Take Up a Collection

There is a story told of a group of men who were in some grave danger, cut off from any human help. Pondering the seriousness of their situation they wanted to get some help from above. Not one of them was qualified to preach a sermon or able to recall helpful passages of Scripture. None were accustomed to leading in prayer or singing Christian hymns. They decided that the only religious thing they could do was to take up a collection.

There are those who think that in New Testament times the apostle Paul taught the observance of Sunday when he urged the Christians at Corinth to “take up a collection on the first day of the week.”

A closer study of the incorrectly quoted passage reveals that this is not a text to be used to establish Sunday observance in place of Sabbathkeeping but an indication that the first day of the week was not sacred. Paul was giving instructions for gathering money to relieve the poverty of the Jewish Christian believers at Jerusalem who were having a hard time. He was going to make the long trip back to the headquarters church at the end of his missionary journey and could carry their contribution with him. What Paul wrote to the Corinthians was, “Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as the Lord hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.” It was not to be a collection in a public church service, but something the head of the family, the bread earner, was to do in his own home.

Why is the first day of the week mentioned as the time for doing this? Those who have studied Jewish practice (and the appeal was primarily to Jews to help their brethren) say that no good Jew would handle money on the Sabbath. Therefore, Sunday, a non-sacred day, was a more suitable time for dividing up the money and putting some in the cookie jar for the relief of the poor. Kitto’s Cyclopedia of Biblical Literature, a standard work, in an article “Lord’s Day” makes this point clear. What was not considered proper to do with money on the Sabbath could well be done on Sunday, which was at that time considered not as a feast, but as a working day.

The apostle Paul was very careful in his Sabbathkeeping, and none of the persecutions coming upon him by Jewish instigation were for disregard of the Sabbath. If he had practiced or advocated the substitution of Sunday for the Sabbath as a day of worship he would probably have died at the hands of the Jews and would have died in something other than a Roman prison.

Heroin addicts are usually immature, irresponsible, often lonely, and resentful of authority, according to a new book, “How About Heroin?” by Lindsay R. Curtis, M.D., published by Texas Alcohol Narcotics Education (TANE).

Of the seven drugs classified as narcotics, heroin accounts for ninety percent of all narcotic abuse and addiction. There are an estimated 200,000 addicts in the United States, according to the book. Heroin addicts steal over one billion dollars a year to maintain their habits, according to Dr. Curtis.
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South African Union
Withdraws from Council
The Baptist Union of South Africa, meeting in Durban, decided to withdraw from the South African Council of Churches.

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Layman’s Drive-In
The words “Layman’s Drive-In” on the front of this folder seemed out of place together. Yet this is the designation for an exciting weekend of “Information, Inspiration, Instruction, Fellowship and Fun” at Ridgeway Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C., from 6 p.m., April 30 to 1 p.m., May 2, 1971.

This retreat, sponsored by the Pan American Union of Baptist Men and the Men’s Department of the Baptist World Alliance, is a continuing emphasis that grew out of the Crusade of the Americas. Who is invited? Baptist laymen, pastors, denominational workers and their wives from all Baptist Conventions. The cost is $18 per person. This includes meals, lodging, linen, and registration fee. A copy of the folder is being sent to each church through its missionary keyworker in a WW2 mailing.

A second such meeting is scheduled for the American Baptist Assembly, Green Lake, Wisconsin, October 22-24, 1971. While details are not yet available, information on this and two other meetings planned for the coming summer. More than 1,000 members and guests are expected to attend each of these four major gatherings.

Laymen are invited to attend one of these retreats. A brochure is planned for distribution to all churches. This brochure will also be available from the Baptist World Alliance, 100 W. Putnam Ave., Ridgefield, Conn. 06877.

A Layman’s Drive-In is a way of shining the light of Christianity into the dark, unoccupied places of the world. It is a time to rekindle the excitement of the crusade and to plan for the future of Baptist missions.

A special issue of the Complete Baptist World Review will be published on the retreat.

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APRIL 3, 1971

MEMORY TEXT
"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen" (Matt. 28:19, 20).

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HELP

Other writers have commented on receipts in February for Our World Mission. Your Missionary Society, as the major participator in the OWM budget, must try to communicate the situation in which we have been placed. It is difficult for us as human individuals to enter into and fully understand the situations that are removed from our personal lives. But as believers we have this opportunity in order to share our Christian responsibility and concern.

The statement from the OWM treasurer indicates that your society has received only $1,112.36 in undesignated amounts for the month of February. This is less than 30 percent of the average monthly income needed from this source to carry on the work of the society. While this amount is the lowest since February 1970, it was not received! (The average monthly receipts were set by Conference at $4,041.66.) Some may say, “Well, the society can make it up from other funds.” But we would point out that approximately 48 percent of our monthly income must come from OWM while 16 percent is in designated giving and 36 percent is in investment income.

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Some years ago when a similar situation arose the board decided that it would pass on only the money that it received. Thus salaries were paid according to the funds received. The reported response from our people was one of shock and outrage! Rightly so. But it did help to awaken many people to the fact that we are united in our work and that we cannot continue to meet our responsibilities unless all of us accept these and do our share.

Your Missionary Board has not taken such drastic action since that day some years ago but you can clearly understand that action may become necessary if continued receipts remain at this low level. The board policy is clear: “When the board finds itself unable to secure contributions sufficient to meet the expenses of the work for a series of months, a policy of retrenchment shall be adopted without delay.” Our expenditures and work must be regulated by our income.

This time of year is difficult for every individual as he faces the annual accounting with the government in paying income tax. Yet to neglect the work of the Lord cannot be allowed. What can you do? Give immediate thought to answering the following three questions:

1. How much have I supported OWM since February 1?
2. Has my church sent in its regular monthly contribution to OWM?
3. Have I remembered the work of our boards and agencies, not only in giving, but in prayer during these weeks?

At the time of writing the month of March is well on its way and we wonder what this month will record for OWM giving. Unless we are willing to check up on ourselves and our churches and take the action necessary March and April can be repeats of February. But under God it need not be and will not be. Let us (each one) act now.

Varying Viewpoints

“What must be fostered throughout the denomination is a hearty acceptance of the inalienable right of each person to come to God and the Bible for himself, and of the right of every Baptist to have his own individual viewpoint recognized and respected by his fellow Baptists. The possibility of more than one interpretation of certain Scripture passages and theological doctrines and current issues must be acknowledged.”

—From Guidelines for Southern Baptist Curriculum Writers

April 3, 1971
During the course of this time we began to rent a Sunday church building for our Sabbath services in Torrington, Conn.

Thus, in visiting, teaching, and preaching my pastoral experience began, or perhaps I should say, my missionary experience began. It was born in voluntary after-hours. Thus, in visiting, teaching, and preaching, I began. It was born in voluntary after-hours work for Jesus. Obviously, it could only be a small part-time ministry, and this was quite frustrating. The time came to move to seminary study and the work was left to other dedicated hands.

The seminary courses brought happiness and a closer walk with my Master, Jesus Christ. But our little savings did not last for long and I was forced to drop out for a while. Disappointed as we were, we worked until there was enough to support us for another term. In retrospect now, the frustrating experiences we faced through those years have given us a sympathetic understanding of our Guayanese church leaders who likewise have their jobs for support and still try so hard to shepherd their church flock with a sympathetic understanding of these years to see encouragement can be given to keep going if that spirit, saith the Lord of hosts (Zechariah 4:6).

For some time the Lord has given me the strong feeling that the Northwest part of our country holds great potential for growth for Seventh Day Baptists. (For that matter, any section of the country does, if we believe it.) From this area there seemed to come a great deal of interest in the form of inquiries about Seventh Day Baptists as well as many names of Seventh Day Baptists who had moved to that area. It was this feeling, or perhaps it would be more correct to say "leading," that encouraged me to go to the Northwest on a visitation tour on behalf of the Pacific Coast Association in the spring of 1966. For many years the visitation trips had extended only as far as northern California. But by the already mentioned ways the Holy Spirit seems to be leading me to make a trip further north and to include the Seattle area. The Holy Spirit has continued to lead in many ways and with many people until at present we have a young but dynamic and growing church in Seattle.

It was my privilege to work again in the Northwest area during the month of February 1971. The Seattle Area church had given the invitation to come and hold lay training sessions with them. The response was heartening with much larger numbers participating than in some of our larger churches.

During the three week mission in the Northwest, Pastor Duane Davis and I visited a number of large suburban churches in eastern Washington and Idaho. Four days of meetings were held back in the mountains of Washington at Randle where a small group meets once a month. One family here was united in the Lord as a young father made his decision for Christ. What rejoicing! A meeting was held at the Justin and Camenga home in Portland with a group he had contacted in that area. It was agreed that they would meet every two weeks for Bible study and prayer at the Camenga home. I feel that there is real potential for a growing group in this area particularly because of the strong leadership offered by Justin Camenga.

Perhaps one of the most exciting aspects for real growth is in the area just north of Seattle. Some families living there, who regularly attend the Seattle Area church at Des Moines, (which is on the south side of Seattle) feel they should have an outreach of their own. This group in this area particularly because of the strong leadership offered by Justin Camenga.

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Recognizing the moving hand of our God in the hearts of many individuals and groups in many countries, our General Conference is emphasizing the Worldwide Witness by those of like faith. The Missionary Society was asked by Planning Committee to coordinate this effort and since November, monthly mailings have been made to all our churches.

Each month one of the member conferences of the Seventh Day Baptist World Federation is brought into sharper focus by materials for use on a bulletin board—maps, glossy prints, headings; by a brief information folder shared in quantity for individual distribution; by a filmstrip with script/tape to share pictorially the work and workers on that field. All of these supplement each other and the total picture is understood best by reading and seeing all. Thus the folders give more information on the background of the work, the country and the witness carried on today. The maps and glossy prints help to locate the area of witness and show some of the workers and work. The filmstrip offers as much as possible present work. But the availability of up-to-date suitable slides/pictures from some areas limit and alter some presentations.

A survey shows that most churches are using these regularly each month. Suggestions have also been received that will help improve those being prepared for the second half of the year. We are grateful for this response.

If you missed some of the filmstrips, or wish to have them to show again when a larger number of people can be present, they are available (after the month of emphasis) on request from the Audiovisual Library, American Sabbath Tract Society, Box 868, Plainfield, N. J. 07061.

We deeply appreciate the dedicated service of Fred M. Ayars who has been giving several hours each week to producing filmstrips, tapes and glossy prints. Steven Crouch, extended dedicated worker at Plainfield, runs the folder and mails these and bulletin board items each month. Without the help of these men, when a larger number of people can be present, they are available (after the month of emphasis) on request from the Audiovisual Library, American Sabbath Tract Society, Box 868, Plainfield, N. J. 07061.

India is a densely populated land of 500,000,000 speaking many languages and much in need of the gospel. New missionaries, former allowed and furloughed missionaries often have trouble getting back into the country.

There should be one effective way of evangelizing India, setting up radio stations in various places with religious programs in the many languages. It sounds good, but it does not work the same in India as in America. All broadcasting is controlled by the government. There are no commercial or independent stations. Thus if radio is to be used to bring new life to India's 500,000,000 it must come by shortwave from outside. The Far East Broadcasting Company is undertaking this task. Indian language programs are recorded in various parts of the country and shipped to Manila to be broadcast back. There are 10,000,000 radios in India, 90 percent of them shortwave receivers.

HERBERT O. MUENSTERMANN—Director, Overseas Personnel Section of DOM (Division of Overseas Ministries NCC) has this to say about the Urbana Missionary Conference after being a guest of IVCF at Urbana.

"The conference was clearly evangelical, authentically and consistently evangelical. Its cornerstone was the person and lordship of Christ. Standing on the foundation of that cornerstone, the conference tended to be critical of the merely orthodox, legalistic, individualistic middle class mentality and affirmative, of social justice outreach to the dispossessed and the exploited. The whole week was characterized by a both/and rather than a polarization stance. Both the life changing (revolutionary) personal commitment and the societal, brother-affirmation centered in the example and person of Jesus Christ. The either one or the other stance was labelled not full gospel, and therefore false gospel."

The tone of Urbana '70 was clearly one of a decrease of polarization and an increase in reconciliation under Christ, affirmation of brotherhood authenticated by social justice, and a glorification of God in sharing the whole gospel—for the whole man and the wholeness of humanity.
Visit to Nanchefu
By Betty Pearson
Sabbath morning dawned sunny and warm. After the usual procedures necessary for physical food, we were off to Nanchefu to share with others some spiritual food. We had walked from the road and went a little way down the dusty road. David remarked that he didn’t know he was “up to” the rough roads—but there they were, anyway.

At Nanchefu, we found the pastor not feeling well, but busy preparing for the meeting. Many people had already gathered and others were still arriving. Inside the church we sat close together, but near a window so we could get fresh air. Songs, and the church was crowded and noisy for physical food, we were off to the church. The people longed for food for their souls. I looked out the window over the verdant Africa countryside. The people love us; we love them, and are happy to be here. There is real fellowship because we all love Christ the Savior, who gave up glory above to suffer and die because of His love for us.

What a privilege to be here representing Christ.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON
for April 10, 1971

DEATH THE END?
Lesson Scripture: 1 Cor. 15:22; 35-45

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Malawi

Medical Notes
The World Health Organization (WHO) has issued a new publication, Principles and Practice of Cholera Control, which is intended for countries where a cholera outbreak would confront health authorities with unfamiliar problems. The publication outlines practical measures to be used against this disease. It brings together newly acquired information which was, until now, scattered or unpublished. A copy has been sent to Nurse Sarah Becker in Malawi.

Effective treatment can reduce fatality from cholera to less than one percent, according to this publication. It gives the different schedules of treatment for adults and children. Such treatment is not usually technically difficult nor expensive. It is now clear that the infection is often without symptoms, or produces only a mild disease closely resembling dysentery.

A recent letter from Sarah Becker tells of a planned immunization program at Makapwa Station, Malawi. Special training is also being given the medical staff at the hospital clinic and teachers and students at the station school. Cleanliness and care are prime tools. One such step is the cleaning out of the large cistern. While there is no reported infection as yet in Malawi, there has been some in other parts of Africa and we are happy that such precautions are being taken.

Let us continue to uphold Sarah in her Sabbath School class at Makapwa church.

He’s My Friend
By Debbie Pearson
After two years of furlough in the U.S. (1966-67) coming back to Malawi was very different. I was coming back to a completely different life from what I had when I was here before. We were now in Blantyre. I used to live on Makapwa Station. There I had my African friends. I loved to chatter with them in Chinyanja, usually as I chewed their food. Often I ate double meals, one at home and one with the friends. I loved to go and swim in the river in the valley, and to run and play with my friends. No one could tell me there was any difference between us.

Then I went to America, and became Americanized. I learned English, but I lost Africa. Then when I came back it was to a very different life from before: I was living in a neighborhood where other English speaking people lived. I didn’t get to eat much of my favorite food — strong dried fish and nsima. A couple of times I cooked it but it wasn’t the same. Soon with the kids at school. I went to parties and was one of their parents. My parents were mission-aries, very different from the parents of my friends. On Sabbath we would go to the village churches. I soon picked up the language again, but not as fluently as before.

At school I had no Christian friends as far as I knew. I prayed that I should have a Christian friend. My prayer wasn’t answered but I kept on praying. Then it came to me. I should be putting forward a little effort; I should witness at school. But how? I couldn’t just go up and say, “Hey guys, I want to tell you Jesus died for you.” I’d look like a fool. But I knew

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God wanted me to share my Jesus. So I said, “O.K., God, I’m yours. Even if I make a fool of myself, I’ll be your witness. But you have to help me.” And He has. He brings up the subject to which I can say something. Many teen-agers are dissatisfied. Friends come up and say that they’ve tried committing suicide several times. They say, “God will make your life meaningful. He’s the only one who can. He has made mine that way,” they say. Lots of people think I’m mad. One boy said, “Deborah, what makes you think you haven’t sinned in your life?” No one’s a Christian yet but I know God can work what seems to be a miracle.

Meetings in the village can be very meaningful, sitting in the meeting listening to a sermon and singing. The people love to sing. Then I wonder, are the people getting what they need? Missionaries are thought of as intruding into the Africans’ lives but aren’t these people happier since they’ve found new life? I think so. Recently I have been elected a Sabbath School teacher here in Blantyre. It is a big job to mold these children to know that God will always care for them, that God is always the answer. As they grow up here in town and hear intellectual ideas, such as, “God isn’t, really; He’s an emotion people get, and the Bible is just a fable. If God is there, He would suffer for an experiment and left us here. He can’t be interested in each one of us.” But He is! I hope these children may begin to realize this as I teach them.

Soon I’ll be returning to America. In a way I want to go, but part of me will be left here in Malawi. It’s my land. I’ve grown up here and it’s part of me. I’m a “missionary’s kid” and I’m glad for the years I’ve spent here. I’ll have to complete my education—but what will the future bring? Things will change. Even if I should come back ten years from now, things would not be at all the same. Friends will change; jobs will change; but Jesus will always remain my Friend and Savor, no matter how many times I keep failing Him.
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Jamaica

Visit to New Group

An independent Sabbathkeeping group was visited by the Rev. Joe A. Samuels, Jamaica Conference secretary, and other brethren on Sabbath, January 16, located at Town Head, Westmoreland. The group is led by Pastor Conrad Kasselly. They had learned of Seventh Day Baptists through Brother Norman Benjamin and had expressed a desire for closer fellowship.

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To ask the question, "Why missions?" is to ask the question, "Why the Church?" We who make up the body of Christ on earth are the same who have received our commission from Him, and there is really no other reason for our existence as a church, let alone our commitment to Him.

It is from Him that we receive our instructions: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel." The order is imperative; the message is plain. There is no place too remote nor any people insignificant in the eyes of our Great Commissioner. The message is simple so the uneducated can understand and receive; yet profound so as to challenge the sage. In tender love it reaches out to embrace the city sophisticate as well as the uncivilized native in his far away place. It pleads within the palace; it searches in the slum; and always the message is one and the same: "Whoever will may come." To every person who will answer, it extends the word of redemption: "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whatsoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

It is from Him that we receive our power: "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth," He said. It is with this assurance of power that the mission of the Church extends itself to the uttermost parts of the earth, and it is in the fulness of this power that souls are won to Christ. The Church expresses with Paul, her pioneer missionary: "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone who believes," and she rejoices with Her Lord over every lost sheep restored to the fold.

It is from Him that we receive the ability to comprehend the far-reaching boundaries of our mission: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me in Jerusalem, and in Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." From the threshold of her comfortable cottage the Church begins her far reaching program, extending farther and farther according to the dedication of her members, and through the hands and feet of called-out men and women; into the streets of her teeming cities; into new and exciting places, through doors opened by the power of divine intervention; out into the most inaccessible places of the earth. Everywhere her men of mission go forth to save and to serve.

It is from Him that we receive companionship wherever we go to serve: "I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." The Church's mission is no solitary effort, but is indeed the "hand in hand" ministry of Christ and His own. The work is of His own ordaining; the servant is of His own choosing; the fruit is of His own harvest; and the glory is to His name.