

### *My Confession*

James W. Probasco\*

*O Lord, I have not been  
What thou wouldst have me be.  
I've often been afraid  
And acted cowardly.*

*O Lord, I know I've done  
What thou dost hate to see.  
I've sinned each little sin  
In Satan's will 'gainst thee.*

*O Lord, I've tried so hard  
To try to talk to you.  
But then my mind goes blank  
And then I don't get through.*

*I've just about lost hope  
As here I sit and pray.  
Each time I try again  
Temptation gets its way.*

*But Lord, I try once more  
With one last hope in mind.  
To save myself from death  
Till you, oh God, I find.*

*I only ask one thing  
That me you will forgive.  
And soon someday we'll meet  
Forever more to live.*

*Guide me through the darkness  
And through the storm-tossed sea.  
Lord, guide me all the way  
And lead me straight to thee.*

\* James is the son of Owen Probasco of Shiloh, N. J., some of whose poems have been printed in this journal. This prayer was composed for use on Youth Sabbath at the Shiloh church.

*O Lord, what hurts me most  
Is that you died for me  
And I have not yet giv'n  
One bit of thanks to thee.*

*Oh Lord, I had forgotten  
What you do mean to me.  
So here is my last wish,  
From Satan set me free.*

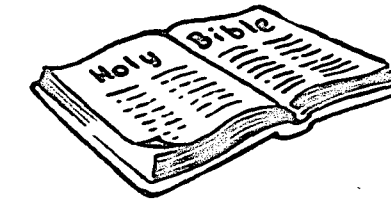
*And now I'd like to give  
Not only all my love,  
But all of me as well  
Until we meet above.*

### Authority of the Bible

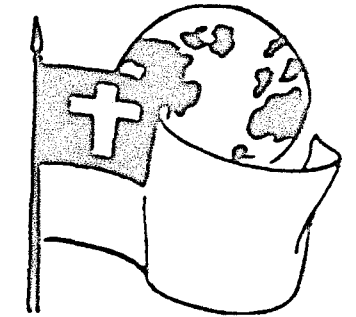
In a new book, *The Inspiration and Authority of Scripture*, Dr. René Pache, president of Emmaus Bible School in Lausanne, Switzerland, and one of Europe's most distinguished evangelical scholars, begins:

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"WHERE THERE IS NO VISION THE PEOPLE PERISH"



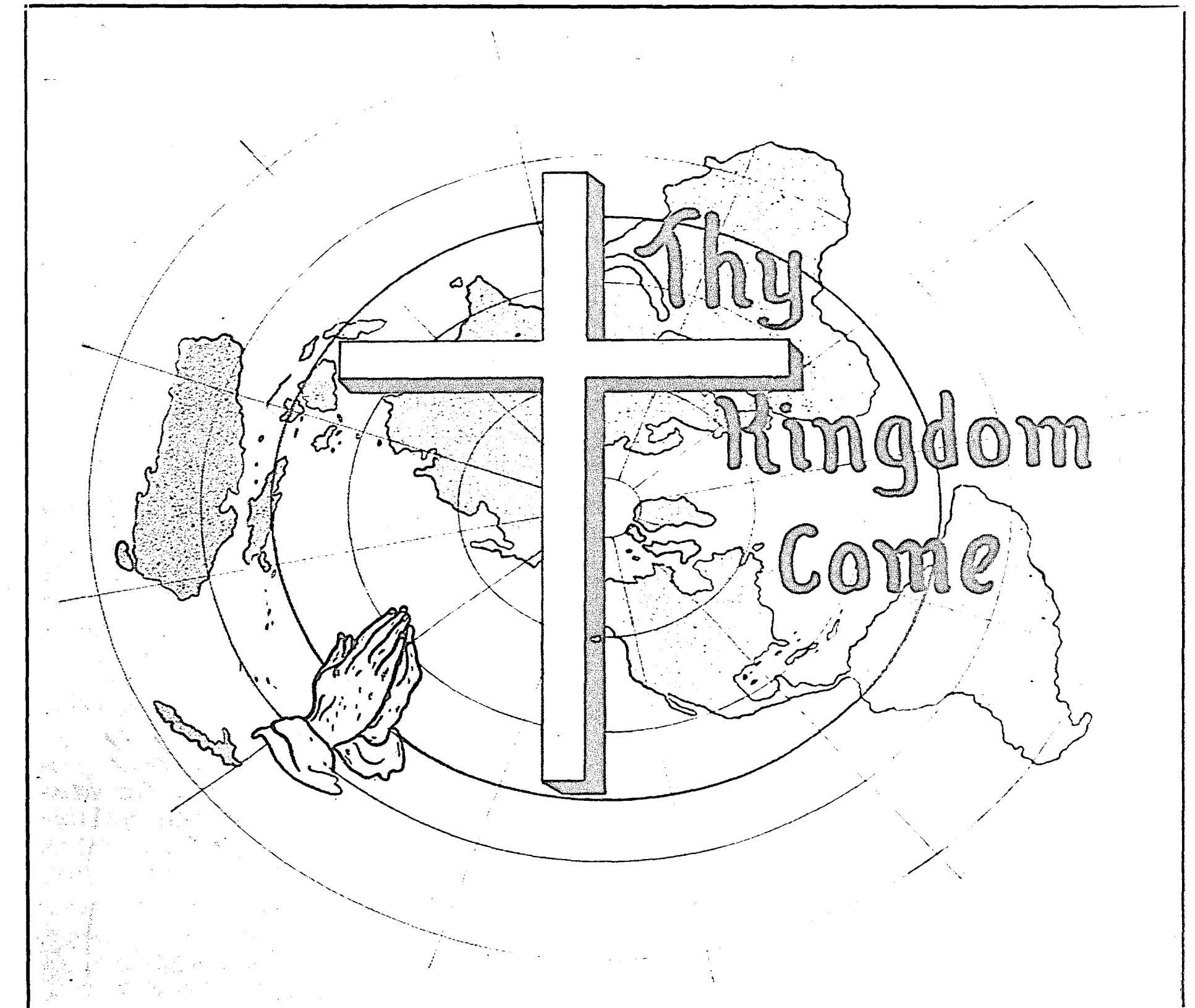
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## On the Team

How many people does it take to get  
a missionary on the field? An individual  
or a couple feels the call of God to be  
missionaries. Perhaps they know that  
their call is to a specific field, or possibly  
they only know that they are called to  
a mission field somewhere. They are  
willing and eager to serve in this way,  
but they are by no means on their way  
to their field of service yet.

There is still the need to offer their  
services and to receive a call to a field  
that is open and needy. There are com-  
plicated details to be worked out with the  
government of our country and with that  
of the other country to allow a person or  
persons to leave the United States for a  
stated length of time and to be permitted  
to enter and work in the other country.  
There are the details of medical examina-  
tions and immunization that are required.  
There are the details of groundwork  
planning for work in the mission area.  
Then there is the matter of travel costs  
to and from the field, living costs there,  
and a myriad of other details.

Other people are involved in this com-  
plicated business of calling, preparing  
plans and arranging for financial support.  
Our Missionary Society carries this re-  
sponsibility. Its many members, from the  
president, executive vice-president, treas-  
urer and secretary right down through  
the committee chairmen, members of  
committees and committees at large are  
constantly at work supervising the work  
being carried on in several fields, investi-  
gating new opportunities, calling mission-  
aries, providing their needs, arranging  
budgets to enable the mission endeavor to  
go forward.

The Seventh Day Baptist General Con-  
ference is also involved in getting mis-  
sionaries to the field. It often takes the  
initiative in promoting expansion of mis-  
sion effort. Its approval is ultimately  
needed to carry on present endeavors.  
General Conference votes the budget that  
will support the work of the missionary.

And then there are the numerous  
Seventh Day Baptists who are not widely  
known by name. They are simply Chris-  
tians who love the Lord Jesus Christ, and

who, like their Savior, have a loving con-  
cern for the salvation of all men every-  
where. The missionary, and the Mission-  
ary Society, and General Conference  
must depend upon God working through  
these individual Christian laymen to make  
mission work possible. Budgets depend  
upon the loving offerings of these con-  
secrated children of Christ. Spiritual  
power depends upon their prayers and  
encouragement.

When a missionary goes to the field,  
how many people are involved in the  
effort? Who can say? But it can be said  
truly that many people are involved. They  
are a team, they work as a team. Each  
member must be wholly consecrated to  
the Lord, willing to be noticed or un-  
noticed, to do a task that is sensational  
or one that seems almost insignificant.  
When the missionary goes to his work,  
he is riding upon the shoulders of many  
Christians who are fully as consecrated  
to their Lord.

We are "workers together with him"  
(2 Cor. 6:1). As we carry our part in  
the team effort through our gifts and  
prayers, we may justly share in the ex-  
citement and joy that the true missionary  
of Christ knows through his minister-  
ing of the gospel. Are you on the team?

—Edgar F. Wheeler

## Notes from Non-Mission Countries

From the lands where we have Seventh  
Day Baptist personnel employed by our  
Missionary Society we expect and receive  
regular reports, such as are found weekly  
on the Missions page of this periodical  
and on the other pages of this issue. We  
cannot require frequent reports from sep-  
arate conferences or from native workers  
for our common cause in lands where  
we do not have salaried employees. Thus  
news comes sporadically, not necessarily  
just in time for a *Mission Notes* special  
issue. However, some news is available.

Burma news comes primarily from L.  
Sawi Thanga, secretary of the Burma  
Conference. He has been able to do some  
traveling in recent months, but his desire  
to go to Assam where he has family con-  
nections and where there is some known

interest in the Sabbath was thwarted by government restrictions. He visited some of the Chin Hills churches instead. He announces his intent to prepare a life of Christ and a hymn book for general Christian use. In a letter dated September 20 he writes, "It is my desire to write some books for the church. In this country very few persons can write books in our language, but so many can read . . . The sale proceeds will be for the maintenance of the church, nothing for personal benefit." His experience as editor of the Lushai journal gives him confidence. He is now preparing Sabbath School lessons for 1971.

In Korea there is at least one Seventh Day Baptist church (at Kwang Ju) and groups in other places under the direction of Jin Sung Kim, a young man, and his older assistant. They receive some help privately from America to sustain them as they distribute literature and hold small meetings. A year ago they purchased a tent for evangelistic meetings. This past summer they were able to provide seating as well as a roof. A letter of September 22 says that the money received is "mostly spent in managing our church . . ."

News from India centers in Nellore in the Southeast where the Rev. B. John V. Rao is secretary of the Conference and the spark of the whole work. There were glowing reports of new churches organized in July and trained preachers to lead them. In August the days were darker due to the prospect that his wife would have to go to Mysore to provide education for the children. Then a daughter died and the wife was hospitalized. About this time four new Sabbath and gospel tracts were printed so there is now a good supply of literature for the many helpers to use; there is evidence that other conference officers are taking responsibility for some of the work.

Neither Ghana nor Nigeria have been in close touch with the Tract Society office in the past few months. A little help has gone to Ghana from some of our European churches, according to letters received. At the last report from Mr. Osa in Nigeria the churches were getting on their feet again.

### Camp Meeting Held by Rhodesia Mission

Under the leadership of Pastor Lamech M. Vumah, the Seventh Day Baptist witness in Rhodesia continues to grow. Their first camp meeting was held August 6-9 at Selukwe and was attended by Pastor and Mrs. David Pearson and family, in Rhodesia on vacation at that time. They were able to spend the weekend in fellowship with these brethren, having known Pastor Vumah from his previous visit to Malawi. The Rhodesia mission is sponsored in part, by the Central Africa Conference of Seventh Day Baptists.

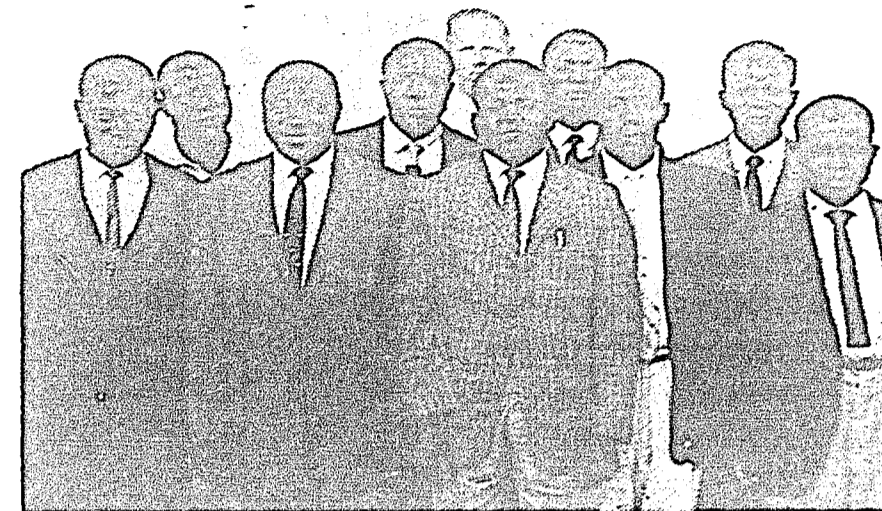
Pastor Vumah serves as a chaplain at the Selukwe Peak Mine (Chrome) and has the use of their buildings as a place for worship and school rooms where he can minister to the children of the miners. While this offers opportunity for service at the mine, it limits the outreach into other areas where Seventh Day Baptists are unknown.

The theme of the meeting was "The Love of God" and there were several guests who spoke: Sergeant Major Chamboko (S.D.A.), Pastor L. Sibanda (Pentecostal), Mrs. Chipato (Methodist). On Sabbath, August 8, Pastor Pearson from Malawi, and his family had part in the meetings. Mrs. E. Vumah, acting secretary, has written:

"On the Sabbath morning we had our Sabbath School under tree shade which was a reminder of God in the creation work. Mrs. B. Pearson taught the boys' and girls' class in English while Miss Tunyiwe Potera helped her by interpreting to Shona. The men and women were taught by Pastor Pearson in half Chewa and half English (Engli-Chewa), not that the Chewa was not good, but he used both for the goodness of our people to see a white man speaking in an African language.

"During the morning service Mrs. B. Pearson gave a very inspiring illustration using two cups, one dirty and one clean, to show the difference between the saved and the unsaved. In the afternoon we had the choir from the S.D.A. to entertain us with their wooing songs which was followed by our own choir (boys')

## Malawi



Men assembled for course in Sabbath Philosophy held at the education center in Blantyre, April 1970—Left to right: H. Msowah, G. Nantikwa, A. Harawa, L. Vumah, D. Pearson, H. Nthwaru, S. Msowah, L. Chisi, W. Mataka and W. Pearson.

giving us two songs. Pastor David Pearson stood behind the Bible to interpret to us the language of the Bible. In his speech he indicated God loves man with His all, and all that man is and has. God wants to use man and his money. He also pointed out how a church can support their pastor.

"We also gathered for our (Sabbath) evening meeting (Friday night) at which time, after a song together, Debbie Pearson stood with a 'Story To Share' using a flannel-graph to tell the call of Samuel. Shortly after her stood Pastor Pearson who spoke about how the S.D.B.'s got started, when, why and where. Most people were very much interested in his Chichewa speaking."

Mrs. Vumah concludes her report: "So it was when these kind missionaries visited us, we wanted to build 'three tents' for them to stay. The meeting was a good start and fruitful. We look forward to such occasions where we will have other visitors from other conferences. May we make it clear that the work for a missionary is here. You may not be able to send us a missionary at present, but you can do the activities of a missionary while at home by sending us tracts . . . or by praying for our work here."

## Makapwa of the 70's

By John and Joyce Conrod

It is hard to believe that "summer" is over and "fall" is here, with "winter" coming around the corner. Here in the perpetual warmth of Africa, our first winter outside of the States is really going to be strange. It is also hard to believe that we are "missionaries" when we think of the type of work that it used to be not long ago.

Although our house at Makapwa is surrounded by traditional grass-roofed homes, we can turn on a faucet and have running water, or flick a switch and have electric lights. However, this is true only after we have pumped water by hand from our storage cistern into drums mounted near the roof of our house and after we have hand-started the diesel-powered electric generator (which we run for only two and a half hours—three nights a week.) Nor is our work cutting through dense brush to reach remote villages with the gospel. (The people here proudly keep paths well-cleared and wide enough to drive on with our little Renault.)



Conrods being welcomed by pastors

Family living is a bit more complicated with Joyce teaching Mike, our oldest boy and our alternating driving our younger son, Philip, to school (one hour or eighteen miles away). In between times, there are ambulance and church-visiting trips, and supply trips to Blan-

tyre (forty miles away). Just as it sounds, it takes a lot of driving to get anywhere from Makapwa.

Our main job is to work ourselves out of a job—by helping to develop in the nationals of the church, the ability of self-government, self-propagation and self-support. That is the mission-field of the 1970's. Our churches here are well on their way to becoming self-governing with the recently acquired incorporation under the laws of the Malawi government and the holding of "general conference" business meetings. There is a Board of Trustees to make decisions between conference sessions and a management committee at Makapwa Station to make local decisions between board meetings. At present the hospital is being administered by Missionary Sarah Becker, R.N., but we are looking forward to the return of Mr. Dzumani, a national who is presently taking nurse's training in England.

Self-propagation is covered by evangelistic "efforts" which are instrumental in beginning new churches. A patient at the Makapwa hospital is an example of the evangelistic interest. After being won to Christ by our Makapwa pastor-chaplain, she went back to her village and won several of her relatives to Christ and another new church was born.

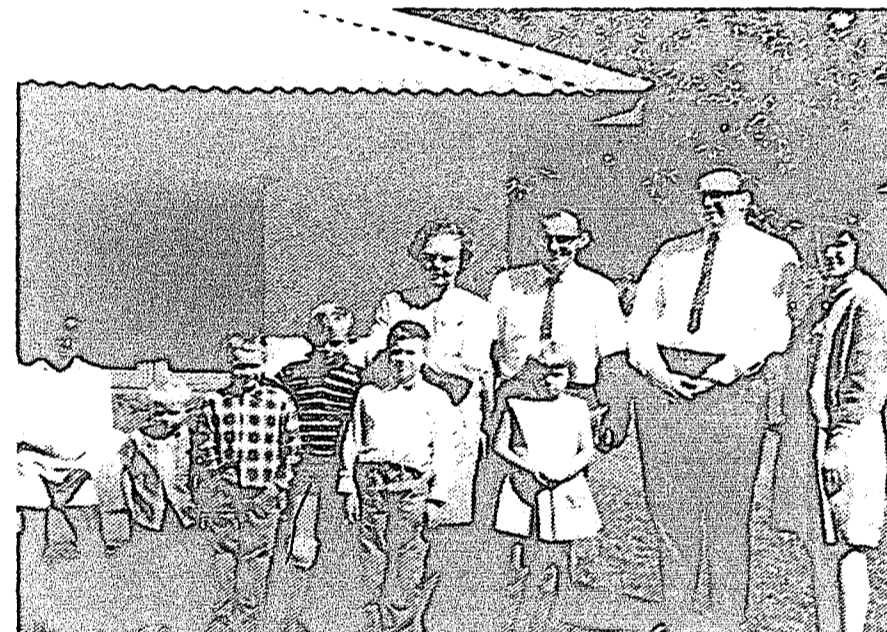
The area of greatest difficulty lies in that of self-support. Since Malawi is based on an agricultural economy, the people have very little money. It would be very difficult for them to support a hospital and schools without government and OWM help. The pastors also depend on support to supply bicycles for travel and books for sermon preparation. However, one of the Biblical principles of tithing is that if ten families in a church were actually to tithe a tenth of their *crops and salaries*, they would be able to support their pastor at their economic level. This is the goal we presently seek in self-support. But since the U.S.A. has been supporting this area for many years it is very hard to retrain the thoughts of the local congregation toward growing support of their own church workers. This responsibility is a new one and will take time and prayer as

### The Lady with the Snake Bite

It was about 9:30 p.m. when the telephone rang and Mrs. Sankhulani said, "A woman with a snake bite has just come to the Female Ward. Please come and see her."

I hurried over quickly and found that the snake had bitten Edda a full three days ago. Her left foot and leg to the groin were swollen to about twice the normal size and hard like rock. She moaned faintly and said that she was glad to finally get to the hospital. We gave her medicine for pain, an injection of penicillin, put on cool compresses and elevated her leg. It was much too late for snake bite antivenin. The top of the foot, ankle and lower leg had many large blisters, some already broken.

Edda had only recently returned



Two missionary families—Conrods and Burdicks

it will put the pastor and his congregation on an entirely different relationship. Until now he has been directly responsible to the Board of Trustees and not the local church.

There are many new and perplexing problems here and it is good to remember what Paul said in Romans 8:28, "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." Our prayer is at this time that the work of the Seventh Day Baptist churches here in Central Africa as well as all over the world may be within the realm of this verse.

from another mission hospital where her baby was born by cesarean section. Upon returning home she found that her two-year-old daughter had been severely scalded on the front of her abdomen and been treated with African medicine. Her parents had refused to bring the child to the hospital, but Edda brought the child as soon as she could walk the three miles to our hospital. On her trip home the snake bit her. The bite was very painful so that walking was impossible and her father refused to permit her to be brought to Makapwa Hospital or any other hospital. It was only after three days of agony and the arrival of Edda's uncle that she was permitted to be



Miss Becker just arriving

brought to us. (In this culture the mother's oldest brother is responsible for her and all her children, rather than her husband.)

We urged the mother to let us take Edda to Cholo Government Hospital for further treatment. After a half hour of explaining and urging she consented and we carried Edda, her new baby and her younger sister to Cholo. There Dr. Kristensen ordered further medication and treatment for her at once. We breathed a prayer of thankfulness and returned to Makapwa.

Six days later the family quietly took Edda away from Cholo Hospital and brought her back to Makapwa. They complained that she was not getting good care there since the skin was coming off her leg. This time we agreed to accept Edda only if the family would permit us to take her to another mission where a

### Makwinja Seventh Day Baptist Conference



Pastor Thomas Ronard (center) the leader of the Makwinja SDB Conference in Malawi, Pastor Lookson Nothale (holding Bible) of Chiringa SDB Church and a leader of the Central Africa Conference of SDB's. In the background, partly concealed by a thatch roof, is a pillar on which historical facts and im-

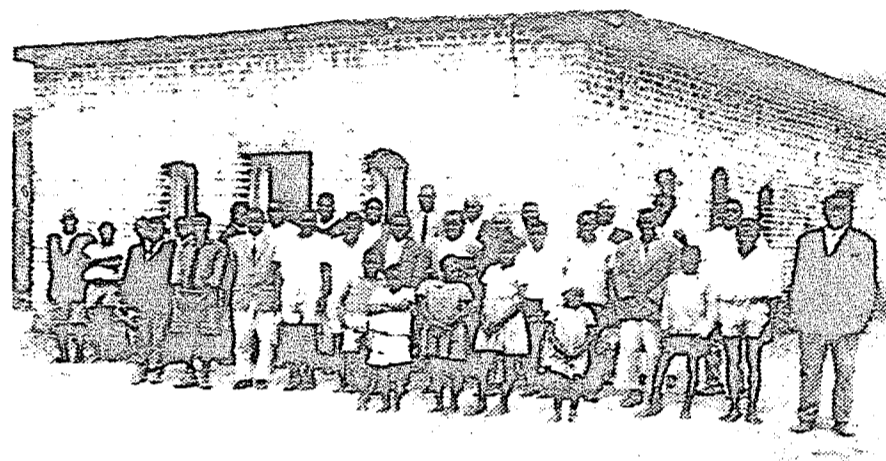
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fine surgeon could do skin grafts and whatever else would be necessary. After another week of very diligent care we could see that she now needed the surgeon's care to remove all the parts that were gangrenous. Only after the uncle saw the foot as I was changing the dressings did he agree that Edda could be taken to the surgeon. After seeing the foot the doctor thought he might be able to save most of the foot.

We felt much sympathy for this woman in all her difficulties and pain and tried to help her in various ways. She is the only Christian in her whole family. Will you please help us pray that her family may also be won to Christ.

—Sarah Becker

portant names have been written. The late Alexander Makwinja was the leader of a large group of Seventh Day Baptists following withdrawal of missionaries prior to World War I, until his death in 1963. After missionaries returned following World War II, several churches did not join with the new Central Africa Conference but remained under his leadership. While the separate identity has been maintained, there has been growing fellowship and service between the two conferences, their churches and leaders. This is being fostered as a means of breaking down barriers and establishing better brotherhood between all Seventh Day Baptists in Malawi.



Congregation at Shiloh Mission after the morning service, Friday, July 17, 1970, during sessions of the Annual Conference of Makwinja Seventh Day Baptists. Pastor David Pearson was permitted to preach twice, and Pastors Lookson Nothale and John Conrod each once. Other leaders of the Central Africa Conference of SDB's in attendance were Pastors Mungoni and Manani.

#### Money Goes Farther in Borneo

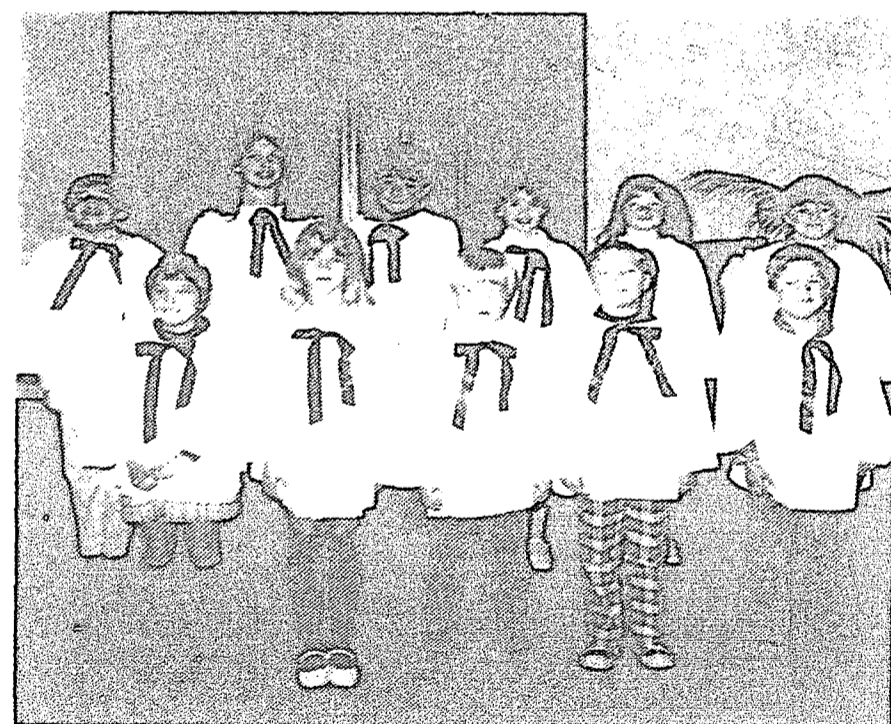
Stanley Mooneham, president of World Vision, has returned from a trip to Borneo where he discovered another great need. Some 50,000 refugees from Red China have been made homeless by tribal war and are living in desperate condition in makeshift warehouses in Kalimantan Barat. Conditions were so bad that, as he says, he wanted to run away from the overpowering force of sickness and death. He didn't run away, but made some promises in behalf of the supporters of World Vision. One promise was to build at once simple family dwellings for 200 of the most needy families. Money goes farther in Indonesia in this Christian housing project. It doesn't take \$14,000 to build a home in Kalimantan; it only takes \$14.

## Home Field

### New Church Increases Witness

The Seattle Area Seventh Day Baptist Church evaluated its accomplishments as a new church and set goals for the future at a Labor Day weekend camp-out and planning retreat. About half of the families of the group were able to camp in the evergreen forest on the mountain ranch of the Myron McPherson family, near Randle, Wash. The heavy rains did not really dampen the enthusiasm of the campers, as the events of the three years Seventh Day Baptists have been meeting in the Northwest were reviewed and possibilities for the future of the Lord's work were discussed.

About three years ago, Seventh Day Baptists in the area began meeting as a fellowship, and with the Lord's leading were organized into a church in March 1968. Glen Warner, field pastor of the Pacific Coast Association, led the group in its formation and, until April 1970, helped its development and growth. The past year has seen several accomplish-



Children's choir, Seattle Area SDB Church. The church joined the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference in August 1969. Plans for calling and employing the first pastor for the organized church were culminated when the Rev. and Mrs. Duane L. Davis and sons moved from Nebraska to begin service on April

1, 1970. The church receives help from the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society and the Pacific Coast Association. This aid is on a matching-fund basis, with the church taking on more responsibility each year.

About fifteen families in the greater Puget Sound area of Seattle-Tacoma-Everett, Washington, are active in the regular work of the Seattle Area church. Several others live a great distance from the church or are hindered by health from regular meetings with the group, but are dedicated members. At least three families have become active in our fellowship in recent months, two of them coming from other Seventh Day Baptist churches. So far, the families of the church have not been hit directly with the economic recession in the local aerospace industry, at least to the point of leaving the area, as many other people have done.

Sabbath services are held regularly at the First Baptist Church (American Baptist) of Des Moines, Wash. This lovely new building in a wooded setting overlooking Puget Sound is available for our use exclusively on Sabbath Day. Des Moines is a small city located about midway between downtown Seattle and Tacoma. Worship at 10:30 is followed by fellowship time. Then seven Sabbath School classes meet. Ray Boatman has served this year as the first Sabbath School superintendent. Many of the congregation stay each week for a fellowship luncheon. Lunch is followed by the children's choir practice, led by Mrs. Frank Kerwin. The robed children's choir, composed of about a dozen children from age five through twelve, sings each week. Mrs. Allen Posey, our pianist, lives about thirty-five miles from the church.

Another innovation this year has been a monthly fellowship meeting at Randle, Wash., in the home of the Myron McPherson family. The McPhersons, charter members of the church, live about one hundred miles from our meeting place.

There is some interest by three or four families in the Randle area in meeting on Sabbath and studying God's Word together. Pastor Davis and several others have been going to Randle one Sabbath afternoon a month for a Sabbath School meeting. One planning goal at the camping retreat is to increase our witness in the Randle area.

In addition to the Sabbath service at Des Moines, the church meets each week for Bible study on Tuesday night and Prayer Meeting on Friday night in the homes of members. A men's breakfast



1970 Vacation Bible School class in home

group meets in a restaurant each Thursday at 6:00 a.m., for devotions and fellowship. We are now considering how we may better serve in our large metropolitan area, perhaps with several meetings in different parts of the Puget Sound area.

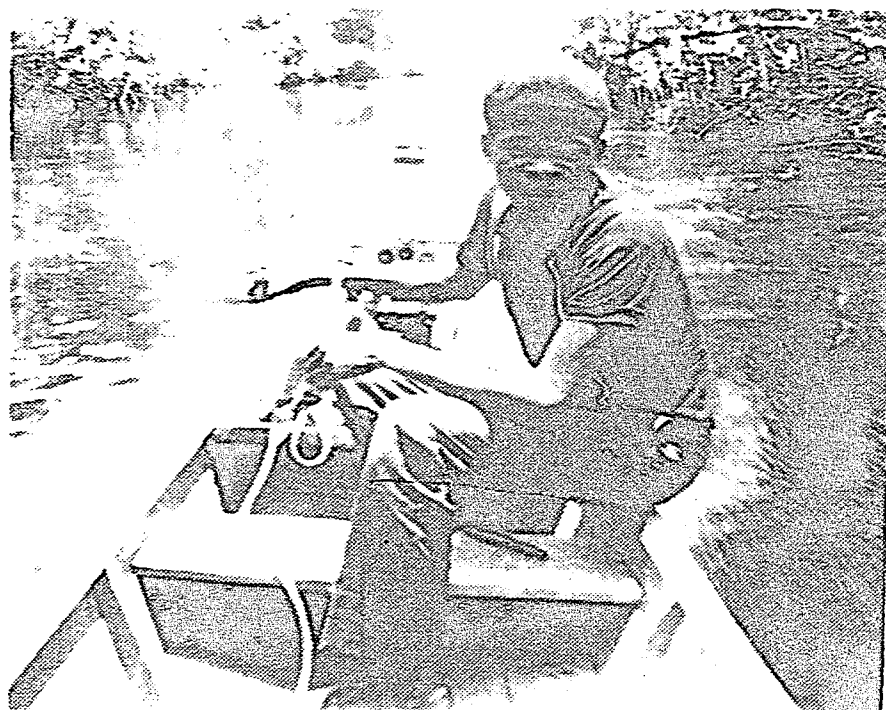
A first for the Seattle Area church this year was the summer Vacation Bible School, held in July, in a rural part of Auburn. Thirty-eight children met in five classes, in three homes located near each other. Two homes were of members, the third of friends of the church. Fifteen of the boys and girls were not at all connected with our Sabbath School. We are now considering possible plans for enlarging our Vacation Bible School work, perhaps applying for a Summer Christian Service Corps worker to help us.

We are continuing to pray for God's guidance and leading as we yield ourselves to the leading of the Holy Spirit. The prayers of others are requested as we seek to make plans for: evangelistic out-

# Guyana



An Amerindian girl, Philomena Joseph, who lives along Akawini Creek, has just purchased her own New Testament (Good News for Modern Man) from Missionary Bass.



Mortimer Jobin, a fine young man, a budding preacher and teacher in government school in Guyana.

reach, entering new areas of Christian service, a possible program for church property and building, a proposed camp ministry, etc. As the only Seventh Day Baptist church located in the great Pacific Northwest, we are also praying about outreach to other areas where the truths of our witness for Christ and the Sabbath are needed.

—Duane L. Davis, pastor

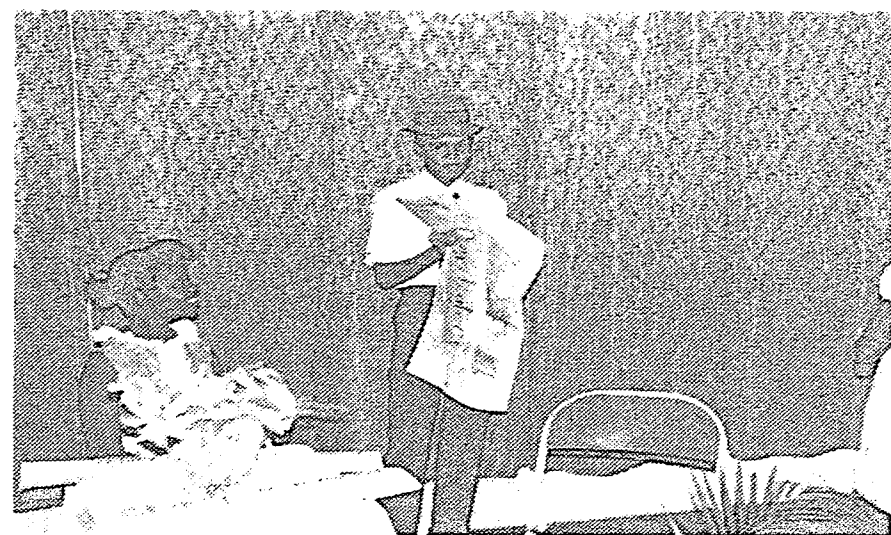
## ... In Capable Hands

When Missionary Leroy C. Bass and his family returned to the United States the end of July on furlough, he left the work in Guyana in capable hands. During his four year term of service many training courses were conducted. But, even more important what was learned was put into practice and responsibility was more and more placed on their shoulders. It was natural that with no missionary on the field for at least ten months the full responsibility should be theirs.

The officers of the Guyana Seventh Day Baptist Conference are now the "representative" of your missionary soci-



Brother George Leyland Bowen, president of the Guyana S.D.B. Conference, and his daughter, Mignon. She won first place in a costume contest wearing this Guyana Airways stewardess uniform made by her father.

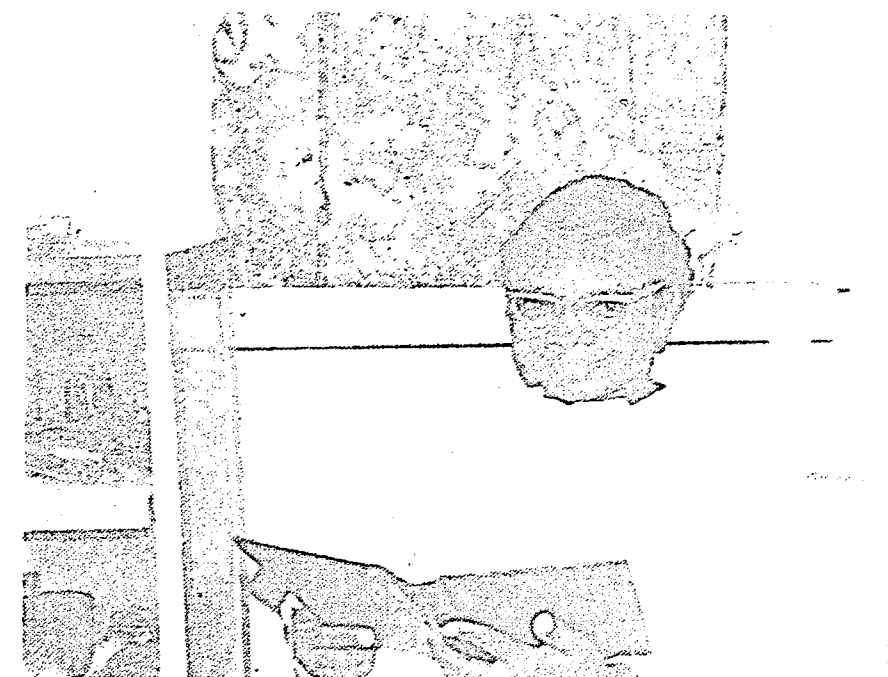


Brenda Halley (seated) and Desiree Hodge (standing) in a play presented at the Georgetown S.D.B. church. Brenda made her profession of Christ as Savior early this year in the Crusade of the Americas meeting.

ety in Guyana. Brother Leyland Bowen, president, is the main correspondent; Sister Inez Peters, treasurer, receives all monies and makes payments from the worker's fund. Brother Jacob Tyrrell, conference secretary, completes the team.

Brother Lindley Peters continues his responsibility for the upkeep and repair and watching of the mission property in Kitty, Georgetown, looking after the necessary physical affairs. His work, beginning in 1969, allowed Brother Bass to give more time to the spiritual ministry during his last year on the field.

The last three months have been busy for our Guyanese brethren. Brother Tyrrell led in a series of Tuesday night Teacher Training Classes for both V.B.S. and Sabbath School teachers. Brother



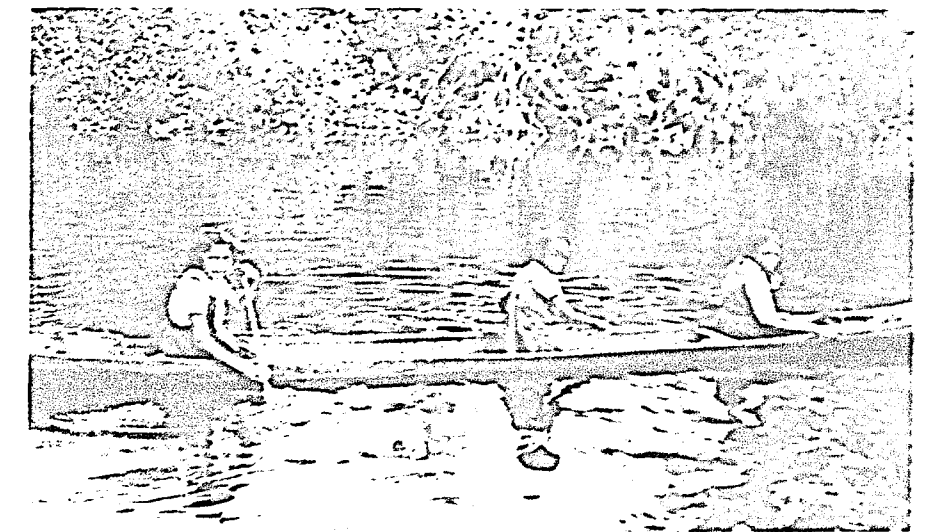
Mrs. Juliana Brumell, of Dartmouth Village, at home following her baptism in December 1969. She is a fine mother and now closes her shop on the Sabbath.



Eugenie English and Ena Griffith at their kitchen fireside. They are members of the Bona Ventura church on the Pomeroon River where the session of conference was held this year.

Sam Peters returned from Jamaica to assist in evangelistic services in the five conference churches and to assist in the first V.B.S. in Kitty. The annual conference session was held with the Bona Ventura church on the Pomeroon River. The Kitty church purchased the VW Kombi and continues to use it in the mission outreach in the Georgetown area.

Let us continue to uphold in prayer these brethren in the Lord!



Three girls paddling to school down Akawini Creek in a "corial" boat.

## News Notes — Jamaica

The Mountain View Seventh Day Baptist Church in Kingston had a concert and piano unveiling on Sunday, August 23, 1970. Mr. Byron G. Lewis was the chairman of the program which included selections by the choir, the Gospel Heralds (men's quartet), several other musical numbers — duets, trios — and some recitations.

Principal and Mrs. Wayne Crandall unveiled the piano after the bells were removed from the veil. Each of the keys (twenty-two at a time) were sounded individually before the first selection on the piano was heard. In removing the bells and sounding the keys, opportunity was given individuals to donate to the cost of the new instrument.

## SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

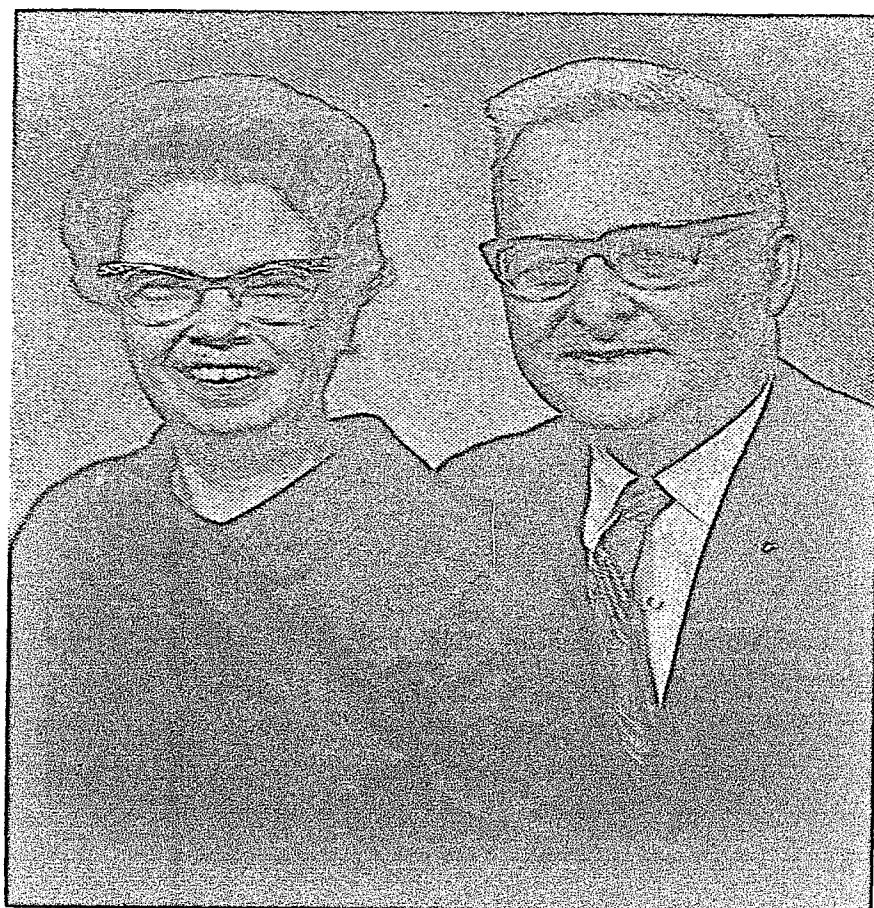
for October 24, 1970

GROWING THROUGH PRAYER  
Scripture Lesson: Luke 11:1-10

## Crandall High School Opens

Crandall High School opened its twenty-second year of classes September 1 in Kingston, Jamaica, under its new principal, Wayne N. Crandall. Brother Crandall, our new missionary, replaced the Rev. Grover S. Brissey who returned to the United States in July.

Principal Crandall writes that there are growing opportunities to serve the youth of Jamaica with secondary education. The government has tightened the admittance of pupils over fifteen years of age into the schools under their control. This means there are more overage students looking for a school where they can attend. Also Mr. Crandall writes,



Principal and Mrs. Wayne Crandall

"Since the government is greatly expanding its technical school program for boys we are getting a disproportionately heavy enrollment of girls."

The advertising done by Mr. Brissey has been continued and the response has been good. Writing just before school opened, Mr. Crandall said: "There are upwards of thirty pupils in Form A and over fifty in Form 1. This will result in a total enrollment of just under 120 pupils. On the whole we feel we have a high quality student.

"We are pleased with the acceptance by the Form A, Form 1 and Form 2

pupils of our Science Research Associates' reading laboratory. Each pupil in these forms is able to spend a forty-five-minute period working in the lab each week.

"A handbook has been prepared for all members of the teaching staff in co-operation with the School Board and the Missionary Society. Guidelines for students were also duplicated and placed in the hands of the student body.

"We are fortunate in having a capable experienced staff which is cooperating well to meet the educational needs of our pupils.

"The school has a critical need for a reasonably high-powered microscope for use in the General Science and Health Science Courses." Since he wrote, word has been received that this need is soon to be met by a special gift from a visitor to the school.

Previously he wrote: "If I weren't already a strong believer in the power of prayer and the goodness of the Lord, I would be now. At almost the last minute we discovered that the teacher we had hired to teach Spanish was not to come. The commercial teacher very graciously accepted the Spanish and her schedule made this very feasible. As of Friday we still had not filled the combined History-Geography position. Monday morning the most attractive, agreeable and capable — even experienced teacher — met me at seven o'clock in the morning to say she would take the job.

"We have a fine enrollment and more are applying each day. We had only the new students in Monday and all were there today. I never had a school year anywhere start off any better."

Since July an attempt has been made to find a dedicated service teacher to go to Jamaica. It seemed at the time that such a person would be needed if the school was to be adequately staffed. However, no such individual has been found and we recognize the leading of the Lord in providing the necessary staff at this time. Let us thank Him for meeting this need and pray that it will be possible to continue to have an adequate staff of Jamaican teachers.

## Jamaica

### Mountain View SDB Church Installs Pastor

On July 12, 1970, Brother Naval W. Harley was installed as pastor at Mountain View where he had been the local leader for some time and an active worker in the church since before it was organized. As a dedicated layman he did much to bring the group into being, assisted with the task by the regular pastor and other local laymen. "The Charge to the Church" was given by the Rev. Grover S. Brissey who left Jamaica the next day, after his second term of service at Crandall High School, to enjoy his retirement in America.

We are happy to present the statement made by Pastor Harley on this glad occasion.



Over thirty years ago in the district of Derry in the parish of St. Mary, there was a special service in our church, now defunct. The Rev. L. W. Crichlow, then U. S. missionary to Jamaica, was in charge of the meeting. At the end of the meeting I went up to the platform and spoke to him. I was just over four years old then and might not have realized the depth of my discussion with Pastor Crichlow, but his remarks then were that this boy is going to be a minister one day. I guess that everyone took this lightly, including myself. I had the opportunity of seeing Pastor Crichlow one or two occasions after that about one year later. Seventeen more years had passed and I had never dreamed or imagined that Pastor Crichlow's observation would be realized. As a matter of fact, I had completely forgotten about it until today when I began to prepare my response.

During my early twenties I had seen many needs but I just did not feel that I was called for the pastoral ministry. When I attended CoWoCo six years ago I was strongly encouraged by the general secretary, Rev. Alton L. Wheeler, to consider the ministry, but I just did not feel the call.

During the seven years of my leadership in this church (Mountain View) the brethren would have done anything for me to enter the ministry. The Revs. L. R. Lawton and S. A. Thompson tried all the diplomatic measures at their disposal in order to offer encouragement. But the time was not yet come.

The psalmist says that God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform. I can surely endorse this statement.

Changing conditions, maturity of mind and closer communion with my Redeemer have opened my eyes to the wonderful world of the Christian ministry. During the past two years I feel that God has been a great help and a Counsellor to me in all of my dealings and activities. I can see His blessings. I have now found myself with zeal and courage, something I was not born with, and the message has come home that I owe something for all this.

Last year when I lunched with Secretary Wheeler in Plainfield, N. J., he again asked me what were my plans for the ministry. I promised him that as the Lord led I would follow. By this time I had been seriously considering the call. I am going in because of what I can offer, because I can find a place of service and because I feel that the Lord wants me in.

I lay no claims to the honors of a seminary degree or to other scholastic excellence. My only claim is through Calvary and Christ.

I should like to make it clear that I am quite aware of the obstacles and the tests awaiting me, but I am not afraid. I am prepared to follow Christ only in daily communion. I want to be unpopular with man if that pleases God. I regard that association as first and foremost.

Today, I want to thank all those who have worked so hard over the years to make this event possible. I want to thank the Conference, the Planning Commission, the Advisory of the Church, the members and, lastly, all those who have joined in to make today's occasion a success.

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## Impressions of Camp 1970

A well-attended and highly successful Youth Camp was held at Maiden Hall, Jamaica, in early August. The best way to report what happened is to share the testimony of three of the over seventy campers:

Sandra A. Comrie writes:

Somehow I knew that Camp 1970 would be different from all the other camps we have had so far. I had a feeling that God was going to manifest Himself in a marked way.

The walls of our dormitory were bursting as nearly eighty campers and staff turned up that August Sunday morning. Many campers had to sleep on the floor, using mattresses only. But to me the closeness of the campers in the small space was a constant reminder of the nearness we experienced with God as with each other.

Of course we had fellowship as young people do, and no doubt many new and better acquaintances were made, but the spiritual blessings we received were unsurpassed. Our theme was "Use It or Lose It," with Matthew 28:8 as the key Scripture verse. This challenged our hearts as the many speakers brought us to the cold reality that as individuals and as Seventh Day Baptists we have been too complacent, boasting only in what we

To this community, let me say that this is your community church and your community pastor. I stand here to serve in any way I can. I am not confined within any ideology or prejudice which will prevent me from working for you. I look forward to your full support as we work together to fight crime, immorality, juvenile delinquency, broken homes and as we seek to give purpose to our existence and to establish the Kingdom of Heaven in the hearts of men. I look forward to your support in prayers through open doors and divers contributions to the work.

The world has changed immensely. Schools, colleges and universities are not what they used to be. For some, God

had done. Unless we urgently use the message and the talents we have we are going to lose our identity, our salvation, and the souls of men.

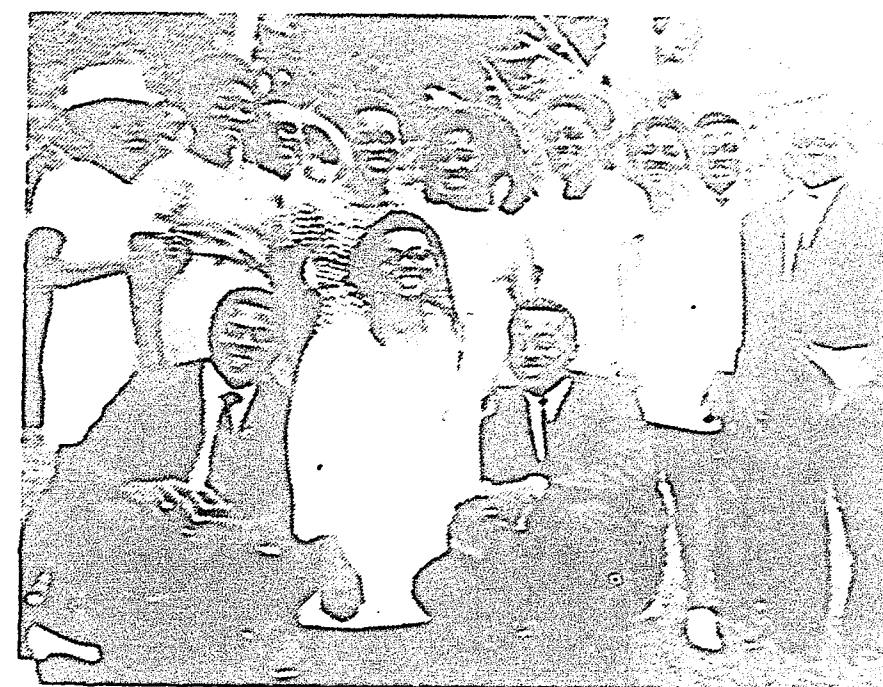
Each camper expressed what he hoped to achieve during the camping period. Most campers desired to become more dedicated or to be Spirit-filled and sent out to witness. In our prayer sessions we prayed specially for these desires. We each had a prayer partner praying for each other's specific problem. Mine certainly prayed because my problem was to find employment in a suitable job. I stepped out of camp right into a suitable position. Praise the Lord!

God poured out His Spirit as on the Day of Pentecost. I am sure heaven rejoiced as the tears of the youth were received there — tears of repentance, tears of weakness, and tears of urgency for power all touched the heart of God, and tangible results were seen. For me, I have found reality. Life has meaning. I am a Christian now for five years, but I have just met the Saviour face to face. Sin has become exceedingly sinful to me. It's real! It's no make believe! Youth were searching for a meaning to life—I found that meaning, the only hope and peace that is in Christ alone.

Results will be seen! Our Seventh Day Baptist youth are going to turn Jamaica upside down. Our churches are burning

is dead. For others, religion is mockery and slavery. These ideologies are wrecking the minds of this generation as they turn to heroin, marijuana and the like, to blot out guilt. Disunity among the Christian churches weakens our cause and today we need the help of one another more than at any other time. The new waves of racial upheavals are with us, and your children need the church to balance their minds properly in these times of crises. Let's wake up to our God-given responsibilities before it is too late!

Let me close with the prayer that God will give us the power to overcome. May Jesus, our Redeemer, bless us all through Calvary. Amen.



Some of the young people at Youth Camp at Maiden Hall — August 1970

with Pentecostal fire. Although our young people are experiencing a deep-down peace, still we have a pressing discontent and a deep concern for the souls of men.

I would like to write on and on about God's outpouring as our prayers "crashed heaven" (as one tutor expressed it) and the blessings fell on us, but instead of writing about it I have to prove the power of that Spirit by winning souls and by living the spirit-filled life. I must go now to be the glad evangel.

Martha M. Stewart says:

The camp week can be likened to a ring where there are no signs of division spiritually or temporally. This we have come to realize, is not an annual feeling but a lasting one.

To me camp has produced the most wonderful experience to be desired. I was made to realize four years ago that I too am a child of God. We need this "filling station" to fill us with the Spirit. Every year we grow more and more in the awareness of God's wonders. We wake to see the beauty of the sunrise and patiently await the glow of sunset. Our yearly renewal with God is a sight to behold and share — testimonies, songs, of praises, expressions of love and understanding. To the ignorant it may seem dull, but what enjoyment we campers share and how privileged we are to be able to share it with others and maintain it within ourselves.

Olive B. Meyers comments:

It is very disheartening to know that the young people in Jamaica have been professing Christianity — but that so many cannot say, "I am born again." How many have those Christlike characteristics? How many are doing His will? How many would answer the call?

Thanks must again be expressed to the organizers of these annual camps. God surely led them to His service.

The theme of camp, "Use It or Lose It" made an impact on us. It brought us to the realization that we have been wasting time, with the gospel lying dormant at our feet. Thanks to God, His Son is still making intercession for our sins, giving us time to go forth with the Word.

As a senior camper I can say that each year I have been strengthened but most of all 1970's camp brought me face to face with the Lord Jesus Christ. It seems each year as the number of campers increases the experience is richer and sweeter with our Lord.

Camp was not completely comfortable physically, owing to the late entries for registration and lack of facilities for such a large number — even the weather was not favorable. The directors might have been concerned but to us campers it was joy knowing that "The Hotter the Battle the Sweeter the Victory."

And now there is evidence of the work that was started at camp in our young people. Reports have been made of the overcoming of the devil. Through constant prayers and our faith in God we will attain our goal, "The Island for Christ."

## CROP Information

CROP, the Community Hunger Appeal of Church World Service, counts on the *Sabbath Recorder* to publicize this appeal. We have on file the pick-up locations and dates for 1970 and 1971 for the whole United States. Although we cannot publish this list, we can furnish the information to any interested church if it is not available locally. The next pick-up dates for clothing are October or November, depending on area. There has been consolidation of depots for economy of administration.



# The Sabbath Recorder

## Protestant Ministries

### Overseas Directory — 1970

The enlarged ninth edition of the North American Protestant Overseas Directory offers much information and insight into the overseas ministries of the Protestant church in North America. From the first edition in 1953 (a mimeographed report) it has grown to a printed volume produced through data processing machines, of over 300 pages listing over 600 mission agencies and associations. It lists world countries giving the agencies who have work in each one. Another section lists schools where mission courses are offered and the professors of missions at these schools.

An in-depth analysis of missions, based on data obtained, is titled, "1960-1970: The Last Ten Years." It reveals that . . .

—there are 33,290 North American Protestant missionaries;

—those on furlough reduce the overseas force by about 14 percent;

—ten percent of the overseas force is new each year;

—Latin America receives the most missionaries with Brazil receiving 2,170;

—missionaries are engaged in a wide range of activities: 27 percent work with existing national churches, 22 percent in establishing new churches, 15 percent in education of nationals, 7 percent in medicine or health, 6 percent in literature, 5 percent in field administration, and the remaining in radio, TV, translation, literacy, independent evangelism, agricultural and aviation services;

—604 agencies are listed with seventy being new since 1960;

—about 65 percent of monies raised by

agencies reporting financial data was spent overseas;

—the six major associations of mission agencies represent about 66 percent of the total missionary force;

—the five agencies having the most missionaries are: Southern Baptist Convention (2,564); Wycliffe Bible Translators (1,762); Seventh-day Adventists (1,426); United Methodist Church (1,397) and the Sudan Interior Mission (993).

"1970-1980: The Next Ten Years," the next section, is from an article printed in World Vision magazine April 1970. Authored by Frank E. Farrell, it offers a keen analysis of the changing mission scene and challenge for our generation, based on a survey of mission leaders "around five key terms which signal where the action is in missions today: organization, personnel, operation, revenue, philosophy." He comments, "A difficulty we face today in predicting trends is the rapidly accelerating rate of change . . . in this period of transition there will certainly be tremendous development in the rethinking of the role of the Western church—with its disproportionate material affluence — in relation to other churches. The key word here? Humility."

Other helpful articles, complete with graphs, are headed, "Missions Since 1900," "Selected Country Studies," and "Population and Missionary Statistics by Country."

The directory, compiled and written for the Missionary Research Library (New York City) by Missions Advanced Research and Communication Center (MARC, Monrovia, Calif.) is available at many religious book stores or through your Missionary Society.



Soil Conservation Service

Few joys can compare with the joy of a boy with his dog, both full of the zest of life and ready for a romp through fields or woods on an autumn day. Boys grow older and challenges change. Love of nature may mature into love of people, and the greatest challenge may be to carry the gospel to the world out there that knows it not.