GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CHURCH OF GOD (SEVENTH DAY)

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To the Members and Friends of the Church of God, Greetings:

Once again we come to you with our message for the month, and we are happy to include a calendar for April. Perhaps this little token will be of value to you in showing the sunset time for your locality.

In our last letter to you we announced the plans for sending the Adams family to the Philippines. It has not been long enough yet to determine how well our plans will be supported by your contributions, but we assure you that we do appreciate what you are doing for the work of the Master. It is through this co-operation that we are able to bear this message to the world, both at home and abroad. We do not wish for one moment to distract from the much needed work at home. However, now and then an extra effort is needed to "put over" anything which needs immediate attention, and for the present we wish to stress this part of our work while time yet remains for us to do something in our foreign fields.

As we have told you before, some of the foreign lands are already being closed against the gospel. The Dragon is wroth with the woman and is going forth to make war with the remnant of her seed that keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus Christ. It is up to us, as soldiers of the Cross, to meet this dragon with weapons which God has placed at our disposal. We trust that when the fight is over it may be said of us that we have fought a good fight, we have kept the faith. I know that God will give us victory if we hold together and work as never before.

The time is far spent. It is much later than many people realize, and what we do for the Master will have to be done soon. Already we can see the war clouds gathering over the Far East. The Philippines are now within the shadow of the wings of war as it threatens us in Indo China. The trouble is still not over in Korea, and in Palestine there are rumblings of war, with Israel asking us for more help to withstand the invasion of the tribes to their East. It is time for us to be doing all we can to encourage one another in this fight. We know that Jesus is soon coming back and He will bring His reward with Him to give to them who have been faithful to the trust He left them.

We desire that everyone who reads this letter will make the work of the Church of God uppermost in your minds, and that you will remember us always in your prayers as we undertake to assist you in our weak way in His service.

May God richly bless you and keep you for His kingdom. Amen.

B ehind the clouds the sun is still shining. Pray God that day will soon break; but more than that, pray God that we may save a few more souls before our work is ended.

Sincerely,

A.E. Lidell, Chairman Burt F. Marrs E.A. Straub The Budget Committee