Vakefield	18	60 10 10	8 7 3	7 15 11				3 16 6		11 12 5	12 10
Vallasey	28	84 12 1	3 0 5	19 2 0	1 5 11			1 16 11		22 4 10	15 10
Nellingboro	13	29 6 6	2 5 1	5 19 1				4 13 6		10 12 7	16 6
Wolverhampton	14	28 0 1	2 0 0	6 6 7				4 15 0		11 1 7	15 10
Worcester	19	55 8 9	2 18 4	21 7 0	16 10			6 12 6		28 16 4	1 10 4
York	38	79 0 2	2 1 6	18 6 9	18 6			6 7 0		25 12 3	13 5
Beeston	7	28 6 10	4 0 11	8 10 5				1 3 6	1 0	9 14 11	1 7 10
Blackburn	10	11 2 6	1 2 3	2 13 6						2 13 8	5 4
Bromsgrove	6	5 2 6	17 1	2 9 4				11 0		3 0 4	10 0
Burnopfield	8	11 17 0	13 2	7 6 7				3 2 3		10 8 10	11 7
Burton	18	27 3 2	3 7 10	6 10 0				2 7 6		8 17 6	1 2 2
Bury	17	16 6 6	19 2	5 3 8				1 0 0		6 3 8	7 3
Denton	18	71 10 0	3 19 5	13 14 8				14 11 6		28 6 2	1 11 5
Fotherby	7	17 7 6	2 9 7	7 6 0				3 4 6		10 10 6	1 10 0
Kidminster	5	24 4 0	4 16 9	4 3 3				1 17 6		6 0 9	1 4 1
Killamarsh	8	24 16 4	3 2 0	6 10 3				17 4		7 7 7	18 5
Lancaster	9	8 11 6	19 0	3 3 9				10 3		3 14 0	8 2
Mansfield	9	37 16 7	4 4 0	5 3 4				3 10 0		8 13 4	19 3
Morecambe	24	21 7 6	17 9	5 6 5				2 17 6		8 3 11	6 9
Northampton	21	47 8 10	2 5 2	8 6 2				2 17 0		11 3 2	10 6
Peterborough	6	5 5 6	17 7	2 7 4						2 7 4	7 10
Scarbro'	24	73 2 1	3 0 11	30 0 8	3 12 0			4 6 6		37 18 9	1 11 7
Skegness	9	13 18 3	10 11	4 7 7				2 10 0		6 17 7	15 3
Stockton	9	10 16 6	1 4 0	2 0 10				17 0		2 17 10	6 5
Sutton	14	26 3 11	17 5	7 9 7	7 6			17 0		8 14 1	12 5
Ulverston	11	31 2 9	2 16 8	4 16 11				13 9		5 10 8	10 0
Isolated	211	746 9 0	3 10 9	97 1 2		1 4 0	204 0 8	82 17 3	504 9 0	889 12 1	4 4 3
Totals 1944	2014	4657 0 0	2 6 3	925 0 6	31 0 0	1 4 0	204 0 8	384 19 2	507 13 3	2053 17 7	1 0 4
Totals 1943	1951	4175 0 0	2 2 9	758 8 10	39 16 11			249 16 0	135 0 3	1176 2 0	12 1
Increase	63	482 0 0	3 6	166 11 8	-1 16 11			135 3 2	372 13 0	877 15 7	8 3

  

IRISH MISSION											
elfast	72	157 13 11	2 3 10	30 9 7	4 8 6			14 2 7		49 0 8	13 7
ublin	23	69 4 2	3 0 2	15 15 6	17 3			4 0 0		20 12 9	17 11
Kilmoyle	11	9 15 0	17 9	1 16 0	8 2					2 4 2	4 0
Larne	6	7 19 0	1 6 6	3 3 10				2 10 0		5 13 10	19 0
Londonderry	8	15 8 11	1 18 7	5 10 6	4 0			4 0 0		9 14 6	1 4 4
Shankill	25	44 15 7	1 15 10	2 18 7						12 18 7	10 4
Isolated	57	69 5 3	1 4 4	2 10 6		7 3 0		7 13 2		17 6 8	6 1
Totals 1944	202	374 1 10	1 17 0	74 4 6	5 17 11	7 3 0		32 5 9		117 11 2	11 8
Totals 1943	204	296 7 7	1 9 1	65 7 5	4 7 7			14 17 3	8 14 1	93 6 4	9 2
Increase	-2	77 14 3	7 11	6 17 1	1 10 4			17 8 6	-8 14 1	24 4 10	2 6

  

SCOTTISH MISSION											
berdeen	37	55 9 9	1 10 0	9 6 1	4 6			3 10 0		13 0 7	7 1
inburgh	69	114 19 5	1 13 4	42 13 5	3 15 2			9 1 0		55 9 7	16 1
lasgow	107	207 7 7	1 18 9	45 8 3				33 12 3		79 0 6	14 9
irkcaldy	7	26 16 9	3 16 8	4 5 3				12 6		4 17 9	14 0
Dundee	22	52 4 7	2 7 6	7 0 6				2 16 0		9 16 6	8 11
Stirling	8	23 14 3	2 19 3	5 16 9				1 11 0		7 7 9	18 6
Isolated	52	121 10 9	2 6 9	4 13 11				31 8 3		36 2 2	13 11
Totals 1944	302	602 3 1	1 19 11	119 4 2	3 19 8			82 11 0		205 14 10	13 8
Totals 1943	298	705 16 3	2 7 4	96 11 11	4 9 0			60 4 4	19 14 3	180 19 6	12 2
Increase	4	-103 13 2	-7 5	22 12 3	-9 4			22 6 8	-19 14 3	24 15 4	1 6

  

UNION TOTALS											
Union Mis. 1944		243 12 6		10 0			30 0 0			30 0 0	
Union Mis. 1943		91 7 0					165 2 0			170 12 0	
Increase		152 5 6		-10 0			-135 2 0		-5 0 0	-140 12 0	
and Tot. 1944	6179	14896 1 9	2 8 2	2976 11 4	107 16 10	8 7 0	264 0 8	1331 12 2	513 11 9	5201 19 9	16 10
and Tot. 1943	6083	13415 13 10	2 4 1	2303 18 4	91 11 10	1 0 0	195 3 0	978 7 3	492 1 6	4062 1 11	13 4
Increase	96	1480 7 11	4 1	672 13 0	16 5 0	7 7 0	68 17 8	353 4 11	21 10 3	1139 17 10	3 6

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### Superintendent's Notes

ON the night of October 30th, a fire destroyed the printing works adjoining our Edinburgh church. Our members will rejoice with us that this fire was arrested when but four feet from our own building. Apart from the breaking of over one hundred small glass panes, the church building was not damaged. We thank the Lord for this providential deliverance and congratulate the Edinburgh congregation on this narrow escape of their beautiful property.

#### WEEK OF PRAYER

ONCE more we have come to a Week of Prayer season. The first weekend we are to be blessed with a visit from Pastor H. W. Lowe. Brother Lowe will be in Aberdeen for the Friday evening and Sabbath morning services, December 1st and 2nd. He will take the service in Dundee on Sabbath afternoon and the evening meeting in Glasgow on Sunday. Brother J. C. Craven will take the service on Friday evening, December 8th, and Sabbath morning, December 9th, in Glasgow, and also the Sabbath afternoon meeting in Edinburgh. Isolated members living within accessible distance of a church are cordially invited to join the church in sharing the blessings of this special season. We urge every member to avail himself of this opportunity of renewing his consecration to the Lord. Revival of the Advent hope is imperative in these days.

#### EVANGELISM

BROTHER VIGORS, in addition to his successful canvassing, is conducting public meetings in the Y.W.C.A. in Kirkcaldy. There is a good interest among a select group of hearers, and we bespeak your prayers in the success of this effort. Eighteen people have passed in their names for literature and studies. Brother Vigors

is having a busy time in attending to the needs of this work.

In Glasgow we have just concluded the fourth effort held in the King's Cinema within the past five years. We had 150 non-members at the first meeting, and finished with 150 on the last Sunday night. Eighty names have been received for literature. Pray for these souls as they study God's message with us, that they may be led to take their stand for the truths we cherish and proclaim.

Baptisms in Aberdeen and Edinburgh are being planned before the end of the year. These will be more fully reported later on.

The election of officers for 1945 has taken place in the churches. May I take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of the loyal services rendered by the officers during this present year. Your untiring and uncomplaining devotion to the cause of the Lord will not go unrewarded. "God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love." Heb 6:10. To those newly elected to bear the burden in the coming year, I would say, Be faithful and courageous in the discharge of your duties. "And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." Col. 3:23, 24.

#### ANNUAL OFFERING

As we review the blessings that the Lord has bestowed on us this past year, our gratitude will be measured by our response to the appeal of the annual offering. Last year this offering yielded £49 for missions. The offering in 1942 realized £64, the highest ever reached for this appeal. Shall we not endeavour to pass this figure this year?

#### TITHE

OUR tithe for the first ten months of the year amounts to £2,215. This shows a decrease of £242 compared with the ten months of 1943. We are sure that this decrease may be wiped out if all our members plan to have their tithe in the hands of the treasurer before December 31st. Let us prove our loyalty to the cause of God by promptness and faithfulness in returning to the Lord His own.

J. A. McMILLAN.

## "Voice of Prophecy" Correspondence Course

SINCE our reference in the MESSENGER to this new venture in connection with our literature work, we have had many applications from churchmembers desiring to enrol for the course.

We should emphasize, however, that the lessons have been prepared for following up the interest of non-Adventist purchasers of our books with a view to bringing them to a decision for the truth. Our own churchmembers have excellent facilities for Bible study through the Sabbath-school and the services of the church, and should therefore not apply for the "Voice of Prophecy" Course.

Some zealous home missionary secretaries have also sent lists of interested people to whom they would like to offer the Course. We wish we could help in this way, but paper restrictions are such that the number of lessons it has been possible to print would be hopelessly inadequate to meet the needs of general church missionary activity.

When paper is in better supply again we hope that the Course will be available for the assistance of evangelists in their campaigns, and for all our churches in their home missionary work, and we believe that it will become a mighty evangelistic agency. But until times are more propitious we must ask workers and churchmembers to be patient.

W. L. EMMERSON.

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### SUNSET CALENDAR

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	Lon'n	Not'm	Car'ff	Edin	Bel'n
Dec. 8th	4.52	4.48	5.04	4.39	4.53
Dec. 15th	4.52	4.48	5.04	4.38	4.58

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