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# HOME MISSIONS REACHES LOCAL AREAS

### Hundreds Reached for Christ

Through the hard work, patient years, prayers and support of God's people, your home missionary work is MOVING OUT in an aggressive action against the enemies of Christ. When this happens, even a good start begins to meet with the unleashed wrath of Satanic forces. This alone is not our reason for knowing that we are gaining ground for Christ!

In this issue you will read just a sample of the latest testimonies and comments coming through the Denver offices of the Searchlight School and the Home Missions. Surely, as you read these you must weep with mingled joy and humility at what Christ can do when a handful of His people pray! Truly, our little Church of God, 7th Day seems like a handful, though its members number into the thousands. We are pitifully small without God our Savior. But His footsteps sound the way and when God walks the earth trembles.

On this page you see pictures of persons who have been blessed by the study of the Searchlight Bible Correspondence lessons. These were sent to the school. We could not begin to picture the hundreds of people who have or are taking the Course. Currently we are enrolling an average of 50 new outside contacts each month. Every week we receive decision testimonies—decisions for Christ as personal Savior, or a return from backsliding. Many are waiting for personal calls by your field ministers. (Read of their testimonies on page 6).

FIVE YEARS AGO, we were only making a few dozen new contacts per year through unorganized home missionary efforts. Today, with an organized Home Missions, making use of various methods and of lay-member witnessing, we are reaching at the rate of 1,000 new contacts per year.

At this critical hour, YOU will want to know the answers to three timely questions: (1) Is our Church really moving into a substantial position in its soul-winning plans? (2) Will these efforts really last? (3) What can I do to be of help to Christ, the only hope of a lost world, soon to end?

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### Is the Church really moving out?

To this we can say that it is in a number of ways. But its advance at this time is still precarious--depending upon whether our missionary support and zeal continue strong at a critical stage. We are bound to suffer some temporary set-backs now and then, while going through change or transition stages. The question, however, is concerning a "substantial position." Since our present advance is based on sound and proven methods, as well as on Bible commands, we certainly believe that we are on substantial grounds in our soul-winning promotion and planning.

### Will it last?

"Will the seed sown in many hearts bring forth fruit?" is the same as saying, "Will it last?" To this we reply with the parable Jesus gave of the sower who went out into the open fields. Some of the seed fell upon rocks (stony ground) and could not find root; some fell by the way side and was devoured by fowls; some fell among thorns which choked the good seed; but other fell into good ground and brought forth fruit, some an HUNDRED FOLD.

"Will these efforts last?" Yes, souls won will surely testify to that. If, by the question, we could also mean, "Will we continue to reach souls by these various means?" or "Will the Searchlight School continue," we reply that we surely believe so. We base that answer on faith—in God. Let us see what God can and will do.

### What Can I Do?

Many who will be reading these lines have done much already. They have prayed; they have supported; they have helped; and many have witnessed for Christ. May God bless them to continue.

"What can I do?" You can join them, if you are not already a part of this world-wide missionary work. "Oh! but I thought this was confined to Home Missions."

It would be easier to convey our thoughts if we could say that "Home Missions" might begin inside your home; and that Foreign Missions begins outside your door, in Hometown, U.S.A.

Dear friends, there is no dividing line between Home and Foreign Missions as you will see by other news in this paper. When one goes forward, the other rejoices and is blessed.

The Home Missions Instruction Courses and the Searchlight Bible Courses are going into various parts of our world mission fields. They are winning others to Christ there, and bringing groups together.

For example: While in Mexico last fall, Eld. Floyd Merriam, Chairman of Home Missions, was asked to speak at the Mexican Ministerial Council (Jaurez, Mex.). The leaders of the Mexican missionary work, (Church of God, 7th day) in Mexico City were present at Jaurez. They had already been busy translating the Searchlight lessons into Spanish.

There too many have had to sacrifice for developing such a tool of soul-winning as a Correspondence Bible school in Mexico. Brethren in the Church, who realized the need, sold cars and other valued possessions to support this work. Thus it was that the Mexican leaders requested the services of Eld. Merriam to travel with them to each of the 210 churches throughout Mexico (expen-

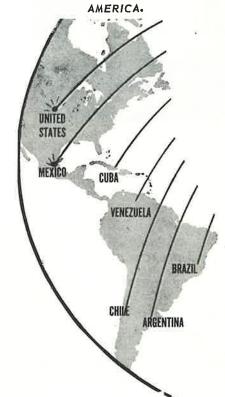
ses paid by their Conference) and take this Cause directly before their 7,000 or more members. Due to pressing duties at the home office in Denver, Eld. Merriam could not make this trip with them.

The Mexican Conference is pushing on in the best way possible. Soon they will have a beacon light as strong as the one in Denver, Colorado, sending out Correspondence Courses in Mexico, Central and South America-and thus reach the Spanish-speaking sections of countries south of our borders. It will soon be very important for Denver representatives to go to Mexico City to work a few weeks with the brethren there while they establish offices and staff work. A brief trip will be of help in conveying systems and policies adopted by the Denver offices. We must wait for the Lord to direct in such plans. But we believe you can see the vision and great work ahead, if we can all hold close to each other in this battle for Christ.

Space does not permit us to go on with comments about similiar challenges in other fields abroad. More news will appear later; the African Mission is preparing now to adapt these Courses there, but funds are short; the Searchlight Course and the M.I.C. Course have been going into New Zealand for two years now with excellent results.

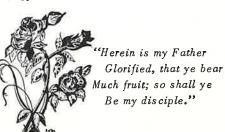
What can I do? We repeat that your prayers are needed first, last and always. Need we say funds are needed? In a united Church, organized as a cooperative fellowship, funds must be accounted for and every dollar stretched to reach as many souls as possible. Do not allow your faith in your Church to be weakened in the least by taunts of

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the enemy. When the Church is slandered for its work, when it is accused falsely for Christ's sake, you may be sure it is MOVING OUT in a wonderful way for Him.

Read every line of this little brochure. Pray and meditate about these things. Read your Bible, especially its challenge to Christians. Then let God have His way in using you to witness and assist in every way that is required of a fruitful vine. No other kind of Christian will inherit Christ's Kingdom. John 15: 1–8.





NEW FOREIGN FIELD CONTACT From the Island of Mauritius

On April 8, 1958, we received the following airmail contact from this small island in the Indian Ocean:

Dear Sir,

"Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice." Psalm 63:7.

"I hope, sir, to have a good answer from you by airmail if it is possible. It will fill my heart with joy. I am praying God's Almighty blessings for you. Pray for me. I am working very hard for the glory of my dear Savior." -J.G.C. (Mauritius).

COMMENT: We are not promoting or paying for advertising abroad, but through various channels the news of the Searchlight Course gets to people in the USA and foreign lands-in ways we often cannot trace. In this particular case, the Searchlight was mentioned in a little bulletin without our previous knowledge; this in turn found its way from the USA into this small island. God works in mysterious ways. He may truly have a people there whom He wants us to contact, for we (as a Church) have never been on this island before. Let us pray that boundless good may

Mauritius is a British island in the Indian Ocean. You will find it on your map just east of Madagascar. It is only 720 square miles in area, with a population of approximately 497,000.



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We are coming to the close of this wonderful Searchlight Bible Correspondence Course. I have received a wonderful spiritual help during this study. It is a grand experience for me. I was baptized June 16, 1934, in

the Seventh Day ..... Church here in Hamilton. Now I do not approve of all of their teachings..... I would like to know whether there are any other Church of God people in ..... that I may fellowship with.—

Bro. M. B., Canada.



## SEARCHLIGHT BIBLE SCHOOL

Each day we receive requests for the Bible Correspondence Course. We have received requests from every corner of the U.S.A. and in a number of foreign places, Canada, Alaska and abroad.

We are holding 75% of such requests as active enrollees who continue right on through the Course. This is based on current reports.

California: Will you please send me the free Bible Course? -Paradise, Calif.

I would like very much to have your free Bible Course. -Los Alamitos, Calif.

Please send further information on your free Bible Course. -Lodi, Calif.

Please send the free Bible Course. Torrance, California.

I want to know more about your 30-lesson Bible Course. -Lodi, California.

I noticed in the...that you have a Bible Correspondence Course in which I am very interested. I would appreciate it if I could be one of the fortunate ones to take these lessons. I am a Christian and enjoy the Word of God.—Lodi, Calif.

Please send me your free Bible Course.
-Whittier, California.

Colorado: I am interested in hearing more about your Bible Correspondence Course. Please send full particulars, -Salida, Colorado.

I would like for you to send me information about your Bible Course. If there are any charges, please let me know what amount is required. Is this Course undenominational? (There are no charges.—SBC)—Wiggins, Colorado.

Illinois: I am interested in your Bible Course. -Kewanee, Illinois.

Please send me your free Bible Course. - Decatur, Illinois.

lowa: I am writing about the free Bible Course and would like to have it sent. - Corydon, lowa.

I am a Bible School teacher and teach junior boys and girls. Please send me your Bible Correspondence Course.— Kinrose, Iowa.

Please send me your Bible Correspondence Course. I am very interested. Thank you very much. - Norwich, Kansas.

Requests come from many directions, so that through the various Home Missions channels we are reaching at the rate of 1,000 NEW CONTACTS PER YEAR!

The following letters have been picked up from daily desk mail and represent contacts from one special type of missionary activity by our people:

I am interested in the Bible Course offered by your school. About how long will it take? There must be some charges, what are they? I do love to study the Bible and do the Lord's work as I can. I thought this Course might be a help. Please let me hear from you.— LaCygne, Kansas.

Missouri: I am interested in and would like to take the Searchlight Bible Course. Please send me the details. -Platte City, Missouri.

Please send free information about your Bible Course. -- Monett, Mo.

I would appreciate any information available regarding your Bible Course.

- Columbia, Mo.

Nebraska: I am interested in the free Bible Course. I am assuming there is absolutely no obligation or cost. - Norfolk, Neb.

I have noticed you have a Bible Correspondence Course and would appreciate additional information. - Ainsworth,

Nevada: I would like very much to take the Bible Course. I have always wanted to study the Bible.—Winnemucca, Nevada.

New Mexico: I am writing for your free Bible Course. Will you please rush it? Please pray for my progress. I am a young missionary and I know the Course will be helpful to me. - Hobbs, New Mex.

North Carolina: I am writing to inquire about your Bible Course.—Gaston, N.C. Ohio: We learned about your Bible Course and we would like to take it. Please send it to Mr. and Mrs.———.—Polk, Ohio.

South Dakota: I would like to know more about the Bible Course, as I am interested in taking one.—Springfield, S.D.

Please send me the free Bible Course and information. - Denby, S. D.

Oklahoma: I would like to study the Bible and would appreciate your Bible Course.
- Yale, Okla.

I am interested in taking your free Bible Course. I am a Sunday School teacher for young adult women. If it is Catholic..... I would not be interested.—Mangum, Okla.

Texas: Please send me information regarding your Bible Course. - Fort Worth, Texas.

Please send me your Bible Correspondence Course. - Dallas, Texas.

Please send me your free Bible Course.
- Snohomish, Washington.

Please send Bible Correspondence Course. - Walla Walla, Washington.

Please give information about the Bible Course. - Amherst, Wisconsin.

I would like to have information about the Bible Course by mail. - Luck, Wis.

### TESTIMONIES FROM STUDENTS OF SEARCHLIGHT

It has indeed been a pleasure to have taken and completed your fine Searchlight Bible Correspondence Course. I learned more of God's dynamic Word. May the Lord continue to bless your fine work. Enclosed is an offering.—Clifton, Texas.

I want to tell you how much I appreciate the Searchlight Bible Correspondence School. It has led me into many truths I never knew before about God's Word; it has taught me to read and study God's Word more... I never had much Bible training and I just wanted you to know how much I love each lesson. As soon as I mail in a test, I can hardly wait for the next lesson. I am looking forward to the next, "In My Father's House." May God bless you in every way.—Almeda, Texas.

People here are very enthusiastic about the Searchlight Bible Course. It meets the approval of all-ministers included. (Eld. R....minister now attending our Sabbath School)...said that he had to change his belief somewhat when he studied the Searchlight lessons. Many more things are in store for him too. One young lady did not know anything about the Sabbath until she was with us in Sabbath School. She was surprised and appeared convinced. She has asked that I submit her name to receive the Searchlight Bible Course.—Report from one of our field Missionaries, USA.

NOTE: The above testimonies illustrate the effectiveness of Searchlight in presenting the truths we hold dear in a convincing and inoffensive manner—proving each truth as it goes along.

I appreciate these lessons immeasurably. Thanks to all who are giving all the work in the name of our Lord-Ravenna, Michigan.

NOTE: This includes thanks to all who have made Searchlight possible by your prayers and support.

I am enjoying the SBC Course very much and am getting a better understanding of my Bible, which I love to study. I wish to thank everyone who has made this study possible. - Antlers, Okla.

I have been a Christian for 35 years, but the last few years have been the best. I have grown more spiritually, but I know very little about the gospel. I teach a group of 12-year-old boys and girls. The questions they ask prompted me to seek knowledge. Your Bible lessons are a source of learning that I enjoy.

I don't know how you can send this material free, but I am getting out of it something that is helping me to realize how vast the Scriptures are. I have read the Bible more or less through the years, but feel that I know very little about it. As time permits I will study more. I feel I should so I can tell others. - Hobart, Okla.

I know Christ as my personal Savior in that I have been born again of God. I thank you for these Bible lessons. They are a great help and very inspiring to me. I am a young missionary Baptist minister. I am trying to learn all I can about God's holy Word. I will try to send an offering before long. — Cinco, West Va.

I want to thank you for these Bible Course studies. They are very interesting and educational. I thank my Lord for giving me this privilege. - Lovilia, lowa.

### Space Does Not Permit

us to publish from many more testimonies. More will be published in future issues of this bulletin. All testimonies, with full names and addresses, are on file for verification. We have contacts in almost every one of the United States, except in a few where our limited advertising has not reached. We are holding back our advertising until we are financially able to expand. It is important that we fully provide for the enrollees we are now carrying, and for the current flow of incoming new ones each week.

### CHILDREN ASK FOR GOSPEL



Dear Bible School,

"I would like to have a Children's Bible Correspondence Course. I am 13 years old. My address is on the envelope." -E. M. Iowa.

Dear Miss,

"We greet you in the loving name of Jesus, with whom we may spend all eternity together in the most beautiful palaces of God. Of course, we just cannot imagine how wonderful it will be there. We know that we cannot afford to miss it.

"It is so very important to seek God as a child and dedicate your life to His will in your youth. You will be greatly blessed for this.

"Our hearts are a little heavy as we write you. We wish we could say, "We are enrolling you in our Children's Bible Course." But we just cannot say that—today.

"Here is why: We do have a Children's complete Course all written for the press. But this work is God's and it all moves on prayer and provision of God. We need about \$900 just to get this Course in print. Our Home Missions budget has not yet expanded to meet this need. We are waiting for the door to open as soon as God sees best.

"Every month we get nice letters like yours from children asking for this Course. You can imagine how very sorry it makes us feel to keep anyone waiting—especially children.

"Now here is what we ask you to do, because we know you will feel like something ought to be done for all the boys and girls who want to study the Bible. Will you join us in prayer, that there will be those people somewhere, who could supply this need, but just haven't realized God wants them to enter this blessed privilege—of laying uprich treasures in heaven—the hearts of boys and girls. Will you do that? We are sure you will."

Most sincerely, Lois Merriam Correspondence Secretary.

### INASMUCH

I cannot go to Bethlehem, It is so far away, But I can help a little child On this salvation day.

If I could shelter one lost lamb By this small gift of mine, 'Twere better than a pilgrimage To view the sacred shrine.

For Jesus is the Lamb of God, And lambs He loves the best, Whoso takes a little child Has Jesus for his Guest.

> - I. A. Lindsay (rev.)

Jesus: "Feed my lambs." John 21:15.



Eld. F. B. Merriam,

Chairman Dept. Home Missions

THE WORK OF HOME MISSIONS

Why Searchlight is Offered Free

Friends of the Christian Cause, we are happy to bring you these reports from our missions work. We know that you will rejoice that Jesus Christ is preached in such a way that souls are coming to the Lord. Think of the joy and value of one single soul saved for all eternity. There is no measurement. The angels rejoice. Now multiply that by many souls. Jesus said, "Other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring" (John 10:16).

Five years with Home Missions has proved to me that a great work can be accomplished if we will all see it through to its final harvest. We know now that our problem is not one of reaching people. Thousands upon thousands are hungry for this gospel and we are prepared, with many good ways and methods, to successfully reach them. With the aid of our good co-workers, we have striven for certain definite goals, and we have already passed several milestones.

For every dollar that Home Missions has spent, we can give a sound report. In three years, we were able to produce a complete 30-lesson Bible Correspondence Course. Similar ventures by other groups have taken as long as five years! We

should not forget that this Correspondence School, now in operation for the past two years, has cost us a great deal in many ways. Anything of real and lasting value always costs something. It took research, writing and other talents and skills, sound philosophy, Bible truth, a study and testing of the sequence of lessons, test-sheet planning, and a hundred other details-especially God's hand in all. Had we not placed all this before the Lord, we would have spent just as much money and then met with discouraging defeat. We might have blamed defeat upon the ineffectiveness of a Bible Correspondence School rather than to have blamed our inadequate approach. Many good ideas and projects are tossed out as useless because they have been approached wrong-not because they were wrong. Praise the Lord, by pooling the resources of our Church and the talents it provides, we are NOT FAC-ING DEFEAT-but thrilling success. All of you who have followed this work closely know that we worked under great pressure, with an "up and down" uncertain budget. A lot of days and weeks we simply floated along on faith and prayer! A few who know the story of our budget can affirm this! (Note that the Spanish development of Searchlight, mentioned

on page 2, is meeting similiar trial in its current preparation).

Today, from two years of operation, with Searchlight becoming known in many ways, it appears that we have a Bible Correspondence Course, second to none-to the extent of its coverage. It has been commended by other groups and by those in the business world, who have had occasion to view it from time to time: some of our most attractive lessons have been displayed in commercial offices in large cities, and are carried in portfolios of office machine salesmen. But I know you are more interested in the spiritual success of these lessons.

The most thrilling testimony to the intense spiritual values and inspiration of the Course is the remarkably low percentage of "drop-outs"-much less than we could have experienced and still have enjoyed success. In other words, from those who have enrolled in this Course (new, outside people) only about 25% drop out of the Course as they go along, 75% continue on through-and hate to see it end! It becomes a regular spiritual visitor to them, which they hate to see stop at the end of lesson 30. As a result, a large percentage are going right on into the study of another Course (M.I.C.) which we will discuss in coming issues of this Prospectus bulletin.

### Why Searchlight is offered free.

In doing missionary work, there are two vital things to remember. These two things are based on human appeal and by applying them success is accomplished.

(1) We cannot sell something the customer knows nothing about. Therefore,

in reaching for new people, we must purchase our tracts from the Church and give them out FREE. We must also pay (through offerings and United Fund) for our Bible Correspondence Course and then offer it FREE to all. Eventually, those who reap spiritual benefits begin to support it. But we cannot ask them to do this until we have won their hearts.

(2) We cannot place our denomination, its name or identity, ahead of the universal Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Every time we have tried placing our denomination ahead of the Lord we have met with failure again and again. We should learn God's ways by the way in which He sends or withholds His blessings. Home Missions teaches placing the Lord first and keeping our denomination in its proper relationship to the Lord. Denominations cannot save. The Lord is the HEAD of the Church. The Church becomes important AFTER we know the Lord as personal Savior. Neither do we then reject the Church -after salvation, for this would be to defy the Lord!

You may say, "Just how do we place the Lord ahead of our denomination when we witness? I want to witness properly." When you walk up to a door or meet the person to whom you are to witness, say something like: "I wish to talk to you about the Lord Jesus Christ," and NOT: "I represent the Church of God, 7th Day" (WRONG APPROACH). When we use tracts or Church publications which carry the name "Church of God or "Church of God, 7th Day" we identify our denomination ahead of the Lord.

The Home Missions, in developing witnessing methods, has been pre-

paring contact literature with the Biblical approach—milk first, then meat. (Hebrews 5:12-14). In the Church, we have a classified division of literature. Each piece of literature has its place. Each section has been prepared to meet certain needs. (You may write to Home Missions, Box 2370, Denver 1, Colorado, for information and instructions on how to make a proper witnessing approach with new contacts, how and when to use WHICH literature).

Our missionary publishing name is "Trurock Publishers" (registered and trade-marked by Home Missions in Washington, D.C., 1956-57). This is used on all of our Bible lessons and mission tracts. After we have brought people along in the truth, step by step, and on into a favorable impression of the Sabbath and such truths, we then introduce them to the Church of God; we then use advanced tracts which carry our Church identity and we try to get them to subscribe to our Church paper, "The Bible Advocate." In this way they can have continuing spiritual food after they have completed the Searchlight Bible Course.

We have not yet had a long enough experience to perfect this cycle. We are just beginning to develop our field contact work—an important follow-up phase for reaping the harvest. But this is the general idea of soulwinning methods, and it is certainly bringing results so far.

### Home Missions Support

Home Missions is supported in several ways, as are other departments. It receives its share of the United Fund; it receives payment for supplies sold; it receives offerings for the Searchlight Bible Lessons (comparable to tuition or sub-

scription money in other departments). Members of the Church taking the Searchlight Bible Course are encouraged to send offerings to help us offset the cost, and to send offerings to help pay for the Course for SOMEONE ELSE—so that we can restock our shelves and keep meeting the daily new enrollments.

# Demands and Calls Greater Than Funds Available.

The Home Missions and Searchlight School are expanding in demand faster than our current funds allow. We could not afford to dismiss any of our clerical helpers and so turn away people appealing for the gospel.

We will be running pictures of our office operations, our clerical staff, and also describe their various duties—in future bulletins. This will reveal how funds are used in this department and how very important every part is. Our staff workers are YOUR EMPLOYEES—working in a concentrated effort to serve the needs of every remote hamlet in the U.S.A. as called upon.

In the coming issues of this bulletin, more information will be given regarding the other activities of this department, without which the Searchlight School would not continue to be a success. Remember that Searchlight is only ONE PHASE of Home Missions.

To be sure that you keep up with this part of the work, why not drop us a line? You may use the enclosed enrollment card to enroll yourself or someone else. (More of these cards will be sent free upon request; limit 10 to each mailing). All who write and send an offering will be placed on our permanent Prospectus mailing list.

Brothers and Sisters, Home Missions is Biblical. That is why it is blessed. God wants His people to witness. Home Missions stresses the primary concern of the Church—direct soul-winning. Therefore, we cannot neglect this work of Christ. We know that you will continue to help in an even greater measure, realizing from these reports that the gospel is being spread in a sound way.

Humbly in Christ,

F. B. Merriam, Chm. Home Missions

DeRoy McGill, Nat'l Com. Mem.

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### NEW ZEALAND

In all of the M.I.C. Course, I have gained much in knowledge and blessings. Studying so closely has brought me nearer to God. In these days, we cannot afford to be careless of an every day study. I would advise all, young and old, to give at least one hour a day in such study; there have been days that I have put in up to five and a half hours.

The whole of the studies have been too wonderful to explain. They show to us that we should get nearer to God and hold fast. Also we are to be obedient in all things, small and great, and God will surely bless us.

There is no exception to any part of the studies; every word throughout the whole lessons are, beyond a doubt, clear, uplifting and wonderful food for all who desire to live for the Master. I shall encourage all with whom I come in contact (in New Zealand) to take the Courses (both Searchlight and M.I.C.). I honestly believe it is essential to our salvation as we just cannot learn enough. Mrs. G. E. Tonge,— New Zealand.

# BE A PERSONAL WITNESS Instructions - Supplies

Instructions in personal witnessing and supplies (tools) with which to witness are available. The cost to you is kept very low so that every child of God, regardless of circumstances, can afford to have these in his hands. Credit is extended to assist the personal worker; give name of your nearest minister when writing.

Every "born again" Christian desires to "witness for Christ." Your Church feels that its duty is to bring you the tools with which to work faster and more effectively.

The Church provides instructions through which you can benefit from the rich and successful experiences of thousands of others—based on Bible methods and a century of world-wide efforts.

### CLIP AND MAIL

— M.I.C. Christian Living Course \$1.50
(and personal Witnessing)

— Searchlight Bible Course Free
— self? — someone else?

— Searchlight Enroll cards (limit 10 per mailing)

Mission Witnessing tracts (Asstd. 85¢ per hundred)

— Supply Package—Witnessing (tracts, folders, cards, etc.)

\$1.00 will pay for the printing of 200 missionary

TOTAL FOR SUPPLIES \$\_\_\_\_

\$5.00 will carry the cost of one person taking the entire 30-lesson Searchlight Course.

\$10.00 will print 1,000 Searchlight Bible lessons for soul-winning.

\$30.00 will

carry the entire cost of the Home Missions and Searchlight Bible School for ONE DAY!

TOTAL offering for items	checked \$
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### A JOYOUS TESTIMONY



Mrs. Irma Harris, California.

It is at this time that I find a wonderful joy in giving my testimony. It is with a prayer in my heart that all who love the Lord could take this wonderful course—or both the Courses which I have just finished—the Searchlight Bible Course and the Membership Instruction Course in Christian Living (M.I.C. Course), including the "Christian Ethics" studies contained in the M.I.C.

These wonderful courses have given me knowledge in helping others to understand the truth and a better knowledge of the Ten Commandments, so that we may follow and have a place with Christ.

The other day a lady friend called me and asked me to come to her house for a Bible Study. This lady knew what I believed. She began by asking me where the Church of God, 7th Day originated. She asked, "If Christ and His disciples kept the Sabbath, why then do so many people keep Sunday." I have been asked this question several times. Praise the Lord! I was able to show this lady the answer, because of my recent study of the M.I.C. Course and God's Holy Word.

While we were studying, an insurance salesman came by and began asking questions. He had a faster way of searching the Scriptures. This worried me for a moment, but I breathed a silent prayer to God for help. Through God's help, my study of the M.I.C. Course helped me again. The man found himself unable to talk any further and left.

These are just two of the instances that this Course of training has helped me, where otherwise I might not have been able to have coped with these different subjects.

The "Christian Ethics" studies have helped me to become a better Christian. They brought out things which I didn't realize before could be a stumbling block in someone's way.

The M.I.C. "Personal Witnessing" section helped me in learning ways of approaching the unsaved; also how to conduct myself so that others could see the love of Christ in my ways; how to turn the subject to Christ without causing the person to become disinterested.

I often (in fact, every day) have wonderful opportunities to witness in my home, in visitation, and many other ways. Although I feel others are better qualified, there is nothing I love better than to teach God's Holy Word.

In closing, I only wish that everyone could take this M.I.C. instruction Course. We are living in a day
now where we must study the Word
of God. We must know our Church
history and be prepared to lead others to the Lord. All of our young
people and older ones too must help
to teach people the straight truth.

The Lord bless all of you real good!

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