

GG Rupert and his meetings in Pasadena as reported in *The Remnant of Israel*

[emphasis mine]

PASADENA

Through an invitation of Sister Drury we are now located in her home town, Pasadena. Elder Leland and wife assist us in the meetings here. Sister Drury rented a hall in the center of the city and has spent much money and labor in advertising and in every way to make the meetings a success. This is what is called a conservative place, an abundance of large church buildings, ministers, etc. Up to this date (May 5th) we have held eight meetings. The attendance has not been large. The interest on the part of those attending seems very good. We have no doubt but that God will give us souls for our hire. We remember in our labor that the work of teaching a remnant is like two or three berries on the topmost bow as spoken of in Isa. 17th chapter. Our courage is good and we renew our covenant made in the first beginning of our ministry with God that so long as He will give us souls for our hire we will render our service to Him. This is all we can say in this writing
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Report of Labor

The Pasadena meeting closed after speaking each night for twenty seven nights besides on the Sabbath. The meeting was a remarkable one in one respect especially. That was the attendance by those who lived in various states, we would mention one from Kansas, one from San Francisco who was employed in the treasury department in international service, one from Iowa, another who has traveled over the world, another who is a traveling secretary and translator of five different languages who left for New York soon as the meeting closed. Another who is a bank clerk who desires to return to Russia with his wife. Sister Drury who is still here at work reports she has more work with the people than she can do. We mention the above as a few who attended many meetings and were more than ordinarily interested. Some new ones accepted the Sabbath. In addition to this, the father of the young lady Jewess mentioned in our report came from New York in time to attend some of the meetings. He is an honest man and desires to know truth. This shows how God is now opening the way for the truth. It should encourage every believer of these things we teach. The work is gaining: a new impetus as never before in its history. Besides these, there was a man from North Dakota, a Norwegian who attended and was baptized and with this brother there was a man from Salt Lake baptized at the same time. These meetings are not of the emotional character, but the success is the result of the power of the Word as it is presented in its harmonious historical connection as given in the Bible narrative. Thus they are born by the Word and grow thereby. **The day is not far distant when the work will go in power to every child of God in the world and call the honest to the truth for this time.** As we view the past twenty years. in our experience it is very dear that God has been performing a great work. **It now at last looks like the time was now here for the execution of the work.** Surely it looks so as never before, God knew how long it would take to get Israel out of Egypt on the exact time so now the preparation for the work is mostly completed in Bible doctrine. **So now is the time to teach a whole truth to the Remnant.**
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[Rupert died 3 years later and it was thus not left to him to undertake such a Work. But 7 years later Herbert W Armstrong was called in the truth. Over some years God, through him, build a large and powerful Work that Rupert would have been in awe of]

LOS ANGELES AGAIN

There was another door opened in Los Angeles. This time by the colored people of the Free Seventh Day Adventist who own their own good house of worship and recently secured the labors of Elder J. Watson of Washington, D. C., He heard of the teaching and in company with brethren visited Pasadena and invited me to come. Sister Drury had given this people several books. We have been here two weeks. It is now settled that Elder Watson, a very capable and Godly man, with most all, if not all, the flock of some thirty are rejoicing in the light. One of the S. D. A. ministers attended two meetings. He was so afraid his conference would blame him he refused to pray when called on. The fearful will surely not enter the city. **We learn that our work is causing some anxiety. Let the good work go on.** The truth of God when recognized by the spirit is powerful and cannot be stopped. Let all pray for the prosperity of Zion. There are plenty of calls now in from other states to keep us till fall. It is a great pleasure to be able physically to work for the Master. We wish to see the work well established. Let all feel a burden and take hold with some spiritual gift which God wishes you to have. More about the work here in Los Angeles later.

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Home Again

After an absence of three months and a half we felt it a duty to return home, though it had not been our intention. We had planned to do considerable work in Colorado and western Kansas on our way east, but we were impressed to go straight home. When I left my wife was not well, in fact has not been for over a year, much of the time confined to her bed. On our arrival home she had left just a few days before to take some treatment at Sulpher Springs, Okla. She had written she was not so well but we did not expect to find her so poorly as she was. We were much cast down finding her gone. She remained ten days and came home quite improved but not well. Just how the future will be with her we cannot say. Our last work in California was in Los Angeles with the Berean church whom we mentioned in our last report. Some precious meetings were held again with this people. We can also say we have received a letter of encouragement from Elder Watson since coming home which shows they are growing, **though Satan works hard to destroy in every place.** Let none think Satan is yet bound or dead. **Neither let any think he will not try to overthrow the work,** for we can see very clearly he will use those who will be his tools to destroy the work as he did in the days of the apostles. **No church at that time escaped him, neither will any now. Now he works as never before against the children of God.** The only thing that will save any soul is a knowledge of the truth of God. Fruit of our California trip is already showing. We mailed out today to New York City books to one who attended the meetings in Pasadena. This party is also now translating the tract "The Age of the World," into the French language which will be our first translation into a foreign tongue. He writes he is corresponding with a couple of ministers in England. Another orders books to Kansas City, Mo. who attended the meetings in Los Angeles. To God be all the praise. He is the head of the church. The manager of the mission board and chooses whom he will to do his work. He it is that carries all the burdens of his work after we have done what he commands us. This lifting of the burden is what cheers the heart of the worker and urges him forward to labor with him who is able to do all things in his own way and time.

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