RESEARCH CENTRE NEWSFLASH

NO: 418 JANUARY 19, 2011 BABCOCK UNIVERSITY, NIGERIA

REVIVAL & REFORMATION CALL FOR:

TRUSTING THE GREAT MEDICAL MISSIONARY: The Lord calls for a renewal of the straight testimony borne in years past. He calls for a revival of spiritual life. The spiritual energies of His people have long been torpid, but there will be a resurrection from apparent death. In the future, God will call for the gifts and talents of men not now actively engaged in His service. Let these respond to His call, putting their trust in the great Medical Missionary. The power that is the life of the soul has not been seen as it must be. It has been smothered for want of spiritual ventilation - the blending of human effort and divine grace.

CONFESION IN PREPARATION TO RECEIVE PENTECOSTAL ENERGY: God is calling upon His people to work. He comes to them as they idle away the precious, golden moments, and says, "Go work today in My vineyard." By prayer and confession of sin we must clear the King's highway. As we do this, the power of the Spirit will come to us. We need the Pentecostal energy. This will come; for the Lord has promised to send His Spirit as the all-conquering power. Men may still learn the things that belong to their peace. Mercy's voice may still be heard, calling...... (Matt. 11:28-30.) We must be able to say, in storm and tempest, "My anchor holds." He who builds upon any other foundation than that which has been laid, builds upon shifting sand. God calls for a reformation. But he who seeks to bring about a reformation without the aid of the Holy Spirit's reviving power, will find himself adrift. Those who turn from human foolishness and frailty, from man's seductive arts, from Satan's planning, to Christ, the shepherd and bishop of our souls, will stand secure upon the platform of eternal truth. Special Testimonies B07 - Testimonies for the Church Containing Messages of Warning and Instruction to Seventh-day Adventists, p.42.1

TRIMMING OUR LAMPS AND WAITING FOR THE LORD: There seemed to be a great movement -- a work of revival -- going forward in many places. Our people were moving into line, responding to God's call. My brethren, the Lord is speaking to us. Shall we not heed His voice? Shall we not trim our lamps, and act like men who look for their Lord to come? The time is one that calls for light-bearing, for action. "I therefore...beseech you,' brethren, 'that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.' Life Sketches of Ellen G. White, p. 426.