As the skier climbs upward through trackless snow, 
So we enter a new year striving toward lofty goals.
The Church at Work

To say that the great work of every local church is evangelism or the saving of souls is only to utter the obvious. Sometimes, however, the obvious is the essential. There are certain kinds of church work not closely related to saving souls claiming our time and attention that some former group for which we are called. When we read in the Scripture that Christ is the Head of the Church, which is His body, we may wonder if we are fulfilling this basic purpose of our local church life can uplift us to such terminology.

A great effort is now being put forth throughout our own denomination to get the whole church to work. There is a feeling that we have too easily left the soul-saving work to the employed pastor and have not been successful in expectation more of the other work of the church to be done by him than is for the good of the church. Putting the church to work, however, is not putting the pastor out of work. Rather, it may increase the demands upon his mind and call forth more of the abilities for which he has been trained.

'A well-organized church means a church organized but not over-organized. It means group planning and committee functioning, and much more. In the constant recognition of the really great task of telling the story of salvation to those who have not felt its compelling force and nurturing those who already possess faith, the local church is well enlified and develop the talents of its members in projects that have some relation to the primary objective. Happy is the church that consistently keeps a proper balance between physical and spiritual work.

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for what we have called the sheltering wings of an established day. Although the denominations or churches still teaching the transference of the Sabbath commandment to Sunday are growing fewer, the idea undergirds the thinking and practice of a greater number than would admit it. They have retreat to this stronghold in time of danger.

What then has happened? Merchandizing on Sunday has grown by leaps and bounds in the resort and more heavily populated areas where competition is keen. The church leaders have become alarmed over the great number of people involved. Their more substantial businessmen feel that they must meet competition, and many of their working people, though protected by labor laws, are enticed by the extra money they can earn on Sundays.

These churches, unlike those who keep the seventh-day Sabbath, have not schooled their people in facing opposition. They have been at a loss to know what kind of persuasion to use, for they have discarded the Biblical law in large measure. Therefore, there seemed but one recourse—civil law to perpetuate an outward conformity to the established day of worship.

Another circumstance favors the revival of Sunday legislation. America is experiencing a growing interest in religion. Politicians cannot afford to turn a deaf ear to anything religious. The lawmakers themselves are 'causing this turning toward religion. With many of them it is new business and they are not spiritually equipped to think it through. They seem unable to gauge the potency of hastily enacted laws that seem to favor the churches.

Into this present situation one church can fit itself in any other. The Roman Catholic Church stands to gain whenever religion becomes popular, for the simple reason that it is more unified than any other large religious body. Furthermore, that church has a long record of striving for unification of secular and religious power. What Protestantism is somewhat divided, the Roman Church apparently sees an opportunity to establish types of religious legislation that will serve their church at some later time. If Protestantism does not keep these issues clearly in mind now, it will discover too late that it has sold its freedom-of-conscience birthright for a mess of pottage.

In a later issue there will be a continuation of this subject with quotations from Seventh Day Baptist letters in a Catholic paper—quite interesting.

EDITORIAL NOTES
Thank You, Thank You
The office of the Sabbath Recorder regularly receives many letters of appreciation accompanying renewals and other correspondence. The volume of such well-wishing usually increases considerably at the holiday season, and this year has been no exception. The editor would like to express thanks to all those subscribers both within and outside the Seventh Day Baptist denomination who so thoughtfully remembered this journal in their greetings and in their correspondence.

Editorially, we would pledge anew to keep the Sabbath, with reverence for the Lord whose incarnation we have so recently honored. We are expressing thanks to all those subscribers who have sent in their renewals and other correspondence. The mid-winter meeting of the Commission was held in Battle Creek, Mich., beginning Sunday evening, December 27, and continuing through Thursday, December 31. The business of Seventh Day Baptists for the members of this body as they gathered to do their appointed work were appreciated.

LET US PRAY
"We thank Thee, O Lord Jesus, that Thou hast called each one of us to Thy true and faithful and zealous witness proclaiming to all men the grace of Thy all-embracing salvation and the peace of Thy reconciliation, in which there is no wall or partition between Jew and Gentile but are one household of faith in Thee.

"Bless us, O Lord of the Sabbath, with Thy constant presence and make us a pillar of light and a standard of Thy righteousness, and an olive tree of Thy prophecies shining wherever even two or three of us gather together and worship Thee on Thy holy Sabbath day.

"Keep us, O Lord of glory, from stumbling and falling, and enable us to lay all the commandments of God and Thy faith until the end." — Alfred Kube, Warrimoo, Australia.

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Happy New Year to You!

By Ralph H. Coon

What shall I wish thee?
What can be found
Bringing the sunshine
All the year round?
Where is the treasure,
Lasting and dear,
That shall enure thee
A Happy New Year?

Faith that increaseth,
Walking in light;
Hope that aboundeth,
Happy and bright:
Love that is perfect.

Casting out fear;
These shall ensure thee
A Happy New Year.

Frances Ridley Havergal in these lines expressed what I would wish for each fellow Christian during the new year. Let us look into the Scripture to try to catch the real meaning of this wish for faith, hope, and love. Let us ask ourselves if such are only visionary or if there is a practical and realistic application of faith, hope, and love in the workaday world of 1960.

Arthur Brisbane has written a paragraph that well analyzes the need of the modern world. His dramatic approach adds emphasis to his conclusion:

"We go on in a world clean of materialism. We may scrub the world white of autocracy. We may carpet it with democracy, and drape it with flags of republicanism. We may hang on the walls the thrilling pictures of freedom—here the signing of America’s independence, there the thrilling portrait of Joan of Arc, yonder the Magna Charta, on this side the inspiring picture of Garibaldi. We may spend efforts and energy to make the world a paradise where the lion of capitalism can lie down with the lamb. But if we turn into this splendid room mankind with the same old heart deceitful... and desperately wicked, we may have cause not many days hence. What we need is a peace conference with the Prince of Peace."

He longs not only to bring peace to the nations but peace, faith, hope, and love to each individual human being. It is in God’s Word that we are brought face to face with these great Christian graces and the Source from which they are to be acquired.

The best way to search the Scripture for the meaning of faith, hope, and love is to find them in the One who, according to Paul, is "the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature," the One who "is before all things" and by whom "all things consist... for it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell." Yes, in Him is all fulness of faith, hope, and love. Jesus gives body to the New Year’s wish of Miss Havergal. Jesus is not only the hope of the nations but He is the faith, hope, and love of each individual who will look to Him in 1960.

Christian Faith

The words faith, hope, and love are likely to mean something quite different in our lives from what they did in Jesus’ earthly life. My first thought when I think of my faith is that God will take care of me. Yet Jesus says that which enabled Him to look forward with confidence knowing God’s Holy Spirit would empower His disciples said that the future of the world, which He committed to those weak, and in many ways selfish, men, would work out according to God’s grace. Jesus said that the love does not involve the love of our fellow men as well as our love for God and His love for us? Is it not in the sense of love for others that “perfect love casteth out fear”? If our lives are wrapped up in love for others we do not have much time to fear what may happen to us. This is indeed the very love that prompted Jesus to face the cross without fear. If we detect worry and fear creeping into our lives should we not ask ourselves if knowledge of the love of Christ is not slipping out of our lives?

As I wish such faith, hope, and love for you there comes the feeling that I do not have this love. If we catch a definite faith we will forget the need of faith for our own futures in thinking of the futures of our children and of those we love. Let us allow Him to lift us up above even a family type of selfishness — that our loving service will affect all with whom we come in contact. Let us be sure to include here the mystic prayer contact which is only limited by the narrowness of our own thinking.

Christian Hope

When Paul speaks of hope it is usually in connection with others. To the Colossians he writes of “the hope that is laid up for you in heaven.” He writes to Titus:

"That being justified by his grace we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. It is the resurrection hope. He usually has it in mind. This hope can give us a great confidence in the new year for those we love.

Christian Love

It is in the third of the three great Christian graces that the involvement of others is most evident. We cannot express a more significant wish for our friends than that expressed by Paul in his prayer for the Ephesians, “That ye being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye may be filled with the fulness of God.” Can we be rooted and grounded in love? Would the love does not involve the love of our fellow men as well as our love for God and His love for us? Is it not in the sense of love for others that “perfect love casteth out fear”?

Expressing Our Need

How are we to have this love? How can we make this whole thing practical? The answer is by having Christ. We can saturate our thoughts with the life of Christ as described so beautifully in the Gospels and as interpreted so forcefully in the Acts and the Epistles. The question is not so much, “How sincerely do I want this love?” but rather “Do I want it?” The question is not so much, “How will I interpret this love which prompted Jesus to face the cross without fear?” but rather, “Do I want it in my life?” As we pour out our lives in service for others we will be more and more conscious of the need to do more praying for them. It is through prayer, through our talking with Him, that He will be able to enter into our lives.

All of this is involved in the true, sincere wish, “A Happy New Year to You.”

Tracts, Tracts, and More Tracts!

If evangelical Christians fully realized the power of the printed page, as do the various cults and isms rampant around the world today, they would depopulate this country with a flood of tracts.

The American Tract Society.

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The Dilemma
Of the Evangelist

A portion of Chapter V of a special issue of World Council of Churches entitled, "A Theological Reflection on the Work of Evangelism."

God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. This is the ground of our faith in Jesus Christ as Emmanuel — God with us. God's work of salvation through Jesus Christ is an ongoing work. He is at work in the world fulfilling His promise that He will seek the lost, that He will gather the scattered, that He will draw all men to Himself. This continuing work of Jesus Christ in the world as its Lord and its Savior is, however, not done apart from His people. His presence in His Church is an integral part of His action in the world. Those who live by faith in Him are therefore also inevitably participants in His work. Being in Him they are used by Him to make Himself known. He appoints His witnesses. They are part of His gift to the world.

Indeed, the baptism with which Christians are baptized is a mark of their calling as witnesses to Jesus Christ. Just as in the sacrament of Holy Communion they partake of the risen life of Christ and proclaim Christ's finished work, so in baptism they are sanctified to be servants of God deeply troubled by their impurity and disobedience, but they remain unworthy, after having accepted the baptism, and serve the needs of the congregation. The true evangelist stands in this dilemma. He cannot escape a special spiritual authority or commitment. The Bible, both in the Old and New Testaments, gives many examples of those who have been disowned by the Church. They were in holy baptism they partake in the death which He died for all, and through faith enter into His risen life. So do they belong to the body of Christ in His Church, identified with Christ's ministry on behalf of the world.

The work of evangelism in which they engage is, thus, disclosed as an inherent part of God's work of salvation. He has entrusted His message to them and they proclaim it by announcing reconciliation between God and man through Jesus Christ. He has enabled them to announce this Gospel is the work of the Holy Spirit. By His power Jesus Christ was raised from the dead and while they too are raised with Christ into newness of life.

It is because, in the work of evangelism, both the message and the messengers belong together in this way in the one activity of God's saving work that every Christian finds himself facing a dilemma. He finds that not only he who is a sinner is a part of a work which God accomplishes, but also that God calls him to such a participation. How He entrusts His Holy Word to such sinful lips, His powerful work to such nerveless hands? This is the very crux of this dilemma that every Christian is saved from thinking that through this work of evangelism he conditions God's work of salvation.

God's act of reconciliation in the events of the incarnation and atonement is full and complete and sufficient for men's salvation, and the evangelized will seek evidence of this sufficiency in the life of the evangelist himself. They will, however, not discern a harmony between the message and the person of the one who delivers the message which the message demands. It is not only the evangelist who will realize this lack. The evangelist himself is aware of the inadequacy of his obedience and the resulting suspicion of the adequacy of his message.

The true evangelist stands in this dilemma. He cannot escape from the side of the content of the Gospel. For he proclaims a Gospel which is to the Jew a stumbling-block and to the Greeks foolishness. The Gospel is such that those who hear it do not believe it. The evangelist is dependent upon the Holy Spirit to convince the hearer. He must do all in his power to remove misunderstandings which the word uttered in obedience and addressed to the congregation is also an open word directed to all men who listen to it. The evangelistic word proclaimed to the people outside the Church edifies the worshipping congregation also. The evangelistic word addressed to the non-Christian and calling him to personal faith is at the same time an invitation from the people of God to join them in praising and thanking God and witnessing to Him.

But to evangelize is more than to proclaim the Gospel by word and to be sustained by it. It is to live in conformity with the evangelical calling. The Church is the body of Christ. The Church gathers together as the body of Christ — the body of Christ, with its members, is the body of Christ in the world. The Church, therefore, fulfills its evangelistic task when it lives by the power of God to remove misunderstanding which the message demands of the message delivered to the congregation. The Church, therefore, fulfills its evangelistic task when it lives by the power of God to remove misunderstanding which the message demands of the message delivered to the congregation.

This experience, by which every evangelist is upheld and the work of evangelism is made possible, is an experience with the life of the Christian community. It is in the life of the Church that every Christian finds this true evangelistic calling and its fulfillment.

The Church by its very nature is a witnessing community gathered together by God through the proclamation of the Gospel. Being gathered together anew day by day it lives by its witnessing. Baptist, by incorporating men into the Church, ordains them to be evangelists.

The community lives by listening to the same Word which it is called to pass on. The Church, therefore, fulfills its missionary and evangelistic task rigidly, if its task its members are continuously evangelized by God.

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This total situation in which the evangelist stands, and his dilemma, must be seen in the perspective of the new age which is yet to come but which has already entered our world. It has brought new life and hope of the final appearance of the coming of Christ in glory. In the meantime while the old world still exists, and the dethroned powers of evil seek to separate the Church from its Lord. But the Church, sustained by its faith and its hope, fulfills its mission, claiming every day which God gives as a day of grace, until the Gospel shall be preached as a banquet of consequences. That suggests there may be found on the menu some thorns, or figs from thistles. At the "You sow an act and reap a destiny," The execution Ministry of Jesus,

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Box E. Zwiebel

NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK

National Youth Week, as sponsored by the United Christian Youth Movement, is set for January 31 - February 7, 1960. The theme is "Thy Kingdom on Earth." We still have four kits on hand which are for sale for $1.00 each. Send your order to the Seventh Day Baptists Board of Christian Education, Box 15, Alfred Station, N. Y.

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C.E. PROGRAM COUNCIL

Over eighty Christian Endeavor leaders from all parts of the United States and from Canada met in Columbus, Ohio, December 1-3. The sessions of the Executives' Program Council of the International Society. The sessions opened with a communion service conducted by Dr. Meadows, who also led a devotional period at the beginning of each succeeding day.

A four-session study course on "Ten Steps to Christian Endeavor Leadership" was taught by Elwood Dunn of Detroit, general secretary of the Michigan Union.

Other features of the sessions included a report on Christian Endeavor world-wide by Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary of both the International Society and the Union. He reported on his recent visit to Mexico and Guatemala and gave information about the Pacific Area Conference scheduled for August 17-20 in Mexico City.

During these important meetings the current plans, materials, and emphases of the Christian Endeavor World were presented and many phases of the work were reviewed as leaders shared ideas and studied materials.

The Executives' Program Council meets annually. Included in its membership are denominational youth workers; presidents and employed field, executive, and general secretaries of Christian Endeavor unions; officers of the International Society; and youth delegates appointed by the unions. The work of the Council is carried out through four committees — Educational, Children's Work, Youth Work, and Adult Work.

"There cannot be a God of love," men say, "just because we have not seen, and He looks out upon this world, His heart would break." The Church points to the Cross and says, "His heart does break. "It is God who has made the world," men say, "it is He who is responsible, and it is He who should bear the load." The Church points to the Cross and says, "He does not reject the world."


WOMEN'S WORK — Mrs. A. Russell Hasting

Two New Books for Study

"One man cannot unite himself," "Aching for footprints, we come on new ones."

"The human heart is like deep waters, it hides many things."

— African Proverbs.

These proverbs and others like them catch the imagination and illuminate the reading of the book. Africa Disturbed, by Emory and Myrna Ross, missionaries in Africa over a period of years who, before writing this book, traveled to many parts of Africa to interview Africans themselves. They asked men and women in varying situations to tell about the changes taking place in their country and their hopes, fears, and perplexities. The answers are given in direct quotation, enabling the reader to feel the texture of the disturbance in present-day Africa.

Having read the book mentioned above, you will want to know more of the why and how of such tremendous changes taking place on a continent so recently opened to world travel. For this information and to understand the relation of the Christian Church to these changes, read The Way in Africa by George Wayland Carpenter. He traces briefly the historic roots of the continent, with particular attention to the early influence of missions, and analyzes the changing patterns of culture as well as the growing force of racial consciousness. He points out the perplexities of the people as they try to understand what is happening around them and try to decide what to hold of their old customs and what to embrace of the new. Throughout the book the author tells of the influence of the Christian Church, and likens the church in Africa to the New Testament Church as a place to be led by the Spirit. The reader feels, as the author suggests, that perhaps the new church in Asia and Africa may help us recover the spirit of the early Christians.

Read and reread these two books. You will be glad you did.

Read again, also, the editorials on page 5 of the Sabbath Recorder of October 12 and November 30.

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Adult Study Guide
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with resource list
Edge of the Village — play
Face to the Future — filmmstrip — color — reading script
Fun and Festival from Africa
Varied activity plans based on African customs, games, festivals and stories
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Teen Talk
Have You Plotted
The Course of Your Life?

The giant missile stands poised for flight. Which way is it going? This one bears a name, which makes us sure that it is designed and poised for our protection rather than for our destruction. The name “Christian” or “Seventh Day Baptist”, which is stamped upon us also gives a clue to another course of destiny or destiny. By it our friends know where we are going, if we remain true to our course.

Jesus lived and died for all sorts and kinds of people. His apostles, although filled with love, often spoke of the Christian life in terms of warfare and called upon young men to be good soldiers of the Lord. If every piece of protective armor and every weapon of ancient warfare had a spiritual application, shall we not also draw some lessons from our most modern weapons that have had to be designed to protect us from the godless forces that seem to threaten us?

You have noticed that our biggest missiles stand upright on their launching pads. When they blast off, they go straight away. If we remain true to our course, we shall go straight away too, if our course be straight.

To date $451,000 has been raised for the building program and the goal set at $600,000 by 1961. — Information taken from Courier.

The Hour of Decision (Billy Graham) is heard on more radio stations in the United States than those of any other program, secular or religious, mostly on a paid-time basis.

Dedicated Communist Youth
Glenn Wagner, director of the Pocket Testament League, attended the great Youth Festival at Vienna, Austria, in July with a team prepared to distribute Testaments and display posters in Russian, Chinese, Arabic, and French, telling that Christ came from heaven, died for our sins, and is coming again; that people should trust Him and have eternal life, for He satisfies the soul.

The festival represented 100 countries and brought 60,000 young people into Wiener Stadthalle for the opening day. The Communists had spent 120 million dollars to promote this gigantic “show.” The announced theme of the festival was “Peace and Friendship.” It soon became apparent that there was no peace and friendship for the Prince of Peace. Angry young people tore down half the posters and roughly handled the PTL team members who had permission to distribute Scriptures.

Mr. Wagner notes that there were many defections and that some delegations withdrew after the first day. Personal work and private witness was the local comment. It was not without results. He is sure that the Communists did not accomplish all they had hoped for this huge meeting of youth. However, he concludes his report with these sobering, challenging words:

“It did demonstrate once more to the PTL team, first, that Communism is bitterly opposed to the Gospel, and also that there are thousands of young Communists with fire, enthusiasm, unashamedness, and dedication, ready to lay down their lives for a belief. We cannot hope to win these young people to Christ until we match and surpass their devotion.”

—L.M.M.

It Could Apply to a Denomination

“We have to know a cynic who claims he has the answer: All, he says, that we have to do to solve all our problems is to devote to the solution of them as much effort as we devote to combating States that fail of others to solve them for us.”

—Birdsboro, Pa., Dispatch.

OTHER FIELDS AND PROJECTS

Leprosy Missions
Dr. Oliver William Hasselbalch, of Kirkville, Mo., has been named president of American Leprosy Missions, Inc. Only a national Protestant organization with a world-wide leprosy relief program, American Leprosy Missions supports 160 hospitals and clinics in 32 countries in cooperation with local leprosy mission boards. Through its agency more than 300 missionary workers direct a medical, spiritual, educational, and social ministry reaching some 70,000 leprosy victims on five continents.

Dr. Harry Denman, executive secretary of the Board of Evangelism of the Methodist Church in the U. S. S., told his denomination that it must choose between becoming a church with a real life-changing evangelism or becoming a church of suburbia that will be "permeated and saturated by the will of secular man.”

Holiness and Free Methodist Churches in Egypt

Eighty Holiness Movement churches in Egypt with over 5,000 members unanimously voted approval of union with the Free Methodist Church at the May 5-10 conference at Asyut.

The Egypt church, started sixty years ago as a missionary venture of the Holiness Movement Church, is now self-supporting and self-governing and voted as an autonomous church body. It is active educationally and evangelistically. Its program includes fifty daily Vacation Bible Schools with 5,000 scholars, and a college-level Bible School.

“The Christian Heritage Magazine is the most factual periodical published today in our language dealing with the menace of Romanism in our generation. You will not find anywhere else the tremendously important facts that we should have at our disposal, in such an abundance and with such authority as in the pages of this periodical.” — Wilbur M. Smith [a man whose knowledge of periodicals and religious books is unsurpassed].

The Sabbath Recorder

JANUARY 4, 1960
America, to Your Knees!

Words by Esther Kerr Rusthoi
Music by Elizabeth Fisher Davis

America, to your knees! Your only hope is prayer; the world is filled with strife, confusion and discord.

America, to your knees! In supplication call.

America, to your knees!
Your forefathers of old
Loved God and served Him faithfully,
For righteousness were bold.
They read and lived God's Word,
Honored the Sabbath day.
America, to your knees!
Confess your sins and pray.

America, to your knees!
Now is no time for pride;
In humble pleadings call,
"O God, be on our side;
We've sinned and disobeyed;
We've wandered far astray."
America, to your knees!
Return to Christ today.

WELCOMING NEWCOMERS

Church is more than a building with characteristic exterior symbolism, more than the denominational name on the bulletin board, more even than the music carefully rendered by organ and choir. Church is greater than the out-poured heart of the minister in his sermon. Added also must be such a welcome to newcomers as those from loving hearts freshly warmed by a Sabbath hour spent in the presence of the Father and in communion with the Son, our Lord.