

BRITISH ADVENT  
**MESSENGER**  
ORGAN OF THE BRITISH UNION CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

## LETTERS FROM EUROPE

"THE Spirit of God is greatly influencing hearts prepared by the terrible hardships. It is not the want of food which causes people to seek God, but rather the uncertainty and grim, black future. Life has lost its meaning; people do not know why they work. Everything seems so empty and useless—nothing but hurrying and chasing after the mere necessities of life. The worry for food makes the people inconsiderate and cold, the like I have never before observed in Germany. . . . But among the masses you find here and there individuals who are looking for the truth, for God. They do not come in great numbers, but their hearts are prepared by the Spirit, ready to accept the message of salvation. We are watching for them and find them.

"With regard to the scarcity of food among the members, I would say that your parcels have been a great help in our church. The need here is so general that it is hard to tell where the need within the need has actually reached the limit. This causes me the greatest worry: to be fair, just, and to render the proper help at the right place. With the help of God I have often experienced His marvellous guidance in this respect."—*Hermann Noltze, S.D.A. Minister in Wiesbaden.*

"If you and the brethren and sisters could see, as I have, the pathetic look of deep gratitude on the faces of those who receive your help, and could realize the

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real disaster from which they have been saved, you would be satisfied that no effort and no sacrifice can have been too great. The conditions prevailing in Germany are indeed pitiful. The evidences of malnutrition are to be seen everywhere and thousands must die this winter if more help is not given.

"Yet, in the face of seemingly insurmountable difficulty and heartbreaking hardship, the work is onward and the true missionary spirit of evangelism is everywhere among our people."—*William H. Hurlow, Missionary in Africa.*

"WHAT you write about family G and the conditions they live in is true, but I could repeat it almost word for word of more than half of all our brethren and sisters in my conference; that is, bombed out, seriously ill, undernourished, going to work daily with a hungry stomach, and other special diseases. I would have to make a long list and yet

be afraid that I have overlooked something if I should send you the information you asked for. Most people, and that applies to the members of our church, can work only a few hours at a stretch; then they have to stop on account of weakness. Only after rest are they able again to resume their work. It is similar with many of our ministers and suddenly their train of thought will stop."—*W. E. Edener, Conference President.*

"God is our refuge in time of trouble. He does not forsake us. My husband was killed in the war. Later we lost our home in an air raid. Eight days after that the Russians drove us out. My father did not want to leave and stayed behind. A year later we learned that he had starved to death. Now I am here alone with my six-year-old boy and my mother. We have had many experiences with our God. Our prayer is, Come Lord Jesus, come soon and relieve us of this misery. Yes, that is our only comfort as we have nothing else to look forward to."—*Senta Heinrichs, British Zone.*

"My wife has been sick for several weeks. Older people and those not able to work receive the lowest rations here in the Russian zone. After rationing for nine consecutive years, the human body cannot take much more of that and so people simply have to resign themselves to the worst. May God save you the experiences we have been through dur-

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ing the past years and may He reward all the good deeds you have done to us in this unfortunate land. He will bless your efforts and will repay you with health and happiness."—*Kurt Fankhanel, Saxony, Russian Zone.*

"WE are grateful to God daily that He has put it into your hearts to relieve our misery. May we request: 'Do pray for us and with us, for we know from what we see around us that the shadows of the last days are upon us, and that the time is near.' How great is our God who is making people willing to give and to alleviate the distress. We are not without hope or desperate despite the dark hour, for we are on our way toward eternal happiness."—*Theodore Hirsch, Anaburg, Saxony.*

"It is not possible for us to express our gratitude in words. We know you are sacrificing, and we are sorry we cannot repay you. Pray for us that this time of distress and heat of battle may not smother us. He can help, and time and again we see how He has moved your hearts in love and made you willing to help."—*Max Porschman, Saxony.*

"WE appreciate and value every piece of clothing which affords protection to our body. The great distress is bitter indeed. We have been through dark experiences and the terrible past has left its mark."—*Margaret Fickenscher, Nuremberg, American Zone.*

"THANKS for another package. Since I have received the lentils, raisins, etc., it is a joy to visit the many sick members of our church. The food in the hospitals is very poor and it takes so long to recuperate because the people are always hungry. We have about 300 members here. It is sometimes not so easy to decide who is in greater need. The members who get the things you have sent will write to you direct. You even sent stockings, an article we have not been able to buy for many years. Thanks, especially for the literature."—*Frieda Cartes.*

"You cannot imagine what it feels like to stare at the empty walls with nothing, n-o-t-h-i-n-g in your hands. Our greatest concern is where to get food and clothing. The children have not been to school for years. . . . Yet how many of our compatriots are worse off! God has held His hand over us."—*Otto Lettau.*

"I CAN say without any reservation that our present time of distress is a time of special blessings. We are drawing closer to God and are learning to re-evaluate all we possess, all our resources, our shortcomings. Thus God is preparing characters for eternity."—*M. Prull.*



### What I Saw

I SPENT two months in Germany and other countries so desperately in need of food and clothing. It is difficult to give a true picture of conditions over there because of the inadequacy of words to describe the situation.

In one city, while standing near an American Army Store which sells only to soldiers and army personnel, a group of soldiers came out eating some cakes. A small piece broke off and fell to the pavement and another G.I. stepped on it. As soon as they had passed a man quickly kneeled down and picked up the crumbs and put them in his other hand. Then, wetting his finger in order to pick up any that were too small to get otherwise, he hungrily ate them. In the cities I have seen people picking the leaves off the trees for food. To look into their gaunt and hungry faces, to see the inroads that slow starvation is already making among the people, to see the children with stomachs distended from malnutrition—all this must challenge our aid.

I heard from the lips of one woman how they were allowed only one food ration card for six people, because only one could work. This provided food sufficient for only two people. They had to sit down in the home and decide which two were to live and which four were to die. Tears were running down this

woman's face as she told how those four died. I heard from the lips of a young lady how she and her mother were forced to flee from their home, how the mother died in her arms from exposure and lack of food, and how she hastily dug a shallow grave with her bare hands and a small board, and laid her mother there in the only coat she had.

In contrast to all this, think how we have been blessed and spared these tragedies. Surely it is our privilege and our duty to share from our abundance—to give that they also may live. Our sharing last year saved the lives of hundreds of our fellow-believers. Under God, we are still their only hope; without our help many of them will die.

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### WEEK OF PRAYER

THE approach of autumn reminds us all that the end of the year will soon be upon us and 1948 with its service and sacrifice, its success and its failure will be in the past. Our church calendar closes with the refreshing and inspiring exercise of the Week of Prayer. This has been an Adventist experience for many years and as we face the strain and stress of these modern days we realize more than ever that the "early brethren" who planned it thus, "planned better than they knew."

This year the Week of Prayer is dated for *November 13th to November 20th*. The local fields will, of course, be arranging for special services throughout the churches, but all of us should plan and pray that this will be a time of real "refreshing from the Lord."

### EVANGELISM

THE season of public campaigning is here. All our members should be conscientiously

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and earnestly supporting our evangelists with their prayers and practical help. We learn of good congregations being gathered to hear the message proclaimed by the excellent preachers we have in this field. Most of our evangelists are now using modern methods of visual aids to attract and hold the multitude. An increasing and successful use of films, both sound and silent, is being made by our progressive men with good effect. It is realized that nothing can take the place of or supersede the virile preaching of the Word and our members are requested to remember our public preachers constantly in their prayers. If there is a public campaign in your district you are privileged, and you should faithfully attend every service. The local fields will doubtless keep us all informed of the progress of the campaigns.

#### MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

AN increasing number of our young people are finding their way into the various branches of the medical profession. A recent census taken from our field revealed that there are around 170 who are connected with medical work as doctors, dentists, physiotherapists, nurses, medical students, etc. It has been felt for some time that it would be worth while from all points of view if this specialized group could meet together from time to time in some kind of Medical Association or Fellowship. With this in mind a special meeting was convened on Sunday, September 5th, when a representative group of medical personnel voted that steps be taken to form an Adventist Medical Fellowship in the British Union. A committee, representative of the various interests involved, was appointed to give study to this matter and was asked to bring in recommendations regarding the nomination of officers, constitution, title of the fellowship, and general plans. This committee of nine members will be meeting shortly, and a further meeting of the Medical Fellowship will be called to discuss and accept its report. We believe that this is a progressive step for our medical work

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and we hopefully look to its development.

#### COLLEGE

PASTOR W. R. A. MADGWICK, the principal of Newbold College, recently sailed for the U.S.A. where he is to spend a few weeks visiting some of our larger schools in North America. He will also have the privilege of joining Pastors E. B. Rudge and J. A. McMillan at the Autumn Council. This visit should mean a great deal to the future development of our British College.

G. D. KING.

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## Newbold College Re-opens

THE summer vacation this year slipped by with great rapidity. It seemed as if the students had only just dispersed when on September 14th they streamed back to College. The opening days of term were as busy as usual, but with committees appointed, class schedules made out, and registration plans well in hand, College re-opened to a good start.

The opening service on Wednesday evening, September 15th, was an inspiring one. Besides the faculty there were seven visiting brethren on the chapel platform: G. D. King, A. Carey, W. W. Armstrong, G. E. Adair, J. C. Craven, E. L. Minchin, and T. J. Bradley.

The writer as principal heartily welcomed the students back and wished them the happiest and most successful year they have thus far experienced. To make up for the students who had left there were twenty-seven new students bringing the enrolment up to its maximum.

The writer spoke of those who would be missing from Newbold this year—Mr. J. Rigby, Jun.,

who had left the maintenance department to take up duties in Australia, Pastor P. Schuil who had left to be principal of our new school in the Netherlands, and Mr. C. F. W. Futchter who would soon be leaving to become the science teacher at the West Australian Missionary College. All of these would have our best wishes for success in their new spheres. A hearty welcome was extended to those who had come to fill the vacancies at Newbold—Mr. D. Throssell to head up the maintenance department, Mr. J. R. Buzenet to teach French, and Mr. J. D. Brailsford to teach mathematics and science.

The writer also announced that he had been invited as principal to spend eight weeks in the United States visiting our senior colleges. He would leave on October 9th. Mr. A. H. Thompson, the business manager, had been appointed to serve as acting principal during the time of his absence.

Pastor King in his words of counsel based his remarks upon a pertinent question found in 1 Kings 19:9: "What doest thou here?" Some students come to College, some are sent to College, and some are sentenced to College! "Put all the perseverance and energy into your College life," he told the students, "and success will be achieved."

Pastor Armstrong looked upon the students assembled as potential ministers and Bible instructors. "Maybe some of you fear that you will never make it. Look unto Jesus Christ to-night and every day and He will give you divine power. Follow Him and He will make you fishers of men."

Brother Carey brought greetings from the British Union Conference treasury and gave a brief message on the three gospels—the gospel of Christ, the gospel of hard work, and the gospel of good cheer.

Pastor Bradley with evangelistic fervour said that there was no better place than the College for Adventist young people to get their weapons, seven of which he enumerated:

1. A strong will. "God doesn't want jelly-fish; He wants people

who know where they are going and why they are going."

2. A courageous heart. "You can't meet the devil with weak heart."

3. A wise head. "God's work can't tolerate fools."

4. A great faith. "This is one of the greatest weapons for a Christian."

5. A power of continuance. "If you start on a job, go through with it."

6. A burning zeal. "A burning zeal for the wooing of souls."

7. And bind up all these weapons with the love of God.

Pastor Minchin recalled six years he had spent in College in Australia—some of them with Pastor Bradley—and gave six great lessons.

1. Use every opportunity that College offers.

2. Fence your quiet times; the world needs not great men but good men.

3. In the matter of companionship, love those best who love Christ most.

4. Guard well your spare time.

5. Refuse to be drawn into any undercurrent of criticism or rebellion against those in authority. One consecrated student in a college is of inestimable value.

6. Keep your vision and make God first in everything.

Mr. A. H. Thompson brought the symposium to a good conclusion with some choice, succinct remarks. "This spot," he said, "is the best spot in all Britain where young Adventist people should meet."

Yes, it was a good opening service and the students were strengthened thereby to make the most of the present College year. An excellent spirit prevails and all have settled in to a full programme of study and work.

W. R. A. MADGWICK,

*Principal.*



## The End of the Scholarship Mile

WHILE the eyes of the world were turned to the demonstration of athletic prowess at the Olympic Games held in London this summer, many parents and friends were watching with keen

interest, another contest, not only of physical stamina and endurance, but of mental and spiritual fortitude, undertaken by the student-colporteurs who entered for the "Scholarship Mile."

The race was hard and swift; obstacles were encountered; other attractions, like Congress, clamoured for attention; a few fell out by the way, but the majority kept the winning-post before their eyes and after weeks of strenuous effort and earnest prayer, some forty-two students qualified for the rewards of a completed task.

On Wednesday evening, October 6th, in the "Bartlett Hall" at Newbold Missionary College, the competitors in this summer "marathon," with eighty of their faculty and student friends, sat down to enjoy the hospitality of The Stanborough Press at the special tea which marked the climax of the summer campaign. After all present had more than satisfied their physical needs, Mr. J. C. Craven, manager of The Stanborough Press and chairman of the gathering, thanked Miss Cumden, our beloved cook, and her helpers for the splendid way in which the tea had been prepared and served. A chorus of approval indicated that those words were the unanimous thoughts of all present. Brother Craven continued his brief speech by saying that this year's literature sales had exceeded any previous year's records and thanked the student-colporteurs for their part in that achievement.

Pastor A. W. Cook mentioned some individual experiences of the student-colporteurs during the heat of the race and then his four associate secretaries distributed the scholarships to the students who had worked in their respective fields. A complete list is appended to this report. One wondered if canvassing ability was inherited when Arthur, Amos, and Jean Cooper

from Louth each qualified for scholarship bonuses.

Then it was the time for the young men and young ladies who had actually knocked at thousands of doors, cycled hundreds and trudged scores of miles, to speak. On behalf of the young men, Mr. Roy Graham proposed, and Mr. William Frazer seconded, a vote of thanks to the Press for their generous help and to all others who "materially or by their prayers had contributed to the success of the summer's work." The young ladies were represented by Miss Audrey Trafford and Miss Vera Howard.

Time prevented our hearing from our veteran colporteur leader Pastor B. Belton, and Mr. E. Trace, who represented the technical side of literature production, but Pastor W. L. Emerson, with characteristic thoughtfulness, showed us how God had used the ministry of literature in past times of crisis and assured us that in these last days of instability and international turmoil, the printed page would play an important part in delivering God's final message.

The last scene in this victory procession was the presentation of the cheque for £2,739. 1s. 6d., representing the student-colporteurs' credit with the Press, to the principal of the College, who, saying that it was more blessed to give than to receive, passed it to Mr. A. H. Thompson, the business manager. He accepted it with obvious pleasure and was thus stimulated to give the final speech of the evening. As all stood to honour God, Pastor W. R. A. Madgwick pronounced the benediction.

As a College family, in closing this report, we would express our sincere appreciation of the interest and philanthropy of The Stanborough Press toward the educational work in this Union and pray that God may abundantly bless them in their literature ministry.

<i>Name of Student</i>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Territory Worked</i>
<i>Full Scholarships</i>		
Miss M. Barter	Newport	Newport
Arthur Cooper	Louth	Scotland
Amos Cooper	Louth	Bridgend, Glamorgan
Miss M. Emm	Isolated	Salisbury
Miss E. Fenz	Italy (Florence)	Sutton-in-Ashfield

W. H. Frazer  
Miss J. Harrison  
P. Parker  
Miss Sisson  
R. Surridge

Newbold  
Ealing  
Liverpool  
Dublin  
Mansfield

Scotland  
Hereford  
Glasgow  
Isle of Wight  
Leicester

French will have commenced activities.

IN the churches where no public evangelism is being conducted this year there are well organized plans being laid for the people to be reached by the personal distribution of the Voice of Prophecy leaflets. The whole church at work is our objective, and under the blessing of God's Spirit, will bring good results.

LET us commend all interests to the Lord and daily ask for His blessing upon all that is done. Watch for further reports.

W. W. ARMSTRONG.

### Thirteenth Sabbath Programme at Norwich

WELL! here it is at last, the Sabbath afternoon which ends the quarter with a special programme. Seats were filled early, especially the front row, and a jingle of money coming from that direction told us that the children were ready with their farthings.

A bright missionary hymn opened our programme and prayer followed. All eyes then turned to the platform as we knew that the special items would soon begin.

David was the first. He gave us a mission story from Finland about a young man who, like Joseph of old, was thrown into prison. By keeping faithful and true to his beliefs, he soon became a trustee of the prison instead of a prisoner.

Muriel was next, giving us a very good recitation about the need for gifts in Norway, Denmark, and Sweden.

No need to ask in whose manly little voice the next item was rendered. He recited a poem and said it very well. He then walked round the church to collect the farthings. If you don't know his name, well, just come to Norwich Sabbath-school and you will meet not only him, but all our young children and see how they are taught to love Jesus and learn all these little items that make up our programme.

Cynthia's item came next, and her recitation was a plea for just that little extra. We were then favoured with a duet, by two of

#### Three-quarter Scholarships

P. Beach	Ealing	Barry, Glamorgan
Miss E. Bryant	Edmonton	Bolton
K. Clothier	Porth	Porth
G. Crutchfield	High Wycombe	Chesterfield
K. Gammon	Bristol	Bristol
R. Graham	Norwich	Bridgend, Glamorgan
Miss E. Griffiths	Manchester	Manchester
Miss V. Howard	Southampton	Sutton-in-Ashfield
Miss D. Jones	Keighley	Torquay
Miss J. Leach	Manchester	Manchester
David Lowe	Derby	Chesterfield
D. Logan	Glasgow	Bournemouth
A. Norman	Bournemouth	Bournemouth
B. Pilmoor	York	York
Miss N. Roe	Leeds	Scotland
Miss C. Sisson	Dublin	Isle of Wight

#### Half Scholarships

Miss J. Belohorska	Isolated	Salisbury
R. Burgess	Watford	Taunton, Bridgwater
J. Buzenet	France	Cardiff
Miss J. Cooper	Louth	Scotland
J. Craven	Watford	Taunton, Bridgwater
D. Hall	Wimbledon	Ulceby, Grimsby
Miss J. Laffin	Slough	Glasgow
G. Marshall	Ulceby	Ulceby, Grimsby
Miss J. Moore	Yarmouth	Bolton
Miss Z. Saxby	Northampton	Torquay
Miss A. Trafford	Wallasey	Wallasey
Miss Witchell	Darlington	Darlington
F. Wood	Manchester	Manchester

EDWIN H. FOSTER.

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We shall watch further results with great interest.

SOME opposition has already been experienced, especially at Southampton, where the campaign was begun with our identity made known. We are glad to report no drop in the figure the second night; 113 persons gave in their names for literature.

As I visited each of these three places I was struck with the co-operation that was forthcoming from neighbouring churches. Bournemouth members were loyally taking part at Southampton. At Eastbourne, the Hastings and Brighton churches were represented. Singers from Torquay and Plymouth ably supported the evangelist at Exeter. Everywhere the membership is zealously taking part and a blessing is coming to our churches in consequence.

BEFORE this report reaches you Pastors Bradley, Joyce, and

### President's Notes

THE opening reports of the campaigns are encouraging. An attendance round about the 300 mark has been maintained so far in the Southampton, Exeter, and Eastbourne campaigns. In the first two named places the evangelists have had to conduct their meetings on a mid-week night due to halls not being obtainable on the Sunday. It looks as if week-night meetings, properly conducted and well advertised, can be successful and are the answer to the Sunday hall problem.

our older members, and a good talk explaining why we should come to Sabbath-school was given by Pastor J. French.

After being told how the words came to be written, we listened as Pastor French recited the verse of a hymn. One must surely have heard the chorus a long way off. What did it say? "Keep looking up." This was good advice, for we are apt to look down and so miss the Hand outstretched to help us when in despair.

A few minutes spent in asking questions soon proved that our children knew quite a lot about their Bibles, and some questions put to the grown-ups made them think hard.

The last but not least of our items came when Esther gave us her promise, in a recitation, to follow Jesus all the way.

A cheerful hymn and the benediction closed our meeting. We would say "Well done" to the children, and thank everybody for all their co-operation which has made this quarter a great success at Sabbath-school.

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### Additions at Lincoln

THE Lincoln church had a great day on Sabbath, September 11th, when five persons were accepted into fellowship in the church. Four were the first-fruits of Brother Rosier's ministry in the city. The fifth was Sister Blyth transferred from the church at Great Yarmouth.

Pastor O. M. Dorland conducted the special service in the morning at which Brother Dawson was accepted into the fellowship of the Skegness church

We were delighted to see our new church building full, there being visitors from Skegness, Boston, Louth, Kettering, and Liverpool.

T. PAIN,  
*Church Clerk.*

## Skegness

ON and after October 16, 1948, the services of the Skegness company will be held at 53 St. Andrews Drive, Skegness. Sabbath-school: 10.30 a.m.; preaching service, 11.30 a.m.

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### Notes from the Superintendent

IT was our privilege to attend the opening night of Pastor T. S. Brash's Langside (South Glasgow) campaign, on Sunday, October 3rd. The weather was perfect and about 300 persons were attracted to the meeting by the advertising. Their attention was gripped by the evangelist's forceful lecture, supplemented by the sound film entitled, "The Birth of a New World." Fifty names were received of people desirous for further study, including seventeen who enrolled for the Voice of Prophecy Bible course.

PASTOR K. LACEY also commenced a second effort in Aberdeen, on the same night. He writes: "You will be glad to know that after putting out 40,000 handbills, we had our hall packed to its utmost capacity with over three hundred in attendance. How good it was to see the old hall packed to the doors, and with at least fifty per cent new faces, most of them young people! Now of course the proof of the pudding is in the eating, and so we are anxious to see if they will come back for a second helping!"

PLANS are maturing for the opening of three further campaigns in Kirkcaldy, Dundee, and Edinburgh, all on Sunday, November 7th. Your persistent prayers are solicited that "the

great door and effectual," which the Lord has opened to us in Scotland, will prove to be the portal of salvation through which many truth seekers will enter and find "rest unto their souls."

JOHN H. BAYLISS.

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### "Second City" Reporting

"LET Glasgow Flourish by the Preaching of the Word," is the motto of this great industrial centre of Bonnie Scotland—and the aim of the Glasgow evangelistic team, viz., Pastor T. S. Brash, Denys Baildam, and the writer, is that Glasgow shall do just that.

Ours is a tremendous task. There are a million and a quarter inhabitants in this great city, and were we to think of our comparatively small church of seventy members, and team of three, as the sole means of warning our fellows we would indeed be overwhelmed by the impossibility of the undertaking. But we remember the promise of God thus beautifully expressed:

"There are, who like the seer of old,  
Can see the helpers God has sent  
And how life's rugged mountain-side  
Is white with many an angel tent."

During the past twelve months these lines have become very real to the evangelistic trio of Glasgow. Through sunshine and shade; rain, hail, and snow; fog, grime, and gloom; squalor and plenty, we have seen, as it were, angel messengers labouring with us for the conquest of the hearts of men and women for Christ.

The pastoral aspect of our work has brought much encouragement. From an average attendance of about forty members at church service each Sabbath morning, we have now attained to an average of seventy, with the addition of around twenty children. This truly is inspiring.

Our campaign had a chequered journey through the winter months. After much prayer and solid, earnest toil visiting cinema and theatre managers, only to meet with repeated refusal of admittance to any of their halls,

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we finally gained an entry into a public hall seating 200 people. We were disappointed—how much few can know—as we had hoped for a large central city campaign; but it seemed to be God's leading as no other course was open to us. And "who hath despised the day of small things?"

We began our campaign in good faith, and the small beginning, we believe, has still to accomplish much. Four precious souls have made public confession of faith by baptism, five are preparing for that sacred ordinance and eleven others are earnestly "pondering these sayings in their hearts."

The greatest joy of all to us, as labourers in the vineyard, is to see families coming into our church intact. As our Brother Brash sagely remarked: "There is enough splitting up of homes; it is our task to bind them together."

The "first-fruits" of our work here have been a complete family

of seven members. Father, mother, and eldest son sixteen years of age, were baptized together, the younger children joining with us in Sabbath-school and divine worship. It was a moving spectacle indeed to see these three, for whom we had laboured and prayed, stand together in the baptistry of our delightful little church one sunny Sabbath morning. As each watched the others signify their faith and acceptance of our truth by being placed beneath the waters of baptism, the eighty members and friends present to witness the service, and we workers, renewed our own consecration to the loving Father who had so wonderfully brought into our midst these three dear ones. Brother Urquhart has suffered much criticism and scorn from his associates at work, and also financial loss, but it is wonderful to hear his own and his wife's testimony of faith, courage, and hope in Jesus. Alistair, their eldest son,

had to find new employment that he might have the Sabbath free to worship God; and now he witnesses daily in word and action to the truth as it is in Jesus. God willing, Alistair plans to join the happy Colledge family next year to train for the Master's service, that he may tell still others of this glorious message.

The fourth addition to our church fellowship is Miss Bisset, a sweet lady, eighty-four years of age. The writer first visited her home in answer to a request for the book, "The Lord's Day, the Test of the Ages." The door was opened by her housekeeper, and the writer was shown into the sitting room. After chatting for a little while with Miss Bisset and before leaving, the thirty-fourth psalm was read and prayer was offered. At the close of the prayer Miss Bisset tearfully remarked, "God has sent you here to-day. I have been praying that He would send some Christian friend who would talk to me about Him and en-

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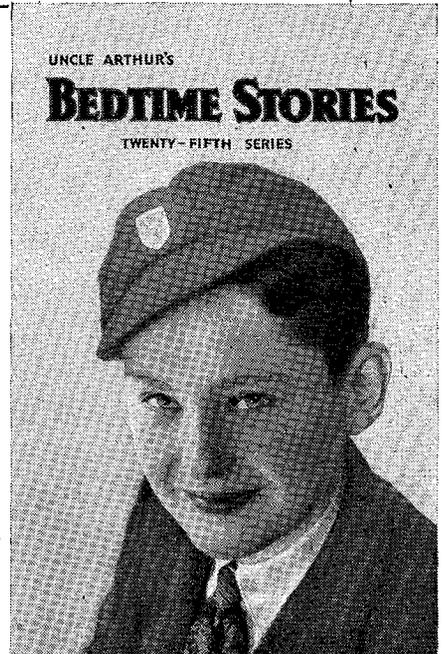
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After eighty-four years of membership in the church in which she was christened Miss Bisset tendered her resignation and joined the church of God. Bravely she went through the waters of baptism although her doctor had advised her against it. Our dear sister knows that there is One above all others who is a strength to us in our weakness. Joy fills our hearts as we remember our sister's words on leaving the church on that memorable Sabbath morning. To all who spoke to her she replied, "This is the happiest day of my life." May each succeeding day be still happier, dear Sister Bissett.

Our 1948-9 campaign has just begun. The first meeting on Sunday, October 3rd, was an inspiration to us. As we approached the hall forty-five minutes before the service was due to begin, we were thrilled to see a large number of private cars in the drive and a queue of about ten yards long and three deep. By the time the doors were opened the queue had extended to twenty yards. The friendly attitude of the people toward us was encouraging indeed; and as the message of God was preached in word and song, we know that His Spirit was present, ministering to the men and women seated before us. There are many, many souls waiting—yes, longing for the good news of Jesus' soon coming. May God help us to find them.

To the Glasgow churchmembers we, as an evangelistic team, would say, "Thank you for your wonderful response in church attendance each Sabbath, for your friendliness, helpfulness, and hospitality."

To the leader of our team—Pastor Brash (and his wife)—his two young fellow-workers pay tribute. Your friendship, counsel, and encouragement have helped us much. May the year ahead be as happy and helpful as the last.

To fellow-believers everywhere—pray for us and our work in

this great city, that Glasgow may indeed "Flourish by the Preaching of the Word."

JESSIE A. BAIRD.

## Wedding Bells

HARLIN-CARTER — On Monday, August 16, 1948, our Barry church was filled to capacity to witness the marriage of Brother Thomas Harlin of Manchester to Sister Gloria Bernice Carter of Barry. It was a beautiful day, the church was handsomely decorated, and the bride and bridesmaids were charming in their traditional attire. It was indeed a happy occasion for all. Following the service we repaired to the bride's home and in a marquee in an adjoining field, the reception was held to which a large number of friends were invited. We wish the happy couple all the joy possible as they walk life's way together.

J. M. HOWARD.

## Until the Day Break

COWAN.—We deeply regret to announce the passing of our dear sister, Mrs. Cecilia Cowan, on Friday, July 30, 1948, at the ripe age of ninety-four. She had been laid aside for some months, but was active in witnessing for her Lord right to her last days. She enjoyed the distinction of being the oldest member of the Portsmouth church, being baptized on May 14, 1904; the date on which that church was first organized, under the ministry of Elder William Knight. Since entering into membership this aged sister held an unbroken record of faithful and consistent service, and she now sleeps in well earned rest, awaiting the call of the Life-giver, when the eternal reward will be hers. She was laid to rest in Kingston Cemetery, Portsmouth, on August 3rd, the funeral service being conducted by Pastor R. H. Smith, who spoke very feelingly to the mourners and members of the church present.

CHURCH CLERK

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also thank God for the prayers of our faithful friends of the Plymouth church.

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MRS. PEARCE would like to thank churchmembers for their prayers during her recent illness.

MRS. M. H. WOOD desires to express her deep gratitude to God for recovery after an operation; also appreciation of remembrance in prayers, and many messages of encouragement from the members in the Edinburgh and Newcastle churches, as well as other friends.

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