

# The Sabbath Recorder

## DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

Statement of Treasurer, July 31, 1952

	Receipts	
	July	10 months
Balance on hand July 1 ... \$	89.23	
Adams Center .....	66.12	274.54
Albion .....		265.91
Alfred, First .....	278.79	2,518.14
Alfred, Second .....	1.00	623.06
Andover .....		31.00
Associations and groups	284.77	472.42
Battle Creek .....	764.34	3,115.35
Berlin .....	22.00	435.40
Boulder .....	32.21	412.84
Brookfield, First .....	5.00	179.00
Brookfield, Second .....	21.75	225.39
Chicago .....	40.00	497.90
Daytona Beach .....	10.50	460.75
Denver .....	85.65	810.11
De Ruyter .....		538.00
Dinuba .....		32.00
Dodge Center .....	98.80	502.49
Edinburg .....	9.00	94.12
Farina .....	15.00	266.20
Fouke .....	56.79	155.12
Friendship .....	4.50	40.50
Gentry .....		15.00
Hammond .....	25.00	102.07
Hebron, First .....	48.09	210.29
Hopkinton, First .....		885.25
Hopkinton, Second .....		26.00
Independence .....	39.00	310.00
Indianapolis .....		30.79
Individuals .....	61.50	2,398.33
Irvington .....	25.00	255.00
Jackson Center .....		21.50
Little Genesee .....	121.52	532.95
Little Prairie .....	3.00	17.30
Los Angeles .....	2.00	227.00
Lost Creek .....	21.00	799.09
Marlboro .....	305.00	968.86
Middle Island .....	18.01	109.11
Milton .....	318.54	4,266.41
Milton Junction .....		1,145.78
New Auburn .....	22.41	58.37
New York City, First .....	1.00	291.03
North Loup .....	197.35	547.35
Nortonville .....	76.50	263.50
Pawcatuck .....	2.00	3,009.10
Philadelphia .....		94.00
Piscataway .....	29.00	254.50
Plainfield .....	200.60	4,492.82
Putnam County (Fla.) .....		25.00
Richburg .....	35.00	328.00
Ritchie .....		91.00
Riverside .....	773.04	2,603.43
Roanoke .....		41.00
Rochester .....	18.00	54.65
Rockville .....	43.00	150.67
Salem .....	222.95	1,114.80
Salemville .....	7.00	205.09
Shiloh .....	413.47	1,985.14
Stone Fort .....	21.00	28.00
Syracuse .....	45.00	100.00
Verona .....	75.00	594.85
Walworth .....	22.00	72.00
Washington .....	29.00	213.20
Waterford .....	44.85	211.72
Welton .....		10.00

White Cloud .....	33.38	395.85
Wilkes-Barre .....		25.00
Totals .....	\$5,184.66	\$41,531.04

	Disbursements	
	Budget	Specials
Missionary Society .....	\$1,471.89	\$ 262.80
Tract Society .....	642.42	3.00
Board of		
Christian Education .....	868.17	26.00
Women's Society .....	19.78	15.00
Historical Society .....	117.82	
Ministerial Retirement .....	323.79	516.84
S. D. B. Building .....	135.02	1.00
World Fellowship and Service .....	27.09	
General Conference .....	694.02	28.00
Bank of Milton, service charge .....	1.63	
Balance on hand .....	30.39	
Totals .....	\$4,332.02	\$ 852.64

Comparative Figures		
	1952	1951
Receipts in July:		
Budget .....	\$4,242.79	\$3,620.62
Specials .....	852.64	579.49
Receipts in 10 months:		
Budget .....	32,635.47	24,322.38
Specials .....	8,895.57	5,445.64
Annual Budget .....	43,825.00	37,000.00
Percentage of budget raised to date .....	74.5%	65.7%

L. M. Van Horn,  
Milton, Wis. Treasurer.

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membership in the Los Angeles Church. Though suffering from a stroke and heart condition for several years, she was a faithful, thoughtful, and helpful member.

She was married in 1914 to Jules Berry who survives her. Other surviving relatives are her mother of Sioux City, Iowa; her daughters: Edythe Clare Pearson of Upland, Ind., Joy Ross of Dearborn, Mich., Ethel Lenone Berry of Riverside; three grandchildren; a brother Richard; three sisters, Mrs. James Duke, Mrs. C. B. Allen, and Mrs. Fred Eyberg.

Farewell services were conducted by her pastor with interment at Olivewood Cemetery in Riverside. L. M. M.

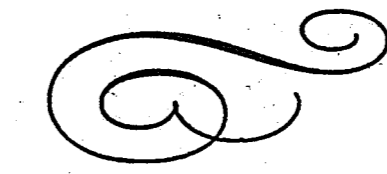
**Neff.** — Percy Ezekiel, son of the late Benjamin and Charlotte Neff, was born in Waterford, Conn., March 5, 1898, and departed from this life July 1, 1952.

Mr. Neff was a member of the Waterford Seventh Day Baptist Church in which he was a faithful trustee and consecrated deacon. He was a progressive instructor in the New London High School for the past thirty-four years. He is survived by a brother, Virgil Neff, of Niantic, and an Uncle Oliver of Middletown.

The memorial services were conducted in the Church by Rev. Carl R. Maxson and two former pastors, Rev. Eli F. Loofboro and Rev. Everett T. Harris of Westerly, R. I.

He was laid to rest in the West Neck Cemetery in Waterford. C. R. M.

*"Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."*



**General Conference in  
Battle Creek in 1953  
Elmo F. Randolph, President**

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## Conference President's Corner

### "Yoked for Life in Christ"

May we propose to the General Conference, and to all Seventh Day Baptists, that for the ensuing Conference year we explore the meanings and live out the challenges of the theme: "YOKED FOR LIFE IN CHRIST."

THE YOKE is in our time being lifted into a position of significance as a Christian symbol. The use of a yoke implies a load to be pulled, a work to be done, and provides the necessary equipment for its accomplishment.

Seventh Day Baptists have had a growing awareness of the magnitude of our Kingdom task for many years. Witness — Conference themes of recent times: "Saved to Serve," "Go Work Today," "Workmen Approved of God."

Our present vision of service is clear enough and large enough to leave no excuse for delay in accepting the challenge to work. Our yoke, the equipment designed for use in pulling the load, is adequate to the need and ready to be shouldered. Yoke-bearing demands the discipline of togetherness. Let us discover the forward-moving power of harmonious, purposeful, co-operative effort, in this new year. Being "yoked for life," as proposed in our theme, may suggest both the area of our labors and the time schedule for the effort.

"Experience with God" has shown us conclusively that for completeness of life our faith must permeate and vitalize all of life, for all of us — all the time. So may this be for Seventh Day Baptists a year of glad and purposeful yoke-bearing in our homes, at our work, privately and corporately — made real and kept meaningful through the disciplines of personal Christian living and the fellowship of public worship.

We have spoken of glad yoke-bearing — and so it is to be. For ours is the yoke of Christ, taken up at His bidding, "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me. . . . For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Matthew 11: 29, 30.

With thanksgiving for past blessings, with assurance of God's presence and power in the present; and with faith suf-

## WE CARRY ON

It was with much regret that the Board of Trustees of the Tract Society accepted the resignation of Dr. Hurley S. Warren from the editorship of the Sabbath Recorder. For five years he has devoted himself with increasing ability to the editorial task. The board, the Recorder staff, his friends in the church and community regret his going, but wish him God's help and blessing and great success in his new work as pastor of the First Alfred Church.

It is our hope that a man of devotion, courage, and suitable qualities in other respects may soon be secured to fill the editorial chair.

Meanwhile, the committee, the interim editor, and the Recorder staff will carry on for the sake of the present and the future and in memory of those who have gone before. Will you bear with us as we try to do our best? A. B. V. H.

## THIS I BELIEVE

I believe that God reveals Himself to man through the Scriptures, written by holy men inspired of God, who, nevertheless, were ignorant of many facts concerning our world and the universe which are now matters of common knowledge. I believe God reveals Himself through the story written in the rocks of the mountains, the sands of the sea, the trees of the forest, and the stars of the heavens. Above all, I believe God reveals Himself through His Son, Jesus Christ. I believe Jesus to be the supreme authority in the Bible, and His life and teachings provide the directive for the Christian. I believe the first aim of the Christian minister and teacher is to win his people to personal acceptance of Jesus Christ and then in love to help them interpret and apply His teachings to everyday life and conduct. In the correct interpretation and the application of these teachings on the part of nations, of races, and of individuals lies the only hope of our world. A. B. V. H.

cient to face the future we press on. May God bless us every one in this new year.

Elmo F. Randolph,  
Conference President.

## FAREWELL TO THE WARRENS

On the night of July 26 a farewell reception was held in the parlors of the Plainfield Church for Dr. and Mrs. Hurley S. Warren, Barbara, and Joseph. Besides many from the Plainfield Church there were present friends from the Irvington Church, the Philadelphia Fellowship, and neighbors from the Hillside Avenue and Central Avenue area where they had lived. Pastor Stephan was master of ceremony. Frank R. Kellogg spoke appreciatively of Dr. Warren's work with the Tract Board, both as member and editor of the Sabbath Recorder. In well-chosen words Charles H. North, president of the church board of trustees, expressed the company's regret at their leaving.

Gifts were presented to Dr. and Mrs. Warren, Barbara, and Joseph accompanied with a sum of money.

The Warrens have been in Plainfield for 16 years, with Dr. Warren as pastor of the church for eleven years, and editor for five years. During his pastorate he was absent on leave for two years, when he served faithfully and courageously as Chaplain of the U. S. Army. All members of the family will be greatly missed in Plainfield.

Those present regretted that David, the other member of the family, was not able to be present. He has been absent from home for some time as a student in Salem College.

## A PRAYER

O Lord, thou knowest what is best for us; let this or that be done as thou shalt please. Give what thou wilt, and how much thou wilt, and when thou wilt. Deal with me as thou thinkest good and as best pleaseth thee. Set me where thou wilt. Amen.

— Thomas à Kempis.  
(1379-1471)

"The future of the Seventh Day Baptist Church in this country depends largely upon the individuals of the present. The cause will die out with the generation that enjoys its faith more than it labors to propagate it." — Rev. James Bailey, in Sabbath Recorder, March 7, 1867.

**"EXPERIENCE WITH GOD"**

By President O. B. Bond

(Address given at General Conference, Denver, Colo., August 19, 1952.)

The unrest that possessed me, when I was approached to consider the office of President of General Conference, was not allayed, as I went from place to place hoping that I might be able to find a way out of that responsibility, until I had found a place, alone, in the wee hours of the morning high on the hill overlooking the valley where rests the quiet inland community of Alfred, the home of Alfred University and the home of our own School of Theology. Only then did I begin to be calm and become serious in my thinking.

Nothing more nearly represents the source of the poise that possessed my being and led me to reflect over the experiences of childhood and took me back to the fountain of my faith and practice and gave me the decision to accept the responsibilities of this hour, than these lines:

**If You Stand Very Still**

If you stand very still in the heart of a wood  
You will hear many wonderful things;  
The snap of a twig and the wind in the trees  
And the whirl of invisible wings.

If you stand very still in the turmoil of life  
And you wait for the voice from within  
You'll be led down the quiet ways of wisdom  
and peace  
In a mad world of chaos and din.

If you stand very still and you hold to your faith  
You will get all the help that you ask.  
You will draw from the silence the things that  
you need  
Hope and courage and strength for your task.

The religious experiences of a lifetime have prompted the theme of this General Conference and the emphasis given throughout the sessions of this Conference will represent positions in life, where we may have a new and fuller acquaintance with God.

The Bible studies that will come to you in this General Conference will be brought by Lester G. Osborn in his usual, enthusiastic, open Bible manner and will reveal

the personalities of Bible times and their approach to God and experience with Him. The prayer services of this Conference are planned by David J. Williams, pastor of the Chicago Church, for a new and richer acquaintance with God. May I recommend to you these prayer periods. The speakers of this General Conference have been chosen because of their special fitness to discuss their particular subject. May Christian friends give ear to these men, as they pour out their souls, touched by the God of our salvation.

You may ask, for what are we seeking? In the words of Liebman, "Analyze the prayers of troubled, overburdened mankind of all creeds, in every age — and their petitions come down to the irreducible, common denominator of daily bread and inward peace." My friends, we are not different.

My heart breaks when I look out over our denomination and see pastors in many church communities supplementing their income by driving school busses, clerking in stores, doing janitor service, peddling manufactured products, etc., to provide their necessary daily bread. This ought not to be. The pastor, the community leader, and the people of his parish are not meeting the challenge of Christian leadership if this condition continues to exist. God give us men strong enough in faith and vision to meet the challenge in every Seventh Day Baptist community where souls languish for more intimate acquaintance with the Divine and for a solution to the everyday problems of their economic, social, and religious life.

This challenge, my friends, will be met when every pastor finds time to feed his own soul and has the courage, with the leadership of the people of his parish, to dip into the problems of economic and social life wherein are found the frustrations of society. It is in the depths of these frustrations that men and women may be led into an experience with God that helps them into sweet adjustment with Him and a loving relationship with the people of the earth.

Again quoting from Liebman, "Grown men do not pray for vain trifles. When they lift up their voices in this valley of tears they ask for strength and courage

and understanding." God grant that we may possess the attributes of grown men. May the strength for which we pray lead us to discover the opportunities that lie about us. May the courage for which we pray prompt us to meet the challenge in every opportunity that lies ahead. May the understanding for which we pray make us kind, loving, patient, gentle, tolerant, and sympathetic toward those who love and hate. "Today's cringing world needs the support of the peace-giving faith that combines the substance of the old with the light of the new."

What joy, peace, and happiness comes to us when our hearts are filled with the emotion wrought by the feeling that God has accepted our decision to follow the pattern of Jesus. At that time, my friends, we have not overcome the world nor won the Divine sanction, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter into the joys of thy Lord." Then we are on the threshold of a new day, a new life, and new experience with God, if you please, if we move out into the opportunities, found only in the activities in which we participate as we pursue the normal processes of life.

Let me recommend that you go frequently to the fountain, re-evaluate your worth and feed your soul, if you would grow in the grace and knowledge of God as revealed through Christ Jesus.

In the recesses of my own mind, I discover the normal processes to be found linked about the closet that was shut, the home that was developed, the church that gave emphasis to Christian growth, the lives that set the pattern for community living, the Sabbath that brought peace and rest, and the professions that gave evidence of Christian personalities at work in the world.

Our part, as Seventh Day Baptists in Christianizing the world, cannot ignore these normal life and society processes. For that reason and for that special emphasis the theme of this Conference was chosen and to that end this Conference program has been dedicated.

In order to get started in this constructive, vitalizing process of Christian living, may I here recommend that every pastor

or leader of every church and fellowship take, as the initial project for the opening of the new year ahead, a reading and study, by a group or groups, of the entire membership of his parish, of "The Way to Power and Poise," by E. Stanley Jones (Abingdon-Cokesbury Press, New York).

My Christian friends, I believe we have been born for this hour. I believe that Seventh Day Baptists have a contribution to make to this modern age and complex society in which we find ourselves. In the words of Clifford Hansen, a recent convert to our faith and practice, "Many in the world about us are hungry for the Sabbath we love and the freedom exercised in our faith and practice." Again, my friends, I am ashamed of our frailty and complacency when so many hungry souls are found about us and are helpless. Let us be more dynamic, more resourceful, more fraternal, and more eager to share the fellowship which we enjoy.

Not one of us has all the truth about the way of life nor is he endowed with the keenness of insight to comprehend it all, but each has an approach to the way. May we be concerned that our children, youth, and adults be led to think honestly rather than that they be constrained to think as do I. After all, the virtues of a Christian life largely are caught, not taught.

I regret, as I have covered the expanse of our beloved denomination, that many are lost in the maze of frustration. By and large our leadership acknowledges that the processes of Christian growth begin with the most elementary and reach maximum perfection in the final accomplishments of a lifetime.

Finally, my Christian friends, I bring to you a challenge to Christian growth as revealed in the presentation of the one hundred fortieth annual program of this Seventh Day Baptist General Conference.

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## Statement of CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE and BELIEF

By Rev. David J. Williams

Student Pastor, Seventh Day Baptist Church,  
Chicago, Ill.

(Given at his ordination to the Christian ministry at the Albion Seventh Day Baptist Church, Albion, Wis., on Sabbath day, July 26, 1952, as a part of the Quarterly Meeting of the Southern Wisconsin and Chicago Churches.)

### Christian Experience

My earliest recollection is that of God-honoring parents and religious activities centralized in the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Verona, N. Y. Three weeks after my birth, on December 19, 1926, my



Rev. David J. Williams

devoted parents took me to the house of worship. Except for illness or an occasional excursion with my family, I always attended Church with pleasure on the Sabbath.

As a lad of twelve, I was baptized along with fellow members of my Sabbath school class by Rev. Alva L. Davis and subsequently joined the Verona Seventh Day Baptist Church. As I developed physically and mentally my spiritual development was stalemated. Upon entering high school and later college, my pleasures paralleled those of the unregenerate world. A distinctly Christian testimony was unknown to me. The lure of sin quickened as I entered the U. S. Navy in November, 1944. The sound emphasis and training

received at home and Church failed to sustain me in this critical hour of intensified temptations. WHY? The reason remained a mystery to me until I was stationed on a small ship operating in the Pacific in the southern islands of Japan. It was here near Sasebo, Honshu Province, Japan, that a young enlisted man pointed me to the Lord Jesus Christ who died that I and "whosoever will" might receive forgiveness of sins and eternal life by believing in Him. Heretofore, the facts of Christianity were known, but I had failed to realize that these facts were meant for me. In utter sincerity I was baptized as a boy of twelve, but sincerity would not save me. Rather only the meritorious, vicarious, substitutionary atonement of Jesus Christ. I had had a very favorable environment as a boy, and I thank God for it. But Jesus did not become my personal Saviour until by faith I received His Son (John 1: 12) at the age of 18 on November 20, 1945.

It was then that I was born again and had a new nature (2 Peter 1: 4), and possessed the assurance that I had passed from death unto life. John 5: 24. Everything was changed. From the first a new spiritual hunger for God's Word was born within me. 1 Peter 2: 2, 3. Serving as a pharmacist's mate in the Navy, I had ample time to read the Bible and other Christian literature.

With the joy of being a child of light I praised the Lord for having the opportunity of visiting our Seventh Day Baptist mission station in Shanghai, China, in the spring of 1946. My new-found faith in Christ was encouraged by the fellowship of Dr. Grace Crandall (now called home with the Lord) and Miss Mabel West. How refreshing to see the large Shanghai native Church at work and aglow for my wonderful Lord.

After my Naval discharge, I attended the Seventh Day Baptist Conference in Milton and was glad to know that here were many others who knew and served my Saviour. I re-entered Syracuse University aspiring still to become a doctor. While there I was blessed by the Christian fellowship with the campus chapter of Inter Varsity.

Transferring to Salem College in Sep-

tember, 1947, I persisted in my desire for spiritual growth. My desire was that others might know this divine Son of God as their personal Redeemer and Friend. Accompanying collegiate activities I carried a burden for prayer power and a medium for declaring the gospel. Others inspired by the same Lord united and a weekly collegiate prayer meeting came into being along with a student gospel team. It was during these months that I sensed God calling me to the ministry.

There was no single moment or dramatic event when I sensed the divine call. Rather, it was a growing, cumulative process of God speaking to me through His Word that His will for me was to come and follow Him in full-time service. I humanly evaluated the medical profession favoring it above the ministry but God's providential call proved otherwise. I realized finally that God wanted more than my money. He wanted me to renounce all sin and worldly pleasure and take up my cross and follow Him. After reluctantly surrendering my will — the joy of being in His will filled my soul. I was shortly thereafter licensed to preach the gospel by my home Church, wherever opportunity presented itself.

How I praise God for summoning me into His vineyard. I was blessed with the coming of Pastor Loyal F. Hurley to the Salem Church and thank him for his patience and wise counsel. President S. O. Bond of Salem College was a source of strength to me in his attempt to exert Christian influence on his students.

Miss Jeanne Eleanor Coon became my wife on August 29, 1948, and has played the vital role of a Christian wife, constantly upholding me in prayer. Her genuine spirituality and love for the Lord have contributed largely to my own continued ambition to serve the Lord God. We were both graduated from Salem College in June, 1949. That summer, teaming up with Rev. David S. Clarke and Marian Coon, we become known as the "Gospel 49ers," holding evangelistic meetings and Daily Vacation Bible Schools. This was repeated in the summer of 1950 except Rev. Mr. Clarke was unable to be with the other team members.

I enrolled in Northern Baptist Seminary in September, 1949. During my second year, I was a student co-pastor of the Chicago Seventh Day Baptist Church. It was then that I became convicted about believers baptism and my need of fulfilling the Scriptural injunction. Pastor Lippincott baptized me in April, 1951. Since Robert Lippincott's graduation from the seminary in May, 1951, I have had the privilege of acting as student pastor of the Chicago Church. This relationship has proved challenging and helpful to me. I wish to express my gratitude to the Church members for their forbearance, understanding, and support. My seminary training was the mountaintop experience for me since my conversion. Here I associated with some 360 Christians, devoted to the Lord. Such fellowship of Bible-believing Christians, called out to be ambassadors for Christ, was most edifying. Never have I experienced persecution because of my Sabbath convictions. I thank God for this citadel, yea a veritable lighthouse of the gospel.

I now stand at the crossroads of my Christian experience — praising God for His salvation and call to service and I trust Him to lead me to the place of His choosing for the future.

(To be continued)

## FROM THE EDITOR'S MAILBOX

Editor of the Sabbath Recorder:

The Sabbath Recorder of August 18 came this morning. As usual I commenced reading it at once, and my eye caught the heading, "The Westerly Sun Enters Its Sixtieth Year." I am writing partly to tell you that the statement, "the only daily paper in the United States published on Sunday, and not on the Sabbath (Saturday)," is not technically true. There is at least one daily paper that satisfies the above description, but of course for a far different reason. It is the Fort Pierce (Fla.) News-Tribune. I enclose the masthead of the paper which verifies this.

Very sincerely yours,  
Alfred E. Whitford.

(The editor has much to learn. — Ed.)

## Thirty-fourth Annual Report of the Commission of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference

(As adopted by the General Conference)

To the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference:

Your Commission would respectfully submit the following as its annual report for the year ending with this session of the General Conference.

Members of the Commission for this year were: Elmo F. Randolph, Milton, Wis.; K. Duane Hurley, Salem, W. Va.; Alfred L. Davis, Rochester, N. Y.; E. Keith Davis, Denver, Colo.; Lester G. Osborn, Ashway, R. I.; and O. B. Bond, Salem, W. Va. Courtland V. Davis, Plainfield, N. J., was secretary.

The Commission organized at the close of the Conference in Alfred, August 19, 1951, electing Elmo F. Randolph as chairman. Other meetings were held in Plainfield, N. J., September 30 and December 26 to 30, 1951, and in Boulder, Colo., August 12 to 17, 1952. Mr. Hurley was unable to attend the August and December meetings. Mr. Osborn and E. Keith Davis were unable to attend the September meeting. Hurley S. Warren was elected a member of the Commission for the December meeting in the absence of Mr. Hurley.

O. B. Bond, president of Conference, was directed to prepare the program for this session of Conference.

The Auditing Committee of the Commission reports that the accounts of the treasurer of the Denominational Budget, the treasurer of the Board of Trustees, and the treasurer of General Conference have been duly audited by competent auditors as directed by Conference.

The official list of ministers has been drawn up for publication in the 1952 Year Book and is now in the hands of the secretary for examination by any who may be interested.

In response to the suggestion of the 1951 Conference many of the associations have asked members of the Commission to present the denominational program at their meetings. These invitations were accepted by Rev. Lester G. Osborn at the Eastern Association; Alfred L. Davis at the Central and Western Associations; Rev. Elmo F. Randolph, North Central Association; Dr. E. Keith Davis, Mid-Continent and Pacific Coast Associations; and O. B. Bond, Southeastern and Northern Associations.

The report of O. B. Bond as president of Conference and as acting executive secretary is as follows:

In an attempt to justify the General Conference in my election as its president and in order to hold up the hands of the Commission while an executive secretary may be found, I have done two things:

First — I have tried to plan a program for the sessions of this General Conference that, when executed, our general assembly, leaders of our boards and agencies, and pastors will be challenged to action after a pattern of

Joined actively in one Church Visitation Evangelistic Campaign. Spoke to the assembly of churches of the Southeastern Association at their annual meeting in Salemville, Pa., on the subject, "Feed Thy Soul."

Attended, en route to Commission and General Conference, the quarterly meeting of the Chicago, Milton, Walworth, Milton Junction, and Albion Churches assembled at Albion, Wis.

Brought with pleasure the charge to the pastor in the installation of Kenneth Smith as pastor of the Milton Junction and Albion Churches. At this quarterly meeting I was made a member of the council that examined David Williams prior to his ordination.

Continuing west, I spoke briefly to the North Loup Church on Sabbath morning, August 2, and visited in the parish during the afternoon.

Continuing from North Loup I was unsuccessful in finding the Sopers at home in southwest Nebraska, so continued westward and arrived in Denver August 5.

The approach to the activities of this year has been staggering and my heart has been so faint, at times to the point that I would give up but for the courage of those who have lived and endured ahead of me and for the promise of the psalmist, "Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in Him and He will bring it to pass."

The experiences have been rich, refining, and truly spiritually reviving for me and I trust of mutual benefit to many with whom I have been associated through the progress of this year.

Respectfully,  
O. B. Bond.

In accordance with the action of General Conference at Alfred, Commission has assumed responsibility for promotion of the Denominational Budget this year.

Reporting on ten months of the Conference year, to August 1, \$32,635.47 of the \$43,825.00 total budget has been raised. The amount contributed in this period represents 74.5% of the year's goal.

Encouraging results in budget promotion to date, we believe, can be largely attributed to the splendid co-operation achieved through co-ordination of our denominational forces.

Plans for budget promotion have been considered and approved by the Planning Committee in its September and December meetings in Plainfield.

Special recognition is due the Woman's Board for its outstanding work in compiling a denominational mailing list, so necessary to the success of the "Marchers" campaign. Its conduct of the June "Rosebud" campaign among the women of the denominations was highly successful.

Our ministers, who have accepted the captaincy of the budget team, have been the key individuals in the budget promotion plan this year. Their enthusiasm in presenting the campaign to our people has been the decisive factor in our success thus far.

procedure that is bound to be productive of souls led to the fountain, a challenge to Christian growth, a prompting of constructive community influence, a greater consciousness of the worth of the Sabbath, the making of our respective professions helpful to individuals and society and yet always maintain an open mind to new vision and even experimentation, if you please, in making acquaintance with God.

We must have this vision and we must encourage and create a willingness on the part of our local leadership to co-operate with those who are directed to plan our future.

Second — to make the inherited office, acting executive secretary, appear slightly functional and to provide personal inspiration for myself and others I have done the following things since our last meeting:

Three times, by correspondence and the issuing of literature, have contacted every pastor in the denomination.

Represented our denomination at the inauguration of the United Church Men Movement in Cincinnati.

Spoke in every church in West Virginia in the interest of the denomination.

Assisted in the organization of the West Virginia Council of Seventh Day Baptist Churches.

Provided material and assisted in the planning of an Every Member Activity program for the Salem Church.

Participated in the program of the Board of Christian Education under the direction of its executive secretary, Ronald I. Hargis, in his visit to three churches in West Virginia in the interest of improved Religious Church Schools.

Took part on the program of the Ministers' Conference in Brookfield, N. Y. On the round trip to the Ministers' Conference I was accompanied by Mrs. Bond and Pastor Rex Zwiebel. Twice we stayed all night in the parsonage at Hebron, Pa., and called in Alfred and Alfred Station to visit briefly with Dean A. J. C. Bond and Rev. Harley Sutton, respectively. We passed through the following Seventh Day Baptist Church communities, making brief calls where contacts could be promptly made: Little Genesee, Nile, Andover, Richburg, Independence, De Ruyter, Leonardsville, and Brookfield.

Was a member of a panel to discuss denominational interests at the Eastern Association in Shiloh, N. J., on June 14, where representatives of the following churches and fellowship were present: Rockville, Ashaway, Westerly, Plainfield, Dunellen, New York City, Berlin, Marlboro, Shiloh, and the Philadelphia Fellowship.

Spoke twice at the Northern Association held in Jackson Center, Ohio, where representatives from Battle Creek, White Cloud, Indianapolis, and Jackson Center Churches were present.

Assisted in the planning of a long-time constructive rehabilitation program of the Middle Island Seventh Day Baptist Church at New Milton, W. Va.

Invaluable service has been rendered our efforts in budget promotion by the Sabbath Recorder whose editor has given the fullest co-operation in making the best space of our denominational organ available for budget editorials and information.

Commission challenges all our churches and people to respond during the concluding two months of the Conference year with contributions equal to the amount of \$11,189.53 necessary to realize the total year's budget of \$43,825.00.

The Commission has distributed to all our pastors copies of cards of invitation to join the United Fellowship of Protestants in the armed services, and cards of introduction to service chaplains to be presented to each member of the pastor's church and congregation as he enters the service.

The Tract Society has been asked to secure and send to each of our men in the services devotional and inspirational material published by the National Council of Churches for that purpose.

The president of Conference was authorized to speak for Seventh Day Baptists in welcoming the work of the General Department of United Church Men of the National Council of Churches at its sessions in Cincinnati, Oct. 6-7, 1951.

Copies of a pamphlet entitled, "How Can We Give More," were purchased in a special Seventh Day Baptist edition and distributed to co-operating pastors for use in their congregations. Additional copies of this pamphlet are still available from the secretary of the Commission.

A pamphlet entitled, "Diplomatic Relations with the Vatican," has been distributed to our pastors.

The Commission has taken its first steps toward co-ordinating our denominational program through the work of two Planning Committee meetings at which all boards and agencies were represented. These meetings were held in Plainfield, N. J., on September 30 and December 29, 1951.

Endeavors to find an executive secretary have been and will continue to be vigorously prosecuted.

The Commission has continued its study of denominational reorganization and, in the interest of providing greater continuity of administration, at the 1953 Conference will propose an amendment to the by-laws providing for the election each year of a first vice-president, to hold the office of president in the Conference year beginning one year after his election, and to be one of the six members of the Commission beginning immediately after his election and continuing for three years.

### Recommendations

1. The Commission acknowledges with thanks the constructive recommendations of the Missionary Board concerning the denominational retirement program and recommends the adoption of the following proposals:

a. That the present board sponsored programs be co-ordinated with and administered by the denominational retirement program (Board of

Trustees of the Memorial Fund and Committee on Ministerial Retirement of the Conference).

b. That the denominational retirement program be extended to include employees of denominational boards and agencies as follows: Accredited ministers, denominationally sponsored missionaries, and any other employees within the United States as determined by the Committee on Ministerial Retirement of General Conference.

c. That retirement benefits for widows of denominational employees be provided on the basis of the current retirement program.

d. That present and previous retirement commitments by the boards above the new scale be honored by the denomination's retirement program.

e. That budget amounts provided for the boards in meeting retirement allowances be transferred to the Memorial Fund for administration at the direction of the Committee on Ministerial Retirement.

f. That income from invested funds of the boards designated for retirement purposes be transferred to the Board of Trustees of the Memorial Fund.

g. That in the ensuing year a study be made of the possibility of transferring the permanent funds designated for retirement purposes from the several boards to the Memorial Fund.

2. The Commission recognizes the inadequacy of retirement allowances for our retired ministers and recommends:

a. That beginning October 1, 1952, retirement allowances be computed at \$1.25 per month, per year of service. The budget item for Ministerial Retirement has been increased to make possible this increase in allowances.

b. That the Conference plan to establish a minimum rate of \$2.00 per month per year of service to be reached by yearly increments of twenty-five cents.

c. That the Conference remind our ministers and Churches of the importance of their participation in the ministerial retirement plan. One hundred per cent participation is believed to be essential even though in hardship cases the amount contributed may be less than that provided in the schedule.

3. The Commission takes further note of the request to provide retirement allowances for denominational workers in foreign fields. The Commission feels that further study of this problem is required and does not have a recommendation to present at this time.

4. Aware of the necessity of educating our ministry effectively and also concerned with the high cost of maintaining a School of Theology, the Com-

mission recommends that the Conference, through its nominating committee, set up a committee composed of four laymen and three ministers to thoroughly study ways and means of providing the best possible training at reasonable expense.

5. Two of the associations, Central and Northern, have reported their approval of the plan of associational representation on the Commission. Other associations are known to have taken similar action. This proposal needs further exploration in detail and should be the object of study this year.

The problem of the expense of the proposed Commission presents itself. Should the association pay this or the General Conference? Is the present distribution of Churches into associations sound from the standpoint of population? Are the associations the areas in which regional conferences might be developed? These meetings might meet for 5-6 days annually and become a training school for Sabbath school workers, superintendents, and personal workers. Would it be good procedure to have General Conferences to meet on odd numbered years and the Regional Associational Conferences on even numbered years, and to have the meeting time of the latter staggered throughout the year so that the leadership of the denomination might be in attendance at all associational meetings in order to assist?

Since the answers to the above questions would appear to be in the associations themselves, the Commission recommends that during the next year, these questions and those related to them be considered by the associations, and that suggestions arising from these studies be forwarded to the Commission through the corresponding secretary in order that the material may be studied and presented in form of a recommendation next year.

6. That the budget presented separately, but a part of this report, be adopted as the Denominational Budget for the year beginning October 1, 1952. (See back cover, this issue.)

#### In Conclusion

Your Commission, in presenting this report, would acknowledge its constant and continuing need of dependence upon the leading and power of the Holy Spirit in all our deliberations and decisions.

May the results that obtain from our labors as your representatives in the kingdom work of Seventh Day Baptists now and in future days be to the glory of our God and Father, through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Elmo F. Randolph,  
K. Duane Hurley,  
Alfred L. Davis,  
E. Keith Davis,  
Lester G. Osborn,  
O. B. Bond.

## JAMAICA SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CONFERENCE

The annual conference of the Seventh Day Baptists was convened with the Wakefield Church in Trelawney, July 23-27, 1952. Business sessions were held during the day and evangelistic meetings at night. An election of officers resulted in the election of Rev. N. H. Grant of Guys Hill, president, and of Rev. W. T. Fitzrandolph as corresponding secretary.

Statistics presented by the corresponding secretary revealed that the membership of the churches of the conference had increased during the year 20%; only four churches reported a loss in membership. Funds for conference work also showed an increase of 31%.

Actions of conference included an increase in salary for the conference workers. Also a resolution congratulating Lady Foote upon the stand she has taken through the Jamaica Woman's Federation upon marriage and family life and morals and pledged the support of Seventh Day Baptists to every movement to improve the moral, economic, and spiritual life of Jamaica.

Large delegations came by truck from churches in Trelawney, St. Anns, St. Marys, St. Catherine, St. Thomas, and Kingston. A concert and play were given on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Martha Crichlow, wife of a former missionary who spent five years in the work here, furnished a very pleasant surprise by dropping down from the United States to attend conference. E. T. H.

## MISSION HOPES AND AMBITIONS

By Secretary Everett T. Harris

Conference address presented on the Missionary Society program August 20, 1952, at Denver, Colo.

It was thoughtful and considerate of the Conference President and of the Missionary Board's Committee on Conference Program to give the new secretary an opportunity to tell of his hopes and ambitions as they relate to our denomination's missionary program. For if I had no hopes and ambitions I would have no business being the secretary, and if I had no opportunity to share them with the people of our denomination, how

could I ever hope for their accomplishment?

"Faith, hope, and love, these three" go hand in hand. I have a great faith in God and His people, I have a great love for God and His people. Today I want to speak of a great hope which I have — a hope that grows out of my faith and love for God, as it relates to the missionary efforts and plans of His people.

I would like to speak of these hopes and plans and ambitions under the following headings: As they relate to the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society and the people of our denomination; as they relate to the home field; as they relate to the foreign field.

I. Thinking first, then, of my plans, hopes, and ambitions as they relate to the Missionary Board and the people of our denomination, these center around winning and holding the respect and confidence of the board and people. I feel that I have that confidence as I begin this work. I trust that I will not forfeit the right to continue to hold it, as decisions have to be made and plans carried out in the future.

I wish I might have the kind of confidence that would react something like this: that in a given situation you might say, "I don't know why the secretary made a decision like that, but it is possible that he knows more about the situation than I do and I trust his judgment." Maybe you can't say that now, maybe you will never be able to say it, but at least that is my aspiration and my ambition for the future. You can't blame me for wanting to deserve that kind of confidence from both the Board of Managers and the people of our denomination.

II. Hopes and ambitions as they relate to the Home Field can be briefly stated as follows: To bring our mission churches along the way toward being self-supporting, mission-minded churches themselves — to have an increasing number of full-time pastors who do not have to drive school busses or do substitute teaching or some other outside task in order to supplement their meager salaries.

When we read that the average pastor's salary in the Northern Baptist denomination is over \$3,000 and realize that the

maximum salary which the Missionary Society is trying to maintain among those churches that request assistance is only \$1,300, we can see what a tremendous gap there is between what we ought to be striving for and what we are actually attaining. The average salary paid to pastors on the home field as listed in the 1951 Year Book is approximately \$1,600. This means that the majority of our pastors are supplementing their income by some task other than the one to which they once felt the call of God. Brethren, this ought not to be so. Is it any wonder that such part-time pastors are unable to show an increase in the church membership at the close of the year?

And furthermore, how in heaven's name can we expect our best young men to even enter the ministry for full-time service if we can only offer an average salary of \$1,600 a year, with the prospect of retiring not on the social security basis, of \$70 or \$80 a month retirement allowance, but on the basis of \$40 to \$50 maximum if they live long enough to serve for forty years!

Does anyone present have the courage (if that is the proper name for it) to ask some promising young valedictorian of his high school class to "give of his best to the Master," to come into the Christian Seventh Day Baptist ministry? Can you say to him, "Let the church ordain and set you apart for full-time service at \$1,600 a year?" Please do not ask your secretary to do this. If he did it, it would not be courage, but gall, that he would need. Do not misunderstand me. There are other powerful reasons for entering the ministry, but financial support is not one of them.

What, then, are my hopes and ambitions in this matter? Surely it is to raise the basic salary wage of our pastors until it is on a par with the salary of the people with whom he must live and work. It seems quite possible to find the average salary of any ten heads of families in any church. We can deduct fifteen per cent of that total because the church furnishes the pastor his home. Do that and see where your pastor's salary lies in comparison with the average head of a family in your community. He doesn't

need to live better than the average, but he has a right to expect to live as well as the average. If his salary lies below that average, don't blame him or be unreasonable about it if he drives the school bus. If he drives a school bus, don't be satisfied to let him. Go back home and figure out some way to increase his salary so that he can give full time to the job God called him to do and to which he was ordained and set apart by his brother Christians. Don't blame him if he gives so much time to outside activities he has very little time and strength left to serve the Christ and win souls to Him.

Many years ago Secretary William L. Burdick went up and down this land begging, urging, persuading our churches to pay their pastors a living wage. Many of them responded and brought up their standard. But since then the cost of living has doubled and tripled and salaries have not kept pace. I have not the fluency which Secretary Burdick had, but I do have a terrible conviction that our pastorate will die out, we will call out only the misfits and the second best into our churches — unless we bestir ourselves. This is one of my hopes and ambitions and it relates to everyone of us present. Go home and do something about your pastor's salary, that he may live on a basis with the average worker in his pastorate. Compare his salary with your public school principal. There are very few of our pastors but that could make a first-rate principal if they had felt the call to enter that profession. Certainly the pastors have put in as many years of preparation as has your public school principal. Why not use that as a guide to what we should be paying our pastors?

When we begin to take this matter to heart, then and only then will some of us feel right about going out and trying to recruit our best young men for the Seventh Day Baptist ministry.

How shall we prevail upon Seventh Day Baptists to bestir themselves? We are so satisfied, so smugly content. All we ask is to be let alone. Where is a prophet of the caliber of Nathan to step up to each one of us and say, "Thou art the man" — "You had enough money last year to buy a new car, to buy a TV set,

to go on a vacation! How did such expenditure compare with your gifts to Christ and His Church?"

Thou art the man — We must go home and do something about this, or God have mercy on our souls!

(To be continued)

### A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race. His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof." Psalm 19: 1-6.

"Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven: how much more will he clothe you, O ye of little faith?" Luke 12: 27, 28.

Today, I deliberately left behind me duties of the day and walked out and up into a world that had been calling with increasing insistence all spring and summer. To be sure, I have been refreshed and renewed in spirit each day by the colors in the flower garden and the beauty of the trees across the way, but today I must have more.

Up the lane, along the cowpath, past the sweet corn patch with never a thought of how much corn would soon be ready for the canner or the freezer. Today I was adventuring. On the first rise I looked back at the buildings, but they seemed unfamiliar from this view, then up to where I could look out over the woods and fields. There was the rich green of the corn, the deep yellow of the wheat, and beyond them the dark woods, where I knew the river flowed. A feast for the eyes and for the soul. And then I

dropped down into the shade and let the stillness soothe and quiet me. Around me the breeze stirred the grass, gradually the birds took up their song where it had been interrupted, and the other inhabitants of the place went on about their business, if we may presume to call it that. How long I sat there just absorbing everything around me I do not know, but distant sounds finally warned that the time had come to go. With one last look, I must go back to the kitchen, for a hungry family would soon be home. No fairy wand had whisked away the waiting tasks, but in my heart was a great content. My soul had been fed.

### Out in the Fields with God

The little cares that fretted me  
I lost them yesterday  
Among the fields above the sea,  
Among the winds at play;  
Among the lowing of the herds,  
The rustling of the trees,  
Among the singing of the birds,  
The humming of the bees.

The foolish fears of what might happen,  
I cast them all away.  
Among the clover-scented grass  
Among the new-mown hay,  
Among the husking of the corn,  
Where drowsy posies nod,  
Where ill thoughts die and good are born —  
Out in the fields with God.

—Author unknown.

(M. M.)

### Our Children's Letter Exchange

Dear Mrs. Greene:

Mother has been reading me the Children's Page in the Sabbath Recorder, so I went down and asked for some of grandpa's paper with a picture of his cows up in the mountains to write you a letter on.

Since I last wrote you a letter, I have a new baby sister. I prayed for a brother, but God sent us a sister instead. She was born June 7th, and we call her Geneva Adele after our two grandmas.

I go to school this fall, and one day I saw my teacher's office. She is very pretty.

My Grandpa Hummel eats with us now

that Grandma Hummel is in heaven, and Jennie Lou and I have lots of fun playing on grandpa's bed downstairs. We live upstairs in grandpa's house.

Love,  
Willard Eugene Wells.

Boulder, Colo.

Dear Willard Eugene:

I was pleased to receive your letter and the picture of your grandpa's cows. I wish it were possible to put the picture in the Recorder, so that others could see it.

When I was a little girl I prayed for a baby sister, but God sent me a brother instead, but I loved my baby brother and as soon as he was old enough to play with me we had many happy times together, so I feel pretty sure you will enjoy your baby sister.

My Grandma Sherburne lived with us when I was a little girl. Every day she told me interesting stories, and especially Sabbath day they were Bible stories. Her room was the happiest room in the house for me.

I hope I will hear from you again soon.

Lovingly yours,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I just had a birthday. It was August 3rd. I got lots of toys. My friend had a birthday August 4th, but his real birthday is August 3rd.

I got four Lone Ranger puzzles. They were all different of course; and then grandma gave me a pair of pajamas.

Your Recorder friend,  
Jared Van Horn.

31 Greenman Avenue,  
Westerly, R. I.

Dear Jared:

I have a granddaughter whose birthday is August 2nd, so I will always know when your birthday comes. She is ten years old. How old are you?

I'm glad you had so many toys on your birthday. Do you suppose you will be able to play with them when your next birthday comes around, or will you play with them so hard that they will be all worn out by that time?

I'll have to tell you a joke on a little boy I knew. He didn't get as many presents as he wanted one Christmas day,

so he hung up his stocking New Year's Eve hoping he would receive more.

This makes me think of a little story, so I will finish my letter by telling it to you. It is about two little boys and one little mouse. I'll call my story —

#### What Happened to the Gingerbread Man?

Johnny and Jimmy were little twin boys whose birthday came on Christmas day. On their fifth birthday they came to spend Christmas week with their dear Grandma Brown.

On Christmas Eve their grandma asked them what each one would like best in his Christmas stocking, a gingerbread man, or a candy horse.

This was a hard question to settle. Johnny looked at Jimmy, and Jimmy looked at Johnny. "I tell you," said Jimmy, "you have the man, Johnny, and I'll have the horse, and then we'll give each other the heads."

"So we will," said Johnny. "That's just the very thing."

But when they looked in their stockings Christmas morning, Jimmy found his candy horse, but some of Johnny's presents were on the floor and he found no gingerbread man in his stocking; but running across the floor was a little mouse scattering gingerbread crumbs behind him. "Oh, oh!" said Johnny, "I guess that mouse ate my gingerbread man."

What do you think, Jared? Well, thanks to grandma, each little boy had a gingerbread man and a candy horse.

Yours with love,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

What we put into our stomachs may give us strength or it may just give us an ulcer. Same way with our minds! —  
Clipsheet.

**For Sale at Milton, Wis.** — Excellent dairy farm of 96 acres. Prairie silt loam alfalfa (limed) soil. Coldest well water — endless supply powered by automatic electric pump. 10-room house, dairy building and cooling room, 32 ft. by 85 ft. basement barn; 24 cow watering cups, new milk house attached to barn with electric refrigeration; silo, etc. Excellent church, schools, black top roads, and other advantages. Desire to sell to a reliable Seventh Day Baptist. Terms 1/4 cash down, balance in ten years at 4% interest. Dwight and Beatrice Clarke, Box 71, Milton, Wis.

#### ITEMS OF INTEREST

**RIVERSIDE** — A recent issue of a Riverside, Calif., paper carries a picture of President K. Duane Hurley and his family. From this paper it is learned that President Hurley has been in Riverside this summer and commuting to Los Angeles where he has been completing work for a master's degree in telecommunications. Both President and Mrs. Hurley are well known in Riverside and in Marysville and El Monte, Calif., where he has taught in the public schools. As a former editor of the Sabbath Recorder he is highly regarded in Plainfield. It was with pleasure that his inauguration as president of Salem College was noted in these columns some time ago. Mr. Hurley is said to be the next to the youngest college president in the United States.

**ALFRED** — Alfred has a brand new post office. Built of buff brick, it is located just below what to older alumni is the building that housed Dana Shaw's Jewelry store and to the younger generation housed the "Huddle." The new building has twice the space of the old post office and will contain additional lock boxes to care for increased business. It has a loading platform at the back and space for mail trucks to turn around. Can you believe it? — Alfred Alumni News.

#### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society will be held in the Pawcatuck Church, Westerly, R. I., September 21, 1952, at 2:00 p.m.

E. T. H.

#### DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

As amended and adopted by the General Conference at Denver, Colo., August 24, 1952, for the fiscal year October 1, 1952, to September 30, 1953.

#### Missionary Society:

Toward a budget of \$27,745.00	
Foreign Missions .....	\$ 5,795.00
Barrar visit .....	1,500.00
Missionary nurse project .....	600.00
Home Missions .....	2,000.00
Administration .....	4,600.00
National Council of Churches .....	250.00
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	\$ 14,745.00

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#### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Women's Society will be held at the Battle Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church, Battle Creek, Mich., September 14, 1952, at 8:00 p.m.

#### ANNUAL MEETING AMERICAN SABBATH TRACT SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY

The annual meeting of the members of the American Sabbath Tract Society of New Jersey, for the election of officers and trustees and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before them, will be held in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, 510 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, N. J., on Sunday afternoon, September 14, 1952, at two o'clock.

Franklin A. Langworthy,  
President,  
Frederik J. Bakker,  
Recording Secretary.

#### ANNUAL MEETING AMERICAN SABBATH TRACT SOCIETY OF NEW YORK

The annual meeting of the members of the American Sabbath Tract Society of New York for the election of officers and directors and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before them, will be held in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, 510 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, N. J., on Sunday afternoon, September 14, 1952, at two-thirty o'clock.

Franklin A. Langworthy,  
President,  
Frederik J. Bakker,  
Recording Secretary.



Tract Society:

Toward a budget of \$21,275.00		
Sabbath Recorder .....	\$ 3,425.00	
Literature and visual aids .....	1,000.00	
Administration .....	1,200.00	
Light and janitor service .....	150.00	
		5,775.00

Board of Christian Education:

Toward a budget of \$9,000.00		
School of Theology .....	\$ 3,000.00	
Administration .....	3,264.00	
Publications .....	1,705.00	
Retirement .....	600.00	
National Council of Churches .....	150.00	
Youth work .....	150.00	
Miscellaneous .....	131.00	
		8,000.00

Women's Society:

Toward a budget of \$1,060.00		
Committee expenses .....	\$ 425.00	
Administration .....	555.00	
Printing special booklets .....	80.00	
		1,060.00

Historical Society:

Toward a budget of \$5,645.00		
Office supplies and expenses .....	\$ 110.00	
Increase in assistant librarian's salary .....	300.00	
Insurance .....	100.00	
Accessions, research, and care of library .....	800.00	
Expansion .....	300.00	
Light and janitor service .....	150.00	
		1,770.00

* Ministerial Retirement .....		5,300.00
Toward a budget of \$12,000.00		

Seventh Day Baptist Building .....		1,485.00
Toward a budget of \$2,755.00		

World Fellowship and Service:

Toward a budget of \$275.00		
World Council of Churches .....	\$ 50.00	
National Council of Churches .....	100.00	
Commission on Chaplains .....	50.00	
Baptist Committee on Public Relations .....	25.00	
Religion in American Life .....	50.00	
		275.00

General Conference:

Toward a budget of \$10,175.00		
Expenses of officers .....	\$ 775.00	
Expenses of Commission .....	1,200.00	
Year Book .....	675.00	
Executive secretary salary .....	4,200.00	
Executive secretary expenses .....	2,000.00	
Expenses of Ministerial Training Survey		
Committee .....	750.00	
Budget promotion .....	400.00	
Vocational Committee .....	100.00	
Printing and stationery .....	200.00	
Contingent Fund .....	625.00	

Total budget .....	\$ 10,925.00	
Less surplus .....	2,700.00	

Balance requested for 1952-1953 .....		8,225.00
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Toward a total budget of \$90,680.00 .....		\$46,635.00
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\* Respective boards and agencies shall correctly reflect the changed retirement program in the procedure for disbursement of funds.

SEPTEMBER 8, 1952

# The Sabbath Recorder

*"Thy kingdom come, thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven."*



**Conference Theme:**

**"YOKED FOR LIFE IN CHRIST"**