

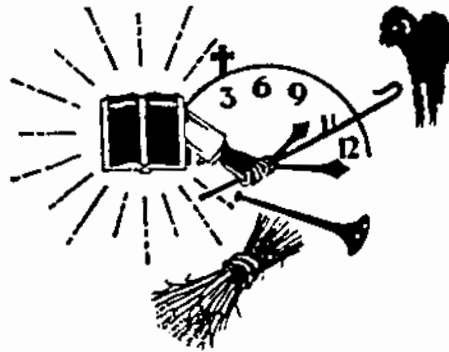
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## GOOD REPORTS FROM THE HUNTERS

The following good reports from some of the Davidian Hunters should serve to make us realize that the active Hunters are of good courage in their divinely-appointed work and that the Lord is blessing the Hunting Campaign which has now resumed with an intensity borne of the Spirit to be a saving witness to honest Seventh-day Adventists wherever they may be found, and a warning to the rest.

These reports, backed up with the authority of the hunting program from the Scriptures, should serve to dispel once and for all any lingering doubts any may be entertaining as to whether the hunting program is ordained of God. The program will most certainly go forward with increasing scope and power regardless what men may say or do to hinder or stop it.

May every Davidian's prayers, influence, and witness be on the side of those whom God has called to engage with zeal and enthusiasm in His ever-so-glorious labor of searching out the lost sheep of the house of Israel, and may these testimonies encourage each Davidian to be a local Hunter, as far as possible, right in his own community.

### A NATION-WIDE INFLUENCE EXTENDED FOR TRUTH

"The hunting work was commenced for the purpose of making a final effort to complete the siege of Ezekiel 4:2. It is a work in which the laborer co-operates with the Lord Himself, for the Lord says, 'I, even I, will both search My sheep, and seek them out. As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered; so will I seek out My sheep.' Ezekiel 34: 11, 12.

"It is a joyful work. The Great Shepherd Himself illustrates this in the story of the lost sheep that was found. He says, 'likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.'--Luke 15:7.

"Some are wondering since the Hunters have been doing this work for some time, just what are the results?

"We Hunters have just returned from working some of the middle-western states, and let me say that I believe it is with all authority that the impact of personally informing Seventh-day Adventists in the several states that have been worked to show the importance of the Rod as God sees it, and the wide-spread circulation of the literature has set to work a powerful influence that has been felt in all forty-eight states

"Why do we know this? Simply because when we first started the hunting work, and up until just a few months ago, the retaliation from the 'Angel of the Laodiceans' was felt only locally in the immediate states in which we were working, but now it is nation-wide. This is proved by the fact that the denomination's 'Committee on Defense Literature' has felt the need of publishing their latest anti-Rod publication, 'The Story of the Shepherd's Rod,' and it has been given out in the churches not only where the Hunters have been working, but in the churches everywhere.

"Over three years of hunting has proved that the Lord means business and that the hunting work will be finished just as the building of Mt. Carmel to serve as a base of operations for the hunting work, was finished.

"In Jeremiah 16:16 we are told that the 'hunting' and 'fishing' go together as God's agencies in recovering His elect from an iniquitous people that they may learn to know the Lord. Credit cannot be given to one branch of the work more than to another, for both the personal ministry and the literature work are necessary.

"I can happily say that when we arrived home from the 1955 hunting efforts we were cheered to learn that the Office had received favorable

correspondence from a great many persons who had never contacted the Office before. Furthermore, it is heartening to know that the list of new correspondents continues to grow more and more each week as a result of the 'hunting' and 'fishing' work sponsored and blessed by the Holy Spirit.

"I am of good courage, bearing in mind the admonition in 1 Corinthians 10:12 as I say that my determination is to stay in the official work sponsored by the Lord Himself and directed from Mt. Carmel."---V. S.

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#### HUNTING AIDS THOSE WITH LANGUAGE DIFFICULTIES

"We are so thankful to have a part in the hunting program; we feel Jeremiah 16:16 is a Divine call from the Lord to His people. Like in Isaiah 6:8, we could only answer: 'Here am I; send me.' Since the Lord has a definite work for His people, we can be assured of success if we are faithful in this work of ours.

"As we go from door to door and search out the honest in heart, we see the Lord's hand in it all. Finding souls who are crying out, as it were, for Light brings a satisfaction to us as nothing else could.

"Among the many classes of people we are privileged to minister unto, I should especially like to mention those whose language is a handicap to them in reading English. In most cases they understand English enough that they can follow us in the study of the present Truth from their Bible in their own tongue. We, as Hunters, are glad for the opportunity we have of being of assistance to these precious souls who would otherwise have great difficulty understanding the eleventh-hour message.

"Our determination is to press forward in the fear of the Lord, knowing that He will guide us and carry us through. Our aim each day and our prayer is that we may find at least one honest soul."---H. C.

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#### AN EXPERIENCE AND A CALL TO BE FEARLESS

"This summer, while engaged in the Hunting Campaign, I had an experience I believe I will never forget. Church services had just dismissed and I was engaged in conversation with several of the brethren, including the pastor of the church and his wife. Having been slightly acquainted with the pastor while attending one of our Seventh-day Adventist colleges a few years ago, he therefore questioned me as to how and why I was working as a representative

of Davidian Seventh-day Adventists. While endeavoring to answer his inquiry, his wife spoke up and said to me, 'You ought to be ashamed of yourself. With your background in our schools, you ought to know better than to do what you are doing.' I replied that I would not be engaged in this work if I did not believe whole-heartedly in it. To my utter surprise she said, 'I don't believe you. You are just doing this for the fun you get out of it.' It was her husband with the assistance of another man who that day forcibly put me off the church premises because he was fearful that the members of his church would discover the Truth.

"Never before or since, have I been thus judged. Those who accept the Message, and even those who do not believe, have been impressed as to the sincerity of the Hunters. David said: 'Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass.' Psalms 37:5. Even though the work of the Lord is misjudged, it will be finished. God will bring His Word to pass, and that through instruments of His own choosing. With in these chosen instruments is a deep sense of duty and a heartfelt desire to obey God. 'When it is in the heart to obey God, when efforts are put forth to this end, Jesus accepts this disposition and effort as man's best service, and He makes up for the deficiency with His own

divine merit.' -- Signs of the Times, June 16, 1890.

"In the recent issues of The Symbolic Code, we have read words of heavenly wisdom, pointing out our duty to ourselves, to our brethren in the church, and to our God. We now have but a very short time in which to discharge these duties. It should therefore be our determination to comply with Jeremiah 1:17, 'Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them.' If we allow ourselves to become fearful of those to whom we are sent, we have the promise that God will 'confound us before them.' As individual Davidians all may not have a clear-cut idea as to what they should do now during these last few months. But let none hesitate to act when duty is made known to them. From now on, let us make this motto our guidepost: 'Spend no time doing anything, which if substituted by something else would prove more profitable.'

"As a brother in Christ, a Hunter, and a fellow-Davidian, I pray that we might remain united, might bear only a good report, and that our actions will prove our belief in Ecclesiastes 11:6: 'In the morning sow thy seed and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good.' ---D. G.

## HUNTERS HELP TO MAKE PLAIN THE "FISHING

"The Hunter is a part of God's great plan to gather the 144,000, true Israel, or the second Exodus. The plan was first to send for many 'fishers' (the literature, the 'bait' so to speak) and fish them, and after that to send for 'hunters' and hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.-- Jeremiah 16:16.

"While the literature is widely scattered, we see that it is in God's program to have Hunters to do what the literature cannot do. And so daily we see that through the combined efforts of the 'hunting' and 'fishing' work God's people are being 'gathered one by one.'-- Isaiah 27:12.

"When the Hunters follow the literature into the field they often rejoice to see the working of the Spirit as It causes the people to get out the literature they had before laid aside and begin to study and appreciate it. If you will indulge us the time, we would like to relate just one experience that well illustrates this.

"After having given a study to a man and his wife, they became convinced of the truth of the Shepherd's Rod and called up some Seventh-day Adventist neighbors to come over and hear the

'Rods' teach the Bible. Then two other families arrived at the close of the first study, and so the Hunters were asked to give another study so they could hear it, and not to leave without repeating the first study. So Matthew 20 was repeated and Daniel 2 was given as the second study, after which the enrollment cards for the Bible course were introduced. Immediately, they all said that they had received these through the mail, but had laid them aside, after having been warned not to read the Rod literature. Then they brought the enrollment cards out from under some books, and signed them in our presence and thanked God that He had sent some Hunters to them, and we thanked God for sending us to them.

"It is our hope that after hunting out the Tribes (Isa. 49:6), that we shall have the privilege of worshipping 'the Lord in the holy mount at Jerusalem' (Isa. 27:13), and then be called 'Priests of the Lord' (Isa. 61:6) to help gather in the Gentiles (Isa. 49:6).

"And now that the Hunting program is in its fourth year, and in view of the Light in the November, 1955, Code, we feel the tremendous responsibility that is ours as Hunters: that we must quickly show God's people that but a short time remains between now and the eternal fate of them and us too.

"May God help us to say and do only those things which will please God in our work."---- F. L. & C. M. W.

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#### HUNTING BREAKS DOWN PREJUDICE

"I fully believe the Hunting work is ordained of God and is a very effective means of winning those who could not be reached by any other method.

"A great number of Adventists have met us at the door with the information that the literature they receive all goes into the waste basket or fire; and yet, after a few minutes of entreaty they make an appointment for a study. When we have had two or three studies, these very people who would not read the literature or sign up for the Bible course, are then ready and anxious to do both.

"I recall one sister who was very prejudiced. She would not even allow us in her home, so we were very greatly surprised a few evenings later to see her at one of the studies. Another sister with whom we were studying had invited her and she came the first time out of mere curiosity, and later became genuinely interested in present Truth.

"In another place a brother and his daughter became interested because of their pastor's warnings against us. The mother felt sure that our work was of the Evil one, but to please her husband and daughter, she consented to a study in the home. At each following study there was a new member present. All were relatives and kept inviting others until the room was nearly full. One young man came only to refute the Message and prove to the rest that it was wrong, but this youth with every one of that group, is now a believer.

"In some cases, the receiver of the literature and the Bible course reads himself into the Message, but others require that personal touch, which the field workers by God's help can give, and some need the chart studies to fully understand the Message.

"May God bless the field work and give us all a determination to go forth with greater earnestness and zeal than ever before to finish the job He has for us to do."----C. G.

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#### HUNTERS CAN BE OF BOTH PRACTICAL AND SPIRITUAL HELP

"The Bible correspondence course in connection with the Hunting is making our witness much more effective.



"After calling on the people and holding a few studies they become interested, then as we go on our way the Bible course keeps up the interest that has been started. Varied are the privileges which open up to us for service. For instance, we called on a local elder in our section and made arrangements for a study. When we went to fill our appointment for the study the husband was finishing his milking chores. We had waited a few minutes when he came in with the smallest child, who had gotten into some lye. The mother became excited and was at a loss to know what to do. They let me give the child an antidote and help get him ready to take to the doctor. At the request of the parents we remained with the two other children while they were away. Upon their return home they still wanted a study. They showed deep interest from the start and several studies were held there. At the second study a young man came; he also became interested and we understand that they are still advancing in the Light.

"Another lady we met was looking and praying for light on Revelation 18:1. As a result she is rejoicing in this wonderful Message. We could go on and on relating many more heartening experiences that happened as we traveled from state to state, but the burden that presses itself upon me more forcibly each day is that as every phase of the work is important we must fill our place wherever we are, with all the fervor we

have for the rescue of our brethren in the church, knowing as never before that the time is short."

----O. R.

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#### HUNTERS HAVE THE MESSAGE WITH THE KEYS

"Since the Bible course is having such great success, some may be wondering if the Hunting Campaign is worthwhile and productive.

"The Hunters meet some who have received the wrong impression of us. They are surprised when we call on them and find that through the grace of God we possess the Key of Truth which unlocks many verses, yes even chapters of the Bible.

"For example, we recently contacted a lady who at first told us that she had been receiving the literature and wished to receive no more. She later revealed that she had been influenced by the wrong impression of us by her minister, and stated her desire to enroll in the Bible course.

"I can truly say that the work is great and important. I thank the Lord that He has permitted me to help out in this grand and glorious work--the Hunting campaign."----D. F.

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### ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THE LORD'S BLESSING THE HUNTING EFFORT

"In writing an article on some of the experiences in the field, I knew the most difficult part would be to decide which experience to relate as we have so many wonderful ones in the Hunting Campaign.

"This incident may serve as an example of how the work is progressing in the field: It was to be my first contact in a new area. A lady who was in her yard greeted me, and I told her my mission. She said that she had received the literature but she really wasn't interested. Since it was cold outside, however, she asked me to come in. We soon became engaged in a discussion about the beliefs in the church and of the Rod. When she learned what we believe, she was very much interested. Especially glad was she to know that we are Sabbath-keepers. She made an appointment for a study the next day. When I came the next day she and her married daughter were there to listen to the study.

"They just 'drank it in,' so to speak. They could plainly see the Truth. It is amazing how someone who is looking for a hook upon which to hang his doubt finds the Message

confusing, while those who are searching for Truth, find it simple and easy to understand.

"This is only one example of how the Lord has blessed the hunting efforts. After my experience so far in this work, I can see why the Lord calls them 'Hunters' for that is exactly what they do. My faith in this promise helps me to joyfully continue in the work of hunting: 'He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.'--Psalms 126:6."  
----A. S.

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### JOY OVER INCREASE IN SOULS AND BRANDS PLUCKED FROM FIRE

"Observing the signs of the time, the solemnity of the hour, and the momentous responsibility of the closing work for the church, I am determined to love mercy, to do justly and to walk humbly with the Lord.

"Sitting here studying a more sure word of prophecy: Hosea 3: 4, 5, it is readily seen, that a people in the latter days would seek the Lord their God and David their king. The beliefs I have that this prophecy is soon to be fulfilled by the Elijah message, 'the last Heavensent proclamation of the gospel, preached first:

to the church just before the great and dreadful day of the Lord, and then to all the world during that long expected day' (Tract No. 9, Behold, I Make All Things New, p. 67), brings unspeakable joy to me.

"Behold what manner of love hath the Father bestowed upon us, that He would send for many fishers, that they may fish for the lost sheep of the house of Israel, and afterward, He promised to send for many hunters, and they would hunt them, from every mountain, every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks. Thus, through the fishing and hunting, the closing work for the church, Israel shall be gathered and Laodicea warned.

"My heart has truly been made glad by the increase of souls through both the fishing and hunting campaigns that God has ordained to accomplish the closing work for the church. Recently, my heart was over-charged with joy as I witnessed other 'brands plucked from the fire,' figuratively speaking, by the fulfilment of Jeremiah 16:16 and Hosea 2: 1, 2. As a result of the fishing and hunting at \_\_\_\_\_, the church elder has taken his stand for present Truth along with his wife and two other sisters. I can truly say, as did the Psalmist, 'Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting; and let all the people say, Amen. Praise ye the Lord.' "----W. M.