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 whoever 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.
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Giving

For Christ and the Church
The Christian Endeavor youth movement celebrated its nineteenth birthday in February. The well-known motto of C.E. is "For Christ and the Church." But parts of that motto need to be emphasized by adults as well as youth. There is damage to the cause if all the emphasis is put on the church rather than Christ. It would be bad to put all of the emphasis on Christ and none on the church? It would seem so.

This is not to say that every worker for the Lord must keep an even balance between proclaiming Christ and promoting the church. Some are called to be primarily evangelists and others primarily teachers, but what we are saying is that the Christian movement as a whole must keep that balance if the cause of Christ is to prosper.

When we look out over our country today we may not all analyze the situation the same. Some are so wrapped up in church work that part of their lives as an organization looms much larger than presenting Christ as the Savior. Church conferences and eccumenical gatherings seem to deal much more with ways to organize the body than ways to present the claims of Christ, the head of the body.

But if you broaden your view to take in the youth of the world or the vast numbers of adults who are not really involved you get the feeling that there is considerable criticism of or indifference toward the church as an institution. Multitudes of people draw a distinction between Christ, whom they want, and the church, which they are not sure that they want. The church does not encourage the believer to shun the claims of Christ, the head of the body. But if you broaden your view to take in the youth of the world or the vast numbers of adults who are not really involved you get the feeling that there is considerable criticism of or indifference toward the church as an institution. Multitudes of people draw a distinction between Christ, whom they want, and the church, which they are not sure that they want. The church does not encourage the believer to shun the claims of Christ, the head of the body.

Can we make a strong case for Christ and the church, as the C. E. motto does? I think so. The major emphasis of the New Testament is on salvation. The Gospel of Matthew ends with the Great Commission. Christ's role is to evangelize the world. Throughout the four Gospels Jesus was training the twelve and sending out all His disciples on evangelistic, healing missions. There is a priority on soul winning. It comes first. There can be no diminishing of that need in the Twentieth Century. As long as babies are being born people will need to be reborn. If a church turns its thoughts inward and thinks only of its members — and their children — that church is failing Christ and signing its own death warrant. Love and self-centeredness are never a good combination. Love is not to be extended beyond the immediate family. A church that neglects the world is going to die no matter how well it is organized. It becomes a well-oiled machine spinning its wheels without moving forward.

On the other hand, we must direct our attention to the church as well as to Christ, especially at this time when so many are unattracted by the church and think they are right in their unorganized independence. We cannot be faithful to Christ without taking seriously what He said about the church. He came to earth not just to save individual sinners but to build a church. In Matthew 16:18 Jesus said, "Upon this rock I will build my church." Although no local churches had been built while He was still on earth, He gave detailed instruction about the local church. In Matthew 18 Jesus speaks of bringing problems of conduct to the church and settling personal differences at a congregational meeting. The book of Acts is the story of evangelism and of organizing churches throughout the Roman world. Paul never left his converts dangling; he organized them with epistles designed to strengthen them into churches and then followed up with visits of encouragement and instruction.

It is comforting to know that there is such a united invisible body. But the book of Acts seems to deal much more with ways to organize the church. Some are called to be trained ministers making common cause with the devil's subtle business, not the business of the Holy Spirit in regard to the service of trained ministers making common cause with us.

The modern idea of separating oneself from the church and going it alone by choice is not a New Testament idea. If the church is weak or faulty, strengthen it by your presence Sabbath by Sabbath. If it needs correcting in certain points of doctrine or practice, do your best, don't abandon it in self-righteous isolation. If the church is not dependent on the church to train them and send them forth. Knocking the church is the devil's subtle business, not the business of professing Christians.

Suggestions for Prayer This Week
Pray for:

1) The capable leaders in the Philippine Baptist organization on those islands.
2) The various Sabbath-Snaking groups of considerable size in Nigeria who met recently to investigate the possibility of a union Conference.
3) The recruitment of ministerial students for next year and the guidance of the Holy Spirit in regard to the service of trained ministers making common cause with us.
4) The spreading of our Sabbath literature, particularly the special issues of the Sabbath Recorder.

The local church at Antioch encouraged communications between the churches and sent Paul and Barnabas as delegates to Jerusalem to discuss with Judaizers. A conflict about the need of the church to train them and sending out all His disciples on evangelistic, healing missions.

Our Prayer Corner

APRIL 10, 1971

For Christ and the Church.
“O Lord, thou art my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful things; thy counsels of old are faithfulness and truth” (Isa. 25:1).

be hoped that all delegates are doing their touring and sightseeing before or after Conference week. However, the Berk­
shires, Deerfield, and the campus itself present close-at-hand sights enough to satisfy the average wanderer.

Delegates driving to Amherst from the west will be treated to some of the most pleasant natural beauty in the world, and that’s not just a Chamber of Com­
merce boast. The quickest way, as al­
ways, is to take the Massachusetts Turn­
pike to Springfield, turn north on I-91 to Northampton, then east on Route 9 and you can’t miss. It is recommended that you allow a little extra time and enjoy the “shunpiking” routes on which you’ll discover a more normal or native at­
mosphere and be able to get closer to the natural wonders that the pike rockets you past so swiftly.

Once in Amherst, follow the signs to the University of Massachusetts. Then follow the signs to the Campus Center, drive in, park, and register. Sounds sim­
ple, and it is. More detailed instructions for registration, parking, dormitory facili­
ties, and the like will be published by the host committee as they become avail­
able, but with facilities such as Amherst College will be doubly profitable.

—Loren G. Osborn

Chaplain Nicholas Waytowich, the Catholic priest, and I are responsible for the religious welfare of all the artillery­
men in the southern half of the I Corps area. We have men on top of approx­
imately twenty-four mountains (this varies because the guns are moved from place to place as they are needed for specific jobs), and with the help of helicopters like the one beside which we are stand­
ing in the picture we try to hit all of them at least once each two weeks.

We are known as the “circuit riding chaplains” and the OH6A helicopter is our “horse.” We average from twelve to sixteen services each week. Whenever we get to a “fire base” all unessential work steps for “church” no matter what day of the week it might be. During the month of December I had forty-two services and in January I held fifty-one.

In addition to the work we do with the soldiers, we also do all we can to help the local Vietnamese pastors in their churches. We often receive packages of clothing, etc., from interested groups “back home” for them. We help them by teaching English, helping them with their schools and helping to provide for their orphans and families in refugee centers. (All the churches have groups of Chris­tians living among them who have to leave their homes in the rural areas to escape the ravages of the Viet Cong.)

The Vietnamese Christians are very devout, and their Christianity really means much to them. The ministers, especially, have a price on their heads by the Viet Cong, yet they continue to visit, work and ride the roads on their motor bikes to do God’s will and to minister to the needs of their congregation. It is really a blessing to see them in action and to be able to help them.

I will be leaving here on 3 August, the Lord willing. However, I fear that there will be at least a few of our men here for many years to come. We ask for your prayers and compassion for any of your men who happen to be in this area. Also we request that you ask God to lead each of us to do our best to do His Will in a held that is really “white unto harv­
est.”

Ashamed

“The only time we need to be ashamed of the gospel of Christ is when we are not living it,” said evangelist James Weston who a year ago was a Black Panther in San Francisco. He then be­
lieved that real liberation came through a gun.
I in Hall an improved denominational site
Day Baptist
day for the all-island Jamaica Seventh
sports as the programme. This year we
scarcely ever be labeled dry. There were
been showers the day before and
for the programme. The response was
decided' to have games during the first
part of the day and then to bring us all
together. in the afternoon for a rally. It
express through the
appropriate gift for the church collect­
amount - $99. Kingston,

The largest amount - $99. Kingston,

Sister Joyce Samuels presenting awards to
representatives of the winning churches. Claudia
Taylor receiving the first prize award. To her
left are Isolyn Smith, Gloria Samuels, Melbourne
Dixon, and Selvin Campbell.

Our young people are really on the
move. With over $300 collected from
our Tag Day (and there are still small
amounts out) and from the responses of
our friends overseas we are really launch­
ing out to make Maiden Hall the ideal
place for the special activities of Seventh Day Baptists on the island. We would
express through the Sabbath Recorder our
appreciation for the generous gifts sent
to us for this project. Perhaps many of
you will visit us during the coming years. We
would be quite happy to see you and
would be sure that you visited Maiden Hall.

miss Prudence Robinson
Secretary of the League

Beliefs Must Conform
If a man’s beliefs do not conform with
the faith or the Scriptures, he is on extremely dangerous ground.
One may be absolutely sure the ice on
the pond is firm enough to hold him, but
he would be foolish to ascertain what is
actually so before venturing out on it—
or the outcome may be disastrous! It is
only when our beliefs conform with the
truth that we may step forward with
confidence. —Howard B. Rand

A very impressive and well-attended ordination service was held at the Higgin
Town Church on Sunday, February 14, 1971, for their pastor, Vincent R. Smith,
and wife.

The Examining Council met at 10:00
a.m. and Pastor Joe A. Samuels was
elected minister of the Higgin Town Church. The
representation was made by the president of
the league, Mrs. Joyce V. Samuels.

MISSIONS-Leon R. Lawton

APRIL 10, 1971
EARTH WALK....

And looking up on Jesus as He walked, (John the Baptist) saith, Behold the Lamb of God! (John 1:36).

For the third time two men have walked on the moon. Though it still seems almost incredible, it is a fact of history. Who can fail to extol God, who has endowed man with the genius and courage which was lost (Lk. 19:27, 30). Though it still seems almost incredible, for example, months, even years, were devoted to devising the equipment and plans for an undertaking with such precision that, after nine days and over half a million miles, the spacecraft would splash down in the ocean on target within fifteen seconds of the preconceived plan. Wonderful indeed!

Far more wonderful is the historical fact that God once walked on the earth. In the fullness of time, the Son of God, the Lamb of God (In. 1:29), was born, lived and died on this earth. To His living God (Mt. 16:16)! Even to His art the Christ, the Son of the Living God (Gal. 4:4). He who walked on the moon He was in all points like as we are, yet without sin (Heb. 4:15). He could ask who opposed Him, "Which of you convinceth me of sin?" (Jn. 8:46), without one of them being able to accuse Him. Scripture attests that He was "holy, harmless, un­defiled, (and) separate from sinners" (Heb. 7:26) and He neither was guilty in his mouth" (1 Pet. 2:22). As God's sacrificial Lamb He was "without blemish and without spot" (1 Pet. 1:19). Sin could not touch Him, for He "knew no sin" (2 Cor. 5:21). A demon who possessed a man cried out to the Lord Jesus, "What have I to do with thee, thou Son of the most high God?" (Mk. 5:7). And Simon Peter, overwhelmed by the power and holiness of Jesus, exclaimed, "Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord" (Lk. 5:8).

2. Behold Him in His compassion. Nine times in the Synoptic Gospels the compassion of the Lord Jesus is men­tioned. He had compassion on the multitudes because (a) there were sick among them, so He healed them (Mt. 11:5); (b) they were hungry, so He fed them (Mt. 15:32); and (c) they were like sheep without a shepherd, so He taught them (Mk. 6:34). He had compassion on a grieving widow whose son had died, and He raised the young man from the dead (Lk. 7:13). He had compassion on a leper, and He healed him (Mt. 1:41). He had compassion on two blind men and He restored their sight (Mt. 20:34). Above all, His compassion went out to sinful and hopeless humanity, and He died for them. When God walked on the earth in the person of His Son, He did not come to be served by men but to be of service to them. There could be no greater compassion than He showed when, because He loved mankind so completely, He gave His life as a ransom for them (Mt. 10:45).

3. Behold Him in His power. The power of the Son of God on earth was limitless. He is called "the power of God, and the wisdom of God" (1 Cor. 1:24). The Father gave Him power over all flesh, in order that He might give eternal life (Jn. 17:2). Even greater than His power to alleviate physical infirmities was His power to forgive sins (Mt. 9:6). Those who saw Him were "all amazed at the mighty power of God" (Lk. 9:43). The words that He spoke were "with power" (Lk. 4:32). His enemies could not have crucified Him had He not permitted them (7:22). And He said, "No man taketh (my life) from me; I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again" (Jn. 10:18). Because He was the Son of God with power, He was raised from the grave (Rom. 1:4). He ascended into heaven and is now seated at God's right hand with "all power and authority given to Him, for He has given that power to us who believe" (Mt. 28:18), and that He has given that power to us who believe in Him (Acts 1:8; cp. Eph. 1:19-20; 2:5, 10).

"God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, taken up in glory" (2 Cor. 4:4, 6). All of this was foretold many centuries before (Ps. 45:7). The words that He spoke (Mt. 12:28). The purpose of the moon walks was, as one newspaper expressed it, "to unlock the secrets of the origin of the moon and perhaps the origin of the universe." The purpose of God's walk on earth was so that He who was the source of all creation, including the moon (Jn. 1:1-3; Col. 1:16), might seek and save that which was lost (Lk. 19:10).

- E. Schuyler English, from The Pilgrim Hand

Special Sabbath School Aid for 300th Year

Several months ago ministerial students at our Center for Ministerial Education created a tool for celebrating our 300th anniversary. Clifford Bond, Alan Crouch, Russell Johnson and Dale Rood wrote biographical studies of eleven Seventh Day Baptists which have been edited for publication by Duane Davis for presentation as a "special Helping Hand" issue. Titled "Pioneering in Christian Life," the series is dated for the April-June quarter but is highly appropriate for Sabbath School or other group-use anytime during this 300th anniversary year.

"Some of these people studied were individuals who courageously changed their own opinions and convictions through serious study of the Scriptures. Others were followers of the patterns learned in early youth who went on to make outstanding contributions in their leadership, and still others may not have been so striking in their time, but contributed in their way to the cause of God. All of them sensed God's call to life for Christ through the truths and experiences. Some are included in this issue.

The Board of Christian Education will hold its regular business meeting April 25, 1971, at 2:00 p.m. in the Alfred S.D.B. Parish House.
Ministers Conference Preparations

Choirs' plans to send their ministers to Battle Creek, May 4, could be developing just as plans for the program develop in relations between the ministers and the Board of Christian Education. Bible studies of the prophets, role-playing scenarios for applying the prophets' messages to today's world, discussion procedures for professional sharing of Christian experiences in these and many other items are developing well as April 28 approaches.

Dr. Samuel Kidd of the Michigan Council of Churches has indicated that his presentations will focus around the following titles: Christianity and the World Mission, Ecumenism—Confrontation or Cooperation?—A Christian Community. As we've mentioned earlier, his experience in exploring congregations-in-mission in several countries of the world promises to make this encounter a very stimulating pastoral experience.

WCTU and ministers are going to find very helpful the generosity of the Battle Creek women in providing meals at practically no cost to conferences. The hosting of ministers in Battle Creek homes will provide an excellent opportunity to share Christian experiences and faith. The adequate facilities of the church will be used in a variety of group dynamics known to older and younger ministers under different names. Host Pastor Kenneth Davis and his special committee are able to provide for a rich sharing time. Our special thanks go to Mrs. Herbert Bennett, Mrs. Milburn Jones, and "Pastor Ken."

Churches are urged to plan for the absence of their choirs. The first week of May 1 when Ministers Conference will be in session. Of course, Battle Creek (and White Cloud will be included) will be flooded with preachers.

Ministers can register any time after 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 28. The conference will close after the evening session Tuesday, May 4. A graduated fee will help level out costs for ministers different distances.

Alcohol Education Among Youth

Y. T. E. Week

"The Choice Is Yours" is a 24-minute movie (16mm.) recommended for Junior and Senior Highs and would be especially appropriate for use during Youth Temperance Education Week, April 18-24, 1971. Many state governors have endorsed this week for social reasons, and Seventh Day Baptist youth ought to promote that social progress which is based on temperate life styles. "The Choice Is Yours" is a one of several resources available from state or national W.C.T.U. offices. (Nat'l.-1730 Chicago Ave. Evanston, Ill. 60201)

WCTU also has "Ceiling Unlimited" for Junior Highs, "Danger—Drinking Drivers!" and "He Ran a Race" as new listings in filmstrips which rent for $1.50 plus postage. The movie above rents for only $3.00 plus postage.

"The $50,000 Habit" is a two-part film presentation available on free loan from the Board of Christian Education.

Mr. Wong's enthusiasm for lay involvement in proclamation of the gospel reached a peak at the Asia-Pacific Congress on Evangelism in Singapore in 1968.

Always an active Christian, Mr. Wong was, after Singapore 1968, a new man with a new vision. Aside from the demands of his professional life, he organized laymen in Hong Kong to go in teams to the Philippines, Macao, Malaysia, and Singapore, preaching and sharing what Christ had meant to them.

David Wong was born January 10, 1910, in the city of Wuchow, Kwangsi Province, China. His great-grandmother was one of the first women in China to give full time to visitation, prayer, and church work—a pioneer in the work of today's Bible Women. His grandfather was a Baptist preacher and his father was a medical doctor. He was educated at Canton high school in China, and at Redlands University and California Institute of Technology in the United States.

London Church News

The Rev. James McGeachy, long time pastor of the Mill Yard Seventh Day Baptist Church in London, the oldest of all our churches, is now retired and living some distance away in the country where it is hoped his wife's health will improve. A recent letter tells of a weekend spent in London as guest of one of the Jamaican members and of the meetings held. He was writing just after the long postal strike which isrumbling along and outgoing mail for so long.

The postal situation was very much on the minds of the church people, prompting the retired pastor to preach on the postal systems of Old and New Testament times compared with the present. Hezekiah sent a post to the ten tribes inviting them to come to Jerusalem (2 Chron. 30:5-13). The news of the capture of Babylon came to the king by post (Jer. 51:28-33). The greatest letters ever sent were those of the apostles to the churches, the pastor noted. Some of them, like Phil争论, were quite personal. At a time when no letters could be posted in England the duty and privilege of writing letters to parents and to others should be remembered. Paul did not send important letters through the Roman postal system but entrusted them to faithful messengers. They reached their destination and were preserved for our study as letters from heaven explaining the gospel to us.

On the same weekend there was a British Conference Committee meeting at Herne Hill to lay plans for the Conference to be held on July 20. There were reports of missionary work done by Ella Anderson at Lewisham. Open air meetings have been held on Sunday afternoons at Brixton. Pastor Peat has been distributing Spanish tracts at Lambeth Hospital where he works. A baptismal service was scheduled at Holloway on March 20. Other baptisms were expected later.

belief is that the "future of Baptists and any real advance will depend upon how concerned and dedicated the laymen are."
Out of the overflow of his faith in Jesus Christ the Christian must give for the witness and work of the gospel. A common reaction of Christians is to say: "There isn't enough in the church's ministry and missions. Professing believers give themselves and share what they have and the need and want for themselves. Then there is little or nothing to give."

True enough where professing Christians have a "poverty mentality" in regard to faith in God's grace. True enough where there is a small concept of the greatness and richness of the gospel, and therefore a small commitment of life to Jesus Christ. There cannot be any experience of the richness of His grace until there is at least enough faith to open the heart to Jesus Christ. The smaller one's view of the gospel and his commitment to it, the less likely it is that there will be sufficient resources—physical or spiritual— to share. Gospel witness and missions will go begging in such a case because there is no overflow.

But Jesus assured us that God through Him offers spiritual blessings that are continuous and of a volume that overflows beyond individual needs. He declared of His gospel: "The water that I will give him will become in him a spring which will provide him with living water, and give him eternal life . . . . Whoever believes in me, streams of living water will pour out from his heart" (John 4:14; 7:38 TEV).

Jesus refutes the very common assumption that the Christian must be driven to a dearth of faith and blessing by a lack of a little bit to share with others. He emphasizes that because the gospel is of God's doing and not our doing, the Christian must understand that the outpourings of God will overwhelm his own resources. He stresses the fact that there is a living vitality in the spiritual resources that God has given, but should instead be generous and outgoing in the confidence that they are connected with an endless supply.

The contrast has been drawn many times between the Sea of Galilee with its fresh, life-supporting water and the Dead Sea with its sterile, brackish water. The explanation is very simple, as both bodies of water flow from the same source, the Lebanon mountains. The Sea of Galilee has an inlet at one end and an outlet at the other, so that its water is flowing on out and being constantly replaced with fresh water. The Dead Sea is the dead end of the Jordan River. It simply receives its water and holds it until the sun evaporates it, leaving all the minerals to accumulate. The Sea of Galilee does not run dry because it has an outlet. The outlet is not empty; it has no outlet does not gain in volume, but is actually diminishing through evaporation. If we will by faith be generous with our gospel and its blessings, we will constantly have more because our comprehension and capacity will grow. If we are too possessive, we will shrink in our ability to know its greatness for ourselves.

The saveredbeliever in Jesus Christ will find that his life is filled to overflowing with the fullness of the Holy Spirit. It will be his faith, purpose, and blessing. He will find himself with a spontaneous desire to share his faith and a concern for the world needing salvation. He will find that he is becoming rich with the inner awareness of sharing divine blessings and purposes. He finds himself refreshed and strengthened as he gives out his faith and contributes to the mission of Christ.

A teen-aged peer who effectively shared the gospel with me gave me this wise advice: "Thank God for His salvation and share your Savior daily, if you want to keep strong in faith." His correctness has been amply verified by the experience of many believers. By its very nature, the gospel of Jesus Christ is an overflowing power, beyond the capacity of one human heart or many to contain. It flows out in personal faithfulness; go to the church and its ministry; give to missions, and do it generously. Give of the overflow of your faith. Missions will not go begging when our giving is from this overflow.

"Whoever believes in me, streams of living water will pour out of his heart" (John 7:38 TEV).

Sabbath Renewal Day 1971

(Part of the material for Sabbath Renewal Day formerly Sabbath Day is a publication of the Sabbath Promotion Committee of the Tract Society, is prepared by the Board of Christian Education. The following article is by Secretary David S. Clarke.)

High School Class Discussion (Rap) Suggestions: (based on Saunders' Sabbath Renewal "Creation and Re-Creation" Bible Study for Class: Study John 1 and Hebrews 1-4 in the light of the chart on p. 75, to gain perspective on how the Sabbath brings the light of Jesus' way to help meet the world with re-creative forces. Read pp. 54-64 in The Sabbath: Symbol of Creation and Re-Creation which is a part of chapter on "creation and recreation" dealing with the relation of the Sabbath to time, space and God."

The Printed Page

Forty years ago Leon Trotsky, one of the fathers of Communism said, "The most powerful means of propagating Communism is the small pocket pamphlet." During the last twenty-five years church membership in the U.S.A. increased 65 percent. "Jehovah's Witnesses" have increased 2,000 percent. Literature has been their key weapon.

In the Sudan Interior Mission said, "I believe our gospel literature is having a greater impact for Christ in Africa than the coming of 5,000 new missionaries." A missionary in Latin America said, "In recent months I have been astonished to find 90 percent of all converts in Latin America are either directly or indirectly the result of literature evangelism."
Tithing Action at the Annual General Conference president, Dr. Stephen Leland Cobb, Pastor Richards and Mrs. Dan Cruzan were participants. All were well received.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatanis of the Helping Hand class sponsored the Senior Citizens Community Banquet which was held in the church basement at noon on Mar. 14 with forty-two present. Songs led by Mrs. Melvin Cobb and accompanied by Mrs. Letha Miller were enjoyed followed by slides of Spain and Switzerland shown by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schaible.

MILTON, WIS. — Action at the Annual Meeting included election of officers as follows: Russel Burdick, president; Gertrude Williams, secretary; William Burdick, treasurer; Margaret Burdick, financial secretary; Miriam Van Horn, trustee; M. V. Horn, trustees for four years; Don Sanford, Sabbath School superintendent; Herbert Crouch, chorister; Elizabeth Da­land, organist.

Alan Crouch and Justin Camenga were again licensed to preach for the coming year.

Association Meetings

The Pacific Coast Association leads the way in the spring meetings of the various churches in the western United States. The present USA is divided. The Seventh Day Baptists of the West Coast and friends from the East who are visiting in California are encouraged to attend the full weekend of meetings planned for April 23, 24, and 25 at the Riverside, Calif., Seventh Day Baptist Church located at the corner of 14th and Lemon Streets. The presiding this year is Leland Bond of Cypress, Calif. The corresponding secretary is Mrs. George Barber, 2044 Milan Ave., South, Pasadena, Calif.

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The Deity of Jesus
By Leon M. Maltby

There are times when we should emphasize the humanity of Jesus, for He was truly human in many respects. He was hungry when He went without food, tired when He went without rest. He was tempted in all points as we are, except that He never yielded to temptation. When He was crucified He bled like any other man. When the eternal Son of God took on human flesh at the incarnation, He took on our infirmities and our physical and emotional attributes. His humanity cannot be questioned and should be spoken of when people seem to think of Christ in the flesh as being completely different from us.

There are times, and perhaps many more times, when we should emphasize the deity of Jesus. He came to save people from their sins, and no man can do that. While here on earth He was as truly the Son of God as before He came, after He returned to the Father, and when He comes again to judge the world. The Bible clearly teaches this. One expression in the New Testament that sums this up is the expression “Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and for ever” (Heb. 13:8).

One of the most familiar prophecies about the coming of the Messiah (which is used every Christmas and is featured in Handel's "Messiah") is Isaiah 9:6. The child to be born would be called, among other things, “the mighty God.” If the other names apply to Jesus this one does also. From such a lofty starting point we do well to study the fulfillment of the prophecy and see how many things Jesus did or will yet do which only God can do. In a materialistic age we who are Christians rise above the common level. We may not understand everything, but we live by faith and have resources that derive from our faith in Jesus. Bishop H. D. Kimmel has gathered together some Scripture that we ought to bear in mind when people question the deity of Jesus.

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The New Testament Scriptures show why Isaiah under inspiration could speak of Jesus as “the mighty God.”

Conscience?

“In American thought, both religious and political, conscience has been considered the forum within man where God alone speaks authoritatively,” said William P. Thompson, stated clerk of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

Stewardship

The church came round begging. It sure made me sore.
If they'd let me alone, I'd give a lot more.
They have plenty of nerve! They forgot all the past!
I gave them a quarter the year before last.
—Lookout