

Restore the Voice in the Voice of Prophecy

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and encourage him to make plans for VOP bands, where a group of members can go out making contacts the VOP way? Decide on your church VOP application goal, based on ONE APPLICATION PER MEMBER and set plans in motion to enable you to reach this goal before the end of the year.

A few ideas

I am sure if those who are interested in this avenue of witnessing got together

many ideas for contacting people could be devised. To help you in your plans we will send to your local LA leader the leaflet 'Look, Listen and Live' which will give you a few ideas to work on. During the months of September and October we are making a special offer. For every order of 500 'TRY LIVING!' or 'SOMEONE LOVES YOU' VOP cards purchased by your church, we will give you an extra 100 cards. Because supplies are limited, it would be wise to order as quickly as possible.

In November we plan to give you details of the VOP Christmas card which

BRITISH NEWBOLD STUDENTS, 1976-77 (See page 5)



Newbold College has 240 students from 30 different countries. Above are the British students. Back row: Jonathan Gallagher, Jeffrey Brown, Kenneth Calder, Graham Anderson, Bernie Allen-Mash, Roy Hole, a Swiss Anglophile. Middle row: Ron Davy, Ana Gallagher, Bernard Holford, Theo Stewart, Victor Hulbert, Hymers Wilson, Kelvin Watson, Mick Smart. Front row: Elaine Burgess, Valmae Graham, Jenny Roper, Lynne Taylor, Lesley Phillips, Charlotte Taylor. (All Newbold photos by Eric Marcussen)

I JUST want to share with you the latest 'medical' report on the Voice of Prophecy. It appears that the voice has been suffering from bronchitis with the result that members of the public have not been hearing about the courses that are available. In the past we have received over two thousand applications a year through our radio broadcasts from Luxembourg but today, because Radio Lisbon is on short wave, it is not so popular, so the applications have been greatly reduced. A number of years ago most of the books sold by the literature-evangelists were printed by The Stanborough Press and included a VOP advert; now, because many of the books sold are printed and packed in America, use of this good medium of advertising is inhibited. We all know that because of circulation problems the Press was forced to discontinue publishing three magazines and to replace them with the bi-monthly *Life and Health*. This has meant further reduction in fruitful avenues of advertising.

Finding the cure

When I first came into the Voice of Prophecy some 14 years ago, I noticed that we received about 7,000 applications annually from promotion by our members. This has decreased to about 2,000 a year. However, I feel that there is hope for the Voice-less Bible School. You, the members, can PUT BACK 'THE VOICE' IN THE VOICE OF PROPHECY. Just imagine, if our 14,000 strong membership obtained only ONE VOP application this year, it would be almost equal to the total applications received last year, and half-way towards our best year, 1965. Two applications per member would break all records.

The months of September, October, and November are the best time to encourage people to take a correspondence course. The nights are drawing in and people are looking for things to do in the warmth of their homes. Why not speak to your local Lay Activities leader

The Stanborough Press is now printing. This card will have a picture of the Wise Men following the Star on the front, and inside a poem specially written for us by Myrtle Cooper telling how wise men still seek for Christ. Also there will be a discreet invitation for the one who receives the card to send for our free VOP lessons on the Life of Christ. We feel this will be an attractive Christmas card for you to send to your non-Adventist friends in Britain. They will cost about 50p for a pack of 10 with envelopes.

When you purchase books from your Adventist Book Centre ask for the free VOP bookmark. This can be placed in books which you lend or give to non-Adventist friends and carries details of

both a Health and a Bible Course available from the VOP.

I do hope that your autumn outreach will include VOP evangelism. Pray and plan to make contacts the VOP way. When discussing these plans with a number of delegates at the Manchester Session, they saw the great potential and said they would encourage their churches to take part in this programme. With a spirit like this I know the Voice of Prophecy will soon be in FULL VOICE again.

In the past, hundreds of people have become members because they first contacted the truth through the VOP lessons. Hundreds still can hear the message if you go out and invite them to take the lessons.



Mr. and Mrs. Howell, Patricia and Richard.

GOD STEPPED IN . . .

PORTSMOUTH.—In 1973, while visiting homes in Portsmouth, Brother and Sister Ron Davey called on the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howell where they received an order for books. When these were delivered, Mrs. Howell was introduced to our local Gift Bible Plan which necessitated the sending of a completed application card to the address of one of our members. This she did, and consequently was visited by Pastor Martin Bell—now caring for the Norwich church.

Prior to this Mrs. Howell had already been studying with the Jehovah's Witnesses, whom she thought, were preaching the truth. Even after completing some of the Gift Bible lessons, she still felt the Witnesses were right, and was ready to discourage Pastor Bell from any further visits to her home.

God's Spirit is always moving upon the hearts of men and women, and now stepped in in a more emphatic way, because when Mrs. Howell intimated her lack of interest, her husband—who had been studying along with her and Pastor Bell—requested that he continue to call as he was still interested. This of course, Pastor Bell was only too delighted to do.

During the following weeks, Mrs. Howell attended the meetings at the Kingdom Hall but became disenchanted with what she saw and heard, as she said: 'There was something that did not ring true.'

Discontinuing her visits to the Witness meetings, she now recommenced studying along with her husband.

After Pastor Bell's transfer to Norwich, Brother Ron Davey became our new minister, and along with his wife continued to visit and study with Mr. and Mrs. Howell.

We all like stories with a happy ending and this one was no exception.

On Sabbath afternoon, June 5th, Mrs. Howell was baptized by Pastor G. Anthony, and her two children, Patricia and Richard, were dedicated by Brother Davey. Mr. Howell is planning to be baptized in the near future. That day, of course, will be pure pleasure for the Howell family, and the cause for yet more rejoicing in the Portsmouth church.

MRS. I. N. DAVEY
Church Clerk



SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

President: DONALD LOWE

FROM THE PRESIDENT

FOLLOWING the British Union Session in Manchester, which had a disastrous effect on the South England Conference with so many losses to our staff, the South England Conference Committee met on Thursday, August 5th, to repair the breach that had been made. We are very grateful to the Lord that, after serious and prayerful discussion there was full agreement on the Committee for the following appointments to the South England Conference staff:

Secretary Treasurer: Peter Hinks

Health and Temperance/Sabbath School Depts: Pastor D. J. Sinclair

Pastor J. M. Huzzey remains as Youth director.

The Executive Committee was also affected by Union appointments and following are the names of those now members of the Executive Committee as from October 1st:

D. Lowe (Chairman), P. Hinks, J. M. Huzzey, T. T. McLeary, V. C. J. Benefield, G. S. Crutchfield, G. S. Escoffery, R. Facey, J. A. McMillan, Mrs. V. M. Porter, C. Willmott, H. Wilson (Snr).

Pastor V. H. Hall will be the pastor of the Stanborough Park church, and Pastor Patrick Boyle, whom we welcome back to Britain, will be working in the New Gallery team.

I take this opportunity to thank Brother Tony Leigh for the seven years of excellent and much appreciated work in the South England Conference; we thank also Pastor Rex Riches for his enthusiastic and untiring work; Pastor Ron Surridge for his excellent ministry given so freely to the members of the Stanborough Park church. Thanks are due also to Pastor Bryan Ball who has ministered so well in Oxford. I know

that I speak for the whole of the South England Conference staff when I say that we trust that the Lord will especially bless all of those brethren in their new capacities of work.

I know that you will pray for the brethren who are taking up new responsibilities in the South England Conference that this field may go from strength to strength in fulfilling its mission.

DONALD LOWE

President



New converts at Tottenham: Christine Rodney, Jeanne D'Albret, Lisette D'Albret, Mrs. E. Rose, Peter Skene, Lindsay D'Albret.

Picture: M. Rodney

TOTTENHAM'S BAPTISM

THE faithful work of friends and the ministry resulted in the beginning of a new life for six people who on Sabbath, June 19th, publicly indicated by baptism, their determination to follow their Lord.

Christine Rodney, Jeanne D'Albret, Lisette D'Albret, Mrs. E. Rose, Peter Skene and Lindsay D'Albret, were immersed by Pastor T. McLeary following his encouraging sermon to the candidates, and their introduction by Elders M. Rodney and O. Baxter.

Pastor McLeary afterwards appealed strongly to members of the congregation to apply the blood of Jesus Christ to their hearts and to fully accept Christ. There was a response by both visitors and believers who went forward for the special prayer of dedication.

H. R. COLE

PR Secretary



The Waltham Forest assembly.
Picture: Dr. L. G. White

WALTHAM FOREST FELLOWSHIP

WALTHAM Forest Polytechnic auditorium was the scene of the Day of Fellowship of the Seventh-day Adventist churches of North and East London on Sabbath, July 31st. The hour of Bible study was chaired by Elder Greaves of the Wood Green church. Victor Harewood sang the inspirational song, 'Way, way down deep in my heart', to introduce Dr. L. G. White's exposition of the New Testament Hebrews chapter on the High Priesthood of the Lord Jesus Christ. The great congregation responded well from their daily study of these Scriptures during the previous week. Dr. William Borge from Epping recounted his experiences in getting Sabbath privileges for study and examinations at Vellore Christian Medical College, India, and the Gospel miracles in that field.

The chief speaker of the day was South African Pastor Mike Stevenson, Youth leader for Northern Europe-West Africa division. He preached on that good four-letter word 'Hope', as well as later conducting some evening congregational singing mixed with youth counselling. He asked: 'What can give us hope in these days that are so bleak? Why have so many given up all hope? The only hope,' he declared, 'is in that Blessed Hope anchored in the mercy and the Word of God.' He warned that the modern charismatic movements founded on individuals are likely to be spurious.

The choirs from Waltham Forest, Forest Gate, and Wood Green combined under the able baton of elder, Ron Edwards, for the sacred concert of the evening. The young people under Brother Roy Sukarloo presented their Biblical drama 'In the Courts of Kings' in the afternoon.

The crowded auditorium appreciated the hospitality of the Polytechnic authorities; the floral decorations of Brother Roy Sukarloo; the loan of the Hammond Organ by Brother Stephen Neal; and the multifarious activities of local elder, Nigel Todd; and the ubiquitous voluntary activities of all the deacons and deaconesses.

This Day of Fellowship, the germ of the idea from Brother Ron Edwards and his former Helderberg colleague, Pastor Mike Stevenson, brought sister churches into study, music, and worship; en-

hanced the sense of the spiritual unity of this forward movement of God's remnant people; provided the means of preaching the High Priesthood and Lordship of Jesus Christ both in a modern Polytechnic, as well as by a printed report in the columns of the widely circulated local newspaper.

DR. L. G. WHITE

Remember MISSIONS EXTENSION (September 25—October 2) See column three

GARDEN SERVICE

NON-MEMBER friends and neighbours attended a Sabbath service in Ropley, Hants, last June, in the lovely garden setting of Woodlands Farm. The occasion for this evangelistic endeavour, was that of a dedication, when Richard Leigh, son of Keith and Lorna Nightingale, was dedicated by Richard's great uncle, Pastor Hector Bull.

Though only a small group here in Ropley we are busy with welfare work. Our usual Toy Service was held at Christmas and we have also been able to help to provide the Christmas fare for ex-prisoners under the supervision of Mrs. Eileen Rose of Wimbledon. A coach-load of elderly people enjoyed an afternoon's visit here and were given a tea.

At the moment we are running a religious opinion survey in the Ropley area and hope to make our name better known in this way. Please pray for our efforts; we are a small group with a large task.

P. NIGHTINGALE

EX-STANBOROUGHIAN ORDAINED

ANDREW GORDON MUSTARD, former sports captain at Stanborough School, Watford, Herts, was ordained to the ministry at the Wisconsin Conference campmeeting, Portage, Wisconsin, Sabbath, July 31, 1976. With him were his wife, Priscilla (known in the USA by her second name, Alethea) née Haslam, and his parents, Pastor and Mrs. A. John Mustard of Niagara Falls, Canada. Pastor A. J. Mustard formerly served as pastor in the South England Conference and as president of the Irish Mission.

VICTOR H. COOPER

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The pictures: 1. British presidents and Newbold College staff in the garden of Moor Close prior to their evening discussion. 2. Monsieur et Madame Jean-Paul Tribes just before they left Newbold to set up their home in Nimes, France. 3. Mrs. Jean Graham, wife of Principal Roy Graham, obviously delighted with the tray presented to the couple by the Newbold staff. 4. Miss Helen Savage, Newbold's new secretary to the Principal.

CHURCH-CENTRED EVANGELISM IN ESSEX

In the spring of this year we held general church meetings in the churches of Hutton and Chelmsford to discuss evangelism in the district. We prayed that God would help us to know how and where to make our strongest efforts. A number of needs soon began to show themselves.

From previous evangelistic efforts, both lay and ministerial, a number of visitors are in regular attendance at both churches. We therefore advise visiting lay preachers of this and invite them to preach with visitors in mind. The result has been some excellent sermons designed chiefly to benefit visitors, but in fact appreciated by all.

In November Dr. White will assist us with a 5-Day Clinic. We plan from September to December, over 12 weeks, to hold Sunday night meetings in the one church on the Book of Revelation, and then from January to April in the other church. These will be delivered in a seminar type of presentation with three speakers each week. One speaker will present *Bible Marking* of verses helpful to those new to the faith; another will present an *Explanation of Symbols* under consideration; and the third will offer a *Simple Suggested Interpretation* of the passage. We expect to cover briefly two chapters per week and offer a question/answer period, i.e. written questions answered the following week. The first series will be concluded by a *Christmas Service*, and the second by an *Easter Service*.

For outreach we felt guided to open work in the town of Witham, where we have one SDA family. As we inquired we found two SDA families rather isolated by distance, living near Witham, who could be helped by a Sabbath afternoon Branch Sabbath school. Two more families were traced who had SDA relatives; they led us to a lady who used to attend church in Holloway some years ago. The churchmembers also supplied names of contacts they were in touch with by literature.

While making inquiries regarding a

suitable hall, we called on a house near a disused chapel. The lady occupier used to belong to the chapel and expressed interest in our work.

We finally secured two rooms in the Witham Community Centre at a modest rent. We found favour with the Warden, who knew SDA's in Manchester. He welcomed us warmly.

At our opening meeting seven non-members attended and one isolated member, as well as a good group of members from Chelmsford. One gentleman whom we had never previously met walked in. He had heard that SDAs were starting meetings and so had come to see what we were made of! He first learned of SDAs via the work of Pastor Ron Surridge as the chaplain to the Lord Mayor of Watford.

The Witham Branch Sabbath school work is strongly supported by the members, both by their attendance, and in operating the meetings on alternate weeks when the minister is at the Hutton church.

It is also supported first by literature work, and then by 'lecture services' offered to various social and religious groups which are contacted. Lectures are given mostly by the minister on subjects related to our message.

A Smoker's Clinic is planned for October, to be held in the same location as the regular Sabbath afternoon meetings, with the help of Brother D. Wilcox, a layman from Colchester.

At Hutton, where we have a smaller church membership, but no less enthusiastic or vigorous, we plan to operate Youth outreach activities and Ladies Bright Hour afternoon meetings. These types of activities have been chosen because they accord with the age groups represented by the membership and we are thus able to operate them with relative ease. Any other contacts made at Hutton between now and December will be invited to the Revelation meetings to be held January-April, 1977.

Perhaps one of the chief fringe benefits of the church-centred work is that it increases the faith and enthusiasm of so many members as they become more intimately involved in evangelism. Even the smallness of a budget need not deter a church, because expenses are usually

NEWBOLD

WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT JUNE 29th?

Nor a new date for your church calendar. Not a new offering to benefit Newbold. It was just a day when three major events took place at the College.

The first was the beginning of the month-long summer school in English as a Foreign Language. This year a maximum number of students enrolled to spend the month of July learning about the English people and their language. Just because there's no theology being taught doesn't mean that the Newbold staff gives up on its mission during summer school. One student wrote: 'It was on the spiritual level that Newbold brought me more than I expected. Having worships twice a day helped me to get closer to God, to understand that He wants us to be in constant relation with Him. . . . The behaviour of a few teachers, pastors, and students changes my life's direction.'

June 29th also saw a meeting of the presidents of the British conferences and missions, with the Newbold staff. Designed to encourage greater understanding between the two groups, this dis-

quite modest. A branch Sabbath school may be almost self-supporting, as is literature work and likewise a church-centred series of meetings. The very best form of advertising is that of personal invitation by members, especially when they themselves accompany their friends week by week.

So we invite your prayers for the united work of minister and members in Essex. If you have any relatives or friends in the districts of Witham, Chelmsford, or Hutton, which also includes Basildon, Billericay and Maldon, do please send details as soon as possible to: Pastor J. Hines, 48 Keene Way, Galleywood, Chelmsford, Essex.

JOHN HINES



Dr. Jan Paulsen, Newbold College principal; Pastor David Lawson, Division evangelist; Pastor Roy Graham, retiring principal. Centre: Mademoiselle Joelle Gouelle, who takes over from Elizabeth Vine (now Madame Tribes) as Newbold's piano teacher. Right: Dr. Bryan Ball, now head of Newbold's Theology Department, greets new British student, Mick Smart.

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PRINCIPAL: JAN PAULSEN

discussion, held in the cool of the evening in the relaxed atmosphere of Moor Close, identified some areas where more co-operation could take place between the College and the conferences and gave opportunity for members of each group to discuss problems which they shared. The discussion made it clear that these were not really two groups but one—each concerned to improve the quality of Seventh-day Adventist workers in Britain.

Prior to this evening discussion, June 29th was also the date for a buffet supper in the old library and the presentation of gifts to members of staff who have left this summer to take up new

HELLO AND GOOD-BYE

NEWBOLD goes through certain rituals to begin or 'open' every year. The rousing hymns, the prayers, the welcomes and greetings, the announcements of how many students there are from how many different countries. Then there are the speeches: 'It's my pleasure . . . honour . . . privilege.' And the exhortations . . . to commitment . . . singleness of purpose . . . to thorough preparation . . . to hard study.

This year was no exception. We opened the 1976/7 College year with the usual procession of staff, the hymns, the prayers, the welcomes and greetings, the announcements and exhortations. The extension to Moor Close, although not quite finished yet, means that the enrolment can go up. We have 240 students from thirty different countries and soon, we hope, the girls who are making their nest in every nook and cranny of Moor Close will be able to move into their new rooms over the dining-room.

The job of exhortation this year was given to the speaker for the evening,

responsibilities. Madame Jean-Paul Tribes, better known to MESSENGER readers as Newbold's music teacher, Miss Elizabeth Vine, was leaving to take up married life with her new banker husband, and Sonja Danjelsen, our multilingual staff secretary was going to serve the Church in Copenhagen with her newly qualified minister husband, Jens. Miss Helen Savage, an ex-student, was just joining the staff as secretary to the principal.

When this summer supper was planned we did not know that it would also be time to say an informal good-bye to our principal, Roy Graham. I say informal, because, although thanks were expressed and a presentation made, Pastor Graham was to continue his duties until early August. As the new school year begins, the principalship is taken over by Norwegian Jan Paulsen, previously head of Newbold's theology department.

HELEN PEARSON

Pastor David Lawson, the Ministerial Association secretary for the Northern Europe-West Africa Division. His 'text' for the evening he had found carved on a museum wall in the Waldensian valleys: 'Ye shall be missionaries or ye shall be nothing.' With practical counsel from his own experience, Pastor Lawson encouraged those students who had not yet done so, to discover God's plans for their lives while they were at Newbold.

But this College opening was not all hellos and welcomes. Welcomes there were in abundance—to staff, students,



Principal Jan Paulsen says good-bye to Simo Perho and Paul Wright, Newbold's student missionaries for 1976-7.

and visitors. And welcome in particular to Mrs. Maureen Luxton, Education secretary for the British Union, who was visiting the College in her official capacity for the first time. Among the staff, special welcomes for Mademoiselle Joelle Gouelle, an ex-student of Newbold who comes to teach music in place of Elizabeth Tribes (née Vine); and for Dr. Bryan W. Ball, another Newbold graduate, who comes back to be Head of the Theology Department. There was a welcome by the College Board representative, Pastor E. H. Foster, for the Principal. During the summer, Pastor Roy Graham, who has served as College Principal since 1971, was called to teach in the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University, and Norwegian Dr. Jan Paulsen, previously Head of Newbold's Theology Department, was asked to take over Newbold's principalship. So, not only was there a welcome for Dr. Paulsen, there was also a good-bye to Pastor Graham. Expressing the gratitude of the Board and the College to Pastor Graham, Pastor Foster reminded the congregation that although there were important evidences of Pastor Graham's work in the bricks and mortar of Newbold's new buildings, there were better evidences in the lives of young people who have come under his influence.

Good-byes too, were said to Paul Wright from Britain, and Simo Perho from Finland who are Newbold's student missionaries for 1976/7. Paul was to leave the next morning for Egypt to teach English at the Nile Union Academy, and Simo was off just a few days later for his work with colporteurs in North Ghana.

The College opening closed and the beginning ended, and the good-byes and hellos were continued in the foyer afterwards. Newbold life thrives on hellos and good-byes—without them, the work of God in Britain and the Northern Europe-West Africa Division would stagnate and die. Over 20 new British students are saying 'hello' to Newbold this year for the first time. Is there anyone in your church to whom you should say a temporary 'good-bye' so that God's work can move forward as it should?

HELEN PEARSON



President: P. H. Stearman

**EVANGELISM'S
'GREATEST TOOL'**

The Sabbaths of January 17th and June 5th were especially joyful occasions for the Newport church. As a result of the prayers and dedicated missionary work of the church as a whole, a fine group of people have been baptized, and welcomed into the family of God.

Sister Barbara Richards shared her faith with her neighbours, Mrs. Irene Courtney and Miss Joyce Hurley, and after studies from the writer, they were both baptized on January 17th. Brother and Sister Brian Phillips of Blackwood church studied the Bible with Mrs. Yvonne Celtel and after studies from her husband Julian, and from Brother Peter Sayers, she was also baptized on this occasion and thus the family were united in the Advent Hope. Their sons, Marcel and Andree, were also dedicated to God on this occasion. At this baptism several responded to the appeal to prepare for the next baptism, on June 5th. On both occasions Welsh Mission President, Pastor P. H. Stearman, addressed the candidates with inspiring messages.

On June 5th the church was again filled with members and friends. Judith Robinson, who is almost finishing at school, and her sister Carmen Anderson, a nurse in Newport, were both immersed in the baptismal waters. Nigel and Kevin Courtney, sons of Sister Irene Courtney, and pillars of the Pathfinder Club, were also baptized, and their sister Merrill is preparing for the next baptism, God willing, in September. Fiancées Mark Davies and Denise Cockburn, from Cwmbran, were baptized bringing great joy to George and Lily Cockburn, Denise's parents, who joined the church in the Dick Barron/Ray Turner Cardiff Campaign about six years ago. Mrs. G. Reynolds, brought by her husband Gordon and her pastor, Stuart Finlay, was also baptized, uniting her family too, in the Blessed Hope. Kim and Tina Hayes, whose own mother Anne was baptized in June 1975, after studies from Brother Sayers and the writer, were also baptized, and their sister Denise is also preparing for our next baptism, by God's grace. This family of five girls and their mother, with their shining dispositions, have brought much happiness and richness into the church. Tina first contacted the church through the Gate programme we ran in the Queen's Hotel, Newport, during the Voice of Youth Campaign in the summer of 1974, and wants to become a missionary nurse, if that is God's will for her life. We ask you to remember Mrs. Hayes in your prayers because she has



Left to right: Miss Judith Robinson, Mrs. Gordon Reynolds, Kevin and Nigel Courtney, Denise Cockburn, Mark Davies, Miss Carmen Anderson, Tina and Kim Hayes, Mrs. Gwyneth Jones, Back row: Pastors Richard Vine, Peter Stearman, Stuart Finlay, and Peter Sayers.



Left to right: Marcel, Mrs. Yvonne Celtel, Andree, and Mr. Julian Celtel.



Left to right: Mrs. Irene Courtney, Mrs. Barbara Richards, Miss Joyce Hurley.

recently been quite ill. Last, but not least, Mrs. Gwyneth Jones, daughter of Sister Constance Pope of St. Briavels, and niece of Pastor Charles Cook, gave her life to the Lord and was baptized after Brother and Sister Arthur and Jessie Fleet and others had shared their faith and friendship with her. We would also ask for your prayers for her husband Norman Jones who is steadily recovering from a distressing illness.

There is every prospect for another further addition to God's family in September. We believe, for we are seeing, that the greatest tool for evangelism is the church itself, filled with the Holy Spirit, overflowing with love, working and praying together in Christian unity, in the great task of proclaiming the Gospel and hastening our Lord's return.

PASTOR RICHARD L. VINE

British Advent Nurses' Association

**NEWS
FROM SOUTH WALES**

SUCCESS is ours by 300 per cent! Last year only one nurse in South Wales belonged to BANA. Now there are four. Of course more nurses support the local meetings who are not yet members—but who soon will be, we hope.

Attendance has been between six to nine persons present at each meeting. The local ministers too have taken part and encouraged us in getting started, as we all realize that these local meetings could be a means to Christian witnessing.

Perhaps there may be some who have not attended their local meetings. All we can say is: 'You've missed something. Please read on and judge for yourself.'

At our first meeting the theme centred on 'Christ, Our Example', the first chapter from *The Ministry of Healing*. Miracles are not mentioned in this chapter, and Jesus met the physical needs of the people as an entering wedge to their spiritual needs. Just the situation we as nurses are placed in.

At the second meeting we discussed ways to witness.

1. Nurses have at their disposal, grounds to offer friendship and visitation when a patient leaves hospital.
2. Extend an invitation to your pastor, or Bible worker, to visit Nurses' Christian Fellowship, as a friend, and to take part in it.
3. Plan Anti-Smoking Clinics and vegetarian cookery demonstrations for nurses.
4. Go round the wards with the singing band from your church.
5. Donate *The Ministry of Healing* or books like *I Have Lived*, for the School of Nursing Library. Leave a magazine in the nurses' and ward sitting room.
6. Lastly 'live a life' that all may read.

At our last meeting we learned that one should not be at a loss for words when asked to pray—particularly for the sick. In the chapter 'Prayer for the sick' in the book *The Ministry of Healing*, Sister White offers a specimen prayer which we could learn and adapt as necessary.

Well, we are going to meet again on October 1st at Cardiff SDA Church, Rawden Place, Cardiff, at 7.30 p.m. All visitors and friends welcomed.

Why don't you plan to attend your next local meeting if you haven't done so already? You will be surprised how your presence will be a source of inspiration and blessing to others, and in turn you will receive a blessing, too.

Contact Mrs. Tabitha Cooper for the name and address of your local co-ordinator. Her address is 41 Stephen Road, Kettering, Northants.

HEATHER SAYERS
Co-ordinator, South Wales

IRISH MISSION



President: ERNEST LOGAN

ULSTER HEROINE

IMMEDIATELY after Sister Strain's baptism she went out with our magazine and a good supply of free USA paperback copies of *The Great Controversy* and *The Desire of Ages*. She acquired forty regular readers. The second time out probably increased this to eighty.

What excuses have you for not engaging in the vital ministry of literature? Sister Strain went out though having three young children to care for, and also the anxiety of having a fourth child, a girl of nearly four, in hospital with bleeding ears and undiagnosed complications.

Then something happened to her that doesn't happen to most of us. Two bombs destroyed two shops completely. A third bomb was placed by a young man in another shop. The shop owner caught him and by the scruff of the

neck ordered him to carry the bomb out, where it was thrown into the road. It landed at the feet of Sister Strain and two of her children. Young Bobby, five-years-old, screamed: 'Mummy it's a bomb' as he saw all the wires and metal. As Bobby grew hysterical Sister Strain seemed frozen to the spot. It seemed an eternity before she could move away, and still the bomb did not go off.

God had protected her, we are in no doubt, because once the family were moved to safety the bomb exploded.

Sister Strain is not a hearer but a doer. Her dedication despite heavy obligations which normally might inhibit aggressive service for God, is a shining example to all.

What does God say about the lukewarm Laodiceans? He uses disturbing language. Are you a Laodicean? Are you just a hearer?

It's because so many are in this category that our magazine publishing programme has been so radically reshaped. Let us preserve our one remaining magazine.

TONY BROWNLOW
Literature-evangelist Londonderry

started with songs and continued with stories and quizzes, and then, finally, the craft programme. All the children enjoyed making scrap-books about birds and also many other kinds of crafts suitable for Sabbath.

We feel that this Bible school was a success because the neighbourhood children continued coming all the way through to the end of the 13 weeks. Since then at least eight children have attended Sabbath school regularly who have not attended church before and also about 15 children are attending the newly formed Pathfinder group led by Pastor David Cox. We feel that God has greatly blessed the efforts of our young people, Sandra and John Heaton, Jean and Deaton Joseph, and all the other helpers.

VELDA COX
(Minister's wife)

WALSALL'S NEW CHURCH

FOR the members of the Walsall church, last February 7th, was a day of thanksgiving as we worshipped together in a very attractive room in our new church buildings on North Street. Although a lot of work is needed to be done, God has answered our prayers and has richly blessed us in so many ways.

Our door-to-door effort was launched to a successful start. Led by Pastor D. Masih, the members were directed in two's on their first visit. We were further encouraged by Pastor M. L. Anthony who impressed us with two films on door-to-door visits. To see the response in the form of the first three visitors from such an effort, was a blessing to us.

The young people and their leader, Brother R. Henry, and Brother D. Powell with his musical instrument, visited houses and flats to distribute tracts and VOP cards. Each Sabbath afternoon they would crowd around ready to go on their mission as true volunteers. MISS MAGNORA LAWRENCE
PR Secretary

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YOUTH WORK FOR YOUTH AT CAMP HILL

BIRMINGHAM.—On Sabbath afternoon, June 19th, Pastor L. P. Anderson baptized ten young people. Some of them had been trained by Adventist parents. All had declared for Christ at this time because of the Lay Activities (including weekly visitation) work by the Camp Hill youth, under the consecrated leadership of our associate minister and youth leader, Brother R. Morgan. Timely and helpful counsel was given to the candidates on abiding in Christ, and bearing fruit. We hope and pray that by God's grace we shall all, with them, do just that.

G. CABBIN
PR Secretary

WORCESTER BAPTISM

SABBATH, July 3rd, saw the combined membership of the Worcester and Dudley churches assembled in our lovely little Worcester church. Not for many years had such a number gathered there for Sabbath worship. The occasion was the baptism of Mr. and Mrs. Ballantine on their joining with the Dudley church. The joy of their acceptance of Jesus was evident in their faces as they bore witness to Him as their personal Saviour. We pray for and expect further

baptisms in the near future. About 75 members and friends witnessed the baptism, and in the afternoon the talents of the Dudley young people were displayed in the service of music and song they presented. The evening was completed by a gathering of all the young people on the lawn of Pastor and Mrs. Conroy's home. We give thanks for the two dear people who now share in the fellowship of the Dudley church and for the dedicated young people who are witnessing for Jesus.

PASTOR DENNIS A. CONROY

CHESTERFIELD'S BIBLE SCHOOL SUCCESS

At the beginning of the year, the Chesterfield young people and the writer got together to think how we could reach the community surrounding our church. We hit upon the idea of running a Bible School every Sabbath afternoon.

A week or two later we all set out around the neighbourhood with handbills telling the children what was in store for them during the next 13 weeks. Supplies of crayons, paint, scissors, paper and songbooks soon flooded into the youth hall and we were ready on the Sabbath afternoon at 3 p.m.

About 35 children came, 25 from the neighbourhood, and the afternoon

HUDDERSFIELD BAPTISM

SEVEN fine young people were added to the Huddersfield church family on July 4th. The church was full for the baptismal service, with members and friends from the community attending the Sunday service. Many came to witness their first service of baptism by immersion.

Brother W. J. Griffiths, North British Conference secretary-treasurer, gave the address and urged the church to take great care of the lambs in their midst. Our minister, Pastor W. Southcott, immersed the candidates. These were: two brothers—Michael and Edwin Baker; two sisters, Claire and Veronica Spence; Jennifer Fray, Faithlyn Johnson and Clyde Facey

MISS C. BLACKWOOD
PR Secretary



TILL THE DAY DAWN

DENTER—Sister Minnie Denter of the Hastings church passed to her rest on April 2, 1976, aged 91. She left behind the sweet influence of her life. Her sister, who latterly cared for her, though not a member herself, always welcomed those who visited Sister Denter. Pastor Brian Pilmoor conducted the service of committal at the Crematorium. A letter of sympathy was sent to the sister, and also a small rose tree for remembrance for her garden. Sister Denter was baptized in Osnabruck, Germany, in 1936. CHURCH CLERK



WEDDING BELLS

SWAIN—RHODES—A beautiful hot sunny Sunday, June 27, 1976, at Stanborough Park was the setting for the wedding of David Swain and Caroline Rhodes. Caroline, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvyn Rhodes, wore a white satin dress, chapel-length train, long veil and white floral head-dress. She carried a bouquet of pear-shaped white rosebuds, fern and ivy. She was attended by three bridesmaids, her sister Katherine, her niece, Samin Hussain, and her chief bridesmaid, Fiona McAllister. David, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Swain had chosen his brother, Michael, to be his best man. The officiating minister, Pastor R. H. Surridge spoke on the need to think of others before ourselves and gave Bible examples to support his theme of an unselfish relationship within a marriage. During the signing of the register, Heidi and Alvern McCrow sang 'Morning Has Broken' with guitar accompaniment by Alvern. David is an ambulanceman, and Caroline is a medical secretary at Mount Vernon Hospital. We wish this talented young couple God's richest blessings as they set up a Christian home together. FRANK BLEWITT PR Secretary

ELLIOTT—HAM-YING—On Sunday, June 20, 1976, the Leicester Bodnant Avenue church was filled with relatives and friends on the very happy occasion of the marriage of Mr. Lester Elliott and Miss Rhonda Ham-Ying. The bride who was given away by her father, looked beautiful in her lovely full-length gown of white chiffon and Nottingham lace. Rhonda was attended by five bridesmaids, the chief bridesmaid being Miss Gwyneth Scott. There were two flower girls, two page boys, and four groomsmen. The best man was Mr. Victor Elliott, the bridegroom's brother who came from America for the wedding. The officiating ministers were Pastors G. Roper and S. Ware. Rhonda and Lester have gone to live in Trinidad. We pray that God will richly bless them as they seek to serve Him together. A. R. WARD PR Secretary

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CONGRATULATIONS to Chrystia Hertogs (née Huzar) on her B.A. in Psychology from Reading University. Congratulations too to Gillian Hertogs on her B.A. in English from the same University. Chrystia is now taking a one-year post-graduate teacher-training Certificate of Education, while Gillian is the Assistant Housemother at a Dr Barnardo's Children's Home in Wokingham.

CLERK of the Walsall church desires to contact Sister Merl Grant, member of the Walsall church, but who has moved away towards the London area. Would Sister Grant, or anyone knowing her whereabouts, kindly contact: Mrs. U. Taylor (Church Clerk), 75 Thorne Road, Willenhall, West Midlands. Thank you.

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Sept 24th	6.54	7.06	6.58	7.08	7.17
Oct 1st	6.38	6.50	6.40	6.48	6.58



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